

Telkwa

**AUGUST 2010
NEWSLETTER**

**BC Day
Statutory Holiday
August 2nd**

Where the Rivers Meet and Friends Gather

INFORMATION

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Municipal Office Hours:
Monday to Friday
8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Closed 12:30-1:30 pm

Maintenance Shop &
After Hours
Emergencies
Phone: 846-9144

Telkwa Fire Dept.
Emergency
846-5555

Telkwa School
846-5851

Reading Centre
846-9286

Telkwa Post Office
846-5676

Transfer Station
846-6805
Monday to Friday
8:00 am to 6:00 pm
Sat. & Sun.
10:00 am to 6:00 pm
Bylaw Officer
250-846-5928

WE'RE ON THE WEB
www.telkwa.com

Council Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month. Statutory Holidays excluded. The public is welcome to attend.

The next Council meeting is Aug. 23rd
**PLEASE NOTE THE
AUG. 9th MTG. IS
CANCELLED**
at 7:00 pm.
The agenda may be viewed at the Village Office.

Water Use Restrictions - Stage 2

The 2nd Stage of Water Use Restrictions are now in place. These restrictions will be strictly enforced to ensure an adequate supply for fire emergencies. Anyone in contravention of these restrictions will have their water turned off and it will cost \$25.00 to have it turned on again.

Once a Week Watering

A hose-connected or an automatic in-ground sprinkler will be limited to the hours of 4:00 am to 9:00 am or 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

2.1 Lawns/Trees/Shrubs/Flowers/Vegetables - Once a Week Watering

Watering of lawns/trees /shrubs/flowers/vegetables must be done using hose-connected or automatic in ground sprinklers once a week according to the following schedule:

Zone 1 on Mondays
Zone 2 on Tuesdays
Zone 3 on Wednesdays

2.2 Washing Vehicles

Washing of motor vehicles, boats and recreational vehicles must be done with a hose equipped with a shut off device that is spring loaded and operates by hand pressure. Washing of vehicles will occur in accordance with the above zone schedule.

2.3 Washing Sidewalks and Driveways

There will be no washing down of sidewalks and driveways at any time.

Water Restriction Zones

Zone 1 - is described as that area on the East side of the Bulkley River (Highway 16 Corridor and the Bench area)

Zone 2 - is described as that area on the West side of the Bulkley River, on the North side of Coalmine Road (Cottonwood Flats area)

Zone 3 - is described as that area on the West side of the Bulkley River, on the South-East side of Coalmine Road. (Woodland area)



Enjoy live music at **EDDY PARK** in Telkwa.

- Bring your picnic dinner, blankets and lawn chairs.
- Relax, listen to great local music and enjoy summer with your neighbours.

6 - 9 pm

Aug. 19 and Sept. 16

CANADA DAY 2010 - THANK YOU

The Village of Telkwa would like to extend a big **THANK YOU** to the businesses and individuals who helped make our 2010 Canada Day Celebrations a big success! Special thanks to our organizers Stacey Price, Vicky Rokstad and Alfred Reutelsterz, and to their hard-working volunteers Rick Fuerst, Tammy DeEllion, Terry Hunt, Morgan Giddings, Dallas Olson, Leslie Bresser, Barb Fuerst, Liz Murphy, Helen Stead, Kim Martinsen, Eileen Steinke, the Telkwa Seniors, the Telkwa Museum Society, Team Telkwa, the 4H club and the entertainers at "Music in the Park".

Businesses - Riverbend Ice Cream Shoppe, BV Home Center, T&D Refrigeration, Connie's Coiffures, Assayer's Canada, TCIS, Pia Heer, Double D Lux Ranch, BV Credit Union, R&D Flagging and BV Wholesale.

The winners of the float contest were:

1st Place - Midway Services
2nd Place - West Fraser Concrete
3rd Place - Swiss Contingent

Winners of the bike decorating contest were:

1st Place - Emma Smith
2nd Place - Matthias De Gisi
3rd Place - Brayden Nelligan

This Canada Day was such a huge and exciting event involving many people and if we left anyone out we are very sorry. We learned a lot and can already envision next year being bigger and better with the help of our awesome volunteers.

To prepare for next year, we are asking the public for any ideas, wish lists, volunteer time or anything you can think of to enhance this special occasion.

HISTORY - contributed by Doug Boersema

I came across a copy of the Interior News of May 12, 1915. Some names and events may be of interest.

Empire Day Concert! - Will be given by the children of Smithers in aid of the Red Cross, in the Methodist Church Thursday, May, 24 at 8 p.m. Programme has been arranged. Admission 50 cents. Ernest Morin, a pioneer settler in the Bulkley Valley, the other day sold thirteen head of young cattle to F. G. Heal who is increasing the herds on his large ranch at Tyee Lake. The amount paid was over a thousand dollars. Ernest is also marketing a large quantity of potatoes, realizing seventy dollars a ton. **Note:** Ernest, along with Joe Bourgon and William Croteau, started the first sawmill in the Bulkley Valley, beside the creek flowing out of Tyee Lake. All the equipment, including the boiler, was brought

in on pack horses. The creek was know later as Croteau Creek as it flowed through Willy's land, part of which is now the Rainbow Trailer Court. Fred Heal was the first pioneer to come into the valley with a growing family about 1904. His land, called Aldermere Ranch, straddled the Telegraph Trail near Hislop Road and Tyee Lake Road. Mrs. Heal was the first Post Mistress at Aldermere. **Back to the paper.** George MacKenzie, the man who piloted the first passenger stage from Hazelton to the BV nine years ago, arrived from Burns lake the other day, where he had been cattle ranching for the past few years, where he recently disposed of his entire herd at a handsome figure. He is at present lending a hand at Sealy Ranch near town. **Note:** The Sealy Ranch and

the Carr Ranch were two large ranches at the corner of Telkwa Highroad and the Old Babine Road. Expressions of distance have to be taken in the spirit of the times. Ten miles out could still be considered near. **Back to the paper** - Stipendary Magistrate Hoskins and Chief Constable Taylor, of Hazelton, were here Monday, returning from an official visit to Telkwa in connection with a case in which a farm hand was charged with giving liquor to an Indian girl. The case was dismissed. **Note:** Judge Hoskins was a judge in Smithers and his son, later started Hoskins Ford. Read the interesting information display from the museum at the Ford Dealership! The Interior News, owned and published

by Joseph Coyle, although it was first published in Aldermere in 1910, had been moved to Smithers. Joseph Coyle, in response to many broken eggs delivered to the Telkwa Hotel in Aldermere, invented the egg carton and the machine to make it. This invention spread over a large part of the world!

Telkwa Reading Center by Christine Tessier

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer and catching up on some great reading.

I'll be back next month with my suggestions for "New to the Shelves."

See you at the library!

TELKWA MUSEUM SOCIETY - Contributed by Janet McDivitt

The museum's hours of operation are from 10 am to 4 pm Monday to Saturday. Closed Sundays. Our phone number is 252-846-9656.

A reminder of our presentation every Friday evening beginning at 6:30 pm, on "Building the Railway" - a show for the whole family by Museum guide Leonard Frazer. Come and check it out! Other displays include "The Telegraph Trail" and "Gasoline Alley" Have a look ...

Thanks to all those who visited the Museum on July 1st! St. Steven's Heritage Church is available year round for that special occasion such as weddings, baptisms, etc. Rental cost for the Church is \$100.00 for a full day with set-up the day before if needed. The back room of the Church can be rented for a small meeting area - an evening session would cost \$20.00 - a very nominal fee.

Next meeting is Wed. Aug. 18th at 7:30 pm Note change of date for this month only as some members are involved in the Fall Fair.

For info on the Museum or Church, please call the Museum at 846-9656 or Janet G at 846-5282, John or Janet McD. at 846-9003 or Doug B. at 846-9642.

Enjoy your summer!

2010 Property Taxes

A reminder to all home owners.

Every home owner is eligible for a home owner's grant on **ONE** home. There are still quite a few home owner's that have not claimed their home owner's grant. Even if your property taxes are paid through your mortgage account you still must bring your home owner's grant application to the village office before Dec. 31, 2010.

TELKWA SENIORS' SOCIETY (YOUNG AT HEART CLUB) Contributed by Janet Goheen

The Telkwa Seniors' are taking the summer off with the exception of the Pancake Breakfast, as always, the first Saturday of the month (Aug. 7).

Have a safe and fun summer!



Riverside Room

We will no longer be renting out the Riverside Room above the Municipal Office. This space will now be used as an extension of the office. For alternative rental facilities there is the Community Hall, the Seniors' Hall, Norma's Ark and possibly the school.

CHURCH WORSHIP

- Telkwa Christian Reformed Church will be moving to their single 10:00 am service start time with refreshments to follow each service.
- Faith Reformed Church of Telkwa 846-9710 Sunday 10 am & 2:30 pm.
- Mt. Zion Lutheran Congregation at St. Stephen's 847-3364 Sunday 10:00 am

Everyone is welcome to attend any of these services.

GO₂ Carshare Cooperative - A Sustainable Transportation Option for Telkwa Residents



The GO₂ Carshare Cooperative is a new way to get around town. As a member, you book the car for the time you need it and you pay only for when you use it. The fees that are collected look after the costs of gas, insurance, maintenance and repairs, and eventually will allow GO₂ to add additional vehicles, like a used truck, to its fleet. GO₂ could even locate a vehicle in Telkwa if there were enough active members. The co-op is open to both individuals and corporate members.

One of the carshare's goals is to help reduce local greenhouse gas emissions. GO₂ has launched its operations with a 2010 Toyota Prius, a very fuel-efficient and low emissions vehicle. Another goal is to help its members save money. The Canadian Automobile Association estimates Canadians spend an average of \$10,700 a year on the operating and ownership costs of their vehicles. Car share members could pay a fraction of that amount, anywhere from one-tenth to one-quarter, depending on usage. The co-op has also just signed a reciprocal use agreement with the Victoria Carshare Cooperative which means GO₂ members can use Victoria car share vehicles instead of the more costly option of renting a vehicle when they are in Victoria.

To join GO₂, you purchase a fully refundable, lifetime membership share of \$500. Other members of the same household can join for \$250. Corporate memberships (which include four drivers) are \$750. You also attend a short information/orientation session, fill out an application form, including proof of a valid driver's license and a clean driving record. Once the administrative details are confirmed, you can begin booking and using the vehicles.

To join or for more information: please contact Kim Struthers, GO₂ Carshare Co-op Coordinator at 250-877-6030, by email at kim.struther@onesky.ca or visit www.go2carshare.ca.

THE BEAR FACTS: Bear Innovation - contributed by Debbie Wellwood

Are You Rewarding Bears? If rewarded with food, bears can become very persistent in their attempts to get food from people. If you know a dog that has learned that garbage cans or compost heaps are filled with tasty rewards, you probably know how hard this behaviour is to discourage.



Make Your Compost Less Attractive to Bears:

- Make sure that you are composting as effectively as possible to minimize the food-value of your compost to bears. This requires an appropriate balance of carbon and nitrogen rich materials, moisture and air.
- For information about effective composting, visit the metro Vancouver website.
<http://www.metovancouver.org/services/solidwaste/composting/Pages/default.aspx>
- Reduce security cover around your compost that bears can hide in. Locating compost bins in an open areas - away from shrubs and trees - or clearing brush around existing compost bins may help to deter more wary bears.

Consider Bear Friendly Alternatives: Despite taking action to reduce the attractiveness of compost, people may still have problems with bears getting into it. You may need to find alternatives to backyard composting, particularly if you live in or near habitats used by bears or there is a history of problems with bears getting food from people in your neighborhood. If so:

- Consider using indoor worm composting techniques, or
- Support initiatives to develop community or neighbourhood bear-resistant composting sites

Recent Bear Reports: Conservation officers are asking that people look around their yards and take action to ensure that bears can not get garbage and other attractants. They have received a few reports of bear sightings in the Telkwa area. A recent incident of a black bear getting into garbage in Telkwa has also been reported. Soon bears will be entering a phase of hyperphagia - literally hyper-eating - to build the thick layer of fat they will need to survive almost half the year without eating while in hibernation. If bears have easy access to food from people, conflicts can be expected.

Conservation Officer Service: To report a serious wildlife conflict, call toll free 1-877-952-7277.

FEDO'S MARTIAL ARTS - Teen/adult summer Jui Jitsu Challenge Thursdays from Aug. 5 to Sept. 9. Fight night on Sept. 9. Fall Jui Jitsu classes start Sept. 13, Mon.-Thurs. from 7-8:15 pm. To register or for more info call Fedo's Martial Arts at 250-846-5289.

PIANO LESSONS Desiree van der Meulen is offering piano music lessons for ALL ages. Please call 250-846-9109 for further details about available lesson times and days. All inquiries are welcome.

GOOD FOOD BOX Order your good food box at Smithers Community Services (250-846-9515) by Aug. 9th for only \$15.00 (pay at time of order) and enjoy your fresh fruit & vegetables on Aug. 16th. It's & an excellent way to ensure your family is getting good nutrition in their daily diet. Put your order in & pick it up at St. James Church - 1636 Princess Ave. in Smithers. Just one more way to support local enterprise & reap the rewards while you're at it. For more info call Janet at 846-5282.

SILENT AUCTION - After a very successful auction last summer, the Telkwa Museum Society will be holding their 2nd Annual Silent Auction on the Labour Day Long-Weekend at the Museum. Viewing and bidding will take place on Sept. 4th and 5th from 10 am to 4 pm and on Sept. 6th from 10 am to 2 pm. Closing bids will be at 2:00 pm on Sept. 6. There will be a large variety of articles for bid. This is a major fundraiser for the Telkwa Museum and we hope to see you there. We will thankfully accept any items you may have to donate. For more

info please call the Museum at 846-9596
POLUCK BRUNCH Meet at Tyhee Lake at 10:00 am on the 2nd Sunday of each month. Bring eating utensils and a dish to share. Coffee will be provided. Everyone is welcome. Call 250-846-5472 for more information.

QUICK HAPPENINGS The newly developed Bulkley River Recreation Site that is maintained by Round Lake Community Association is now easier to find thanks to a sign on Hwy. 16 near West End Road. You will find that the trails are in good condition and the campsites are ready! You will even find 2 bear caches in which to safely keep your food. New maps are displayed or can be found at www.roundlakebc.com. RLCA is busy planning their fall activities. Is there something you would like to see happen at the hall & are willing to work to see it come about? Contact us! Please remember that the hall and its grounds are maintained by community volunteers so your help is appreciated by taking all your garbage with you. Hope to see you at Round Lake or on the trails.

CAMP CALEDONIA GRAND RE-OPENING - Everyone is invited to Camp Caledonia's Grand Re-Opening on Saturday, August 21 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Come and see the fabulous renovations done through the Job Creation Program under the supervision of Roye Lovgren. There will be ribbon cutting ceremonies, tours and refreshments. Visit the refurbished

cabins, cookhouse, staff house and Enid's Place, all of which will be available for group and event rentals. Next summer there will be several sessions of camps for children. Hope to see you there!

TELKWA MUSEUM - Have you taken the opportunity to visit the Telkwa Museum this summer? Two new displays have been added. Learn the impact of the Telegraph Lines and Automobile to the Bulkley Valley. The hooves of a thousand packhorses and cattle plodded along the Telegraph Trail. Visit the Telkwa Museum to see if they crossed your property. The Museum is open Monday through Saturday from 10 am to 4 pm. Don't miss the "Building the Railway Show" every Friday night at 6:30 pm at the Museum

RECAP ON UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug. 19th - Music in the Park
 Picnics, relaxation, sunsets, local musicians, friendly people - All found at our delightful Eddy Park.

Potluck Brunch
 Meet at Tyhee Lake at 10:00 am on the 2nd Sunday of the month. Share and enjoy!

"Building the Railway Show"
 Presentation every Friday night beginning at 6:30 pm at the Telkwa Museum

Annual Kinsmen BBQ/Demo Derby
 September 4, 5 and 6



BV Kinsmen Present the 98th Annual Telkwa BBQ & Demo Derby - Featuring the North west's Largest Slow Pitch Tournament

Sat. Sept 4

8:00 am to 6:00 pm

Pancake Breakfast
 Slow Pitch Tourney

Sun. Sept 5

8:00 am-6:00 pm

Pancake Breakfast
 Slow pitch tourney
 Demo Car Parade
 11:00 am 1st Demo Heat, show lasts until around 5 pm
 12:00 Beef is placed into the Pit
 7:00 pm Come & Dance to the Live music of "Loud" at the Telkwa Community Hall at the BBQ grounds.
 9 pm-1:30 am There will be a bus available for your ride back to Smithers

Dance Tickets Available at Coast Mountain GM in Smithers or Midway gas in Telkwa or at the door.

All tickets \$10.00. - No Minors



Both Sunday and Monday

Demo Pit
 In between Demo Heats watch the Remote Control Nitro Trucks provided By RC Racing NPT of Houston BC. Also in between heats will be Lawn Tractor Racing, it isn't about the grass anymore!!
 Balloon tosses and kid's give-a-ways going on both days during the show!

Mon. Sept 6th

8 am Slow Pitch tourney, check schedule for Finals
 10 am Enjoy a Magic Show by the Famous "Dr. J"!!!!
 11 am till its all Demo Derby over (approx. 6 pm)
 Noon-ish BBQ Beef on a Bun goes on sale at the Kitchen
 1 pm Kids games featuring the Frog Races, bring your own frogs, kids

