

Newsletter

Wow! Where did those last few months go? It seems like we were preparing the Fall Newsletter just a few weeks ago. But the snow and have melted, May is behind us and traffic into our Village will soon increase significantly. We hope you will enjoy this update that provides some of the goings-on around Val Quentin! If you have information you would like included in our newsletter please send us an e-mail! We hope you and your family have a wonderful summer!

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Contact Information

Fire, Ambulance, RCMP Emergency 911

RCMP Stony Plain Emergency 780-963-2217

RCMP Stony Plain Non-Emergency 780-968-7200

Community Police Officer and Animal Control 780-924-3434

Health Link: 811

Alberta One Call: **1-800-242-3447**Power Outages: **310-9473 (WIRE)**https://fortisalberta.com/contact-us

Council Members

Mayor: Bob Lehman Email: vqboblehman@gmail.com
Deputy-Mayor: Marlene Walsh
Councillor: Roger Montpellier Email: r.montpellier@valquentin.ca

Municipal Administrator: Dennis Evans Email: d.evans@valquentin.ca or by phone at 780-446-1426 Box 7, Site 19, RR 1, Gunn, AB T0E 1A0

Council Meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Sunset Point Office. Council Meetings are open to the public and everyone is welcome to attend.

Fire Ban Information

https://albertafirebans.ca/

Due to prolonged dry, hot and windy conditions, periodically Fire Bans will be implemented in the County of Lac Ste Anne.

This may prohibit open burning, fireworks, backyard fire pits, stoves and BBQ's that use fuels such as wood and briquettes.

Assessment and Taxation Notices

Assessment and Tax Notices for 2018 were mailed on May 1, 2018. Taxes are due by June 30, 2018 and may be paid by cheque or electronic transfer to s.evans@xplornet.com (See details on the reverse of the tax notice).

The monthly Tax Payment Plan option allows you to make regular payments and avoid penalties. An 18% penalty is applied July 1 for outstanding June taxes, and an 18% penalty to the total arrears on January 1st. Failure to receive a tax assessment notice is not considered sufficient reason for non-payment of taxes.

The Seniors Property Tax Deferral Program (SPTDP) allows eligible senior homeowners to defer all or part of their property taxes through a low-interest home equity loan with the Alberta government. Please contact the Alberta Seniors Information Line at 1-877-644-9992 for more detailed information on how you may qualify for this program. http://www.seniors-housing.alberta.ca/seniors/property-tax-deferral.html

For additional information on the Monthly Payment Plan, or if you did not receive your notice in the mail, please contact Dennis Evans, Municipal Administrator. Lac Ste Ane County Community Services is hosting their annual Seniors Tea on Friday, June 8, 2018

Noon to 3 PM

Lessard Lake Outdoor Education Centre

Phone: 780 785-3411 or e-mail tmonteith@LSAC.ca for more information

ALL Seniors are invited to attend

http://lsac.ca/news/527seniors-tea-2018

Alberta Beach Community and Council Meet and Greet

Saturday, June 23, 2018

10:00 AM - Noon

Coffee/Tea and Breakfast Bun provided

Alberta Beach 50+ Club

5012 - 48 Avenue

Alberta Beach

http://www.albertabeach.com/doclibrary/misc/Alberta%20Beach%20Council%20Meet%20&%20Greet%20-%202018.pdf

Development Permits

For all development questions, Development Permits, and Compliance Certificates please contact:

Diane Burtnik Box 339 Sangudo, Alberta, T0E 2A0

Phone: 780-284-0410 email: valquentindevelopment@yahoo.com

Safety Code Permits

Development or construction in the Village requires a Safety Codes

Permit. Please contact: Superior Safety Codes Inc.

14613-134 Avenue, Edmonton, AB T5L 4S9 Phone: 780-489-4777 Fax: 780-489-4711

Toll Free Phone: 1-866-999-4777 Toll Free Fax: 1-866-900-4711

(Includes Building, Electrical, Plumbing, Sewage and Gas Permits)

Street Addresses

DO YOU HAVE YOUR STREET ADDRESS PREDOMINANTLY DISPLAYED ON YOUR PROPERTY?

It is imperative that all properties are identified with their street address which is clearly readable from the roadway. This is the only way that emergency personnel such as fire, ambulance or police can quickly identify your property in case of emergency. If you are not sure what your address is, please contact Dennis Evans at

d.evans@valquentin.ca

Val Quentin Landfill

The Val Quentin landfill has re-opened and can be used for disposal of lake weeds, leaves and green wood.

Free Compost is available for gardening.

Bob Lehman has the key – no charge – must load yourself.

Waste collection services are provided in the Summer Village and collections are every Monday. Please place cans at the roadside or the front of your property by 7:00 am for collection.

All waste must be bagged and placed securely in a lidded waste receptacle to prevent animal access.

The regional landfill is operated by the <u>Highway 43 East Waste Commission</u>. The landfill is located 7 km west on Highway 43 from the Highway 33 junction.

Phone: (780) 967-3466 Fax: (780) 967-3710

The landfill is open 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Saturday. The landfill is closed on Sunday.

WATERFRONT ACCESS WEED PICK UP

This year, the SV of Val Quentin is working collaboratively with the Village of Alberta Beach to provide Weed Pick Up at the 60th Street Access. Lake weeds from Waterfront Properties will be the only item permitted for pickup.

Tri Village Appliance - Metal Pick up Wednesday July 5 & Thursday July 6, 2018

Includes: Any Metal Appliances, such as fridges, freezers, stoves dishwashers, washer/dryers, and hot water tanks, etc.

Cost: \$10.00 pickup charge plus \$25.00 freon discharge fee for refrigerated units.

IMPORTANT: To be put on the list, payment must be received at Alberta Beach Village Office prior to June 29, 2018 at 4935 – 50 Avenue, Alberta Beach

Did You Know ...

The SV of Val Quentin has enhanced Police Services during the Summer Months

Please Drive with Care and follow the Speed Limits!

If you would like to periodically receive notices and updates from the Summer Village, please provide us with your email address.

Did you know...

There are 51 Summer Villages in Alberta With assistance from the ASVA, Summer Villages work together to implement best practices.

http://www.asva.ca/

The ASVA is celebrating their 60th Anniversary this year!

Drainage Improvement Project - Open House

Public Information Meeting

All residents of the Summer Village of Val Quentin are invited to join Council and Consultant Alamgir Hossain from Opus Stewart Weir to review and provide comments on the preliminary plans for the Val Quentin Drainage Improvement Project.

Date: June 23, 2018

Time: 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Place: Alberta Beach Heritage Centre

Bulk and Bottled Water Truck Fill Station

Museum Road

The fillstation will be open for all residents to access in June

Alberta Health Services

Would you like to have your well water tested...

 $\frac{https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/assets/wf/eph/wf-eh-edmonton-water-sample-bottle-locations.pdf}{}$

 $\underline{https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/findhealth/service.aspx?id=1052212}$

Lac Ste Anne Trail - Road Repair

Pavement repair at the Burton Park access will be completed this summer.

Piers & Boat Lifts

ALL boat lifts, pier sections, pier stands and stored boats must be off the Parkways by May 31 annually, in order to facilitate lawn mowing and clean-up. Boat Tags are required to be hung on the wheel of the boat lift. These tags include an identification to confirm ownership. **Tags can be obtained by contacting Bob Lehman at 780 924 2137.**There is a \$10.00. registration fee.

Boat lifts without tags, may be towed away, due to lack of identification.

Community BBQ -Saturday, July 14, 2018

The Village Council will be hosting our 2nd Annual Community BBQ at Cantin Park on Saturday, July 14, 2018 from Noon to 4 PM. Hot Dogs, Watermelon and Refreshments will be served. Face Painting for the kids!

Come and enjoy an afternoon filled with entertainment and fun!

Alberta Beach Municipal Library

https://albertabeachlibrary.ca/about-us/membership

Hours of Operation:

Tuesday 2:30 PM - 8:00 PM Wednesday 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM Thursday 2:30 PM - 8:00 PM Saturday 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Email: ablibrary@yrl.ab.ca

Onoway Regional Medical Clinic

Telephone: 780 967 6477 4927 Lac Ste Onoway, T0E 1V0

The Summer Village of Val Quentin participates in an agreement with Lac Ste Anne County and other surrounding municipalities to operate the Onoway Regional Medical Clinic. This clinic provides access to local medical professionals. Onoway Regional Medical Clinic is open for appointments until 7:00 pm on Wednesdays.

On the late evening of January 1, and very early morning of January 2, 2018 Alberta Geological Survey seismic monitoring stations recorded a series of magnitude 2 events in Central Alberta

Within the next 24 hours, reports of an enormous iceridge at a number of Alberta lakes (Gull, Pigeon, Lac. St. Anne, Wabamun, Baptiste), as well as damage to homes and cottages (Lac St. Anne, Wabamun) was confirmed.

Ice-Quake - A violent cryoseismic expression of ice failure!

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What really happened?

- Lac Ste Anne is a shallow lake and a high water table
- 2 very wet years in 2016/2017 contributed to a ½ metre lake level increase
- Sediments were saturated
- With minimal to no snow cover in December 2017, previous snowfall had depleted, and no insulation allowed for rapid lake temperature change from the atmosphere.
- The warm temperatures before Christmas, and then a drop to 30 overnight caused rapid and deep ice formation, causing brittle ice to form. By Jan 16, ice was 70 cm thick.
- Then rapid warming caused the ice to expand exerting significant pressure that ruptured the brittle ice. Across the entire lake, there were approximately 3 to 4 meter expansion forming 1.5 m ice ridges and a quake that measured 2.0 on the Richter scale.
- Water filled the fractures in the ice.
- Another rapid cooling to -30C caused ice expansion and shore pressure (Ice Jacking)
- Another rapid warming, cracks formed, filled with water and then froze and expanded - pushing ice towards shorelines. Ridges grew around the shore line again by 1 to 2 meters.
- What caused the pressure ridges to form and the land deformation?
 - Lake ice had frozen to the lake bed. In many other areas there was water under the ice right to the shore. With ice frozen to the ground, pressure then caused land deformation since it had no place to expand. It either ruptured and formed ridges, or it deformed the land.
- Higher than normal precipitation weakened the land sediments as well, making it more susceptible to deformation.

http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/alberta-beach-ice-quake-1.4472757

LILSA - Lake Isle & Lac Ste. Anne - Water Quality Management Society www.lilsa.ca

Flowering rush is infesting Lake Isle, Sturgeon River and rapidly spreading to Lac Ste. Anne. This invasive plant brings many harmful impacts to cottage owners and all who enjoy fishing, swimming, and boating here. It could make it impossible for plants, fish or birds to thrive here, and has potential fill in both lakes, eliminating ALL swimming and boating activities.

These outcomes would drastically lower all property values around the lake.

There are currently no 100% effective methods for controlling Flowering rush and certain methods of removal can cause the plant to spread even faster! LILSA is coordinating a community-wide response to help prevent this infestation from infilling these lakes. We need your help!

The success of this initiative depends upon community involvement! We hope that at least one member of each family will register for one of the 3 free-of-charge information and training sessions being offered, which will then enable them to properly identify, remove and dispose of Flowering rush. LILSA will also be providing equipment and a volunteer to assist with the physical task.