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# The Kingfisher

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## The Community's Newsletter

... a publication of the Kingfisher Community Society

June 2019

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[kingfishercommunity.com](http://kingfishercommunity.com) is live!!



**From your Chair:**

*Murray MacDonald*

Since my last Chair Report, Kingfisher Hall has been spring-cleaned, Mother's Day pancakes have been cooked and the AGM went ahead. Lots of great organization and community involvement in all those events. Big thanks to Wayne Caswell for leading the Mother's Day crew.

The AGM was interesting in that the power was knocked out by a thunder storm. Undaunted we proceeded with candles lit. Being this was the 70th year of KCS, that seemed somehow appropriate. Halfway through the meeting, as we squinted in the dark, a late-comer pointed out that the power had been restored for some time already.

**News Flash!** Jackie Clark and Lin Clark have come on board as new directors. That along with the addition of Kowyn Hibbert in April, gives the board some very strong representation.

The Strategic Planning Meeting takes place on Saturday June 8th from 10-12. We hope many people will attend to help KCS connect with members ideas and remain relevant in these changing times.

This will be my last Chair Report as I am stepping down from the board of directors. It has been an honour to serve as Chair for these many years (I'm not even sure how many). I'm proud of this community for its traditions, acceptance of new-comers and willingness to adapt. Community is a worthy pursuit and one I look forward to supporting....from the sidelines.

By the way, it was Jackie Clark who started this monthly Chair Report. I picked it up and continued it. Did I mention she is coming back onto the Board?

### **FireSmart Tip of the Month**

We live in a beautiful community entwined with the forest that surrounds us. Fire is a natural element of that forest.

On the May long weekend, more than 65 community members gathered at Kingfisher Hall to hear FireSmart representative Brandy Maslowski clearly present the impacts and dangers that interface fires present to our homes and our lives and the steps that we can take to lessen those dangers.

A takeaway for me was to learn that when firefighters are presented with a number of houses on fire they will pass by homes that have multiple risk factors (i.e. shake roof, evergreens close to home, etc.) in order to focus their finite resources on a fire smart home that they have a greater chance of saving.

There are clearly written and informative brochures available at the hall to help you make your home and property FireSmart. Take the time to read them.

**Thank You**

Alastair Crick, RDNO Protective Services Manager, who will involve local expertise to develop a clear evacuation plan which will be available for the 2020 fire season.

Brandy Maslowski, FireSmart Representative, for extending our mandate and travelling from Summerland for the presentation.  
Herb Latchko, for initiating our community's involvement with FireSmart and for keeping the need, since 2005, for a timely and clear evacuation plan in the forefront of RDNO's attention.

Denis Delisle, RDNO Area F Representative, for his tremendous support of our local FireSmart group and for making emergency planning a priority.

**A HUGE thanks to the Kingfisher FireSmart Steering Committee – Sandra Scott, Brad Clark, Laurie Baines, Herb Latchko, Keith Grey, George Jameson, Chuck Wallis. We are a great crew.**

### Scholarship

The Kingfisher Community Society Youth Citizenship Scholarship is awarded annually to a local graduate. Successful candidate(s) will have strong community involvement.

Application is open to residents of Kingfisher (Halfway Hill to Mabel Lake) graduating from grade 12 (enrolled in any school) planning on furthering their education (not limited to university or college; there are many forms of education). Application forms available from Scholarship Committee member or KCS director. Application deadline June 15.

### Kingfisher Community Society Strategic Planning Saturday June 8 10 am to noon Kingfisher Hall

Everyone is welcome to participate in this meeting to offer ideas and energy for the development of our community association.

We will look at ways to involve more people in the organization through volunteering, leadership and participation.

**Questions? Call Laura Jameson [250 838 6379](tel:2508386379)**

## KINGFISHER MEMBERSHIPS

### Are available from

please buy or renew your memberships

Megan Martin [megan92@gmail.com](mailto:megan92@gmail.com) 250-838-0155

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**News from the Kingfisher  
Country Quilters !  
SUMMER HOURS**

During the months of June, July and August, the quilting group will continue to meet at Kingfisher School on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, starting at 10:00 a.m.

Bring your own personal projects on which you are working, some of those UFP's ( unfinished projects) from your sewing nook, and/or any projects which you may need some help with or would like someone else's ideas on. Don't forget your lunch and your sense of humor!

**BOOK CLUB**

Is looking for a volunteer to take over the responsibilities of organizing books and meetings.

A Huge Thanks to Sue & Gerry Levitt,  
Megan Martian Clark for all your help  
with spring cleanup at the school

**MacKenzie Camp  
Open House  
June 22, 10 am - 3:30 pm**

- Get details about 2019 Summer Programs!
- Check out the cabins, kitchen, beach, dining hall, & climbing wall!
- Hotdogs, veggies, & goodies!

Got questions?  
Call 250-838-6293 or go to [mackenziecamp.ca](http://mackenziecamp.ca)

*Behold the Power of Camp!*

**We are the LPG5 group (Local Planning Group)  
which includes 8 locations:**

- Club Kingfisher
- Mabel Ridge Estates
- Golf Course
- Foreshore
- Airpark
- Condos
- Mabel Lake Resort
- Mabel Lake Place/Cessna Rose

***WE ARE A VOLUNTEER GROUP ONLY***

In the event of an emergency, we have muster stations to enable us to get information and updates to the residents and guests in an organized fashion. **IF** a situation arises that requires the coordination of people awaiting direction from officials, we will be onsite to do so.

**KINGFISHER FARMERS MARKET  
JUNE 26 11-1**

[info@barbbannister@gmail.com](mailto:info@barbbannister@gmail.com) 250 838-7312  
Many new vendors and some returning vendors

## Emergency Preparedness/Evacuation Plan

June 2019

Submitted by Herb Latchko

It was great to see the turn-out at the FireSmart meeting on May Long. Besides the FireSmart presentation, we heard from Denis Delisle, our RDNO Representative and Alastair Crick, the RDNO Protective Services Manager. Denis has a great deal of experience with wildfires and is committed to supporting community efforts generally, as well as our community efforts in dealing with wildfire preparedness and response. Alastair informed us as to how the revision of the Evacuation Plan is proceeding and that the Revised Evacuation Plan will not be in place for this fire season. The process will include input/suggestions from residents with local knowledge, expertise and previous planning information.

Local Planning Group #5 (LPG #5) met the morning before the FireSmart meeting. LPG #5 has seven sub-groups in their area, with seven contact people. Each of the sub-group contact persons explained what their sub-group has been planning, as they moved from area to area. Planning has included: listing resources, potential hazards, water availability, suggested muster points, communication options and possible evacuation route. The Local Planning Groups serve in no official capacity. They act as neighbour helping neighbour, filling the void and making suggestions until governmental agencies take over the planning (Revised Evacuation Plan) and Wildfire BC and or RCMP arrive to deal with emergency situations. One of the main functions of the LPG is to prevent the spread of misinformation.

Once again, Brad Clark has taken on the task of setting out and filling many/most of the Fire Barrels. Brad reports that one of the Fire Barrels/Buckets has disappeared. The Fire Barrel was at the bottom of the halfway. This is rather disheartening news. Brad is willing to set out more Fire Barrels in hazard areas, if people are willing to “sponsor” their placement. The cost to sponsor a Barrel/Bucket Station would be around \$60-70. Please consider chipping in with someone and sponsoring a Barrel/Bucket Station at a location of your choosing or one of Brad’s. Call 250-838-6525 if you are interested.

On Friday the 24<sup>th</sup>, the Premier of BC was in Kelowna making an announcement about putting \$31 Million in to Fuel Load Reduction within 2kms. of communities. The news report wasn’t clear as to if the money was for the Kelowna area or the entire Province. Dr. Lori Danial’s, from SFU’s Tree Ring Lab, estimates the cost to substantially reduce the fuel loads around most communities in BC to be between \$3-4 Billion. As pointed out at the FireSmart Meeting, most of private property damage caused by fire comes from fire born embers from up to 2km away from the residence.

The news is full of information about increased floods and fires as a result of Climate Change. Young people and millennials are getting involved and active. Consider making Climate Change and issue in the upcoming elections.

### **The Firesmart Committee**

would like to create a ‘Resource Reference List’ for the area.

If you have a skill or service that may be of assistance or interest to residents of Kingfisher, and would like your name added to the list, please send that information to:

**George Jameson**  
**g67george@gmail.com**

## Spring into Summer with Salmon

The Kingfisher Interpretive Centre (KIC) has been incredibly busy with their annual salmon fry release field trip season. The Centre will be hosting a record breaking 40 schools this year throughout April, May and June, with children from three local school districts participating. The Stream to Sea Program offered by DFO and delivered by the KIC is more important than ever with salmon stocks in decline throughout the Fraser River watershed. The salmon enhancement efforts of the KIC and the participating schools play an important role for our Chinook salmon by enriching salmon stocks and creating salmon stewards. The students spend an entire day at the Centre and learn about the importance of maintaining healthy watersheds, habitats, forests and aquatic life. They get connected to the natural world through direct, experiential learning. If anyone is interested in volunteering or just watching and learning, please join us for day at the Centre.

Summer programming will commence on July 4th, 2019 with on-site interpreters available from Thursday to Monday 9:00 – 2:00. If you are interested in bringing a larger group of friends and/or family, special arrangements should be made in advance.

The KIC is excited to be hosting several programs and events this summer. A “Cedars and Salmon” open house in celebration of 2019 being International Year of the Salmon will be taking place on Sunday July 14th from 11:00 – 3:00. Activities, tours and snacks will be included with a meet and greet with staff and Directors. Come and learn about salmon and their relationship to Cedars, who we are, what we do and many different ways to get involved. All ages welcome.

The annual Learn to Fish event will be taking place on Sunday July 28th from 9:00 – 3:00. This popular event will provide many activities including fly tying, fly fishing, bug hunting and a real life fishing experience for youth 15 and under.

There will be other exciting events taking place in August that will be advertised next month. Stay tuned by following us on Facebook or Instagram.

The KICS would like to welcome and introduce our Board of Directors for the 2019 -2020 term;

President: Barb DuTot

Vice President: Jean Clark

Treasurer: Shelley Verlaan

Secretary: Shelley Verlaan

Directors at large: Kim Fulton, Carolyn Uher, Edna Felix

If anyone is interested in volunteering or would like to serve on the KICS BoD, please contact us at (250) 838-0004 or at [kingfisherinterpretivecentre@gmail.com](mailto:kingfisherinterpretivecentre@gmail.com).

### Sky News

Seriously, in astronomy there are no Blue Moons. Popularly, Blue Moons have several definitions; some erroneously concocted, some etymologically stretched from Old English, another a simple physical occurrence of atmospheric reflection, and lastly, immortalized in song. Most notable sources will define the Blue Moon as the third Full Moon in a seasonal cycle. This means that the May 18th Full Moon was the third in a series of four this Spring. Next Blue Seasonal Moon is 2 years, 8 months and 18 days away. No matter what, I like the popular definition of two Full Moons in one month.

Early morning riser? Watch for Jupiter in opposition on the 10th of June before sunrise. Jupiter is closest to the Earth at this time. Summer planet viewing prominent in July/August evening in SW. Solstice on Friday June 21st at 8am local daylight saving time zone. Good viewing, y'all, Niarb Nissul.

### KINGFISHER SCHOOL LIBRARY MAY 2019

We would like to thank again for all the donations over the fall, winter and spring months. The library is doing a big clean up on April 27th, we need to clean the rug in the children's library area so hopefully we can get rug cleaner machines to do that.

The library is open every Wednesday thanks to Lisa Miner and the quilting ladies. Thank you all, see you when the Market opens up on June 26th, 2019.

**Sue Leavitt and Bonnie Warawa**

### Area Roads - info gathered by Brian Lussin

If you have concerns about the roads in our area (Service area 13). Action is required so please *don't hold back*. Ken Namislo, our local Ministry rep, says we must make our concerns directly to the contractor to get the best service. He says the contract is worth millions and after all it is paid out of our tax dollars. Also cc the MLA, Greg Kylo. The new contractor is a large international company (big pockets and more equipment). Here is the info:

1. Acciona Infrastructure Maintenance **1-866-222-4204**
2. Ken T. Namislo, Area Manager, Roads Salmon Arm, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure **250-833-3378**
3. Greg Kylo, MLA, Constituency Office, SA **250-833-7414**  
Victoria Office  
**250-356-6171**

### MOWING TENDER:

The KCS is inviting quotations for the contract mowing of the hall grounds. For details of what is required contact **Greg Clark. 250-838-0292** Deadline for submissions is April 30/19. The board of directors will determine the successful applicant.

### JANITORIAL TENDER:

KCS is looking for individuals interested in providing Janitorial Services for the Hall and the School. Interested parties can contact **Deanna Caswell - 250-838-9678**

**Community Ads (free to KCS members)**

<p><b>Mini excavator for hire</b> 0 turn, 5'wide 52 hp</p> <p><b>Dirt work</b> Driveway parking areas ditching....etc,etc,etc</p> <p><b>Bush work</b> Tree removal stump removal Brush removal....etc,etc,etc</p>	<p><b>Allen</b> 250-838-6062</p> <p><b>Brad</b> 250-838-6326</p>	<b>Consultants</b>
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<p><b>Clark Boyz</b></p> <p>3173 Mabel Lake Rd Enderby, BC V0E 1V5 Allen 250-838-6326 Brad 250-838-6326</p> <p>License tree <b>faller 15 + years</b> production falling. Heavy Equipment <b>Operators since 1969</b> Logging development, Road construction and maintenance, erosion control....etc</p>	<b>Consultants</b>
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**BOTTLE RECYCLABLES NEEDED....**

If you are not wanting to sort out your pop/beer/wine bottles, we will gladly pick them up for you or you can drop them off at The Schalin Farm located 2843 Mabel Lake Road. Aspen, Navi and Boden are fundraising for fastball and 4-H and are looking for ways to help out with costs.

**LOOKING FOR LEADS**

Please give me a call if you spot interesting wildlife out Kingfisher way. I love coming out to the valley to catch these images. Thanks!

Janet Brown, 250-833-8181

[www.janetbrownphotography.com](http://www.janetbrownphotography.com)

[e:janetbrownphotography@yahoo.com](mailto:e:janetbrownphotography@yahoo.com)

**Guided Meditation**

Guided Mindfulness Meditation with Yogini Rawal every Wednesday at 7PM at Loris', 3130 Mabel Lake Road. Contact Loris (250-838-7747) or George

**Tennis Anyone?**

I am looking for anyone in the Kingfisher area that could play week day afternoons or weekends.

Please call 250-503-6198  
Bruce Ingleson

**Road Hockey**

The tennis Court. Sundays 2.30 pm  
**Equipment Supplied**

**Badminton Kingfisher Hall**

*Catalin Faget*  
1 250 999 0945 or the Hall 838 6200

**Pickle Ball: Kingfisher Hall**

**Tuesdays: 2 pm**

**Fridays: 2 pm**

**Sundays: 2 pm**

**Pickleball paddles provided - just bring your enthusiasm!**

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**[hddrywall@xplornet.com](mailto:hddrywall@xplornet.com)**



### Kingfisher Community Society Directors

Chair -----	Murray MacDonald -----	250 838 6379
Secretary	Marion Fernandez	250 838 9567
Treasurer -----	Brenda Heywood -----	250 838 2193
Memberships	Megan Clark-Martin	250-838-0455
Hall Bookings/Entertainment --	Deanna Caswell-----	250 838 9678
Maintenance	Greg Clark	250 838 0292
Liquor and Supplies -----	Dirk Campagnolo-----	250 838 6278

### Receipts and Invoices

If you have a bill or invoice related to the KCS, contact Brenda Heywood, our treasurer, 838-2193.

Directors meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month; members are welcome to attend!

Please write to: [kcsentertainmentdirector@gmail.com](mailto:kcsentertainmentdirector@gmail.com) to know about events. [KCSrecreation@gmail.com](mailto:KCSrecreation@gmail.com) to ask about activities happening in & around the hall

### Membership Megan Martin

250-838-0455

([megaan92@gmail.com](mailto:megaan92@gmail.com))

\$30/family and \$20/single.

### KCS Newsletter

Email photos and news items to: [editorkingfisher@gmail.com](mailto:editorkingfisher@gmail.com)

**Deadline is strictly 25th of each month.**

### KCS Advertising Paid Advertisements

Direct all your advertising and distribution questions to George Jameson.

[g67george@gmail.com](mailto:g67george@gmail.com)

Paid ads - limited to 1/8 page, Word Doc only. KCS members only Ads run from May - April for full year (\$100), or 6 months or less for \$50 Make cheque payable to Kingfisher Community Society



### MABEL LAKE GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB

Mabel Lake Golf and Country Club is looking for energetic, diligent team players to join our existing Team for the 2019 season.

We offer competitive wages, great benefits and incentives for our employees. If you are friendly, out-going, enjoy meeting new people and are interested in being part of our Team – please email [mabellakegolf@telus.net](mailto:mabellakegolf@telus.net), with a copy of your resume.

### Positions

- Line Cook
- Pizza Cook
- Grounds Crew
- Lounge
- Housekeeping

From OUR ARCHIVES Kingfisher Community Society Mandate

The purposes of the KCS are:

- to acquire land and thereon build and operate a Community Hall and Recreation Centre, and
- to foster and promote social, sporting, recreational, charitable and educational activities

# June 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4 2:00 PICKLE BALL	5	6	7 10:00 PARENT/TOT - H 2:00 PICKLE BALL 8:00 BADMINTON - H	8 STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION - H 10-12:00
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23 2:00 PICKLE BALL 2:00 BOOK CLUB - S	24	25 2:00 PICKLE BALL	26 10:00 KCQ & LIBRARY 11:00 - 1:00 KINGFISHER FARMER'S MARKET	27 <b>LAST DAY OF SCHOOL - SD 83</b>	28 10:00 PARENT/TOT - H 2:00 PICKLE BALL 8:00 BADMINTON - H	29
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