
The Kingfisher



The Community's Newsletter

... a publication of the Kingfisher Community Society

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www.kingfishercommunity.com is live!!



Chairperson Duties to be Shared

At the April 11 Directors meeting, the Directors decided to share the role of Chairperson. Eight Directors are remaining and it was felt that sharing the responsibilities could be beneficial to the group and will contribute to succession planning. Each Directors' meeting will include a review of the Chairperson duties for the month.

Duties are:

Chairing meetings: rotating among Directors

Liaison with RDNO: Michele and Suzanne

Setting Agendas: Laura

Monitoring Chairperson email: Kowyn

Front page of newsletter article: Rhea

New emails are being set up that are Specific to the Community Society. See updated contact information on the back page.



Rhea

kingfisherpromos@gmail.com

If you are reading this give yourself a pat on the back and say YEAH ! I made it through another winter!!

Hello everyone,

This is your first "Front Page" since Jacky has stepped down from her Chair position. Obviously, we have some big shoes to fill, and for now, all of us on the board are going to be sharing "Chair Duties" until we find the right person to fill those shoes. We all agree that this strategy will work well for the time being and everyone is keen to work together to ensure things run smoothly...Thank you again Jacky for your time and energy you've given to help out with the KCS - we are all very grateful!

Spring has arrived in our beautiful valley, although as I'm writing this the weather outside looks more like winter - it is sleeting and grey - but somehow, the sounds of the river rushing and the birds chirping makes it feel a little less gloomy. The grey days also provide a good window of time for indoor tidying, organizing and decluttering - look out Free Store!

To wrap this up, I just wanted to add that we are so thankful for all the community involvement and support for our events out here at our little Hall. We've got some of our favorites coming up over the next few months, Mother's Day Breakfast, the Porch Party, an Art Show, 101 Classes and more! Also, if you have ideas/events that you'd like to see happen, we are always open to hearing your input.

I'm signing off with this quote I came across the other day that really inspired me. I hope it does the same for you...

"Community is much more than belonging to something; it's about doing something together that makes belonging matter."

So here's to us...!

Mothers' Day Breakfast



Kingfisher Community Hall

Sunday, May 14th

9am - 11am

Adults \$10 • 12 & under \$5

We will have a special "Just For Mom" draw to win a gift basket full of local goodies as well!

Luke Davidson and our wonderful team of volunteers will be back in the kitchen flipping flapjacks and serving up all mom's favorite sides!

If you would like to help out or contribute in some way, please send us a message at kingfisherpromos@gmail.com

Because it's only the best of the best for our Moms!

Porch Party

May 28 • 5 pm

Everyone Welcome!

Burgers and hot dogs provided.

Please Bring a salad or dessert.

BYOB



2023 MacKenzie Camp Golf Tournament!

**Salmon Arm Golf Club
Saturday, June 10, 2023**

Tee-off: 2:30 pm Dinner: 5 pm

Collect Tournament Sponsors

- Golfers ~ collect \$500 or more to golf & dine for free!
- Non-golfers ~ collect \$400 or more to dine for free!

Win Prizes!

- \$10,000 for a Hole-in-One on Hole #2!
- Scamble/Best Ball
- Best Score/Worst Score; 3KPs
- Most pledges raised

Collect Golf Tournament Sponsors!

For Pledge Kits call Doug Lammle

(250-549-0757) or Les Ellenor (250-832-7827)



ALL proceeds help children go to MacKenzie Camp this summer!



MacKenzie Camp Proudly Presents!

A Hippy Birthday,



Woodstock!



Saint Andrew's United Church
1110 Belvedere Street, Enderby

Charles Bloom Secondary School
Theatre, 1894 Glencaird St. Lumby

MAY 5 & 6 ~ Dinner Theatre \$25
Dinner @ 6 pm Show @ 7 pm
Doors: 6:30 pm (\$10 Show Only)

MAY 12 \$10 (Show Only)
Doors @ 6:30 pm Show @ 7 pm

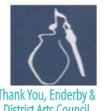
Communal Dinner: Turkish Hash (potatoes, veggies, chicken),
Grass (salad), Bread (buns/biscuits), Psychedelic Brownies

May 7 Matinee \$10
Doors: 1:30 pm Show @ 2 pm

**DOOR PRIZES
FOR BEST
COSTUMES!**



**RESERVATIONS REQUIRED! TO RESERVE TICKETS OR
FOR MORE INFORMATION, PHONE 250-306-9556**



Fuel Load Reduction

May 2023

Submitted by Herb Latchko

By clicking on the link below, you will be taken to the B.C. Wildfire's April 2023 Spring Wildfire Outlook. Besides general weather predictions, the site includes a video with speakers detailing weather, snowpack and river flow forecast. <https://blog.gov.bc.ca/bcwildfire/april-2023-spring-wildfire-outlook/>

I have cut and pasted part of the text below:

The BC Wildfire Service anticipates a relatively normal spring pattern with cool conditions and scattered showers across much of the province.

Early season lightning fires are unlikely as the snowpack persists at elevation and continues to bury fuels that are otherwise receptive to lightning ignitions. The Interior is already experiencing valley-bottom grass fire activity (primarily human-caused) and the potential for early-season grass fires elsewhere will depend on the persistence of valley bottom snow.

Elevated drought conditions from fall 2022 will persist until significant and prolonged precipitation is observed.

And again, cut and pasted text more specific to our area:

Rain over the Easter long weekend helped alleviate drought conditions in some regions including the B.C. Coast and portions of the Kootenays. The rain shadow effect of the Coast Mountains resulted in less rainfall over the Kamloops Fire Centre and the Cariboo where elevated drought codes persist.

The drought code mentioned above refers to the deep soils, which are very dry to the hotter and dryer fall last year. Once the soil is frozen, it is hard for it to absorb moisture through snow and spring rains.

Check for burning restrictions and venting conditions if you are considering burning

MACKENZIE CAMP

on beautiful Mabel Lake

For kids & youth aged 6-17

July 4 thru August 18

Registration opens Feb 1st!

Go to www.mackenziecamp.ca

Quality care & Programming -

Golf, Fishing, & Art Camps, too!



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GET MORE INFO

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MacKenzie Camp – A United Church of Canada Camp & Retreat Centre
URL www.mackenziecamp.ca email maccamp@shaw.ca





ARTS AND CRAFT SHOW AND SALE

May 13th from 10 am to 2 pm
Kingfisher Hall: refreshments and snacks too!

Cash and cheques work well.

Interested?

Contact Brian: balussin@telus.net T: 250 838 7060.
Or...

Contact George: g67george@gmail.com T: 250 838 6882



Notice of AGM Kingfisher Interpretive Centre Society

May 24th at 7:00 PM

Riverside Community Hall
3784 Trinity Valley Rd. Enderby

Is raising salmon on land the next big thing in farming fish?
What alternatives are available to open net pen salmon farming?

Presentation by a local salmon farmer
Habitat Farms

Habitat Farms is a certified organic, local farm dedicated to the preservation of wild salmon stocks. Their innovative efforts involve land-based salmon farming, for consumption, while using the nutrient enriched waters for fertilization of crops. Their approach is simple, provide salmon for people, take pressure off wild stocks while eliminating any pollutants that could damage our watersheds or oceans. Their efforts continue to evolve, along with their technologies and they are now looking at ways to assist with wild stock rejuvenation. Join us as we learn together more about their history, their approach and their goals.



WE ♥ OUR VOLUNTEERS

HALL CLEAN-UP

Was really great, over 20 people showed up at we worked inside and out. Shared lunch and visited with each other.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Kingfisher 1st Responders | Caring for our Community

Looking for volunteers with 1st Aid Medical background.
Respond to email: Kingfisher1stResponders@hotmail.com



Kingfisher Hall "101" Events

Saturday May 27, 2023
Mushroom gathering— ID ing
11 am meet at the Hall

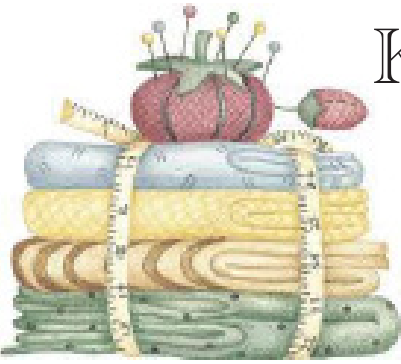
Bring your mushroom tool and a basket.

Hosted by Becky Loverock
mushroom guru

Call Jacky if you need more information T: 250 838 6062

Rock hounding along the river was fun and informative.
A BIG thanks to Denis Delise for sharing his knowledge

We are thinking of exploring the old Marble mine.
Stay tuned....



Kingfisher Country Quilters

Would like to welcome all quilters and crafters to join us at the Kingfisher School, every Wednesday, to work on either a charity project or your own project.

10:00am - 4:00pm

Coffee/Tea provided, bring your own lunch

For more information contact:

Lisa Miner

250-838-7128

lisamarie313ca@gmail.com

LIBRARY NEWS

Library hours are 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM every Wednesday.

Due to the generosity of our community the library is overflowing with books so we have come to the painful decision that we can no longer accept any book donations.

We owe a huge thank-you to Betty Gubler for her hard work and valuable ideas organizing the library. She has been there every week, all winter, and I am looking forward to working with her over the busy summer.

Submitted by Sherry Saunby

KCS Memberships available for purchase

IN LOVING
MEMORY

OF THOSE WHO ARE
FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS

Hello everyone,

Please join us in celebrating the lives of Laraine Ryder and Hubert Vancaillie.

June 17th, 2023 at 2pm
Kingfisher Hall

It will be an informal event - expect some stories told by friends and family, photos of their many adventures and friendships, and probably some of Bert's baking. No need to wear black - they both loved colour.

Please reach out if you have any questions, or are interested sharing a story at the event.
Mayna.vancaillie@gmail.com



LOOKING FOR A DIFFERENT KIND OF SUMMER JOB?

Great summer jobs, in great locations, are hard to find. Not anymore! Rivermouth Marina at Mabel Lake, B.C. is seeking fun, high-energy, customer-oriented employees for the positions below.

Part-time customer service / pump jockey – if you are an upbeat, positive person this role is for you!

Cook - entrepreneurial, flexible and resourceful person, with a keen commitment to delighting the customer to ready and launch our new food trailer.

Caretaker/yard worker - that is self-motivated, reliable, and thorough; to maintain the Marina, boat launch and surrounding facilities, along with a couple of other sites.

To apply, or for more information, visit www.rivermouthmarina.com/careers or call 250-838-6236.



MABEL LAKE PIONEER SISTERS CELEBRATE 100TH AND 101ST BIRTHDAYS

Noreen Acutt and Joyce Taggart, daughters of Joe and Alice Kass, the pioneers who started the Mabel Lake Tourist Camp in 1927 (now Mabel Lake Resort and Marina), celebrate their 101st (Noreen) and 100th (Joyce) birthdays in 2023.

Noreen's 101st birthday was celebrated at Tabor Court, Assisted Living residence in Abbotsford on March 17th. Joyce will celebrate her 100th birthday on May 17th at Maplewood House in Abbotsford.

Both ladies have fond memories of their Mabel Lake childhood, especially during the summer when guests would come to the Mabel Lake Tourist Camp. They recall many of the campers came from Armstrong. Their father along with his father-in-law Joshua Large built the first cabins which rented for \$1 a day! These two men also built the first round bottom boats that were used by guests for many years. Another summer recollection Noreen and Joyce have is of helping their mother make homemade ice cream using ice removed from Mabel Lake during the winter and stored in sawdust to remain frozen until the summer campers arrived. They also reminisce about their school days at the one room log schoolhouse with eight students and teachers Isabel Simard, Helen Glen, and Marjorie McMann. They recall the other students' names and even some of their birthdates! Another memory is what a special treat it was to go to the Armstrong Fair at the end of each summer.

Eventually their family moved to Enderby. Noreen returned to Kingfisher/Mabel Lake after her marriage to Harold Acutt in 1944. In 1959 they moved to Burnaby, B.C. along with their children Marlene and Gary. Joyce lived in Kelowna where she married Buss Taggart in 1947. Their daughters Linda and Pat were born in Kelowna prior to the family relocating to Prince George where son Peter was born. The Taggarts also moved to Burnaby, B.C. and later retired to Abbotsford, B.C. Noreen moved to Tabor Court Assisted Living in Abbotsford in 2018 where Joyce also lived before she moved to Abbotsford's Maplewood House in 2022.

Both Noreen and Joyce contributed stories for the publication *Flowing Through Time*, *Stories of Kingfisher and Mabel Lake*. Noreen wrote about the Acutts and Joyce wrote about the Kass family.

Their families treasure these two ladies and the stories they tell of growing up at Mabel Lake.

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF THE NORTH OKANAGAN (RDNO)

For the Areas of: Ashton Creek, Grandview
Bench, Grindrod, Kingfisher/Mabel Lake,
Mara and Glenmary/ Twin lakes.



**Allysa Hopkins,
Regional Director**

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Email: Allysa.Hopkins@rdno.ca

COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS

Free to members. Limit of 50 words - no graphics.
Please confirm information every six months.

<h3>Clark Boyz</h3> <p>3173 Mabel Lake Rd, Enderby, BC V0E 1V5 Allen 250-838-6062 Brad 250-838-6326</p>	CONSULTANTS
<p>License tree faller 15+ years production falling Heavy Equipment Operators since 1969 Logging development, Road construction and maintenance, erosion control ... ect</p>	

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 **North Mabel Lake buy/sell/free**

FREE:
PERENNIAL PLANTS
Irises and Day Lilies available now. Other plants as the season goes on. Bring a container.
Please call first: Jacky 250 838 6062

FOR SALE:
2005 Airstream
High-end Motorhome, with ALL the bells & whistles!!
Well maintained. Ready for the Summer Fun!!
Call John Gubler for more information. T: 250.838.6250

PAID ADVERTISEMENTS

Direct all your advertising and distribution questions to
George Jameson E: g67george@gmail.com

Paid ads be limited to 1/4 page. Word Document only
KCS members only

Ads run from May - April for full year (\$100)
or 6 months or less for \$50

Payment **prior** to ad placement to be dropped off or mailed to:
George Jameson
2365 Mabel Lake Road, Enderby V0E 1V5
Make cheque payable to Kingfisher Community Society.

BABY WELCOME FUND

The Kingfisher Community Society is pleased to
announce the establishment of a Baby Welcome Fund.



This fund is made possible through a
generous donation by local residents
(who wish to remain anonymous).

The fund provides one-time financial
support to parents of infants from
Kingfisher.

Application forms are available from
a Director. The family must reside in
Kingfisher at the time of the birth.

MABEL LAKE

Farms

33 Kingfisher Rd • (250) 838-6248

Mother's Day

BREAKFAST BUFFET

SUN, MAY 14

MABEL LAKE FARMS 10am - 2pm

\$18	Adults	BUFFET STYLE	PANCAKES, BACON, SAUSAGE, EGGS, FRESH FRUIT
\$8	10 & under		

SMALL FLOWER GIFT FOR MOMS



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To get on the Directors' Meeting Agenda: kingfishersecretary1@gmail.com
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Hall booking and entertainment: KCSentertainmentcontact@gmail.com

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lisamarie31ca@gmail.com

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIPS ARE DUE JANUARY 2023



SUPPORT YOUR COMMUNITY

Your membership is valued and important to the whole Kingfisher Community, so please feel free to contact us with suggestions or ideas for improvement.

FAMILY RATES: \$30.00 SINGLE: \$20.00

Contact Suzanne Clark
T: 250-838-6248 | Email: queenb47@telus.net

Kingfisher Library: Wednesday

11am - 1pm

Sherry Saunby | 250-838-5660 | Email: sjsaunby@telus.net

MAIL: Suzanne Clark

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(Make Cheques out to Kingfisher Community Society)

OR

E-TRANSFER: kingfisher3337@gmail.com

IMPORTANT Please include your name if not in your email address



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Email photos and news items to Robin:
editorkingfisher@gmail.com
Or call, 250-574-3572 | 250-838-5615

Deadline is the 20th of each month.

I will acknowledge receipt of your email, so if you do not receive a reply, I did not receive your email.