
The Kingfisher



The Community's Newsletter

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Hello again Kingfisher!

Has anyone else felt like they are in a time warp? Here we are at another newsletter edition – June & July have disappeared and the busy days of visitors, garden harvests and beach time are well underway. It's also tourist season in the Valley and I have noticed the influx of visitors. Farmer's Market days have been awesome, with the addition of a few new awesome vendors. It's so great to see everyone and catch up while enjoying a delicious bite of something tasty – I'm talking about strudel from the Bakery on wheels!

The Directors welcomed Tannis Nelson from the Regional District to our last meeting. She is the Manager of Culture and Community Services and is our primary contact at the Regional District. We discussed several improvements to the hall and grounds including a kitchen renovation and an outdoor shade structure. Tannis will forward our requests to our Area F Director, Alyssa Hopkins. We are hoping the improvements will be approved. If the shade structure and outdoor improvements are approved, we can then hold more summer events such as music in the park and outdoor movies.

Thank you again to everyone who gives of their time and energy to stay dedicated to being involved with our events and activities! Community doesn't happen without you!

Enjoy the dog days of August, see you on the river!

Rhea Davidson
kingfisherpromos@gmail.com



ANNOUNCEMENT

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF THE NORTH OKANAGAN - OPEN HOUSE

Kingfisher Hall

August 21st | 10 am - 1 pm

Representatives from Parks, Water and Emergency Management will be in attendance.



Community Potluck

hosted by Rhea & Sydney

September 9th
5pm

**Corn,
coffee, tea and
punch
will be provided.**

**We ask that you bring
a food item
to compliment
the Corn on the Cob.**

Questions ...

Rhea kingfisherpromos@gmail.com OR Sydney KCSentertainmentcontact@gmail.com

FARMERS MARKET

KINGFISHER FARMERS' MARKET 2023

June 28 to August 30

Every Wednesday from 11am – 1pm

Contact: Marniniles@telus.net

put "Kingfisher Market" in the subject line.



KARATE

KINGFISHER COMMUNITY HALL

TRAINING TIMES:

WEDNESDAY	SATURDAY
7 - 8:30 pm	8:30 - 10 am

Karate classes are continuing at the hall on Saturday mornings and Wednesday evenings throughout the summer and into the fall.

The club has been in full swing now for over a year with students challenging themselves with grading for their coloured belts and some even attending a tournament last May. The Western Canadian Championship event was held in Surrey with over 140 competitors in attendance. Two students made the trek and were successful in their events. Aden Meidema took silver in the 13-14 yr. old contact division while Adam Christian took first place in the over 35 contact division. Congratulations to both.

Next up at the Kingfisher Dojo, on August 5 is a fight training seminar with Sensei Dean Bawtinheimer. Dean was ranked in the top 8 fighters in the world in the lightweight division of the International Kyokushin Karate Organization in Japan, and now has a condo here at Mabel. We're excited to have his input to our training here.

Registration for regular classes is always open.
All ages 10 years and up are invited to join.

Call Shihan Terry at 250-540-9028 or go to IKOK-C Kingfisher Dojo on facebook for more info!



Sensei Dean and Shihan Terry

REPORTING PROBLEMS ON MABEL LAKE RD.

STEP 1 Call AIM 1-866-222-4204* or fill out a service request on aim-roads.ca

*Staff takes calls during business hours, 7-3:30pm. If they're on another call or if it's after business hours your call is forwarded to a Call Centre and gets dealt with in order received. AIM is under contract to follow up and reply.

If there is no resolution, only THEN go to STEP 2.

STEP 2 If no resolution:

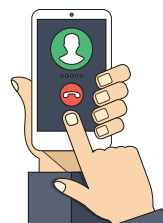
Call Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Reception 1-250-712-3660
(Reception for both Okanagan/Shuswap and South Okanagan)

**** It's important that you've first tried with AIM and had no resolution.*** The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Road Area Manager (RAM) oversees AIM and deals with specific, unresolved complaints. If you call the Road Area Manager first you will be bounced back to AIM to start there. Reception will give you our Road Area Manager's contact phone number. Best to go through the reception at 1-250-712-3660 to avoid problems like a change in RAM phone number or possibility our RAM is away from the office.



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**

Cell: 250 241 1581
Email: Allysa.Hopkins@rdno.ca



KINGFISHER Interpretive Centre

Upcoming August Summer Programs are as follows:

Fossils:

Sunday August 6 10:30 – 11:30

Join local naturalist and explorer James Murray for an interesting and informative lesson on how, and where to find fossils. He will be bringing some of his treasures to show and tell and participants should be prepared to learn about some local history, geology and techniques to increase your success.

Salmon Super Powers:

Sunday August 19 10:30 – 11:30

This popular annual education program discusses the salmon life-cycle and some salmon superpowers. It also includes a Salmon Dissection that will discuss the different body parts of the fish and their adaptations to survival.

If anyone is interested in volunteering or would like to serve on the KICS Board of Directors, please contact us at (250) 838-0004 or at kingfisherinterpretivecentre@gmail.com.

Yoga with Diane

July/Aug 2023
Summer Session
join us at Kingfisher School
beside Kingfisher Community Hall



Chair Yoga Adaptive yoga for mobility/injury concerns

Tuesdays starting July 4th - Aug 22nd, 9:00am-10:00am
*Bring towel & water for hydrating

Hatha/Vinyasa Yoga

Saturdays starting July 8th - Aug 26th, 9:00am-10:00am
*Bring yoga mat, towel & water for hydrating

**Drop in Fee - \$20
8 Class Session - \$130**

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Annual Event ... A Great Success!!



STRAWBERRY TEA

**WE ♥ OUR
VOLUNTEERS**

Approximately 80 people attended.

Approximately 20 volunteers donated
105 hours of their time.

The cake walk was great fun!!

8 cakes plus 18 cupcakes were donated by
community members.

Thank you to our Sponsors!!!

Blumen Fields Flower Farm donated all of the
flowers that made our table settings so elegant ...
and Yoga by Diane graciously donated a \$20 drop in
pass for Yoga.

**The Kingfisher Country Quilters
organized 9 mini raffles
and 2 door prizes**

Quilted items represent numerous hours of effort to
create these loving, useful, works of art.

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.

**KCS Memberships available
for purchase**



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Fuel Load Reduction/Emergency Preparedness

August 2023

Submitted by Herb Latchko

Safety First !!! There was a memorable sign on the gate at the Vernon Forestry Yard. This was before Wildfire BC became a separate identity and moved to Predator Ridge south of Vernon. As you were leaving the Yard, the sign read something like: “Your most important job today is to come back”. A whole hillside of timber and or homes is not worth the loss of life. Fires are extremely dynamic and can change behavior quickly. Sudden wind gusts can make them out runnable. Fires moving up hill (usually during the daytime) are very dangerous and working there should be avoided; rather work the flanks. Working around dead trees can be deadly. Keep 4 meters from another person when working with hand tools. Going into a burning build is not like one sees on TV. Do not attempt to put out a fire caused by a downed powerline until you have heard from Hydro that the power has been turned off. And, after leaving a helicopter don’t wave goodbye.

It’s still not too late to reduce the fuel load around your home. Remove debris especially in that very important 1.5 meters zone closest to your buildings. The space under decks with spaces between decking should be regularly cleaned. Check out **FireSmart BC** for many simple things to do which can make a big difference.

As mentioned in last month’s newsletter: “Planning with your neighbours will make a huge difference in an emergency. The Province has a great booklet to assist in the planning. Search: **Neighbourhood Preparedness Guide** for an easy-to-use downloadable template.” Also, the **Wildfire Service of BC** site has a “Current Wildfire Situation” link. This is an updated version from last year’s. It has a tremendous amount of information but takes some patience to navigate. Like the previous version, you can enter your address and your location will appear on a map. It takes awhile for the map to come into focus. Here is the URL if you want to get directly to the map: <https://wildfiresituation.nrs.gov.bc.ca/map>

You may have been hearing discussions about staffing many more year-round crews to deal with actual fire fighting when needed and doing mitigation work around communities to reduce the fuel loads during the shoulder seasons. Wildfire BC is already moving to a year-round model. Having more crews on the ground could go a long way towards not only fire fighting but getting serious about reducing fuel loads near communities.

Brad Clark has made his 900 L tank and pump available if you need it to fight a fire. He also has the Water Filling Station, near the Ball Park, ready to go. Please call Brad at 250-838-6326 to arrange for a short In-service on how to take advantage of these resources.

Please be safe! Your life or someone else’s life may depend on it.

Call 1-800-663-5555 or *5555 on your cell to Report a Fire.



It’s easy to get alerts! The Alertable app is free and can be downloaded from your mobile phone, tablet, computer, or smart speaker. Notifications are fast, reliable and easy to see and hear. Personalize notifications by type and severity. Choose notifications for many locations including home, work, school, cottage, family and friends locations and more. Change your locations and other personalized options in Settings, after the fact.

In addition to using Alertable, the RDNO will continue to post all emergency notifications on their website and Facebook page, and through news releases and local media outlets, keeping the public informed during emergency events.

Be Aware of your Muster Stations

- Kingfisher Community Hall
- Mabel Lake Marina, boat launch
- Bottom of Lusk Lake Rd, east
- Golf Course, below the pro-shop
- Mabel Lake Place, Condos
- Airpark Firehall, Lot 7
- Club Kingfisher

COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS

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

Clark Boyz

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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.

August 5th
COUNTRY DANCE

7PM-MIDNIGHT 7-9 FAMILY FRIENDLY
9-MIDNIGHT 19+

CASH BAR **SNACKS**

\$20 TICKET
\$5 FOR KIDS UNDER 19

SHUTTLE SERVICE AVAILABLE BY DONATION, TO ENDERBY
WILL RUN 2 TIMES 10PM AND MIDNIGHT

MABEL LAKE
Farms
33 Kingfisher Rd (250) 838-6248



General Inquiries: kingfisherpres@gmail.com
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Hall booking and entertainment: KCSentertainmentcontact@gmail.com

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Contact Suzanne Clark
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Kingfisher Library: Wednesday
11am - 1pm
Sherry Saunby | 250-838-5660 | Email: sjsaunby@telus.net

MAIL: Suzanne Clark
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OR

E-TRANSFER: kingfisher3337@gmail.com
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Email photos and news items to Robin:
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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.