

TOWN OF REIDVILLE

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NEWSLETTER

March 2003

RABIES...

As most residents are aware, Rabies has been noted in the St. Paul’s and White Bay areas. Residents are asked to note any unusual behaviour from their pet(s). According to Dr. Minnie Wasmeier, any incidents of strange animal behaviour must be reported to a wildlife or a police officer or to Health and Community Services Western. It is important to include as much detail as possible including:
*date of incident
* type of animal
* details in the incident
* behaviour of animal and any variation in behaviour
* immunization history for rabies (for domestic animals)
* possible contacts of animal (animal or human)
* location of animal
* whether animal is restrained or still at large
* owner of animal (if domestic), and owners of any animals bitten.

Any person who has been bitten by or in contact with a possible rabid animal must seek medical attention. The best first aid treatment includes thorough and immediate cleaning of the wound with soap and water.

SNOW

NOTE: It is illegal to dump snow onto a public roadway.

PARKING

As was printed in prior newsletters, residents are reminded that parking on the sides of roads in the town is not permitted. Violators will be ticketed by the RCMP.

FUN DARTS

On Friday evenings, the Reidville Recreation Committee Inc. hold “Fun Darts”. All adults are welcome. For more information, please contact Don Stuckless at 635-5191.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR YOUTH!

Recently, three youths from Reidville were chosen to represent their school at the Western Regional Chess Tournament. Participants were: Devon Janes (Grade 4), Timothy Reid (Grade 5)and Morgan Reid (Grade 6). All three placed quite well in the tournament with both Devon and Morgan bringing home silver medals in their grades and Timothy finishing up fourth! Congratulations boys for such a great job!

PRIZE BINGO

Recently the Reidville Recreation Committee Inc. and the Volunteer Fire Department held a prize bingo at the Community Hall. This event was quite well attended with both groups clearing (after expenses) about \$214.80 each. Recreation and the Fire Dept would like to thank all residents who contributed to the bingo, especially those who donated to the grocery box and also donated a prize as well. The community support for this event was quite heart warming.

BOWLING & SWIMMING

The new Recreation Centre in Deer Lake is now open for business. Any person interested in general bowling or forming a team in a bowling league are asked to contact Junior Pinksen, Bowling Alley Manager at 635-3551.

Regarding the pool, this area is not scheduled to be open for a couple of more weeks. When it is, residents will be notified.

COUNCIL STATEMENTS

March statements for taxes owing to council for the 2003 taxation year were mailed last week. Residents are reminded that all taxes for the current year are due to be paid in full by June 30th of the year they are invoiced.

SLIDING PARTY

The Reidville Recreation Committee Inc. have a family sliding party scheduled for Saturday, March 22 at 7 pm on the sliding hill in the town park (swimming beach). There will be Tim Bits and Hot Chocolate afterwards in the community hall. If there are any changes, the children will be notified on the school buses.

TICKET DRAW

The Volunteer Fire Dept recently sold tickets on a Kitchen Catcher Garbage Can donated to the Department by Gordon Oxford. The winner was drawn for at the Prize Bingo held at the Community Hall February 25. The winner was Cora Stuckless. Congratulations.

TAE-BO

Classes are held Monday and Thursday evenings from 7:30-8:30 pm at the Community Hall. For more information, please contact Lori Rumbolt at 635-4232.

RECYCLING BIN

Workers on the Job Creation

Program for 2003 have recently built a recycling bin which is located to the side of the community hall. Any residents are to please note that they may drop their recycling off there at their convenience or drop them off at the council office - or do as you always have, and place them at the curb on garbage day.

Please note this recycling bin will be emptied daily.

PLAN AMENDMENT

Your town council is proposing to amend the Reidville Municipal Plan and Development Regulations to accommodate mixed development (residential and commercial) along Reidville Road from the Viking Trail and then along Rocky Brook Road to the Humber River bank to allow for the future development of an RV Park and Inn. The land in question is currently zoned Hobby Farm and Agricultural. Anyone wanting more details or having questions about this proposal should contact the council office from 9 am to 3 pm daily.

FAMILY SKATING

Our fire department will be holding a *Family Skate* every Sunday from 6:30-7:30 pm. PLEASE NOTE: If interest does not increase for this activity, the fire department will have no choice but to discontinue. For your information, the cost is \$5.00 per family or \$2.00 per person. Hope to see you there!

J O B C R E A T I O N PROJECT 2003

Council was quite pleased to learn that they were successful in obtaining a Job Creation Project for 2003. Council received funding for 16 weeks of work. These 16

weeks were divided between Noelle Stuckless, Terry Rumbolt and Jason Jones. Some of the work they completed (or almost completed) included:

- *removing ramp in Community Hall
- *building new library in Community Hall
- *Repairing lockers for firemen in Fire Hall
- *Keeping fire hydrants clear of snow
- *upgrading (painting) stairs in Fire Hall
- *Installing new doors in certain areas of community hall
- *creating storage area in community hall
- *building signs for certain areas of town
- *building sports bin for softball equipment
- *building recycling bin for outside of community hall and other small jobs as required.

PRE-TEEN/TEEN DANCES

The Reidville Recreation Committee Inc. have been trying to hold dances by-weekly for the youth of our area. Any parent able to donate a little time to help with the supervision of these dances are asked to contact the council office or a member of the Recreation Committee. Any and all help would be greatly appreciated! The date of the next dance has not been announced yet - the children will be notified in school and on the bus when the next one will be held.

TAX COLLECTION

As of March 10th, current years collection rate stands at 55.04%. This is down 2% from the same period last year.

Residents are asked to be punctual in paying their town taxes. It is through these tax dollars that our town maintains its credit rating and keeps everything in order.

Residents in arrears are

reminded to keep making their regular monthly payments to eliminate the need to transfer their account to a collection agent or to disconnect their water service. Regular payments is the key!

CONGRATULATIONS!

Two couples in our town are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversaries this month. Congratulations to:
Myrtle & Scott Rumbolt
Leonard & Lizzie Hiscock

CHUCKLE

As taken from a recent edition of Readers Digest:

In his autobiography, Walter Cronkite tells of a conversation he once had with astronaut Wally Schirra:

"Over a beer one night, I promised never to tell if, off the record, he would level with me about what he had really been thinking in the last minutes before his rocket blasted off. Wally said, "Well, I was lying there looking up at all the dials and buttons and toggle switches on the control panel and I thought to myself, Good God, this thing was built by the lowest bidder!"

E M E R G E N C Y NUMBERS:

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1-800-261-0741

Fire:
635-5600

RCMP:
635-2173

Ambulance:
635-3020

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1-800-474-5711