



VILLAGE LIFE IN Radium Hot Springs

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A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR DEE CONKLIN

Are we ready? We wait all year for the summer season – visitors, friends and family get time off school and work and head out to our wonderful Village and surrounding area. The Village has been “polished,” businesses are waiting to serve locals and their guests and special events are planned throughout the next few months. It has been an exceptionally long winter this year. Snow has just started melting in the mountains and we’re seeing the results – rivers are high and wetlands expanding further afield. Please be very careful if you are hiking around any of the lakes, rivers and streams in the area.

Every year, small rural towns look to tourism as a way to diversify their economy and enhance their way of life. What separates us, Radium, from other towns? The answer is branding: identifying what sets our community apart. It defines who are we and how we want to be represented. Now that our OCP is being finalized we will be entering into our branding exercise. We would love to hear from you as to how

you think our town should be marketed to the world. What a wonderful opportunity to “do it right”. As Mayor, I truly believe we have something very special and we need to share it! How do we do that? I welcome your comments, as do the rest of Council and staff. We will be entering into the full process in the fall – think about it over the summer as you talk to folks on the street and friends who come to visit. Ask them why they come and what they find special about Radium Hot Springs, then share it with us. We are all ambassadors for our Village, let’s have fun this summer finding out why visitors come here!

While you’re finding out, don’t forget to get involved with Music and Market on Main every Friday and Saturday evening. Adventure Radium will also be running throughout the summer – get your kids involved. This newsletter is full of activities happening throughout the summer – enjoy!

Dee Conklin



Taxes are due on July 4th. Due to the current Canada

Post situation, mailing a cheque will result in a late penalty if the cheque does not arrive by the due date. Postmarks will not be accepted as date of payment. It is highly recommended that an alternative method is used to pay the taxes. At this time the most efficient method is either telephone or online banking using the roll number as the account number, however DHL will deliver directly to our door or the Greyhound is an option as well.



year. Having it in conjunction with the BritsBest Car Show brought a wonderful community spirit alive, allowing people of all ages to participate in the event. Thanks to all those who participated in the Parade, the crowd enthusiasm and participation was electric! The Laser Tag and Kids Zone were both family hits, and musical entertainment by L8TE kept people dancing all afternoon. Congratulations to Michelle Cramton, the winner of Chicken Poop Bingo. Thank-you so much to the market vendors who came out, you certainly did not disappoint! Thank-you to the Rotary Club for barbecuing delicious eats for everyone to enjoy, and to the Team Andrews Competitive

Radium Days was a huge success this year, with attendance numbers surpassing last

Curling Team for the yummy pancake breakfast you served. It was a fantastic day for all, and we are looking forward to next year!

In conjunction with Radium Days, 12 of the Village of Radium Hot Springs firefighters dressed in their new uniforms, served hamburgers and hot dogs to approximately 300 visitors at their Open House in the new firehall.





Summer at the library...

SUMMER PROGRAMS

July 9 • **OSSO**, children's entertainer, 2 pm at the Senior Centre.

Aug. 8 • **5 day Photography Camp** for children 9 to 11 yrs. For further information and registration, contact the Library.

Aug. 20 • **Annual Teddy Bears Picnic** in the park, 10:30 a.m.

BOOK FOR SALE • Buy your own copy of *Big Horn, Small Talk*, a book written by locals about the history of Radium Hot Springs at the library for \$20 (including tax).

READ AND VOTE • One Book, One Kootenay. Read the 3 books and then vote for your favourite by July 30.

USED BOOK SALES • The Library will be setting up a booth in conjunction with "Music on Main" on Friday Evenings during July and August.

E-BOOKS • The library will be joining the E-Book program. Watch for further information.

MURDER MYSTERY • Back by popular demand. It will be held on 2 nights – Oct. 21-22 at Meet on Higher Ground Coffee.

FOND FAREWELL • Linda Dickerson, the chairperson for the past 4 years, is leaving Radium Hot Springs and moving to Kelowna. We will miss her and the enthusiasm and hard work she brought to the position as she guided through the opening of the new library.

Helle Fry has accepted the position of Chairperson; Heather Purkell will assume the role of Vice-Chair.

Further information regarding services, programs, new releases may be obtained through the web-site:

<http://radium.bclibrary.ca>



LIBRARY HOURS

Tuesday	6:00 – 8:00 pm	
Wednesday	1:00 – 4:00 pm	
Thursday	1:00 – 4:00 pm	Unit #2
Saturday	10:00 – Noon	7585 Main Street
Sunday	11:00 – 1:00 pm	Phone 250-347-2434

Email: radiumpubliclibrary@hotmail.com
 Librarian email: radiumpubliclibrary@nanonow.ca

ADVENTURE RADIUM 2011

Adventure Radium is gearing up for another fantastic summer. Leaders Kara, Braeden and Ashlee are looking forward to reuniting with returning campers, and eagerly look forward to welcoming new participants. Beginning **July 5, 2011** and running until **August 25, 2011**, the camp will run every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday as follows:

Ages 5 - 7/8
9:30 am to noon
(note the earlier start time)

Ages 9 and up
1:00 to 3:30 pm
(note the later ending time)

The fees are as follows: \$5 drop in fee/child; \$25/child summer fee; \$50 family fee (3 or more children) for the summer.



Payment can be made by cash, cheque or debit (at the Village Office) either at the time of registration or in advance at the Village Office.

Registration forms and Parent Guide are available on the Village website (www.radiumhotsprings.ca/residents/VillageLife) or at the Village Office.

Please send your campers with a hat, sunscreen, insect repellent, water and a small snack.

Bear Aware Coordinator: Crystal Leonard

As we are all too aware, habituated bears were euthanized last summer in our village. In order to ensure that we don't have a similar problem again, the village has hired a Bear Aware Coordinator. Crystal can't do this alone. As residents we all have a responsibility to report all sightings to the RAPP line 1-877-952-7277. This information is then shared with the Conservation Officer and the Bear Aware Coordinator. This will allow them to intervene before the bear becomes a danger. Please take a few minutes whenever you see a bear and do your part to protect this wild animal. For additional information contact Crystal at 250-688-1511 or email: radium@bearaware.bc.ca
www.bearaware.bc.ca



Recycling of Used Stamps



The local Edgewater Elementary School is participating in a fundraising program for cancer research. The Village is willing to be a convenient drop off point throughout the year on behalf of the elementary school. The school will also accept stamps when in session.

The school collects the stamps providing them to the local BC Eastern Star Chapter who sort and hand-trim the donated stamps to a specific size. These are sent to the main office where the stamps are sold to stamp collectors from all over the world. The funds raised are specifically for cancer research. Since inception over \$400,000 has been raised from recycling used stamps, virtually a 'waste product'.

If you wish to participate, cut at least one centimetre border from the edge of the stamp and drop off your used stamps at the Village of Radium Hot Springs.



WATERSMART

Hello Residents and Guests of Radium Hot Springs!

My name is Kara Haugseth and I am your new WaterSmart Ambassador for the summer of 2011!

Along with 21 other communities in the Columbia River Basin, Radium Hot Springs is part of the Watersmart Initiative, which aims to reduce water use in the basin by 20% by the year 2015. My job is to work with the community in order to reduce the peak water use that occurs in the summer, and provide education regarding how each and every person can do their part to help conserve water. In the summer months, water use increases throughout the basin by almost 4 times! It is outdoor water use, mainly irrigation, that is behind this summer peak in water consumption. What most people don't know is that by changing their lawn-watering habits even slightly, they can save thousands and thousands of liters of water over the course of the summer.

The main part of my job is to provide you with a **free** audit of your landscape and irrigation system. What this means, is that I will come to your yard, take samples of your soil, and look at your plants and landscaping to determine how much and how often you should water (which is often much less than you may think!). There are many tips, tricks, and effective practices I can teach you in order to water only how much is needed, and help the community as a whole become Watersmart!



Columbia Basin Water Smart AMBASSADOR

Did you know: The average citizen in BC uses 490 liters of water per day; more than any other province in Canada, and one of the highest rates in the world. Let's work together this summer to help reduce this excess water use and learn how easy saving water can be!

If you have any further questions or would like to book your FREE landscape and irrigation audit, please call the village office at 250.347.6455, or send me an email at

Radium.Watersmart@
radiumhotsprings.ca

Many of you may recognize me from my second position as the coordinator of Adventure Radium, our summer day camp program. If you see me around the community, please stop and say hello!



The **Headbanger Trail Challenge** will be happening once again this year, but with a new twist. The event will now be a fundraiser for the Radium Public Library and we are moving it out of Kootenay Park. This year we will be incorporating a 3km run/walk course through our beautiful Sinclair Creek trails, a new route geared more towards a "family" type event. We will also be offering a more challenging 10 – 12 km course that will carry on through the Sinclair Creek trails and up into the new Elk Park Ranch subdivision lands. Both courses will start and finish at the Radium Community Center.

Kent Cronsberry of Schickedanz has generously allowed us the use of the Elk Park Ranch trails and has offered any assistance needed to ensure a successful event.

We will still be having the same great awards ceremony, draw prizes, T-shirts and post race BBQ. The date for the run stays the same as well: the 4th weekend in September, on Saturday the 24th. For further information, please contact: **Ron Verboom** 250-347-2456 • rdverboom@gmail.com

The Rotary Club of Radium Hot Springs

is beginning a new year on July 1 with a new President, Al Leslie. After organizing the purchase of exercise equipment for Legends Park last year they are examining the feasibility of building a Bike Park in Radium for our younger bikers. Meetings are every Wednesday morning at 7 am at Radium Resort. Visitors welcome.



Get your cowboy boots on & dust off that cowboy hat!

In Celebration of Calgary Stampede (which starts July 8th in Calgary), Elk Park Ranch is hosting a traditional **Pancake Breakfast** Saturday July 9th, from 8am to 11am

Location: in the open lot beside the Elk Park Main Offices going towards the Radium Hot Springs pools.

Proceeds from this event will be given to Verge for Youth.





BACK PAGE BITS

A Reminder... The Drive-In Movie on Sunday, September 4th will be at the turnoff to Radium Resort.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose Run

Everyone is invited to join the Knights of Columbus for the Silver Rose Prayer Service at Saint Joseph Church on Sunday, July 3.

St. Joseph's Church is the first stop in BC for 1 of 3 silver roses that are being run across North America to demonstrate the Knights of Columbus' support for the Church and its bishops and priests.

The Silver Rose Program is for everyone in the Parish. The service will begin with a procession at 9:30 am, followed by a prayer service at 10 am, and mass at 11 am.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

2011 Radium Hot Springs Events

Music on Main • Live local bands every Friday & Saturday evening 7-9 pm	July - Sept
Market on Main • Farmer & Craft market every Friday	July - Sept
CVArts Tour	July 31
Drive-in Movie • Outdoor Drive-in Movie Night - Inflatable big screen	September 4
Kootenay Krusher • 50 km Endurance Mountain Bike Race	September 11
Rockin' in the Park • Live outdoor music, beer garden - with Classic Car Show	September 16
Classic Car Show • 22 nd Annual Classic Car Show - over 800 antique & classic cars	September 17
HeadBanger Trail Challenge • 10 km Endurance Race	September 24
Murder Mystery	October 21-22
CP Holiday Train • Live entertainment, food & drinks	December
Village Birthday Party • Birthday cake, refreshments & fireworks display	December 31

Numbers to Know

- 911 • Police, Fire, and Ambulance Services
- 250-347-6455 • Volunteer Fire Chief Dave Dixon
- 250-342-9292 • Non-emergency RCMP
- 250-342-2055 • Non-emergency Ambulance Service
- 250-342-9201 • Invermere District Hospital
- 1-800-665-4929 • Road Hazard Reporting 24 hours
- 1-877-952-7277 • RAPP line

2011 JUNIOR NATURALIST SUMMER CAMP

Parents, summer is here! Are you worried your kids will waste all of their time indoors? Do your kids love being outside? Are they always climbing that tree, finding that gopher tunnel, or jumping in puddles? If so, come check out the Junior Naturalist Program at the Redstreak Campground (just outside Radium Hot Springs, BC) this summer!

The Junior Naturalist Program is a two-hour summer camp that runs from 10 am to 12 pm every Thursday, Friday and Saturday from July 7th to August 20th at the Redstreak Campground Theater. This year the program will also run 4 Sundays: July 3rd and 31st, August 7th and 14th.

The program's goal is to excite youth about the cultural and natural history of Kootenay National Park and the great outdoors. Each day will have a theme— wildfires and wetlands, as well as many, many more. During the camp, we will go on explorative hikes, play interactive games and examine hands on models and artifacts. Moreover, participants will get the chance to meet Parks Canada staff and co-op students who will share their favorite stories and current research. In short, the idea is for kids to

have a blast and enjoy the wonders of Kootenay National Park.

The price for the program is \$5 per day. To register more than one child or for multiple days the prices are as follows: 3 Day Week \$10, 4 Day Week \$15, Two Kids \$8 and a 10 Day Punch Pass \$25. Drop ins are also welcome!

For more information or to pre-register call 250-347-6525 or email friendsofkootenay@gmail.com. You can also drop in and visit us at the Visitor Information Center in Radium Hot Springs. Or check out our blog <http://jnpandfriendsofkootenay.blogspot.com/>.



Summer at Radium Resort

Kids Golf Free • July 4–10

Radium Resort is proud to again participate in Take A Kid to the Course Week. From July 4–10, 2011, kids 16 and under play for free at both The Springs and The Resort Course when accompanied by a paying adult. This is the perfect opportunity create memories with your kids by bringing them out to the golf course!

Springs Course - (250) 347-6200
Resort Course - (250) 347-6266

19th Annual Coca-Cola Parent and Child Golf Tournament

This perennial family favorite will be held on **Sunday, July 10, 2011** starting at noon at The Resort Course. The entry fee of **\$79** per team of one adult & one junior (16 or younger) includes 18 holes of golf, dinner, prizes and plenty of fun for everyone. No handicaps are necessary and beginners are encouraged. **Call Resort Course Pro Shop at (250) 347-6266.**

Bring a Kid to Golf All Summer Long

Can't be here July 4–10? No problem. We offer a Bring a Kid to Golf Package all summer long. One Adult and One Junior (17 & under) can both play after 1 pm from Sunday to Thursday for only \$47 at The Resort and \$69 at The Springs.

Two Day Junior Golf Camps - \$89

Designed for Juniors age 6 - 13, our camps are taught at the Resort Course on Tuesdays from 10 am - 2 pm and Wednesdays from 8 am - 12 pm throughout July and August. Kids will enjoy C.P.G.A. instruction daily with the emphasis on fun. They will also get a chance to play a few holes on the golf course. Lunch, games, and prizes daily. Clubs can be provided if necessary. **Call (250) 347-6266 to register.**

All prices listed are subject to availability and exclude applicable taxes.

