

Loni Beach Residents Association

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HI NEIGHBOURS :

Here it is almost the end of another summer season and time to update you on the comings and goings in Loni.

First, for those of you who were not able to attend the annual meeting of the association, the following were elected as your Board of Directors.

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| Glen Brooks | 7 Vaughan |
| Allan Cantor | 64 Lake (President) |
| Alan Finnbogason | 80 Lake (Treasurer) |
| Art Kilgour | Lake Ave |
| Alan Miller | 122 Lake (Vice Pres) |
| Isabel Peterson | 109 Lake (Secretary) |
| Tim Samson | 94 Lake |

Our organization currently has 74 paid members. The Directors have met twice and will be meeting again on the long weekend in September. It was decided that this newsletter will be sent to all property owners, not just our current members. If you haven't paid for this year, please contact any of the Directors, fees for the year are \$15.00.

The Directors will be visiting as many of you as possible over the next few weeks to encourage you to join up.

Now, read on, and let us know if you have ideas we should be pursuing as an organization; if you feel you are better informed; if you want more out of the association. Have a good fall, we will try and keep in touch.

LONI BEACH RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER

The Directors of your Association wish to report on the following matters:

A. DITCHES

As you have noticed, the Rural Municipality of Gimli has been diligently working at appropriate ditching for the area, including dressing and seeding the ditches, and there has been general improvement in the drainage of the area which, we are sure, is well appreciated.

B. ROADS

Considerable difficulty has been experienced by the Rural Municipality in trying to improve the roads in Loni Beach. We are advised that the R.M. is dependent upon the Provincial Department of Highways to re-surface the roads, and unfortunately, no doubt caused to some extent by the inclement weather, when the Department attempted to do the roads earlier in the summer, the job was simply not done properly and the gravel which should have been integrated into the oil was not so integrated, and the R.M. had to go through the area and, in effect, sweep up the loose gravel as a remedial measure. Many of the holes in the road have been filled, but the re-surfacing of the roads is still to be done. The R.M. however, is, as stated, dependent upon the availability of facilities from the Department of Highways, and it will only be when these facilities are available that the re-surfacing can be properly done. We are satisfied that it is not for lack of trying on the part of the R.M. that this work has not been done.

C. SIGN

The Council of the R.M. has approved a new sign for Loni Beach, the work has been commissioned and we expect that the new sign will be in place within a week.

D. RIGHT TO VOTE

Elections for Council for the Rural Municipality of Gimli will be taking place this fall on October 28, and each owner of property in Loni Beach is entitled to vote. In the past, in addition to the ballot in the Rural Municipality of Gimli, there have been two polling stations in Winnipeg at the St. James Library on Portage Avenue, and in the west end of the City. We understand that these polling stations will, again, be made available this year, although their exact location will not be available until September 14.

In addition, as you will have noticed in the Memorandum that accompanies your Tax Bill, this year you are also entitled to a mail-in ballot if you request a ballot in writing before October 20, 1992 with a reason as to why you will not be able to attend at one of the regular polling stations or the advance poll. If the Municipal Office receives the request for a write-in ballot, they will mail out to you a ballot and it will be counted provided it is in their hands on Election Day, October 28, 1992. Therefore, if you expect that you cannot attend at any of the regular polling stations or the advance poll, you should get your request for write-in ballot into the offices early.

There will also be available an advance poll at the Gimli Rural Municipality Office on Friday, October 23, for those who will be out-of-town and unavailable to be able to cast their ballot at the regular Election Day, October 28.

We urge you to take advantage of the opportunity to exercise your franchise in the coming election.

E. FUTURE EVENTS

Your Directors are considering the following activities for the Association:

1. We think that it would be appropriate for the Association to have a float in next year's Islendingadagurinn Parade, and we would be happy to entertain ideas in this regard.
2. We think that it would be beneficial to have a community barbecue and field day, and we were thinking of combining a community barbecue and field day with our next Annual Meeting which would be held on June 12, 1993. The thought was that we could perhaps reserve the Training Centre and, thereby, have facilities available for both a meeting, a field day and a community barbecue. Al Miller has undertaken to look into the organization of such an event.
3. Beautification/Improvement Program

Following the suggestion of Mrs. Goldberg at our last Annual Meeting, we are going to sponsor three beautification/improvement programs next year:

- ' a ditch and boulevard beautification contest;
- ' a general yard improvement and beautification contest;
- ' a garbage can beautification contest.

We are approaching Mrs. Goldberg and Bert Minuk to act as co-Chairmen of this event and to establish the rules of the contests and the appointment of appropriate judges, as well as to consider appropriate prizes (including the opportunity to ride on the Loni Beach float!).

In the past, this contest has proved to be exciting and innovative, and we look forward to a general participation in these activities next year.