

Loni Beach Progress

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Welcome!

Once again, welcome to Loni Beach for the summer and we hope you enjoy yourselves and partake fully in this wonderful time of the year. The Annual Meeting was held on June 12 and for those of you who were unable to attend this will be an attempt to bring you and others up to date on what went on at that meeting and what has transpired since that time.

Residents Association Board

The existing Board was unanimously re-elected for the period of 1999-2000 and they are...

• Joan Guttormsson	• Al Miller
• Art Kilgour	• Wilf Cook
• Fred Isford	• Jim Robertson
• Mal Wigg	• Jim Bright

Board member Harry Thompson passed away in January and he will be sadly missed by all.

The Board met Saturday, June 19 and re-established an executive committee consisting of...

• Al Miller	President
• Wilf Cook	Vice President
• Jim Robertson	Secretary/Treasurer

Board members may be reached at the following telephone numbers and addresses regarding anything pertaining to Loni Beach...

• Jim Bright	96 Loni Avenue	642-7153
• Wilf Cook	31 8 th Street	642-7221
• Joan Guttormsson	11 Howell Street	642-8798
• Fred Isford	Lot 10 10 th Street	642-8748
• Art Kilgour	Lot 9 Lake Avenue	642-5144
• Al Miller	122 Lake Avenue	642-5318
• Jim Robertson	30 Loni Avenue	642-4446
• Mal Wigg	45 Lake Avenue	642-5575

Membership

Thanks to all of those who have paid their membership dues and we hope you are enjoying your new Loni Beach beach bag which came along with your membership. We encourage those of you who have not yet become members to do so. The cost is \$15.00 which includes the beach bag mentioned above. For those of you desiring additional bags, they are available from any Board member for \$8.00 each. For those of you desiring to become members, an application is attached to this newsletter. Please give any board member a call and they'll be happy to pick up the form and the \$15.00 and present you with a Loni Beach beach bag.

Survey

Thanks to those of you who have returned your survey form that was distributed at the annual meeting. The form will be very helpful in getting to know our residents better and also gives you an opportunity to express yourselves on many of the issues now in front of all of us. For those of you who have not returned your survey, or if you have not received one, please contact Al Miller and he'll arrange to have your completed survey picked up or a copy of the survey delivered to your home.

Student Work Project

We are certain you are aware of the excellent work being done by our summer student workers. They have been busy clearing the ditches and bagging the refuse and also mowing the walkways to the lake. Thank them for their efforts when you see them - we're fortunate to have their availability. We've had some delays in this project owing to the rainy weather but hopefully the students now working will be able to get going once again to do what's necessary. For those of you who have regularly kept up the appearance of your ditches or public areas adjacent to your property, please continue to do so - then our students can concentrate on steeper ditches and overgrown areas.

Annexation/Amalgamation

There has been no change in the position of Loni Beach to annexation as agreed upon at our 1998 annual meeting, which was to "reject the proposal for annexation". A further workshop with representatives of all areas of the R.M. will be held in September to further discuss this situation. We will be sending four (4) representatives of our membership to this workshop.

Walkways to the Beach

At our annual meeting it was agreed that Councilors' Johnson and Luprypa would be contracted to examine the approaches to the lake. This has been done and Al Miller and Mal Wigg met with Councilor Luprypa and others recently and it was agreed that steps or a walkover would be constructed over the rocks at the walkways at Comber and Vaughan. These walkways have been completed and are now in place.

Speed Limits

We are attempting to have speed limit signs of 30 KPH posted in Loni Beach with enforcement of this speed limit to be in effect from the May long weekend until Thanksgiving, annually.

Lake Winnipeg Watch

Our president Al Miller serves as our representative to this group and recently made a presentation to the Lake Winnipeg Erosion Advisory Group. This group has held a series of public meetings and will be reporting the government the results of these hearings.

Yard Improvements and Garbage

Some of you or your guests are still leaving garbage out in plastic bags when you leave. These bags are often torn apart by dogs, crows, etc. and the mess strewn about the area. Many of your neighbors have had to clean up these messes as it is *not* the responsibility of the R.M. to do so. You are encouraged to place your garbage in appropriate cans with lids so others do not have to look at these eye sores. As approved at the annual meeting, a yard improvement and garbage can redecorating project will be conducted. Chairperson Dorothy Goldberg has announced that there will be awards for both the most

improved yard and the most gaily decorated garbage cans. All residents are urged to participate. Ms. Goldberg has advised us that the judging will be done on the August (Icelandic Festival) long weekend.

Sewer

There is nothing new to report at this time, however we are advised that studies by various groups are continuing.

Zoning By-Law

Al Miller has received a copy of a new zoning by-law that allows for the construction of "tourist cottage establishments" within the R.M. He has discussed this with Brenda Firman, the new planning director, and has expressed our concern. Mr. Miller will attend a to-be-called public hearing on this project and will be protecting the interests of Loni Beach.

Icelandic Festival Parade Float

We will once again have a Loni Beach float in the Icelandic Festival parade. Glen Brooks will once again head up this project and you can be assured that he and his group will represent us well.

General

We have not in the past given copies of our minutes to our R.M. representative. We will now begin to do this and Marilyn Johnson will receive these assuring us of a more prompt reaction to our requests and needs.

Thanks to Councilor Marilyn Johnson more posts have been placed on our Loni Beach-Pelican Beach boundary. We all know that if vehicles from and to Pelican Beach were permitted to travel though Loni, it would create a safety hazard for our children and the many people who enjoy walking and cycling.

We extend our thanks to our Reeve and councilors Johnson and Luprypa for the prompt attention given to our requests. We would be remiss not to mention Jack Feschuk and his public works staff, particularly Gerry who designed the steps for improved access to the beach at Comber and Vaughan Avenues. Thanks also to Chris Fulsher and the office staff for their courtesy and co-operation.