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Another season is rapidly drawing to a close and despite the wet weather in June and the resultant mosquitoes, we've still enjoyed a great summer here in Loni Beach. Even the fish flies decided to give us a break this year.

Thanks for keeping your properties looking so nice. We hear many fine comments from visitors and others just passing through as to what a beautiful area we have here in Loni Beach. Let's keep it that way.

Student Work Project

As you've most likely noticed, this project has come to a halt. Our student was forced to resign for personal and family reasons. The project came to an end on July 26. We've been unable to come up with a replacement and have so advised the R. M. so that they can resume the work that our student was doing. We had expenses of \$716.00 while this project was in operation for salary, Employment Insurance, Workers Compensation, etc. The R. M. and your Association each contributed \$800 to this project, so the expenses were shared on a 50/50 basis. We have returned \$442.00 to the R. M. and it is to be hoped that the project will continue next year.

New Loni Beach Directory

Most of the information has now been complied for our new directory, and many thanks go to Al Miller for spearheading this endeavour. The next step here is to get the information computerized and then have the directory published. This may be accomplished within the next several weeks. By computerizing this information, we'll have a much easier job of making corrections if and when future directories are needed.

General

In case you haven't heard, Keppy Steiman of 52 Loni Street took first place in the Loni Beach Yard Recognition, August 2000.Honourable mention went to Sylvia Millard at 51 North Lake, while the award for the Best Decorated Garbage Box went to Lana and Leigh Minuk of 60 North Lake.

Our thanks again go to Glen brooks and his crew for designing and entering a float representing Loni Beach in the recent Icelandic Festival Parade.

Membership Drive Why an Association?

Our target, which was to enlist over 100 members in 2000, has been surpassed. At press time we have 106 members, and expect more. For those who may have been missed in the initial canvass, or have simply forgotten, please call Al Miller at 642-5318; he will be pleased to call on you to enroll you and accept your \$5.00 fee. If your board is going to represent you on issues such as Annexation it would be helpful to have as full a membership as possible.

This raises the question, "Why do we need a Loni Beach Residents' Association?" Perhaps the most important function is to keep our R. M. council apprised of the needs and interests of our Loni Beach Community. Communication has been established with the council, particularly our Councillor Marilyn Johnson and Public works chairman Danny Luprypa. We are pleased to receive their support and cooperation. Councillors have enabled us to discuss our concerns with Superintendent Jack Feschuk and Chief Administrator Joann King, to receive guidance and direction.

Our Association has also helped to organize and conduct workshops for the entire R.M., resulting in advising the Premier, the Minister, the Municipal Board, the Mayor and the Reeve that the Annexation proposal is unacceptable.

The Association has contributed to increasing community pride and spirit with the T-shirts, caps and beach bags,

the parade float, the student employment program project and the Loni Beach Directory.

Finally, having an active Association, which encourages friendships and strong neighbourly behaviour, is good for any community.