

## Larkspur Fall Newsletter – 2017

Greetings from the Administration and Council of our Summer Village. Winter and the Christmas Season will soon be upon us and many of our part-time and full-time residents will continue to enjoy the lake. We have had a wonderful summer. Spending time with family and friends at the lake is probably the biggest reason we choose to have property in the Summer Village of Larkspur. We truly have a beautiful lake and we believe we also have a summer village we should be proud of.

### Annual General Meeting (AGM)

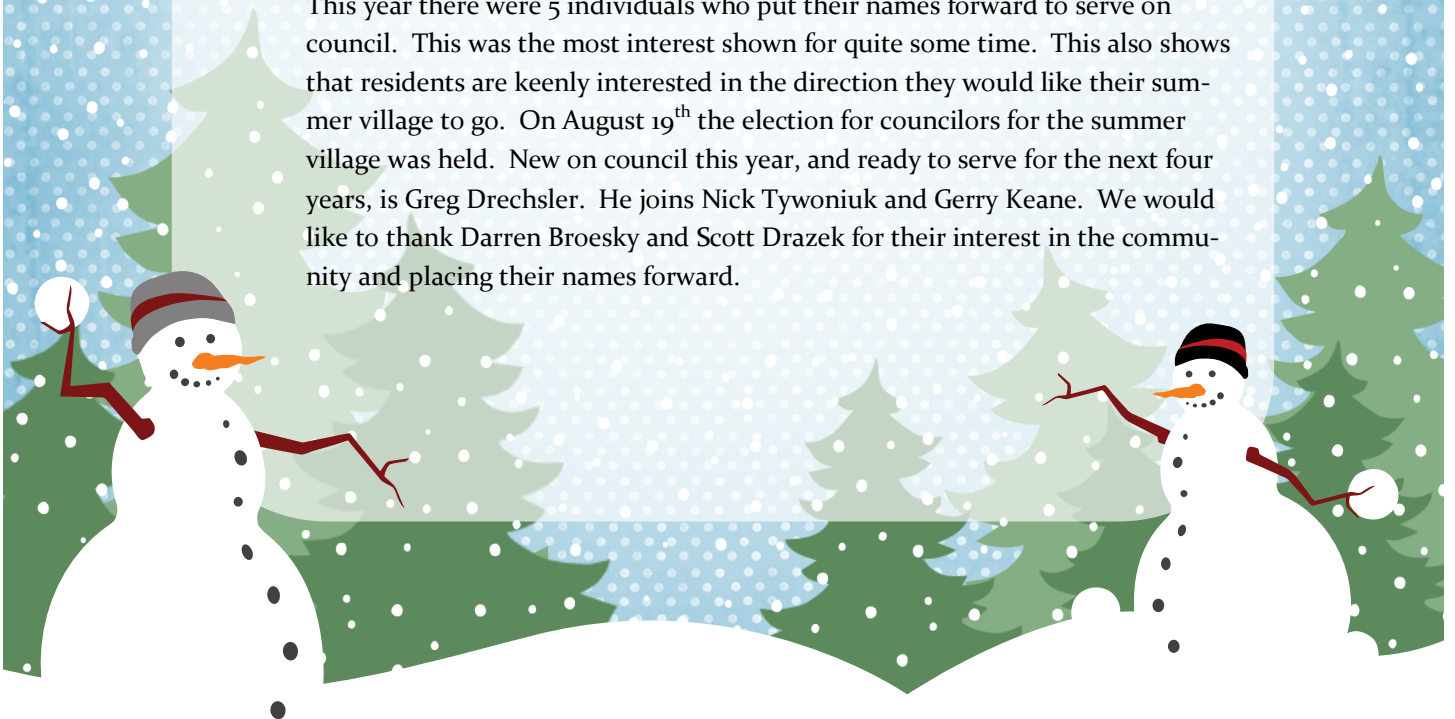
The AGM was held on July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 and was very well attended. For those of you who were not at the Annual General Meeting there were several issues raised and discussed. A copy of the minutes has been placed onto the website. <http://www.svlarkspur.ca/>. One item that surfaced at the meeting was private development on summer village reserves. Policy has been established restricting this type of development and can be viewed on the website.

### “Canada 150 Year Celebration”

The July 1<sup>st</sup> celebration was very well attended and those who attended reported an enjoyable day. Several activities took place including a Canada quiz and parade celebrating the event. Burgers, hot dogs and cake were served to all who attended. Please take time to view the pictures in the “Gallery” section of our website. Thanks to all those who volunteered their time and energy to make this such a success.

### Election Results

This year there were 5 individuals who put their names forward to serve on council. This was the most interest shown for quite some time. This also shows that residents are keenly interested in the direction they would like their summer village to go. On August 19<sup>th</sup> the election for councilors for the summer village was held. New on council this year, and ready to serve for the next four years, is Greg Drechsler. He joins Nick Tywoniuk and Gerry Keane. We would like to thank Darren Broesky and Scott Drazek for their interest in the community and placing their names forward.





### Road Sealing

As most of you are aware, the roads were finally resealed this fall. Unfortunately the weather did not co-operate with the workers and they had a difficult time applying the sealant and they needed to come back several times to complete the work. At the end of their work, Mother Nature inflicted another blow and a combination of rain and snow resulted. There is a considerable amount of fine gravel that remains on the road under the frozen snow. Some minor repairs are planned for the spring however, in the meantime, if there are any concerns please contact administration.

### Grass Mowing

We'd like to acknowledge and thank Tony for maintaining and repairing the lawnmower and keeping the grass in great shape. The old mower was replaced in September and hopefully there will be less down time in future years.

### New Municipal Government Act (MGA)

The new MGA has been passed and councilors are now required to take a two day, mandatory training session so they are updated on the changes to the Act and its requirements. Municipalities are now required to consult with other Municipalities on planning and enter into collaborative agreements with each other to improve and streamline services. This will present new challenges and opportunities to council as summer villages are not exempt from the new requirements.

In closing, council and administration wish you all a joyous Christmas season with health and happiness in the New Year. We wish those traveling South and elsewhere during the winter months "safe journey". For those remaining in the area, stay warm and enjoy the winter wonderland. We hope to see many of you soon as "cottage season" is just around the corner.

