



# Osprey Area Ratepayers Assoc.

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## President's Summer 2021 Newsletter

July 11, 2021

Hopefully, the record setting heat wave to hit Osprey Lake is over. With June temperatures exceeding 40c, we were all experiencing heat like we have never seen here before. So far, it looks like people are taking advantage by cooling off in the lake and everyone appears to be coping with the heat. Water temperature was 26c - another record for June.

With Covid restrictions easing, life is starting to get back to a semi-normal. Unfortunately, there are still some public gathering restrictions in place and we have reluctantly decided to **cancel the Annual Corn Roast** for another year. Assuming new Covid restrictions are not added, the following will take place.

### Community Calendar:

**Osprey Snowwheelers** - AGM and election of officers - Saturday, July 31 - 9:30am  
- Hayes Creek Community Hall

**Osprey Ratepayers** - AGM and election of officers - Saturday, July 31 - 10:00am  
- Hayes Creek Community Hall

**Hayes Creek Volunteer Fire** - AGM and election of officers - Saturday, July 31  
- 11:00am - **open house and BBQ cancelled** - Hayes Creek Community Hall

**Pancake Breakfast** - Sunday, **October 3** - **T.B.C.** - 9:30 to 11:00am - Hayes Creek Fire Hall - \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 10. All residents and guests are welcome - They will also be collecting cash donations for the Princeton Food Bank

### Community Update:

**14<sup>th</sup> Annual Roadside Cleanup** - The Annual Three Lakes (Osprey, Link, & Chain) roadside cleanup was held on May 29 with 25 volunteers picking up trash from local highways, roads, campsites, and trails. One thousand pounds of metal and trash was weighed in at Princeton landfill and at least half recycled. A huge thank you to all the volunteers who worked hard to make our community cleaner and safer! Here is hoping when we do the Lakeside clean up on September 11, we will be able to get together for a group picture.

**Hayes Creek Firefighters' Assoc.** - Later this summer we will be looking for community volunteers to promote the provincial Fire Smart program. Their goal will be to make us a Fire Smart neighborhood and to encourage residents to have their properties Fire Smart assessed. Property owners may qualify for grants up to \$500 to carry out Fire Smart initiatives.....more info to follow.

In addition to this, next spring there will be a residential chipper program consisting of a professional crew coming out to our area, on a specified date, to chip all branches and trees gathered and piled at yard entrances. This will be a free service with chips removed for recycling. We hope to make this an annual event. Taking part in this program



will make your property safer and hopefully prevent folks from illegally dumping pine cones, needles and branches creating severe fire hazards on adjacent properties and forestry roads, not to mention how unsightly it is. Be safe - the time to start fire smarting your property is now - and all year.

Hayes Creek has WASP Protection Kit sprinkler systems for sale. They are designed to be mounted on the fascias of your house, misting your roof and the adjacent area if a wildfire is imminent in the area. Many residents have already taken advantage of this offer. A set of two special agricultural grade long range sprinklers, quick mounting hardware, and 7.6m forestry grade lay flat hoses is \$160. **To order, contact Rob @ [hayescreekfire@ospreylake.ca](mailto:hayescreekfire@ospreylake.ca)**

Also a reminder for those who have yet to pay their 2021 Property Registration fee of \$100. It's been a difficult year for Hayes Creek without being able to hold their usual fundraising activities, so they are primarily relying on local residents paying their fair share of Hayes Creek significant annual operating costs. You can use [this link](#) to register and pay, or if your contact info has not changed, just Interac eTransfer your \$100 to: [hayescreek@ospreylake.ca](mailto:hayescreek@ospreylake.ca).

**Boat Racks** – Our four local boat rack locations are almost full – thank you to all who have removed their unused boats from the racks. These racks are intended for short term storage of non-waterfront local property owner's boats. Currently, there are still a few spaces taken up by derelict, unused boats. Those boats which have not been used at least once during the past year will be considered derelict and removed later this year to clean up the areas and make room for others.

### **Community Website:**

Dates, times, and locations of all upcoming local events and pictures of past events are all available at [ospreylake.ca](http://ospreylake.ca). If you have any new pictures or information you'd like included, please let us know.

The Ratepayers' annual membership dues are now due for the 2021 season – please follow this [link to register](#) and pay, or use the attached form.

To contact the executive, call Alan @ 250-295-3844 / email: [ratepayers@ospreylake.ca](mailto:ratepayers@ospreylake.ca) or Ruth @ 250-295-6660 / email: [cornroast@ospreylake.ca](mailto:cornroast@ospreylake.ca).

Be safe and enjoy your summer.  
Alan Holmgren, President,  
Osprey Area Ratepayers Assoc.

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## **Osprey Area Ratepayers - 2021 Membership Renewal Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Osprey Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Osprey Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

**Annual dues: \$10** - Payment options are: Interac eTransfer to: [cornroast@ospreylake.ca](mailto:cornroast@ospreylake.ca); or mailing a cheque payable to: "Osprey Area Ratepayers", 4118 Princeton Summerland Rd., Princeton, B.C., V0X 1W0.