

July 31, 2015

Santa has come and gone and what a time the children had while he was here. The were all wide eyed and full of smiles. The weather was great for his visit and everyone was in a joyful mood. We are going to have some Very HOT!! weather for the next few days. Everyone drink lots of liquids and stay cool.

Happy Birthday

Birthday greetings this week go out to:

- 8/1 Brittney Menard
- 8/2 Jean Herregods (74)
- 8/3 Allan Bilow
- 8/3 Alicia Primanli
- 8/4 Donna Bechard
- 8/6 Hannah Bliziotis (15)
- 8/6 Ray Davies

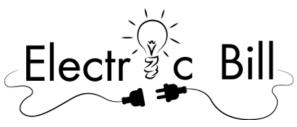
Happy Anniversary

Anniversary greetings this week go out to.

- 8/5 John & Carol Maduro (20 years)
- 8/6 Allan & Darla Bilow (33 years)

<u>50/50</u>

2314681- Our lucky winners last week were Gale & Mike Kennedy from Maple who won \$933.50



Power Bills: Summer power bills are ready and can be paid at the Blue Haven office.

<u>Events for this week</u> <u>Friday July 31st</u>

7:00 PM-Horseshoes everyone is welcome to come and join in the game. Horseshoe pits near clubhouse.



 7:30pm-Texas Hold'em- Want to test your luck? Join us at the clubhouse, play some cards and possibly win some cash. There is a \$10.00 entry fee. See Danny Adams at Riverside 24 with questions.

Saturday August 1st

- 50/50- The sellers will be going door to door throughout the park. If you miss your 50/50 ticket seller in your area, please feel free to see John Gagnon on Michelle 21 to purchase your lucky ticket !
- 9:30am- Kids Bingo- Hey kids we have new prizes, so grab your friends and come and join the fun.
- 10:00am-Adult Softball- We will be playing every Saturday morning. So grab you glove and your pals and come and join the fun. All adults, teens and bigger kids welcome.
- 1:00pm- Horseshoe Tournament- Come and join us at the clubhouse for a fun filled afternoon. Play some shoes or just watch the game and visit with friends.



 8:30pm-New Year's Eve Dance-This dance is an Adult dance so no children please.-Come dressed in your Hawaiian attire. Best dressed will be given a prize! Come on come all for the special drinks that will be available for purchase.-Jamie Head will be doing the music.

Sunday August 2nd

- 10:00am Kid Softball- Hey kids grab your shoes and your gloves and maybe even a couple of buddy's and meet at the south ball field and lets all have some fun.
- 10:00am- Line Dancing-Come and join the fun this is a good form of exercise and lots of fun.
- 6:30pm-Darts- If you like to play darts, come and join us in the clubhouse for a friendly game. You can join a game or just watch and visit with old friends and maybe make a few new ones. Don't forget to bring your darts

Monday August 3rd

• 7:00pm-Adult Bingo-Come and join us and you just might be a winner. Children may attend, but must be with an adult. And must purchase a entry pack

Thursday August 6th

• 1:00pm-Cafts-With Miss Flo-Come and join in the fun. See what Miss Flo has in store for you this week.

<u>Updates On Events</u> Christmas Movie

Night: Home Alone was a big success lots of laughs and lots of campers (at least 50) and most were in their favorite Christmas PJ's! Thanks for joining us for our Christmas Eve in July movie! Thank you to our volunteers, Heather Ago-



ny, Cliff & Pat Horrell, Sharon and Tom Rathbun that helped us with keeping things together during the event and cleaning up afterwards!.

<u>Kids Bingo:</u> No bingo last week due to Santa being here.



Breakfast With Santa: Ho Ho Hope everyone at Blue Haven enjoyed Christmas in July! The morning started very early for Dave Bechard who made sure that we had everything needed for our outside chefs & runners: Bob Craig, Todd Smith, Wayne Pregent, Bill Dempsey, Randy Moores, John Gagnon, Gerry Cantwell & John Sullivan to prepare the bacon, sausage, eggs, hash browns and grilled buttered toast, while Randy Hanfield took care of the French Toast sticks in the kitchen, and Ron Garrow, Cindy Smith & myself got the coffee going and set up for the breakfast. Our smiling volunteer servers; Donna Bechard, Sheila & Anika Craig, Francine Cantwell, Chantal & Ashley Bremner quickly prepared the bowls of fresh fruit to be served on the side before jumping in when the door opened at 8:00am to serve approximately 200 breakfasts to some very hungry and appreciative campers. Carol Davies as always, did a great job on the door taking tickets and collecting all the canned goods etc., for the local food bank, that were generously donated by the children in lieu of purchasing a ticket. Beckie thanks for jumping in to help clean tables and help the children with their plates in the line and Marge for your great help in the kitchen washing and cleaning up. You guys were great! Not long after we started serving, Santa entered the clubhouse and while Christmas music played in the background and smiles on a lot of children's face, our very jolly Santa mingled with the children on and off for over an hour as happy campers came and left. Back at the clubhouse just before noon families poured into the Club house to be there when Santa arrived.

A few minutes later Santa who arrived to the singing of Jingle Bells by all the anxious boys and girls of all ages, was greeted by Blue Haven's very special elves; Makenzie Doyle, Maddy Farrell, Hannah Forge, Lucy Gagnon, Nikki Farkas, Hanna Bervaldi, Avery Bresette, Kaylee Campbell, Kate Esford, Bella Mitchel (Davies), Corey Pingel, Cassidy, Abegale & Avery (sorry you forgot to put your last names) Sawyer Davies (our little elf that stood next to Santa the whole time he was there) and Riley LeGresley (our little elf that almost got to the end but told Donna and I that his legs were a "little rusty" so he sat in front of the stage until Santa finished. 142 children had the opportunity of sitting on Santa for a picture and received their gifts and token gift bag. Thank you Dave, Theresa, Hunter, Isaiah, Donna and Carol for your help and special thanks to our Blue Haven



elves, children, parents, grandparents, aunties & uncles & older brothers and sisters who so patiently waited. Santa you are the best! Sorry for any errors in spelling of the names or omissions – Thanks to all at Blue Haven that go above and beyond to make Blue Haven so special - Cheryl Moores

<u>Adult Softball</u>: Another great game where Bruce Stevenson's team slid by Robbie Bray's team in the last inning to win 16 to 15. Thanks to everyone who played and all the fans. See you next week Saturday at 10am. Everyone welcome including teens and bigger kids.

Golf Cart Pa-

rade: It was a great weekend at Blue Haven! What a way to end the day on Saturday night with The Christ-



mas in July Golf Cart Parade! We had 12 carts this year and all of them were EXCELLENT! Lot's of detailed carts, we had themes from the North Pole, The Minions, The Peanuts, The Grinch and other traditional Themes! The winners of this years were: 1st Place \$50.00-Lori Belair-Boyle and Brendan Boyle with the Minions, 2nd Place-\$30.00 was Carol Davis, Sharon Kubiak Rowley, Melody Eichler with their Elf City, North Pole and Santa's Workshop. 3rd Place \$20.00 was TIED , with Peter C. Visconti and their Santa and the Real Violin player, and Grinch by Shawn and Heather Agoney, It was amazing to see each and every cart and the great detail that EVERYONE put in their carts. The time we all spent was well enjoyed by all the Campers through the campsite. If you have received your prize then please stop and see Ron Garrow on Brookside, the next weekend your at Blue Haven. Thank you and see you at next years Golf Cart Parade.

Christmas Decoration Judging: Our secret judges were out and about on Saturday and enjoying all the fun with the parade and all the great decorations. Here are the winners of the judging. 1st place Brian Gadway & Anthony Biasini On Riverside 29. 2nd place Donna & Ray Davies on Hillside 43. 3rd place Ronald & Christine Garrow on 18 Brookside. And last but not least Rookie of the year goes to Joyce & Jean-Jaques St Onge on Willow 4. Congratulations to all of you. <u>Kid's Softball</u>: Twenty five kids on boxing day and only a few sleepy heads that didn't show up. Woohoo!!! the Killer Bees whose best player was Haggan McManus went right to the last inning to move ahead and beat the Dragon Flies whose best player was Riley Legresley by a score of 17 to 13. Thanks to all the kids for participating and parents for cheering. See you next week Sunday 10am all kids welcome.

Darts: Very good turn out with 25 players having a nice evening. Hi scores by women-Joyce with 114, Dawn with 111, Tiffany with 106. Hi scores by men Patrick with 100. Finishes by women Lisa, Debbie with 1 each. Finishes by men Patrick, Dan M with 3 each. Keith, Charlie, Marco and George with 1 each. Game was won by team Patrick, Carol, Marco and Brian. Stonewall Tournament is on August 15th (My error in last weeks gazette). Tickets are available. See Peter Kennedy 14 lakeside. Hope to see you all next Sunday 6:30pm start.

<u>Adult Bingo</u>: Pickle jar is now at \$120.00. Again congrats to all winners last week. Please no nickels & dimes. We do sell snacks and water. Big winner this week was Lucas Monette. Cindy & Carol



Up coming events:

Watch future newsletters for more information on these events and also the July monthly newsletter which will be out next Friday for all events in July below are a few of the major ones.

- Fishing Derby: August 8th -See attached flyer for rules
- Kids Halloween Party: August 8th-2pm-4pm-Kids Please sign up at the office. Its very important that you sign up for this event for us to appropriately plan for the party. Kids are encouraged to come dressed up and the party is for those ghost and goblins under 13.
- Kids Trick Or Treating: August 8th-6pm-8pm-Ok all you ghost & goblins get your customes and candy bas and go get some goodies. Please remember have fun & be safe.
- Halloween Golf Cart Parade: August 8th-8:15pm-Get your carts all decorated for Halloween and come out and join the fun. A prize will be awarded to the best decorated cart. Please sign up at the office.
- Halloween Horror Movie: August 8th- 9 pm -Showing in clubhouse for teens (12 and up only please). Not for the faint of heart! Please make sure you have your parents permission. Snacks provided! Please note that if I am unsure about your age I will ask you to come back with a parent. Jennifer
- St. Patrick's Day: August 15th
- Kids Soccer Day: August 15th
- Dance: August 15th
- Triathlon Run: August 22nd
- Movie Night: August 22nd
- Firemen Appreciation Dance: August 28th

Notice From Management: To help prevent any issues with our sanitation system please re-frame from disposing of wipe and grease into the system. Also please use only toilet tissue and chemicals that are recommended for use in RV's and sanitation systems.

Five Mistakes RV Owners Make & How to Avoid Them

1) <u>Leaving the steps out or the TV antenna</u> <u>up while traveling.</u>

You have probably seen an RV traveling down the road with the TV antenna up or the steps out just waiting to hit something, resulting in expensive repair bills. The easiest way to avoid this from happening is to follow a pre-trip checklist prior to moving the RV. In addition to using a checklist I always do a final walk-around of the RV just before pulling out; you might be surprised at what you overlooked or forgot.

2) <u>Not knowing or monitoring the height of</u> your RV.

Damage to the top area of RVs is one of the top five RV insurance claims filed. Your RV has what is referred to as soft and hard clearances. An example of a soft clearance would be a radio antenna. An example of a hard clearance would be the air conditioner. You could hit the radio antenna and do little or no damage to the RV, but if you hit the air conditioner chances are there will be lots of damage. The way to avoid this kind of damage to your RV is to know and monitor the height of your RV. Park the RV on a level surface and measure the height from the ground to the tallest hard clearance item on the RV. Record the measurement and post it where it will serve as a constant reminder. When you are at the campground have a spotter watch for low hanging tree branches and other obstacles that might damage the RV.

3) <u>Backing the RV into a site or parking</u> <u>spot at home without a spotter</u>

If you back the RV without a spotter I can almost guarantee that eventually you will hit something. An easy way to avoid this from happening is to always use a spotter. Establish hand signals you both understand and always keep the spotter in view when backing the RV. If you can't see the spotter stop the backing maneuver. Always watch for children and pets, especially when backing at the campground. When in doubt of what's behind you stop, get out and look.

4) <u>Not properly matching the tow vehicle to</u> <u>the trailer</u>

This is a big one! It's extremely important that you understand weight ratings and how much your tow vehicle can safely tow. A simple rule I always apply is the tow vehicle's towing capacity should be equal to or exceed the Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) of the trailer you are towing. This way, even if the trailer is loaded to full capacity, the tow vehicle is still rated to tow the weight. Towing with a mismatched tow vehicle and trailer combination can be deadly.

5) <u>Neglecting RV batteries and battery</u> <u>maintenance.</u>

Neglecting battery maintenance results in dead RV batteries when you least expect it. It's easy to forget to use the battery disconnect switch and drain a battery or to forget to charge a discharged battery in a timely manner. Battery maintenance is an integral part of using and owning an RV. If you get in a habit of using the disconnect switches, checking water levels in lead acid batteries and testing and re-charging discharged batteries you can extend the life of your batteries and avoid dead batteries from ruining your next camping trip.

Friendly Reminders:

<u>Bike Safety</u>

To all parents. Please remind your children.

- Everyone 14 and under MUST ware a helmet.
- You must obey the stop signs (especially at the playground)
- No riding after dark unless you have a spot light.
- Slow down and watch for people walking and cars.
- For your own safely, please don't follow to close to moving vehicles (i.e. Cars, trucks, hay wagon)





Golf Cart reminders:

- Operating golf carts in the campground is a <u>Privilege</u>, and we have set these guidelines to ensure safety for everyone.
- All golf carts MUST obey the posted speed limit of 5 mph.
- No one under the age of 16 is allowed to operate a golf cart.
- The driver MUST have a valid Driver's Permit (if 16 years old) and a licensed driver beside them at all times.
- All golf carts need to have lights to be driven at night.
- Absolutely no gas powered golf carts. This camp only allows electric golf carts.
- There is a \$35 registration fee every year for using your golf cart in the campground. The fee is usually paid at the beginning of the season, but if you purchase a golf cart recently, please go to the office to pay the fee, and get a number for your cart. Also let Theresa know the model, serial number, color and manufacturer name.
- The registered numbers must be visible on the cart at all times. The stickers must be placed either front and back or left and right.
- If you sell your golf cart, please remember the new owner must register the golf cart in their name and get a new numbers from the office.
- Golf cart passengers MUST be limited to the number of passengers the cart is designed for.
- DO NOT stand when the golf cart is in motion. The bars on the golf cart are NOT designed for a standing passenger.
- There will be consequences for those who do not abide by the guidelines. The following action(s) will be presented:
- ⇒ 1st offense: A verbal warning will be issued by Dave or Theresa.
- ⇒ 2nd offense: The golf cart will be grounded to your site for one month.
- ⇒ 3rd offense: The golf cart will need to be removed from the campground.

Vehicle reminders

- The legal speed limit in the park is 5 mph. Please abide by this limit.
- Please watch for children, bikers, golf carts, and walking campers. We do not want anyone to get hurt.
- Be very attentive around the playground, swimming pool, camp store and anywhere with large groups. Anyone could run in front of you. Pay close attention.
- Do not text or use your cell phone while you drive. Pay attention to the roads at all times.
- Vehicles must be operated by licensed adults.
- Cars should be driven to the site and as little as possible. Please DO NOT drive on the grass. There are plenty of roads to be driven on.
- Our campground roads are not suitable for practicing drivers. There is too many young children running around and too many dangers for a new driver to face at camp.
- Please refrain from playing the car radio too loud.
- Maximum of two automobiles are allowed to be parked at the site. Additional parking is available at the store lot.
- Guests must have a visible Guest Pass on their rear view mirror.
- Power boats, utility trailers, ATV trailers, boat trailers, and other types of vehicles may take the place of one of the cars allowed on site.
- One golf cart per site.

Restricted Vehicles

The following types of vehicles are not allowed to be driven in the campground at any time or by anyone:

• Dirt bikes, Go Carts, Mini bikes, Motorized scooters (with the exception of adults with health issues), ATV (3 or 4 wheels), etc.





Notes/Reminders:

Site Rent

NOTICE!!!!

Beginning for the 2015 season and in the future, ANYONE who does NOT pay their site rent IN FULL by June 1 st, for TWO (2) consecutive seasons, will see an increase of \$75 in their Site Rental. This DOES include anyone who makes special arrangements to be paid AFTER June 1 st. Regular missed payment fees and interest still apply. Please refer to Page 2 Rates & Forms of payment in your Policy Book- The policy clearly states that ALL site rentals MUST be paid by June 1 st, no matter what payment plan you choose. You can get an updated page for your policy book from Theresa at the office.

<u>Mail:</u>

• Please stop into the office and check the mail box. The box is full of various guests' mail, and your mail could be here!

<u>Issues in the Park:</u>

- Please see Dave or Theresa in the office for any park issues, so they can arrange to have them taken care of.
- Please see Dave at the office and refer to your guideline book before you dig, cut, trim, buy a shed or build anything.

Quiet Hours:



• Please be considerate of your neighbors and remember the quiet hours. These hours are:

• Weekdays = 10:00pm-9:00am.

• Weekends/Holidays = 11:00pm-10:am

Please try not to mow your lawns or play loud music during these qui-

<u>Trash:</u>

- Please do not put household trash in the trash cans near the bathhouses and/or common areas.
- There are dumpsters on the South Side beside the pool to be used for trash.
- Please do NOT put wood of any kind in the dumpsters. Just leave it on the ground and our employees with take care of it.
- If you need help finding the dumpsters, any staff member would be glad to show you where they are located.
- You can also go to the office and get a map to show you where the rubbish bins are.

<u>Pet reminders:</u>

- Please clean up after your pets. Especially when the pet makes messes on the ball field or the boat launches.
- While at your site, always keep your dog on a leash, whether you are there or not.
- Please keep your neighbors in mind when your dog is barking. Not everyone is a pet lover, and we need to be courteous to them.

<u>Gazette Entries</u>

If you would like to put something in the Gazette, have the submission to the Blue Haven office by no later then 12:00 PM on Tuesday.

must contain the letters SPIDER.

Halloween Sudoku

Every row, column and mini-grid



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