



WATERBILL NEWSLETTER JUNE 2021

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Indian Head Days 2021 - August 6 & 7, 2021

Town Council has set a date for Indian Head Parade Day! The format for the weekend will look a little different this year but there will still be plenty of activities for the whole family to enjoy. On Friday evening, Sum Theatre will be presenting *Theatre in the Park* with two special live performances. Saturday morning we will enjoy our main event - the parade! You can register your float by emailing indianheadcdc@sasktel.net. In the afternoon, enjoy family activities in the park and free swimming at the pool. We are still making plans for the day and will be posting details on our website and Facebook page as they become available. For now, we are just happy to be able to celebrate with you again and look forward to seeing you on August 6th & 7th!



Use Water Wisely

Conserving water is always important for the environment, but efficient water use also puts less pressure on the Town's water system. Lawns are the number one user and make up 80% of the water consumed in summer. Here are some quick tips: when mowing, leave grass 2-3" tall to shade roots and help prevent evaporation. Encourage deep rooting by watering 2.5cm one to two times per week. Watering should be done in the early morning or evening when less is lost to evaporation.

“Staycation” Programming

The Town is very pleased to once again be doing our Summer “Staycation” Programming! Our Program Leader Sharlyze will be organizing a combination of online and in-person crafts, games, challenges and activities for kids and families to stay active this summer. All you need to do is type [Facebook.com/ihrw](https://www.facebook.com/ihrw) or [Instagram.com/ihrw](https://www.instagram.com/ihrw) into your search bar or follow our pages on the app! Activities start on July 5th and run through August 13th. We hope you can join us!

Keep Cool at the Pool

The Lifeguards are excited to welcome everyone to the swimming pool this summer! You can find the full schedule on the Town website or on the pool's Facebook page. Swimming lessons are filling up quickly, if you would still like to register, please follow the link on the Town's website under “Parks & Facilities”. When visiting the pool this summer please remember; we are still following COVID-19 guidelines for the time being and anyone 8 years old and under must be accompanied in the water by someone who is at least 12 years of age.

Want to Make the Town a Better Place?

What is community development? Well, basically it's anything that makes living in Indian Head better. In Indian Head, the Community Development Committee is dedicated to:

- Business growth & attraction
- Recreation & programming
- Marketing, tourism & events

Sound like something you would enjoy doing? Come join us! The Committee consists of innovative, forward-thinking volunteers who reside in the R.M. and Town of Indian Head. The only qualification you need - you love this town and want to see it grow! For more information, please contact Meagan at indianheadcdc@sasktel.net or phone 306-695-2742.





Welcome our Facility Operations Manager

The Town of Indian Head is very excited to welcome MacKenzie Craigie to our team in the new position of Facility Operations Manager. MacKenzie is born and raised in Indian Head and is excited to now be working to grow the community she loves. She will oversee the day-to-day operations and maintenance of all parks, recreation facilities and Town owned buildings.

These amenities play an essential role in the social well-being of the residents of the community and the region and we are very excited to have a new position to focus on making them the best they can possibly be. With this new transition, the Community Development Officer will now be dedicated to business & economic development, tourism, marketing & communications and event planning. The Facility Operations Manager and Community Development Officer will work closely together to ensure our growing town offers the best quality of life possible to our residents and visitors.

Horticulture Society Garden Contest & Show

On August 15, the Indian Head Horticultural Society will be hosting their annual Garden Show. In conjunction with the show, there will be a "Home Grounds and Gardens" competition. Gift certificates to U & K Greenhouses will be awarded to the winners:

- \$100 for landscaping / home grounds (one each for town and rural properties),
- \$50 for newly landscaped home grounds (under 5 years old),
- \$25 each for gardens, flower beds, planters / containers, water features, and hanging baskets.

The competition is open to any town or rural property, including Community Garden plots, and we highly encourage you to nominate your neighbours or favourite properties! Deadline to enter is July 31. To enter, or for more information, please submit your name, address, and phone number to Carol (695-2050) or Christiane (christiane.catellier@live.ca).

2021 Census Online

It's not too late to complete your 2021 Census. The census is one of the most important sources of statistics in Canada. Your responses help us to understand the needs of our community and to plan and develop the right services for our residents. You can complete your census online today by visiting www.census.gc.ca. Please remember the census is mandatory in Canada. If you do not complete it, Statistics Canada will contact you for a non-response follow up via phone, email or in person.

How We Get the Word Out

When it comes to public communications, the Town of Indian Head has a detailed plan on how to get information to our residents. We use a variety of media and outlets to convey messages based on the nature of the content; the more immediate the situation the more efforts are exhausted to increase awareness. The plan cannot guarantee every single affected resident will be notified. The plan is in place for residents to be aware of the means of communication we use under different scenarios, and where information can be found.

For events happening in and around Indian Head, we have an Events Calendar on the Town website. These events are also scheduled on the community sign board in front of Memorial Hall. Anyone is welcome to have their event posted on the website and sign board by emailing their details to indianheadcdc@sasktel.net at least one week in advance of the event.

Regularly scheduled communications and awareness campaigns take place on our social media pages (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram), in our Waterbill Newsletter (quarterly) and in the Indian Head-Wolseley News Town Page (quarterly). For these types of messages, we often make use of the community sign board and special advertising in the Indian Head-Wolseley News as well.

For more important messages that affect a large number of people, for example a water shut-off, we may use additional outlets. In these situations, we will employ a mail drop, posters and our Email system in addition to our regular communication channels. To receive our email communications, you can sign up on the Town website or email your information to indianheadcdc@sasktel.net.

In an emergency event, the Emergency Measures Organization (EMO) will be activated and a SaskAlert will be issued. To learn for about the EMO and for resources on preparing yourself for an emergency, visit the Town website under Health and Emergency. To learn more about SaskAlert visit <http://emergencyalert.saskatchewan.ca/> or download the SaskAlert app.