



Resort Village of Shields

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SHIELDS NEWS - Summer 2022

Mayor's Message

I hope everyone had a fabulous Canada Day! The Shield's float was a huge success in the Community Wide Canada Day Celebration in Dundurn. The beach scene was a very good replica of why you want to live at Shields. The Shield's Golf Course and Pickleball Picklers were also represented in the parade. It was fun to be a part of the parade and share the spirit of Shields with our volunteers and others in the community. Thanks to the Events Committee for organizing. Great job!

In collaboration with the RM of Dundurn with shared funding from the Village, the Rural Integrated Road for Growth Stimulus Funding was approved last year to provide funding to construct a heavy hall road from the south end of Memorial Drive to Highway 211. The tender went out in May and was awarded to Brodsky construction. The road construction will be starting in September.

The fibre optics project is complete and providing a much faster internet speed. Unfortunately, with the installation of the fibre came some cost to the village with damage to our irrigation system. Some of this damage will be covered by the contractor but other breaks will be the villages cost as the irrigation liens were not always identifiable. Some of the other leaks experienced this year, are due to the aging infrastructure. Operations has done a fantastic job getting the system back up and running.

You have probably noticed that there is a beautiful new building in town. The new Sportsourt Amenities Building is up and almost complete on the outside. The large, covered deck on the building will be a great gathering space. The bathrooms will also be convenient for those playing on the sportsourt. The inside details are now being worked on and should be complete by the end of August. Just a note that this building was made possible through the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program which covers 73.33% of the cost of the retrofit to this building. This space's programming will happen over the winter months.

Welcome to our two new Council members, Chad Pysden and Gillian Gauthier. Thank you for giving back to your community.

Have a great summer, stay safe and enjoy this wonderful place we call home.

Sincerely,
Angie Larson, Mayor





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Committee Updates and Messages:

Events Committee

Park Naming Celebration

On June 18 many family/friends and neighbors gathered to celebrate the naming of the Del Davies Park. Del has spent many years (over 30) developing this park and the village showed their gratitude by honoring him through naming recognition of the park. The event began in the park with a short formal presentation followed by cake and coffee at the community centre.

Thanks Del!!



Beer and Burger Night

Stay tuned for our next event that is coming up on August 27th.



Spirit of Shields Award

A special thank you to all residents who continue to show their support through volunteering on committees and projects. This spirit of volunteerism is what really makes Shields such an amazing place to be. The "Spirit of Shields" nominations are due by July 31st. Nomination forms can be found on our website [HERE](#).

July 1st Event

The parade in Dundurn was a tremendous success, the Shields float received many accolades. The beach theme was very well done and thanks to the children riding on the float for their contribution. Excitement was high as they waved, blew bubbles, and threw candies. Thanks to Dave for pulling the float and Cheryl, Lindy and Liz for sharing their creativity with the creation of the beautiful summer beach.





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Horticulture Committee

Thanks once again to the Committee members, Carrie Reinhardt, Judi Dunn, Jane Anderson, Cheryl Robson, Liz Busby, Susan Hiller and Tanya George for planting flowers in the barrels around the village and taking care of the flowers over the summer. It has been a little more challenging with the irrigation system being down so thanks for the extra effort.

Golf Committee

Our season is well underway, we'd like to thank our maintenance and operations staff for all their hard work during a very busy spring. The Jack & Jill tournament was held on June 11, congratulations to Les and Linda for winning the event!

Mondays are our Family Night, the course is open to all but we'd like everyone be aware of the younger golfers that will be out. Family fun takes precedent to pace of play on Mondays. Tuesdays and Thursdays are Ladies and Men's Nights, the course is reserved from 4PM to 8PM for participants. Please reach out to the organizers if you'd like to get involved.

We will be holding Junior lessons for ages 7+ on July 18th at 3PM. Registration information will be posted in the next few days. Our annual Scramble fundraiser tournament will be held on Saturday August 13th. Registration information will be sent out via email and posted on our Facebook page, please check it out and follow if you haven't already done so. This event sells out quick! The Golf Ball Drop fundraiser has been approved and will be happening at the Club Championship on Saturday September 10th, 2022.

Thanks for your continued support,
Shields Golf Committee



Online Registration

We are continuing with online registration for Golf Course Season Passes. Thanks for your patience, as it takes some time to process these registrations. Please see the website [HERE](#) for more information about how to register.

2022 Season Prices:

Family membership - \$375.00 +GST = \$393.75

Adult Membership (18+) - \$175.00 +GST = \$183.75

Youth Membership (10-17) - \$40.00 +GST = \$42.00

Power Cart Pass - \$40.00 +GST = \$42.00

SHIELDS SCRAMBLE CHAMPIONSHIP

August 13, 2022 | 8AM | \$160/ team of 4
Email golf@shields.ca to Register

18 HOLE TEXAS SCAMBLE
COMPLIMENTARY FOOD AND BEVERAGE WITH REGISTRATION
TEAM PRIZES AND CLOSEST TO THE PIN
\$10,000 HOLE IN ONE COMPETITION
POST TOURNAMENT FUN COMPETITION FOR PRIZES





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Parks, Playgrounds, and Beaches

Summer is finally here! How great is it to have this incredible place to call home or retreat to for the lake life? The Parks, Playgrounds, and Beaches committee loves to see people enjoying the playground, sport court, beach, and green spaces.

The beach toys have been restocked and labelled, and there is equipment at the sport court for public use. Please remember to always return all toys and equipment to the black bins before you leave. Many items are being left out, which is causing damage and items to go missing. While we are able to replace items as they wear out, we can not replace as often if they go missing or are damaged. Also, please be sure to pick up your garbage, cans/bottles, and take personal items home. Thank you to those who have been cleaning up the garbage left behind, but we must all do our part to care for our community and lake.

Thank you to Chad and Jill Gauthier for coaching the Blackstrap Minnows soccer this year, and the help of Carrie Hart for organizing and passing the torch as coach. Many kids from Shields, Thode, and surrounding area took part in two age groups, and they learned soccer skills and had a lot of fun. A wind up was held on June 18, including a bouncy house and summer treats. It was a great opportunity for our local kids to be active right here in their own community.

New buoys have been purchased for the beach and will be installed soon. Remember to speak to your children about beach and lake safety, and to stay inside the buoys to stay clear of boats.

Have a wonderful summer everyone! Relax and enjoy all that Shields offers!



Greenspaces

Our committee plans for 2022 will be to remove two of the four large dead Poplar trees that are a safety concern in Outlaws Ravine. Unfortunately, they are too large for our Operations staff to remove, so the use of a Contractor is necessary. When summer starts winding down, and temperatures start to drop we will be reaching out to the community for volunteers to help cleaning up deadfall and removing dead trees.

I want to thank the people who work behind the scenes that help to keep our Greenspaces and trees watered and healthy or give them the occasional grass trim. While we were waiting for our irrigation to come back online, I saw people watering trees, grass and shrubs with their city water or water tanks filled from the fill station. Thank you very much for your efforts!



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Operations Notices and New Additions:

We would like to thank everyone for their patience while the staff dealt with the irrigation system this spring. Also thank the staff for all the repairs involved – Good job!

A few reminders for the summer:

- When operating ATV or Side-by sides, helmets are a must. Provincial law states that helmets safety glasses, and gloves are all required. Fines can and will be issued by RCMP and conservations offices. In addition, all motorized vehicles must be driven by someone with a valid operators license.
- Please remember all homes should have a house number on them, and if you have regular access to your house from the rear, we suggest numbers on both sides. It is important to consider that if you make an emergency call or call 911, the responders will need to locate your property in a timely manner.
- Please remember the speed on memorial drive is 30km/hr and the interior of the village is 20km/hr. This is for the safety of all, and there are many families with younger children.
- Please do not flush baby wipes, shop towels, disinfecting wipes, or feminine products as they are very harmful to our system.

Please be safe and enjoy your summer!

Farewell & Thank You

We would like to thank Kaija Edwards for her time with the Resort Village. She was an excellent addition to the operations team, a hard worker and the village staff and council will miss her. We all wish her luck on future endeavors!





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New To Council

We would also like to say farewell to Lorna Ledoux, who sat on council from 2019, until 2022. With that news, we have two new councilors for the Resort Village of Shields, Chad Pysden and Jill Gauthier!

Jill Gauthier

My family and I moved to Shields in December of 2021. I currently work at K+S Potash Canada in Accounts Payable and I've been there for about a year. I'm also a journeyman hair stylist as well.

Being a hairstylist gives me that creative edge and I've always got some new ideas. I don't have any experience with town council, but I feel I've got a lot to contribute and I can't wait to be a part of this community.

My husband, Chad, and I are kept very busy with our two year old son, Easton, fishing and just being outdoors. Chad and I just recently coached the Shields soccer team and we are looking forward to coaching in the future as it was so much fun and we got to meet so many new people.

I look forward to learning more about this community and meeting new people and sharing ideas with my fellow council members.



Chad Pysden

A little bit about me - my spouse Jaclyn, our three kids, and I have lived in Shields for 7-1/2 years. I spend a lot of my time building and operating my business, where I have learnt business through immersion.

I am a very growth oriented person, whether in business or my personal life - and believe in constantly improving. I started my career fixing heavy trucks and grew to become a Journeyman Truck and Transport Mechanic, from there I obtained my commercial drivers license. I wasn't satisfied that I had gone far enough, so I took some business classes and achieved my Blue Seal through apprenticeship. After my blue seal, I challenged the Partsperson trade and succeeded in obtaining another red seal.

When I'm not working or driving the kids to sports, I like to spend time out on the water or on the golf course. I look forward to sharing and applying my experiences to this position on council and getting in touch with the community.





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Health and Safety

Update from the EMO Planning Committee:

Shields Planning Committee and Block Captains met in June for a barbecue and general discussion on their role supporting Shields. Over the summer the Block Captains will be updating the resident list for their area of responsibility to ensure they have the information needed to contact their residents in case of an emergency.

All Block Captains have identification to show that they are a representative of Shields Emergency Measures. Our EMO Resident Contact List is confidential and is only used in the case of an emergency in the Village.

Joan and Al Hiebert, long-time supporters of Shields EMO, have recently stepped down and we would sincerely like to thank and recognize Joan and Al for their many years serving as Block Captains for the Village. Your support is very much appreciated! We are looking for volunteer(s) to take over their block in Mawson area.

Please contact Garry Hovland (306-280-7652) or Debbie Heidt (306-371-0900) if you would like to become a Block Captain.

Have a safe and fun summer!
Debbie Heidt, EMO Co-ordinator





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2022 Garbage/ Recycle Calendar



Garbage Pick-up Date



Recycle Pick-up Date

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