



Resort Village of Shields

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Mayor's Message



I hope everyone had a nice Easter and enjoyed time with family and friends. It is great that spring is on its way as we look forward to all the great summer activities that living at the lake has to offer.

Jenson Stromberg Chartered Professional Accountants have completed the village's year-end audit. The audit reported that the village is in good standing. With the lot sale from last year and the grants received, along with the accounts that were underspent in

some areas, the village shows a surplus at year end. This is after paying for the village's share of the new connector road to 211. Well done team!!

The following were some of the larger village projects completed in 2023:

- Road construction of the connector road to Highway 211.
- Asphalt and furnishings for the HUB/Sport Court.
- Upgrades to the lift stations.
- Upgrades and renovations to the hall including the bathroom upgrades and full interior, wall repair and painting.
- A village sign at the entrance to the village off the new connector road.
- Golf Course completion of moving hole 6 and upgrading hole 2 tee off box.

Council has approved the 2024 operating budget and great news that with careful planning we were able to balance the budget without raising the base tax or the mill rate for the second consecutive year. For more details on the village finances, past and future plans, we invite you to attend the Village informational meeting planned for May, date to be announced soon.

This year Shields is holding a Community Canada Day Celebration. The committee has members from Shields, RM of Dundurn, Town of Dundurn, PSP Dundurn and assistance from the Blackstrap Provincial Park. The committee is in the process of planning a day of fun-filled activities. Mark the day on your calendar and start planning how you will decorate your bicycle or golf cart for the parade. More information will be available soon.

Welcome to Kelly Dodd our temporary CAO who will be filling in while Jessica is away on Maternity leave, Brian Dettleau in the role of Golf Course Greenskeeper and to Kevin Brier who will be re-opening the Hub concession in May, as Mustards Last Stand at the HUB. Please visit his website for hours of service and menu options.

Enjoy the spring weather (fingers crossed) and hope to see you around the village this summer.

Sincerely,
Angie Larson, Mayor
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Committee Updates and Messages:

Social Programming Committee

Events

The Social Committee are busy again, planning events for this year. Save the dates for the following:

May 11. Family Potluck/Village wide Garage Sale

July 1. The Biggest yet Canada Day celebration

Sept 7. Beer and Burger event

Oct 5. Harvest Potluck

Nov 2. 2 nd Annual Casino Night

Dec 14. Annual Children's Christmas Party

It's those who attend, that make these events successful. The Social Programming Committee is in need of members. Come out and share your ideas with us to make our Village the best place to live! Email Cheryl at cherbear_19@hotmail.com to join. Looking forward to seeing everyone enjoying themselves at our events this year!



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Parks Beaches and Playgrounds

It's beginning to feel like spring at the lake! The sun is shining, we are seeing more people out for walks and visiting in the street, a few kids bikes and scooters have made their way out of storage, and it's nearly warm enough for a beverage on the deck. Soon enough we will be enjoying the parks, sport court, and beach! As you begin to use the sport court, playground, walking paths, green spaces, and beach please do your part to care for our community.

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PARKS, CULTURE AND RECREATION

Calling all Kids Age 4-9!



Learn to Play Soccer

Sundays from:

10:00am-10:30am Kids 4-6

10:45am-11:30am Kids 7-9

\$10 Registration Fee can be E-transferred to jilliankennedy00@gmail.com

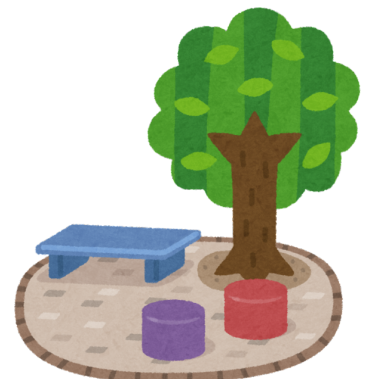
(Fees to go towards new equipment)

Throughout May 5 and June 30 at Friendship Park (Right next to the Sport Court)

Always ensure all garbage is picked up, clean up after your pets, and be sure equipment is cared for and returned to the black bins with the lid closed. Our annual spring-cleaning bee is tentatively set for Sunday, May 5, weather permitting. Bring a rake and some gloves to the playground where we will meet to clean up the park. Kids are encouraged to take part, and there is usually a little reward for them at the end!

Further information will be sent in an email closer to the date.

Tanya George -
on behalf of the Parks Beaches
and Playgrounds Committee



Sign up by: April 30th, 2024 To: Jill and Chad Gauthier 306-292-9475



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SHIELD'S AEROBIC WALKING EXERCISE PROGRAM

This program is sponsored by the Shield's Social Programming Committee.

Come join us for fun and to get into shape for summer. We are starting an exercise program that is proven to improve people's health and you can work at your own pace. (If you can walk you can participate). Please invite others in the community to join in. Classes will be offered at the Shields Community Centre.



All you need is comfortable shoes and energy.

Classes will run two days per week. Tuesdays and Thursday mornings @ 10:00 a.m. – starting Tuesday, May 7th.

Charge will be a minimal fee of \$2.00 per session.

Coffee/Drink/Visiting will be offered after the class.

To register click on link below or copy link to your address bar:

Benefits of Group exercise

- Other people influence your attitudes and emotional responses to exercise. ...
- Fun with friends is motivating. ...
- Buddies help make it a habit. ...
- Encouraging to have support of others in your exercise journey.



<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SHIELDSEXERCISE>



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Animal Control Committee

The Animal Control Committee would like to remind everyone in the village that dogs and other pets are to be kept on leash at all times. It has been noted that there has been some off leash activity in the community, and we would like to make sure that everyone is complying with the bylaws. It is important that we are working together to keep our residents and other animals safe, as animals can be unpredictable in these types of situations.

Also, a reminder that there are several dog waste bag stations around the village. These are here to assist in helping keep the village clean and free of waste. Please utilize these stations if you happen to be out and don't have a bag with you. Dog waste is a health hazard and is very unsightly. We all want to take pride in keeping our village clean and safe. Thank you for doing your part!

The updated Village's Animal Control Bylaws are available on the website. Please take time to review these bylaws by clicking the link [here](#).

Golf Committee

We are looking forward to a great season of golf and are hoping that the weather will co-operate so we can have an early course opening! You can purchase memberships anytime through the online registration at shields.ca. The prices from last year will remain in effect and include PST and GST.

- Family Membership - \$425
- Adult Membership - \$195
- Junior Membership (to age 17 years) - \$45
- Power Cart Annual Pass - \$45
- Day fees will remain at \$25 per person and \$5 per cart

We are in the process of adding some new members to our golf committee as Kam and Cory have stepped down. We thank them both for the time and dedication they have given to the course and committee over the years. We would also like to offer a warm welcome to our new greenskeeper, Brian Detillieux.

When it is time to take tarps off the greens, we will have a call out for volunteers so please keep an eye out for that. As always, we kindly ask that people refrain from walking on the greens or using power carts until it is dry enough to do so.

We have some exciting plans for course upgrades, and we will continue working hard to have the course in top notch condition!

Jaclyn Sander on behalf of the Golf Committee





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Update from the EMO



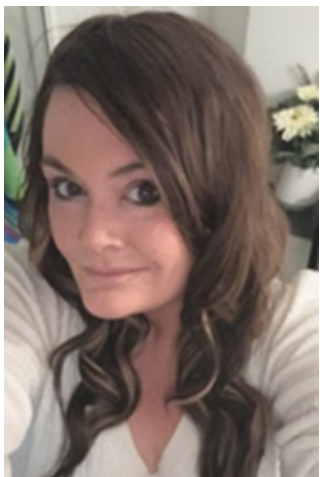
This year the EMO Committee will look for opportunities to partner with other communities/organizations to continue to enhance Shields emergency measures that will support residents of the village if we are ever in an emergency situation.

On March 20th, Shari Lemon, Donor Relations & Development Officer from STARS attended the Community Centre and made a presentation to Council and members of Shields EMO. It was an informational session about the organization, providing the history of how it started, their members, equipment across the three provinces and how it is funded half by the Provincial Governments and the other half is all fundraising. STARS is a valuable resource to our communities in Saskatchewan. They are holding a Critical Care on the Air Radiothon coming up April 9 & 10. [Here](#) is the link to the website to donate.

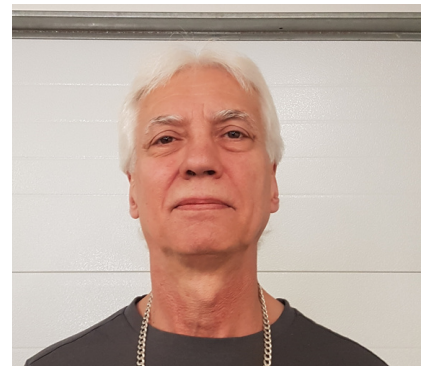
This spring training will continue for the team and will focus on a full session that will include Council, Block Captains, Operations and EMO Planning Committee. As well, EMO week in Saskatchewan is May 5 - 11 and we will use this as an opportunity to get to know the Block Captains in your area and update our contact information for our residents. Everyone have a safe spring!

Debbie Heidt - EMO Co-ordinator

New Village Staff:



Kelly Dodd will be filling in as administrator while Jessica is away on maternity leave. Kelly is the current administrator for the Resort Village of Mistusinne located near Elbow. She currently lives in Dinsmore where she had been the administrator for the past 7 years before choosing to return to university. She is originally from Fort Qu'Appelle. Kelly looks forward to her time here in Shields and looks forward to meeting many of the residents during her time here.



After spending 25 years here in shields, I have now made Shields my permanent residence and look forward to meeting more people. I hope to exceed expectations on maintaining our lovely golf course.

- Brian Detilleux



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Administration Report

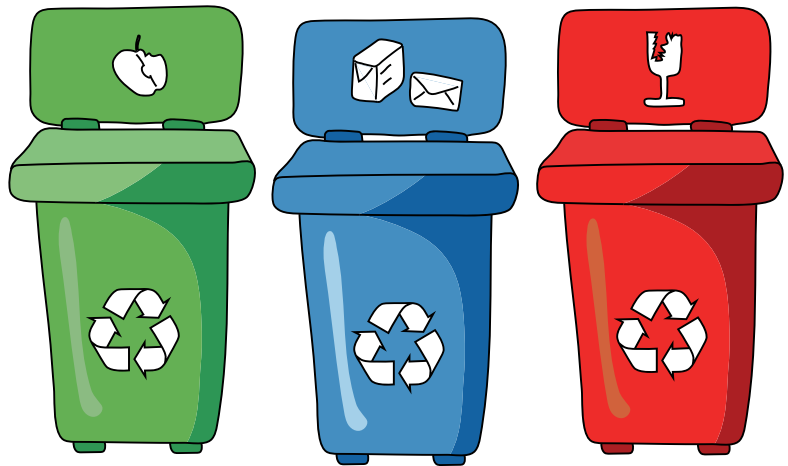
As many know I am headed away on my second maternity leave on April 19th. It was a short return to work but I think operations team with administration and council were able to get a lot of important work done over this Fall and Winter. I am excited to announce that Kelly Dodd will be replacing me while I am away over the next year, I know everyone will make her feel welcome.

The village office is open Monday-Friday from 8:15am-3:45pm, but the public office hours are Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 8:15am-3:45pm, and Thursdays from 1:00-3:45pm. If you are unable to meet during these public office hours, call 306-492-2259 and we will do our best to accommodate your schedule. If you have any questions, or need assistance please contact myself or Kelly at admin@shields.ca, or phone the number listed above.

The Resort Village Assessment Roll is now open. It is open for inspection from April 1, 2024 – May 5, 2024, at the office of the assessor from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Monday – Wednesday. Any person who wishes to appeal their assessment should directly contact the Board of Revision Secretary, Kristen Tokaryk, Box 149, Meota, SK S0M 1X0, by the 5th day of May 2024. An appeal fee of \$50 is required to be remitted with the appeal. Successful appeals will have the fee refunded.

Other Notices:

- Shields residents have access to compost at the Dundurn transfer station free of charge.
- Red Loraas Bins will be brought to the village on May long weekend for residents to dispose of larger waste items
- Shields will be hosting an AGM this year, please look out for more details to come.



Golf Cart Reminder:

- Please remember that only those with a valid drivers license should be driving golf carts throughout the village.
- The Golf Cart Bylaw is posted on the website [here](#)



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Operations, Maintenance and Other Information:

Docks

We have been working on cleaning up Outlaws Ravine to accommodate for more dock spaces which we hope to have available later this summer. A work B was held last summer with a lot of trees and branches piled up that will be burned as soon as possible.

As a reminder boat docks and lifts need to be in the water no later than June 30 to ensure our shorelines and front yards are maintained over the summer months. There are still a considerable amount of docks & lifts that have no identification on them so it would be greatly appreciated if everyone could identify what they have on the shoreline with their name & address. This saves time for both Fred & I if we need to contact the owner.

If you are new to the village or wish to apply for dock space please contact the village office where you can get an application form.



Shields Seasonal Storage Site

To those that have a storage lot assigned to them, please ensure your space is kept up by mowing the grass and kept free of litter. Please be mindful so you are not crowding out your neighbor by going over your allotted space and interfering with their property. If you see a need to take down or remove any trees in this area please let Fred or myself know beforehand for approval. Thank you for your cooperation.

Garry Hovland





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Maintenance

Thanks to our maintenance staff Fred and Glenn for the excellent job of the roads this winter. Great job guys!

For your information, failing to stop at a stop sign results in a fine that starts at \$230.00 in addition to four demerit points. Speed fines start at \$170.00 with two demerit points.

When operating a Quad or side by side you need to have a helmet on, the RCMP also recommend gloves and safety glasses.

The Dundurn Fire Department, along with the Saskatoon Fire Department recommend you check your smoke/carbon monoxide detectors, replace the batteries if equipped at least once a year. Life expectancy of these units is 10 years, then they should be replaced. Please also remember that numbers on your houses should be visible from the street in case of an emergency.

Welcome to spring, we all hope.

Noel Tomlenovich



April 2024

BI-ANNUAL NOTICE TO NON-POTABLE WATER CUSTOMERS

Please be reminded that your water service from SaskWater is non-potable and **should not** be used for drinking, preparation of food or oral hygiene as it may present a risk to your health without first being properly treated.

SaskWater non-potable water services are generally intended for irrigation and/or stock watering purposes only and should not be connected to any household plumbing.

If you have any questions regarding your non-potable supply from SaskWater, please contact SaskWater's Customer Service at 1-888-230-1111.

Other Notices

- The Irrigation system will be turned on for the season in mid-May depending on the weather and quickly things thaw.
- The Seasonal porta-potty's are now open for use in the village
- Please remember that dogs are not allowed on the golf course, so stick to paths and walking trails.



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Blackstrap Provincial Park

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- **Camping season opens May 16, 2024**
- **Entry permits are now available for purchase at the Visitor Centre or online at parks.saskatchewan.ca**
- **Annual Permits are \$82.00 and are valid April 1, 2024 to April 30, 2025. Permits are required year-round.**
- **Check out our trails! Explore over 25km of multi-use trails.**
- **NEW THIS YEAR: off-leash dog park (coming in May 2024)**

Blackstrap Provincial Park Office: 306-492-5676
or blackstrapprovincialpark@gov.sk.ca
Parks Info: 1-800-205-7070
parks.saskatchewan.ca





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Garbage/ Recycle Calendar



Garbage Pick-up Date



Recycle Pick-up Date

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