

BALSAM CHUTES ROAD ASSOCIATION



Spring 2016 Newsletter

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Presidents Message – Geordie Heath

Firstly, I believe we have finally turned a corner with winter this year! After a couple of tough winters our road (and plow operator) are getting an easier winter to stay on top of the snow. Please give a wave and thank Paul Fuller in his yellow plow truck as he always makes sure the road is clear and safe. Paul puts in many hours that we do not even see on this road.

I would like to welcome our new board members Steve Crowell and Cindy Warby. Steve is our new road committee and did a great job last summer working with Fowler to provide material and grading. Cindy has jumped in with two feet and assumed the position of treasurer from Gib Piche.

I would like to thank our outgoing board members and especially Holly Strickland. Holly was on the board for eight years (most as president) and she and the rest of the board worked very hard to update our records, create a website and bring many outstanding fees and dues up to date.

There has been lots of new and exciting things happening on the road this past year. Our fall road cleanup and BBQ was a huge success

A personal reminder from the president- please pay your road fees and keep your account up to date. We would not have been able to do the work that we did without your help. As we continue to grow as a community, we will become more streamlined with correspondence, communication and further road improvements. This is a great place to live.

Please feel free to contact me anytime via email to share thoughts and suggestions on how to increase road and community improvement ideas.

Geordie Heath - admin@balsamchutes.com

2015-2016 Board of Directors

Geordie Heath –President
Cindy Warby – Treasurer
Lawrence Stephenson-Secretary
Dan Whalen-Director
Dan Beamer-Director
Michelle Gardiner-Director
Sylvia Iden-Director
Jon Strickland-Director
Gib Piche-Director

Annual General Meeting in Port Sydney



What's New 2016??

*Fee Increase- As discussed and voted on at BCRA AGM in 2014 road fees will increase \$50.00 for 2016 to **\$300.00** dollars for occupied lots, and increase to **\$150.00** for vacant lots. Please pay your fees on time. This will allow your Board of Directors to plan for the 2016 road work campaign.

Lakeland Networks has fiber-optic lines ready to go down Balsam Chutes Rd with a tentative start date for summer 2016. I will have more details soon and update ASAP. Cost will be around \$95.00/month which will include fastest internet in North America and home phone as well. Woo Hoo!!



Please slow down and watch out for children pets and animals. Following the posted speed limit of 30km/hr will also help keep the road in better shape-which will in the long run save you money!

Other Important Items

- We have a new message board and street sign at the north end of the road.
- Like us on Facebook www.facebook.com/balsamchutes - Keep up to date with community events and updates!

- **April 30th** is our Spring Road Clean-Up day. Meet at 474 BCR, bring your clean up tools, saws and whatever else you think we need and we will host a BBQ afterwards to say thanks.
- Stephenson Bridge is currently scheduled to be replaced within the next two years.
- Have you seen our updated website? www.balsamchutes.com lots of great information there as well! If you have any pictures you would like to submit we would be happy to post them for you!
- Annual General Meeting will be held in June (date to be confirmed). Please bring your thoughts and ideas to the table to be discussed. This year we will be having a BBQ social after the meeting.
- Please remember to put out your garbage and recycling the morning of collection day. We do not want to feed the animals our leftovers. Weekly garbage collection starts May 2, 2016.



Summer BBQ fun on the Road

Happy Spring everyone!