



THE FIRESTARTER

September 2, 2022

NOT EVERY DAY IS GOOD, BUT THERE IS SOMETHING GOOD IN EVERY DAY

This is it!

Final weekend that the store is open... and our last newsletter of the season.

The campground facilities will be on until October 3, 2022. Stay tuned on facebook, instagram for updates. Our website will have some updates as well. All deposits can be made in person at the store until Monday September 4th. E-transfers and cheque are acceptable as well. Please call or email if you have any questions. Lots of activities planned for the weekend, thanks to the Spruce Sands Camper's association. Check out their newsletter for more information. Looking forward to seeing the fireworks and all the families at the family olympics.

Have fun everyone!!



MERCH AVAILABLE AT THE STORE

STILL SOME T SHIRTS AND TANK TOPS AVAILABLE AT THE STORE TO PURCHASE. WHATEVER IS THERE IS WHAT WE HAVE LEFT. SO LIMITED QUANTITIES AVAILABLE.
FINAL WEEKEND TO GRAB YOURS!!

STORE HOURS

FRIDAY 12-9PM
& SATURDAY 12-8:30PM
SUNDAY 12-8PM
MONDAY SEPT. 4
12-6PM

The 'Sands Beach Cafe'

With this being the last weekend open for the store, we are definitely running low on supplies and product. Please be patient with our wonderful staff as they try to keep up.



**CARTER, YOUR
MOM AND DAD SAY
HI!!**

*you're
the
best*

I know we say it every year, but it never gets old...

we are just so fortunate to have amazing customers like all of you.

We want you to know that we appreciate your patronage and everything you do in our little community to make it so friendly and fun.

Thank you a million times over... already looking forward to the next season!!

Thank you

The fall leaf pick-up program will be back in effect on September 6th, the week after the September long weekend. Please place all compostable bags at the front of your site for easy pick up.



REMINDER...

Quiet time in the campground is 11:00pm please be respectful of your neighbours. its so easy to forget how close in proximity we all are.



GUESS WHAT?

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION:

CHECK OUT THE NEWSLETTER NEXT SUMMER FOR MORE QUESTIONS

LAST WEEK'S QUESTION:

WHAT SPORT HAS BEEN PLAYED ON THE MOON?

ANSWER:

GOLF

THE WOOD BOX
WHY DO BIRDS FLY
SOUTH IN THE WINTER?
IT'S FASTER THAN
WALKING

HA
HA

THE COOKIE SHEET

SWEET POTATO LATKE

1 medium onion, finely chopped
1/4 cup all-purpose flour
3/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon pepper
2 large eggs, lightly beaten
2 pounds medium sweet potato, peeled and shredded
1/2 cup peanut or vegetable oil
Optional: Minced chives, sour cream and applesauce

In a large bowl, combine the first 4 ingredients. Stir in eggs until blended. Add potatoes; toss to coat.
Heat 1/4 cup oil in a large nonstick skillet over medium heat. Drop batter by 1/4 cupfuls into oil; press lightly to flatten. Fry in batches until golden brown on both sides, using remaining oil as needed. Drain on paper towels. If desired, top with minced chives and serve with sour cream and applesauce.



...YOU DON'T SAY...

The Australian government banned the word "Mate" for a day...

There are probably slang or informal words that get on your nerves from time to time, particularly when you think something should be taken seriously. In 2005, Australian Parliament took a few citizen complaints a little too seriously and banned anyone on their staff from using the word "mate" while at work. Fortunately, Prime Minister John Howard objected, claiming that "mate" was an important part of Australian culture, and the ban was overturned within 24 hours.

LOCAL HAPPENING'S

BEACH YOGA EVERY SATURDAY @ 10AM

NORTH SIDE OF SPRUCE BAY RD AT THE BEACH

\$10/ PERSON

GIMLI HARBOUR STAGE
LIVE MUSIC ALL WEEKEND
7PM

(CHECK THE POSTER WITH ONLINE EDITION)

Free fitness saturday at 9:00am
Gimli harbour stage
ZUMBA September long weekend
prize draw

ARNES FARMERS MARKET IS OPEN SATURDAYS AT
9:00AM-2:00PM AND
SUNDAYS AT 10:00AM- 2:00PM

SUPPORT LOCAL WHEN YOU CAN!

Check out all community events in the
association newsletter



GIMLI THEATRE

Gimli Theatre will play **Beast(2022)**
from **Sept 2-8 at 7:30pm**. This show
is 14A.

SPRUCE SANDS RV RESORT
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WHERE IT'S GREAT BETWEEN THE LAKES AND LIFE IS ALWAYS A BEACH

Spruce Sands Campers Association

Summer should get a speeding ticket

Last week was a great weekend! Sherry and Andy's (A Bay Residence) wedding was the big event everyone was talking about on Saturday. A little rain in the morning, but it ended up being a perfect day for an outdoor wedding the sun was shining and it wasn't too hot for the guys in their suits! Great day! So happy for them!

The scavenger hunt, was up next, there was not that many people out this weekend, although we handed out about 30 sheets and 28 sheets were returned. We had lots of positive comments, people were out and about chatting with others trying to find hints, they said they had lots of fun. And it was the perfect day for it since it was a little cooler and cloudy in the morning.

The winners were (\$40 Boston pizza gift card) C84 & D27....(\$30 Gift Card) D40! Thanks to Erin from A50 who created the hints on your worksheet. This wasn't meant to be easy and fast, it's meant to be challenging... Great job to everyone who solve the Word scramble.

And now onto our biggest weekend of the year!!! It's hard to believe that our final Summer Long weekend has arrived, and the kids are back at school next week. Uggg, leaves are starting to change colors and evenings come quickly, making it enjoyable to sit around a warm campfire. Saturday evening will be cool, bring warm clothing for the evening Dinner, Dance & Fireworks. Here are your Long Wknd

Activities!

Saturday Sept 3rd- Kids Bouncers...Dinner & Dance Fireworks

Saturday morning's all about the kids. We will have BOUNCERS & a DUNK TANK set up from 11-2 in the field – come out and join in the fun! Thanks to Joanna and all the bouncer monitors, Kent & Dunk Tank crew. Bring some change as there will be a small cost for the Dunk tank. There's bouncers for kids at all age and one for the tiny little ones as well. We will have bubbles and games such as croquet and frisbee for you to play along with your kids. Make sure to put on some sunscreen it's gonna be nice out there!

Dinner - We do not have a vendor for dinner this year simply because of the size of the tent. This was the only tent we could get in the city after all the married couples who had to wait two years through Covid scooped up all of the larger tents. If you'd like to bring your own dinner or happy hour treats and join us in the tent starting at five you're more than welcome. If you have a dining tent and can attach it to the side of our big tent you are welcome to leave your tent, table and chairs there for the evening. For those who do not have a dining tent you can use the larger tent but after dinner will need to remove your larger tables we will only allow chairs with small deck tables, coffee tables or a 4' long tables during dance time.

Dance -Cabiners are welcome as long as they are with someone from the park. We'll be giving out wrist bands for Dance attendees.

Come down to the tent throughout the evening, grab a wristband and enjoy the company of your friends and neighbors to dance the night away! Our music man this year is from Gimli Dylon from DC sound. Music will play just after dinner until 11pm. We'll stop for a bit around 9:10 to give out glow bralettes and shoot off FIREWORKS around 9:30pm, of course weather permitting (Sunday 9pm would be the alternative day if it rains or the winds are too strong). Back by popular demand we'll do a 50/50 - so bring some money to the dance – we'll sell tickets from 5-8pm and draw during the races on Sunday.

Sunday September 4th- Family Olympics – starting at 1pm Members Only

Members (all trailers in the park are members & paid Cabiners) join us in the field for Family Olympics – we'll do races – Running, 3-Legged Race, Musical 'Dots', Potato Sac, Egg on a Spoon & Water Balloon Toss (yes we have 200 water balloons ready to go). Registration begins at 12:30. We'll end the afternoon with the Kids Candy Scramble and Adult Grocery & Beer Scrambles (will it be ladies or men this year?). Bring your lawn chairs, sit on the side lines and join in a race or two – It's a lot of fun – a real Family event. Bring your own water bottles – we'll fill them up for you! Bring some cash as we're going to see how many pots of \$500 we can give away through our 50/50. Thanks to this wknd's 50 volunteers who make this all happen...we couldn't do it without you! Races rain date Mon 9-Noon.

Sunday September 4th – Movie Night 7 – 11 pm Members only

Kids, join us in the field under the Big Tent – we've going to use Lisa & Jay HUGE blowup movie screen. Kids will enjoy popcorn water & ice tea as a treat on us! 7 PM -8:40 pm "The Bad Guys" General. Parents are to supervise your own kids for the early movie. 9-11pm– "Sonic 2 The Hedgehog" PG13 – Adults welcome as well to both viewings. Thanks to a great group for hosting: Kent, Lisa & Jay and Visa. Bring your own lawn chairs and/or blankets. Members ONLY (Everyone in the park is a Member).

Thanks for another Great Year Although there is one family(ies) who host each event – in other words "runs the event", it always takes a team effort to make these events happen. These "hosts" are helped by Family and Lake Friends...so a BIG BIG Thank YOU to everyone who helps throughout the year. Everyone who volunteers simply does it, for the FUN OF IT...but it couldn't happen without ALL OF YOU!!

It's great to see that we have "hosts" from every one of the bays and that many of you continue to do events every year. This weekend, don't forget to "Thank" the people who do these events. Special Thanks to Val & Brent for the countless hours of book keeping, errands & transportation.....Terry & Jocelyn (Chris too!) – you're simply just the best family anyone could ever haveI love you all!!

Thanks again Cheryl Bartos C54 (2022 Association President)

Attend all functions at your own risk.

Spruce Sands Campers Association Hosts
Sept Long Weekend
Saturday's KIDS FUN!

11-2 pm
in the field

Bouncers, Dunk Tank & Bubbles

**Fun,
Games & Giggles**

Attend at your
own risk



**SPRUCE SANDS
CAMPERS
ASSOCIATION
HOSTS...**

**Spruce Sands
Fireworks**

SATURDAY

Sept 3rd

9:30pm

In the field

Attend all events at your own risk



IT'S TIME TO WATCH A

MOVIE

UNDER THE BIG TENT

*Sunday
Aug
Long*



Attend at your own risk ...Members only

7 PM

The Bad Guys

General

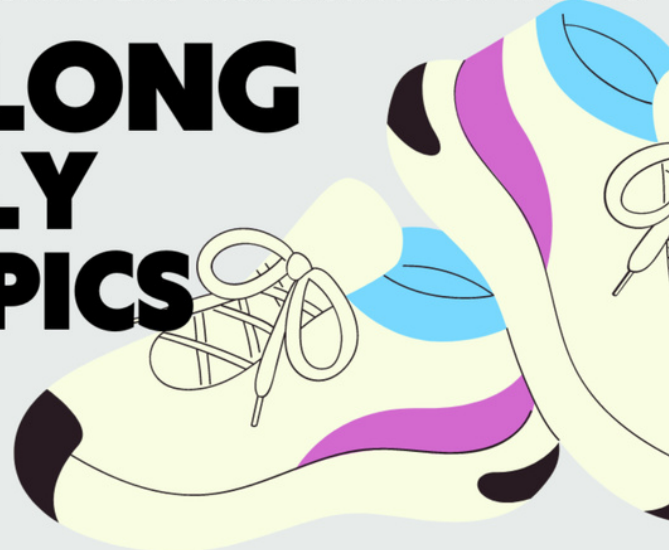
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SONIC 2 The Hedgehog

PG 13

SPRUCE SANDS CAMPERS ASSOCIATION HOSTS

SEPT LONG FAMILY OLYMPICS



SUNDAY 1 PM IN THE FIELD

RACES & SCRAMBLES
KIDS AND ADULTS

BRING YOUR OWN LAWN CHAIRS

ATTEND AT YOUR OWN RISK



SPRUCE SANDS
CAMPERS
ASSOCIATION
HOSTS...

Association Events

August						Saturday
Sunday						August 6, 2022
31-Jul	1	2	3	4	5	
Horseshoe Noon at the pits Karaoke Kids 7 - 7:30, Adults 7:30 pm start					Raffle Tickets pick up or drop off tickets Lot C1	* Walk About BINGO 10-1pm Card pickup at Lot B27 * Baseball - 11am at the diamonds
7	8	9	10	11	12	3
					Raffle Tickets last day to purchase LotC1	* Baseball - 11am at the diamonds * Sit down BINGO - 5 pm card sales, bingo starts at 6:00 pm in the field Raffle Draws replacing silent auction 7:00 pm
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
						Baseball - 11am at the diamonds * Halloween in August Lot decorating judging 2:00 pm, Costume judging 4pm in the field (Pets too!) * Roads closed 4:30-5:30/6pm approx during trick or
21	22	23	24	25	26	7
						* Baseball - 11am at the diamonds Tentative Poker Derby
28	29	30	31	01-Sep	02-Sep	03-Sep
						* Kids Bouncers, Dunk Tank 11am-2pm (ages 3 to 18) * Kids draws (New) 2:00 pm in the field * Dinner & Dance 5-11 PM tentative * FIREWORKS 9 PM in the field

September						Saturday
Sunday						September 10, 2022
4	5	6	7	8	9	
* Family Olympics 1pm * Movie Night in the tent 7:30 & 9pm tentative						
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	October 1, 2022

Info for all events can be found on the www.sprucesands.ca website, the "Firestarter" (weekly newsletter at the store) or our Association Bulletin Boards - beginning of A Bay (back of the shower building) & B Bay (by the phone booth)

All Events are for Members and their friends & families - Everyone in the park is a member

NON Member events OPENED to ANYONE IN THE COMMUNITY: Community Craft & Garage Sale, Golf Tournament, Baseball, Raffle, Halloween in August (Trick or Treating), Dinner/Dance & Fireworks

Book Exchange Library at C55, B75 and C70 (exclusively Kids). Thanks to Greg Fritz, Jan Murowski & Doreen Ens for weekly maintenance. Magazines, Comics & Novels. Take a book...Leave a book.....and don't forget to straighten the pile!

Helping at Events - anyone interested in helping for an hour or a few hours, ideas on new events & feedback are all welcome - see Cheryl C54(cbart00@outlook.com) or Val C37

Attend all events at your own risk. Events are subject to change - see bulletin board updates

EXPLORE GIMLI THIS SUMMER



FIREWORKS

JULY 1st & 30th



FREE
Fitness Saturdays

Zumba Fitness
Saturdays 9:00-10:00am
Gimli Harbour Stage
June 25 to September 10
(no classes July 23 & 30)

Rain Location: Gimli Park Pavilion
Sponsored by RM Gimli
Info: tourism@rmgimli.com



Gimli Harbour Stage Concert Series

ALL DATES AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

The Main Street Exiles	July 1 7pm	Rolling Stones Tribute Show
The Incredibly Hip	July 2 8pm	Tragically Hip Tribute
Whole Lotta Angus	July 9 7pm	Classic Rock & AC/DC Tribute Show
The Biivver Band	July 10 NOON	Classic Rock & AC/DC Tribute Show
A R Cash	July 16 7pm	Johnny Cash Tribute
Gimli Film Festival	July 23 7pm	Go to gimlifilm.com for schedule
Icelandic Festival	July 30 7pm	Go to icelandicfestival.com for info
Icelandic Festival	July 31 7pm	Go to celandicfestival.com for schedule
Pop Vegas	Aug 6 7pm	Rock, Pop & Dance
The Dust Rhino's	Aug 13 7pm	Celtic Rock
Bed of Roses	Aug 19 7pm	Bon Jovi Tribute
Album Sides	Aug 20 7pm	Supertramp Tribute
Darren Lavallee Band	Aug 27 7pm	Classic Country, Country and Fiddle
The Goods	Sept 3 7pm	Pop, Rock and Dance
Fubuki Daiko	Sept 4 7pm	Japanese Drummers
Free Ride	Sept 10 6pm	50's, 60's, Beatles and Stones



For more information go to gimli.ca or call 204 642-6650. Find us on Facebook !