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FOR THE LOVE OF
Yoho Lake

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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

After a cool and wet start, summer is happening in Hanwell! I hope you and your family have found time to enjoy activities in our community, our province, or right across the country.

It has already been a busy summer in Hanwell. Our summer concert series is in full swing in the park; activities have been taking place at the Brookdale Park, as well as the Mayor's Activity Awards.

One highlight so far this summer has been the awarding of the tender to build our new fire hall. Congratulations to Hanwell's own King Construction. The project is well underway and we hope it will be finished by December 2017.

Construction will also soon be underway at the park for our new playground! This is a much-needed addition to our community — one that I hope kids and kids at heart will enjoy for years to come.

Please watch hanwell.nb.ca for upcoming activities for the rest of summer and into the fall.

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For The Love of Yoho Lake

by Nada Retmi

Bob McQuarrie has a vested interest in keeping Yoho Lake clean. He owns a home on the lake, and he doesn't want to see his property value decrease. More than that though, McQuarrie has a deep love for Yoho Lake, and it spans back generations. He grew up on the lake and many of his relatives still live there. That's part of the reason he joined a committee made up of concerned residents who came together to keep the Yoho lake healthy.

"It's probably my fourth or fifth summer volunteering with the water testing committee."

Dane Mundee, Jim Hallet, and Ken Goodwin also volunteer on the Water Testing Committee. The men collect water samples twice a month, from four different areas of the lake. The samples undergo water temperature tests, pH tests, dissolved oxygen tests, and visibility per meter tests. Their goal is to keep Yoho Lake free of the toxic algae blooms that are plaguing lakes across New Brunswick. A 2011 report from New Brunswick's Department of Health suggests that these blooms pose a health risk to people, animals, and fish. If the water contains a toxin called microcystin (an algae bacteria), it can lead to eye and throat irritation, nausea, diarrhea, cold-like symptoms, fever, and even death. A lot of factors contribute to algae blooms and they can include

weather changes, and sedimentation. Mundee says determining the exact cause of a bloom though is difficult. He and the other volunteers are doing all they can to make sure Yoho Lake never experiences one. So far, they have been successful.

"We've got all the ingredients on the kitchen table, we just don't know the quantity to make the recipe."

It's believed one of the biggest contributors to this problem is phosphate levels. Phosphate contributes to the growth of algae. When phosphate levels are high, the algae levels increase and can contaminate the lake. Bonny Hoyt-Hallett is the co-chair of the Yoho Lake Water Monitoring Committee. She says Yoho Lake became phosphate free in 2013.

"We adopted a phosphate free regulation since phosphates are nourishment for the algae."

Volunteers have also done a lot of work to educate Yoho residents about the benefits of regular septic pumping with hopes of reducing ground and water contamination. Many people in Yoho own seasonal

cottages, and the upkeep of septic systems can be challenging. Having to replace and update septic models to meet regulations can cost more than \$20,000. But McQuarrie says failing to do so can result in contaminated waters, unstable fish populations, and other profound consequences.

"I would say the biggest challenge is the sheer number of people on the lake with older septic systems."

Residents at Yoho care enough about the lake to give their time and money to protect it. Many of them have joined the Yoho Lake Association. They pay a small membership fee to belong. They also raise money by selling merchandise, like T-shirts and mugs. The group received a big boost when it was awarded funding from the Environmental Trust Fund and from the Canadian River Institute (run by the University of New Brunswick). These grants allow the group to purchase and maintain the costly water testing equipment now used by volunteers like McQuarrie. Without that funding it would be difficult for the group to move forward with their efforts. McQuarrie says he will continue to do what he can to ensure the lake stays healthy for those who live on it and play in it. He wants future generations to be able to do the same.



HAVE YOU HEARD...

Hanwell Council has recently voted to join the Age Friendly Communities movement. The purpose of this initiative is to promote healthy aging and wellness. It was established by the World Health Organization (WHO), and has been adopted by communities all over the world.

To become a recognized as an Age Friendly Community, there are four basic steps that have been set out by the WHO, that demonstrate a community's commitment to the Age Friendly principles. Each step is designed to increase community awareness and gather support from citizens, local agencies, local business, and non-government agencies.

We are in the very beginning of our journey. Presently we are setting up our committee and gathering information on the needs of our area. We have several enthusiastic volunteers, but there is always room for a few more! If anyone would like to join us, or would like more information about the Age Friendly Community program please contact me at sjonah@hanwell.nb.ca or give me a call at 506-238-1539. We would love to hear your ideas. - **Susan Jonah, Chair - Age Friendly Community Committee, Councillor Ward 1**

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Having the required signage can shorten the response time of our first responders and potentially save a life. - **Chris Melvin, Mayor**

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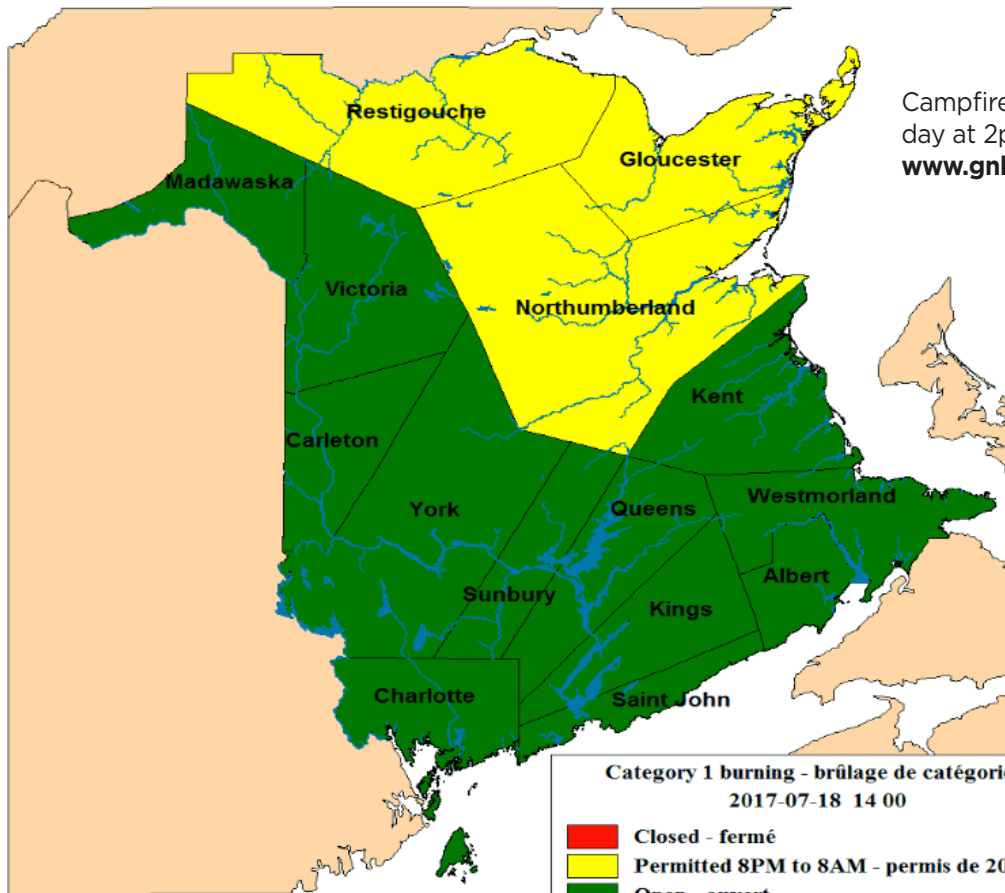
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NEWS RELEASE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION INVESTMENT IN HANWELL

HANWELL (GNB) – An investment of \$150,000 will go toward improvements in Hanwell in celebration of Canada’s 150th anniversary. The project includes a new playground at the community’s nature park and trail system.

“We are fortunate to live in such a beautiful province of breathtaking landscapes, where we rejoice in its cultural diversity and welcoming spirit,” said deputy premier Stephen Horsman. “Our investment in this project will enrich Hanwell while marking our nation’s 150th anniversary.”

Horsman spoke on behalf of Post-Secondary Education, Training and Labour Minister Donald Arseneault, who is also the minister responsible for the Regional Development Corporation.

“We are thrilled that the provincial government has chosen to invest in the health and wellness of Hanwell residents through this project,” said Mayor Chris Melvin. “This addition to our park will be a celebration of Canada, New Brunswick and our community.”

Funding is provided under the Program for Municipal Development to Commemorate Canada’s 150th Anniversary. Municipalities with populations of more than 4,000 and less than 25,000 were eligible to apply for funding of up to \$150,000 for beautification projects to contribute to a vibrant and attractive downtown and to commemorate Canada’s 150th anniversary.



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August 19	8 - 11 AM	Community Breakfast	St. James Presbyterian Church
August 21	7 - 8:30 PM	Summer Concert Series & Hot Dog Social	Hanwell Recreation Park
September 9	8 - 10 PM	Stargazing in the Park	Hanwell Recreation Park
September 10	11 AM	Sunday School Kick-off	St. James Presbyterian Church
September 16	8 - 11 AM	Community Breakfast	St. James Presbyterian Church
September 24	11 AM	Hanwell Cemetery Memorial Service	St. James Presbyterian Church
September 27	11:30 AM - 1 PM	Lunch & Learn: "Downsizing & De-cluttering"	St. James Presbyterian Church
October 14	5 PM	Harvest Dinner	St. James Presbyterian Church
October 21	8 - 11 AM	Community Breakfast	St. James Presbyterian Church
October 27	1:30 - 3:30 PM	Hallowe'en Tea	St. James Presbyterian Church
October 29	5:00 - 8:30 PM	Boo in the Park	Hanwell Recreation Park
November 5	11 AM	A Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving for Veterans, the CAF, and First Responders	St. James Presbyterian Church
November 11	11 AM	Remembrance Day Ceremony	Upper Kingsclear Fire Hall

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HAPPENINGS

DATE	TIME	WHAT	LOCATION
WEEKLY			
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Sunday (July - Aug)	10 AM	Worship	St. James Presbyterian Church
Sunday (Sept - June)	11 AM	Worship	St. James Presbyterian Church
Monday (Aug)	1 - 4 PM	Seniors' Coffee House	St. James Presbyterian Church
Monday	10 - 11:30 AM	Play Group (resumes in Sept.)	Hanwell Community Church
Monday and Wednesday (Sept - June)	1 - 4 PM	Seniors' Coffee House	St. James Presbyterian Church
Wednesday	6:15 - 7:30 PM	AWANA (resumes Sept. 20th)	Hanwell Community Church
Wednesday	7:30 - 9:30 PM	Youth Group (resumes Sept. 20th)	Hanwell Community Church
Wednesday (Sept - June)	7 - 9 PM	Stitches & Crafts Group	St. James Presbyterian Church
MONTHLY			
2 nd Wednesday of the Month	6:30 PM	Council Meeting	Hanwell Municipal Office
1 st Friday & 3 rd Saturday	Recycling	Recycling	
1 st Monday of the Month (Nov - June)	10 AM - Noon	Hanwell Knitting Group	St. James Presbyterian Church
2 nd Tuesday of the Month	10 AM - Noon	Ladies' Guild	St. James Presbyterian Church
2 nd Saturday of the Month		Stargazing in the Park	Hanwell Recreation Park



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