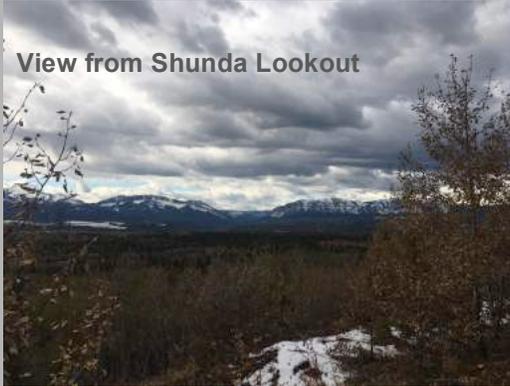


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## Nordegg Community Association (NCA)

**Wayne Carpenter**

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Summer is over and fall gave us a blast of winter to warn us of what is coming but us Albertans always adjust no matter what the weather.

A big Thank You to Red Deer Bottling for replacing our cooler with one that works, it is greatly appreciated.

Christmas in October was held at the hall on Saturday and was a huge hit. We had excellent weather and a great turn out of people. The items offered was very diverse - everything from quilts, wooden tables, tupperware, artists wares, and many other great items. A big thank you to all for supporting our community. It was a fun event and look forward to another one next year.

The annual Chili Cook Off was on Saturday October 13th. Cheryl has a report on page 3

At the October Meeting we hope to see Kurt Magnus from the Public Works Dept, if his schedule permits.

Just a reminder that our AGM will be November 28th at 7:30 and it is also time to renew your yearly Membership to the Nordegg Community Association.

I would also like to tell everyone that our community received a donation from Annie Webber, a long time Nordegg resident. Thank you so much for your support Annie.

Also just a reminder that Rural Crime Watch memberships and signs are still available through me, give me a call if you are interested.

Also we want to thank everyone for dropping off bags of bottles at our house where I sort them and take

them into Rocky for a refund and it has been a good money maker this year for the Community Hall. You are welcome to drop off bottles at our place any time of the year.

### **Remember:**

NCA agenda and minutes can be found at:

<http://www.nordegg.ca/nca.html>

NCA memberships are \$10.00 per person per year and can be e-transferred to [fhuckle@telus.net](mailto:fhuckle@telus.net). Please include your name in the memo section of the e-transfer. Fees can also be mailed to: Nordegg Community Association, Box 98 Nordegg Alberta T0M2H0 or bring payment along to the monthly NCA meeting at the hall at 7:30 on the fourth Wednesday of each month.

## Clearwater County

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Follow the Education Centre @

<https://www.facebook.com/NordeggEducation>

KidLit

It's back!! KidLit has started up again at the Library. This is a great FREE program (see attached details).

## Discovery Park

September 30th marked one year since our grand opening! It has been a great addition to our community and we look forward to many many more years of fun. Thanks to all who came together to make this project a success, it has had a positive impact on our area and those who live here or visit it.

If you would like to share pictures from your time at the Park we are listed on both Trip Advisor and google maps, we'd love to see them!  
 We've also had more personal planks added to our community boardwalk throughout the summer. If you would like to add a plank please contact us at [nordeggeducation@gmail.com](mailto:nordeggeducation@gmail.com)



Areas at the Park are available for bookings (weddings etc.) please contact us for more information.

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**Parent Link**

Some sad news from Parent Link. "Due to budget constraints we will no longer be able to offer programming in Nordegg. Our central office is rescheduling all of the Evergreen Parentlink outreach and at this time are unable to continue providing

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services to Caroline and Nordegg. We have enjoyed spending time with all our facilitators and families and will continue to share the wonderful family programming offered in your community with our families and followers. We hope that we will have the opportunity to join with you again in the future!" We hope to see them back and will update on any changes.

**Culture and Recreation**

**Amanda Rodriguez**

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Check here next month

**Social Committee**

**Cheryl Hobbs at Cheryl\_Ann\_Hobbs@hotmail.com**

Annual Corn Roast was hosted by the Social Committee on the September long weekend and we had approximately 150 people stop by the Community Hall! Throughout the afternoon the general public was also treated to a Fire Smart demonstration that was set up as a joint effort between the Clearwater County Regional Fire Department and the provincial department of Forestry and Agriculture.

The corn roast was a great success, as usual and we would like to say thank you to the local firehall for the loan of the BBQ's and to Chungo Creek Outfitters for the Propane, to Tom Jordan and Wayne Bonnett, who manned the BBQ's (2nd year running), to the D'Amico family for the loan of the corn cookers and to Ken Larlee for taking on the task of cooking the corn, to Elaine Moase for doing a great job of tending bar (warm fridge and all),

to Expanse Cottages and Tom & Cheryl for the corn donation, to everyone who brought potluck dishes, to Wayne and Sharon Carpenter for once again manning the ticket/donation table, to the Nordegg Golf Association for its prize donation of a 2019 Season Pass, to all who helped with setting up the event, to Kim Ariano and Jodi Reynolds (from Expanse) who helped with the clean-up, and also to anyone who's name I've erroneously missed - again, THANK YOU!

AND....here's an interesting little tale about two Wayne's and the 50/50 draw - it was won by "Wayne" Carpenter and "Wayne" Bonnett, who decided to buy a 50/50 ticket together and split the proceeds 50/50.....wouldn't you know it, their ticket won, and the each pocketed \$50.50 :) Hall.

4th Annual Chili Cookoff was another fun event! We had 9 entries and about 50 people who did the taste testing! The final results were: 1st place, Florrie Huckle, who picked up a gift certificate from the Nordegg General Store, 2nd place to Tom Jordan who picked up a gift package from the Beer Cabin and 3rd place went to Mark Barakeris and his prize of a kitchen gadget collection from Coal Miners Shell! The Social Committee would like to thank everyone for taking part in this fun event and especially to the volunteers who helped with the set and clean up!

#### Want to Volunteer

Email: [sharoncarpenter09@gmail.com](mailto:sharoncarpenter09@gmail.com) or [cheryl\\_ann\\_hobbs@hotmail.com](mailto:cheryl_ann_hobbs@hotmail.com) and let us know that you're participating :)

### Health Services and Public Safety

Jason Millar

#### Remember

Contact 9-1-1 for police, fire, or ambulance.  
Contact Health Link 8-1-1 for non-urgent general health questions.

### Environment and Recreation

Compiled by Jane Drummond

#### Trails:

Derry Armstrong  
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#### Fish and Wildlife:

Aaron Archibald  
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To report a poacher or land use violations use:  
**Report-A-Poacher hotline @ 1-800-642-3800.**

#### Wildfire Information:

Barry Shellian RPFT  
Wildfire Information Officer  
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<http://srd.web.alberta.ca/rocky-mountain-house-area-update>

### Fire and Safety Services

David Hadley, Assistant Chief

**If you spot a wildfire, call 310-FIRE(3473)**

#### The Facts About Chimney Fires

Here is an excerpt from the COUNCIL OF CANADIAN FIRE MARSHALS AND FIRE

COMMISSIONERS 2007 report on fire statistics in Canada.

"On average, home fires accounted for 30% of all fires and 73% of all fire deaths in the jurisdictions that contributed data. Cooking is the leading cause of home fires and home fire injuries, while smoking materials are the leading cause of home fire deaths. One-third (33%) of all home fire deaths were caused by fires that started in the living room; 20% resulted from fires originating in the bedroom; and 11% were caused by fires starting in the kitchen. Fire causes in Canadian homes were very similar to those reported for homes in the United States."

It is not surprising that the 33% of ALL home fire deaths start in the living room which is typically where most fireplaces are located in a home. Maybe not all of these deaths are fireplace related, but even if it is a fraction of this number, you can take steps to protect you and your family by taking the time to inspect your fireplace and chimney.

#### Creosote and Chimney Fires

When wood burns slowly – as it often does in a conventional, airtight stove or furnace – it makes a smokey fire and produces creosote deposits than a quick, hot fire does. Creosote is a highly flammable material. If it ignites near the base of the chimney, it can produce a raging fire that travels up the chimney, creating extremely high temperatures as it spreads. The high temperature can damage the clay liners in a masonry chimney or the metal liner in a factory-built chimney. Although 650°C chimneys can withstand these temperatures, the heat causes extreme stress in the chimney.

Chimney fires result from poor firing techniques combined with a lack of maintenance.

Indications of a chimney fire have been described as creating:

- loud cracking and popping noise
- a lot of dense smoke, and
- an intense, hot smell

Chimney fires can burn explosively – noisy and dramatic enough to be detected by neighbours or people passing by. Flames or dense smoke may shoot from the top of the chimney. Homeowners report being startled by a low rumbling sound that reminds them of a freight train or a low flying airplane. However, those are only the chimney fires you *know* about.

When using fireplaces and wood burning stoves in your home, it is essential to follow the following precautions to prevent the build up of CO:

The fireplace damper must be open when the fireplace is in use. The open damper allows the smoke and gases to exit.

- Ensure a fresh air supply into your home before lighting the fire.
- Some fireplaces come with their own combustion air duct. If yours is not equipped with this duct, you must have a fresh air supply, such as an open window.
- Keep the fresh air supply available, even overnight, until the fire is completely out.
- Keep the damper closed when the fireplace is not in use.
- Once the fire is completely out and the ashes

are cold or whenever a wood-burning fireplace is not in use, close the damper. This will prevent air and heat loss up the chimney and cold air drafts from coming down the chimney.

- Keep an area of at least one meter around the stove or fireplace clear of anything that might catch fire or overheat.

### Reducing smoke emissions

**Burn dry seasoned wood.** Get your wood at least six months before the start of the season to give it a chance to dry out properly. Split, stack and cover it in spring, so it has time to dry properly. Ensure the moisture content of the wood you burn is less than 20 per cent -- closer to 16 per cent is preferable.

**Keep your chimney clean.** Never assume that the chimney is clean. Check it regularly to be sure, especially during the spring and fall. If you do have a chimney fire, have the chimney inspected and repaired, if necessary, before using the system again. Have your chimney cleaned regularly by a Wood Energy Technical Transfer (WETT) trained chimney sweep who can also inspect your chimney and wood-burning appliance for other potential problems. Chimney cleaning frequency depends on your wood-burning appliance, the type of wood you burn, how you burn and how much you burn.

**Maintain your stove or fireplace.** The gasket ensures a tight seal between the door and the stove or fireplace, and should be replaced if there are signs of wear or changes in performance. Check the owner's manual or a stove dealer for information on other parts that may need occasional replacement (e.g. catalytic converters, baffles, insulation, firebrick, etc.).

**Load wood properly.** Leave a thin layer (1 inch or so) of ash in the bottom of the stove. Fully open any air controls. Start with crumpled newspaper and dry softwood kindling once the kindling has caught, add larger split wood. Load large wood crosswise to encourage airflow around the logs. Aim for a fast, hot burn rather than a slow smoldering burn.



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**Raymond Borley**

### Celebrating Community Supporters

Much thanks to Mountain West Concrete Contractors Ltd. for their help and support building the Discovery Park. Time and skill was donated to create our "river" water play area and our Coliseum Mountain entry sign.

<http://www.mountain-west.ca>

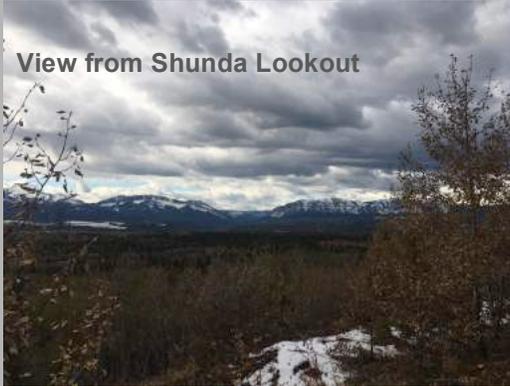


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## **The Nordegg Historic Golf Course Cheryl Hobbs**

We are calling it a wrap on another successful year! The 2018 season started late, due to the lingering winter weather and closed early, due to the September snow BUT we had a wonderful year!

Our course was in excellent condition this summer! In addition to the never ending work by our volunteers, we had the added pleasure of employing a Summer Student (who did lots of weed whacking and painting) plus the County came on board and helped with the weed control - these factors made all the difference in getting our course to "the best it's been" (according to the constant feedback from golfers)!

Our membership numbers were higher this summer, as was the daily user-ship! Our Mens Night was just as popular as ever, whereas the Ladies Night is still "developing" (but we had fun)! We added to our very successful "BBQ Your Own Burger" menu and we painted and painted and painted some more!! The Club was host to several local tournaments, which were all a wonderful success, despite the close call on rainy forecasts for most of them! Our recycling program was indeed a whopping success this year and from the proceeds we purchased new deck chairs, a new screen door plus new garbage cans and recycling bins for each of our 10 benches. We had an authentic Calgary Flames jersey donated (by club member Harold McWilliam) which we raffled off to raise money for new interior chairs (winner Shirley Gibson has donated it back for more fundraising it 2019 - Thank You Shirley).

Overall, it was a very busy but enjoyable summer for me in this new role! I would like to personally thank my wonderful, dependable Clubhouse staff - Jennifer, Laura, Florrie, Eric and Preston, my right hand and main maintenance man, Tom Jordan, the long list of people who constantly volunteer their time to do "everything" that needs to be done (Stu, Lyle, Garry, Tom D, Brent, Jeff, Danny, Kelly, Reg, Guy, Shirley and Rolf) and also to the sponsors of our bench ads and to our private donors - without such involvement the Nordegg Historic Golf Course would not be able to operate as it does.

I wish all members a safe and enjoyable winter here in beautiful Nordegg; and to those of you who will spend the next few months in a warmer climate, here's to continued good golfing!