# MLRA NEWS

Issue 4

Information for Residents of McDonald Lake Subdivision, Hatchet Lake NS

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## Paving Update

Provided by Leslie Wilson

Fiddle Parkway has been confirmed at 61% of residents responding YES to paving and is being placed on the paving list. AnnReid of Design Services will be sending out a letter to every resident of Fiddle Parkway in confirmation of placement on the list. She stated that there are some different factors that can affect our placement on the list and I will keep in contact with her to find out exactly where we end up we will initially be placed at the bottom of the list.

Forest Glade Drive is still short by one YES respondent - if anyone has not completed a petition form or would like to make any changes to their previous form, you may contact Leslie Wilson @ 852-4132 or Sadie Burns @ 850-2556.Eagle View Terrace will not be dealt with until Forrest Glade is approved.

#### The New MLRA Board of Directors

As decided at recent Annual General Meeting:

Chair - Peter Jollimore Vice-Chair- Sonya Locke Communications Officer- Camille Vokey Secretary - Sadie Burns Treasurer- Elizabeth Jong 5 Directors at Large elected: Curtis Robertson, Leslie Wilson, Dan McGinn, Ray Bowie, and Vicki Morton

Contact information: Peter Jollimore, Chair 850 - 2396 <u>spark16@eastlink.ca</u>

WEBSITE: www.summitconferencetools.com/mlra

## Bear Sighting in Subdivision: What to Do If You Encounter A Bear:

Caution: Again there has been a bear sighting in the subdivision around 8:00pm recently. Please report any sighting to the Department of Natural Resources 424-5935

Keep calm. Leave the area immediately; back away slowly while keeping an eye on the bear. **DO NOT RUN** unless you can get to a safe place before the bear gets to you.

If the animal is more than 100 m away, make enough noise for it to become aware of you.

If you should encounter an adult bear or a female with young, act non-threatening: do not make sudden movements and or direct eye contact; move slowly away and up wind so the bear(s) can identify you as a human; provide lots of opportunity for the bear to leave and don't get between the female and her cubs

If you are being threatened by a bear: talk in a calm, authoritative voice while backing away slowly, leave an article of clothing behind to distract the bear and leave the area immediately. **Do not play dead**, black bears are not fooled. If there is no way to safely avoid the attack, you may have to act aggressively by shouting, waving your arms, and throwing sticks or rocks. Continue to try to get away. (*From the DNR website*)



#### Upcoming Events for MLRA Second Annual McDonald Lake Road Side Clean Up!

Volunteers of all ages needed! This is a great way to get kids involved in the community. Saturday, June 3rd, 2006. Meet 10am @ McDonald Lake mailboxes. Say 'goodbye!' to the old subdivision sign! Registered with Clean NS.

## 2nd Annual Community BBQ

June 3rd, 12 to 2pm, Prospect Road Elementary School Playground. It will be a family event for all residents, not just cleanup participants.

Come for food, playground fun, face painting, and special guests.

### Fall Auction

Saturday afternoon, September 30th Auction Items Needed ASAP! The MLRA would appreciate any auction ideas, contacts, and/or items you would be willing to share for our Fall Auction. Also, we need volunteers to help plan this event. Please contact any of the board members listed on our web site or email <u>camillevokey@eastlink.ca</u>.

Help keep our neighborhood safe by being a Citizens On Patrol (COP) volunteer. "It is not a big time commitment and the program helps the community in many ways" says R ay B owie, MLR A Member at Large who was a volunteer with his wife for five years. For more information, visit <u>www.prospectcop.ca</u> or call 852-1295 or 852-2141.

**Cookbook Fundraiser A Success!** All MLRA cookbooks have been sold! Thanks to all those who participated, and to Sonya Locke for coordinating this event!