

LET IT SNOW . . . LET IT SNOW . . .

The snow has arrived in Lakeland! Enforcement and Protective Services (EPS) is dedicated to providing newsletter subscribers with at least two special editions each year. The first edition was sent in May. Anyone having comment or requiring more information about anything seen in this newsletter is invited to contact our office at 306-982-4466. We will do our best to answer any questions you may have. If anyone has any suggestions for future issues let us know!

SNOWMOBILE OPERATION

With snow come outdoor activities. Safe and responsible snow machine operation prevents injuries to people and property. Here are a few tips and reminders when operating your snow machine this winter.

- ✓ Make sure you have your snow machine licenced! Registering your machine and having liability insurance is required in Saskatchewan.
- ✓ Alcohol and driving don't mix! If you plan on drinking do it at your final destination for the day!
- ✓ Stick to the designated trails and areas where legal operation of your snow machine is allowed. Driving down municipal roads and private property without permission is not allowed.

EPS - WINTER TIME DUTIES

As we reported in our last edition, EPS is responsible for various laws, bylaws and regulations.

Our focus over these winter months include

- Officer training. Officers are required to maintain certification in several areas.
- File review and audits and follow up from any outstanding issues. We also review the summer activity and start planning for the summer months.
- General patrol, follow up on suspicious activities or potential break and enters.
- Review bylaws and update bylaws and policy as may be needed or required by Administration or Council.



LAKE ACTIVITY

EPS wants to ask that everyone is cautious in or around any of the many lakes within the area. "We like to see family's enjoying the lake area" commented S/Constable Rogozinski. "From snowmobiling, skating, ice fishing, hockey games it is great to see people out and active together." He added. Rogozinski went on to say that ensuring the ice is frozen through and thick enough is important. The snow fall may act as an insulator and prevent the water from freezing as quickly as people may think. Please be cautious when going onto any body of water that appears frozen.



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WHERE CAN I STORE MY BELONGINGS IN THE WINTER MONTHS?

We have received calls asking this very question. The requirements do not change after summer. Any belongings are to be stored on your private property. Some items may be stored on other persons property provided permission is given.

You cannot store trailers, boats, docks, or other items on public property unless you have received prior written permission for the storage of the items.

“We typically see people storing their dock, for example on reserve land. They may think that storing it here is ok, because they have in the past, but it’s not ok. Permission for storage is needed from the municipality. If you didn’t ask for permission for it to be there, it might get picked up by us” commented Jarett Taylor, Supervising Officer for the department. “We really don’t want to take it. But we will if people force us into it.” Taylor added the vast majority of people have been very co-operative and responsible in working with the municipality to store their belongings properly.

QUESTIONS ? CONCERNS?

If anyone needs to speak to an Officer please contact our office at 306-982-4466. Those people dropping into the Administration Office to see us are reminded that our time is divided to be out in the community, at appointments, court or patrolling, more than in the office. We encourage you to call ahead. We will make every attempt to meet with you at a place and time that works for you.



This picture above of an illegally stored boat lift. In the back ground a legally stored lift on private property.

GENERAL INFORMATION

As a result of some questions to the Administration Office, and our department we wanted to include some general information for you.

- Fireworks are regulated in Lakeland. Please be responsible when using them, including taking care not to cause a nuisance or disturb your neighbours.
- Parking - please do not park illegally. Vehicles are liable for ticket or towing. We are working to create new off street parking areas to better address community concerns on parking.
- Your garbage is your responsibility. If your garbage becomes scattered on your, or others property it is your responsibility to clean it up.
- Those wanting to do any material change to their property; including building should contact Planning and Development PRIOR to starting your project. Developing or building without permits may result in a fine or court appearance.

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