



BIG COUNTRY SENIOR SPORTS SOCIETY

2017 SPRING NEWSLETTER



BCSSS 25TH ANNIVERSARY PICNIC

SATURDAY, JUNE 17TH 2-6PM

COCHRANE RANCH CLUB HOUSE

80 Highway 1A, Cochrane, AB

Join us for burgers and hot dogs, salads and cake.
Games and just visiting with fellow Zone 2 members.
Cash bar available

Please RSVP to Nancy Gibbie – njibbie@telus.net or
Call Nancy at 587-362-2009 by June 7/17

As this is an outdoor event so please bring appropriate clothing,
a lawn chair and umbrella (be prepared for all weather conditions).
The facility is wheel chair accessible.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 27 & 28, 2017 – BCSSS casino at Century Casino, Calgary. We have all of our positions filled, but if you would like to be a backup, please call Ed Michel at 403-734-3670.

May 8, 2017 – AGM for Alberta 55 plus at the Radisson Hotel, 6500, 67TH Street Red Deer. All Alberta 55 plus members are invited to attend. The meeting is scheduled for 10:00am – 3:00pm.

May 13, 2017 – AGM for Zone 2 – Big Country Senior Sports Society – at the Airdrie 50 Plus Club, 275 Jensen Drive NE, Airdrie at 10:00am. All BCSSS members are encouraged to attend and 2017-18 memberships will be available to purchase.

August 10 - 12, 2017 – Calgary Summer Provincials.

September 14 – 16, 2017 – High Prairie Fall Provincials.

PLAYOFF QUALIFIERS

In February there was a Provincial Curling Bonspiel held in Grande Prairie for teams to try and qualify for the Canada 55+ Games in New Brunswick next year. Zone 2 had 3 teams travel to this event and following are their results:

55+ Ladies – 3rd place (Bronze Medal)

Janet Biagioni, Carmen Olson, Karen Dreaver, Lynn Hartsburg

55+ Mixed – 3rd place (Bronze Medal)

Doug Campbell, Ingrid Schmidt, Robert Pistacky, Lorna Harrison

65+ Mixed – 1st place (Gold Medal) see picture below



Jim Nicholson, Rose Marie Dayment, Barb Larson, Lloyd Nelson and Pat Covington (VP North)

Zone 2 has run quite a few playoff qualifiers for both the Calgary Summer Provincials and the High Prairie Fall Provincials.

5 Pin Bowling - Held at Drumheller`s Sandstone Lanes, March 04, 2017

65+ Ladies – 1st Linda Schaal, 2nd Anita Coates, 3rd Helen Winthrop

65+ Men – 1st Remie Dufoor, 2nd Les Markam, 3rd Ron Lavery

65+ Mixed Team – 1st Wendy Sisson, Sandra Erwin, Richard Nodder, Ron Keats
2nd Barb and Mike Barker, Jim Millman, Margaret Nielsen
3rd Joe and Evelyn Galaneau, Marion Doell, Jim Fleitman

75+ Ladies – 1st Shirley Titus, 2nd Joan Boekema, 3rd Helen Jorgensen

75+ Men – 1st Gordon Potter, 2nd Bernie Fournier, 3rd Mike Barker

75+ Mixed Team – 1st Helen and Pius Sauverwald, Gordon Potter, Marilyn Conrad
2nd Ben and Marie Sept, Ella Siemens, John Boekema

For the Calgary Summer Provincials there are still these playoff qualifiers:

Cycling - Being held at Springbank, May 12, 2017

Swimming - Being held at Calgary, May 30, 2017

Golf – Being held at Strathmore, June 01, 2017

Horseshoes – Being held at Cochrane, June 03, 2017 ``to be confirmed``

Badminton – Being held at Okotoks, June 04, 2017

Tennis – Being held at Strathmore, June 11, 2017

Pickleball – Being held at Strathmore, June 18, 2017

Track & Field – Being held at Calgary, June 24, 2017



Cribbage - Held at the Chestermere Whitecappers 50+ Centre, February 11, 2017



From left: Wendy Laughlin from Drumheller, Don Janczyn from Chestermere, Lloyd Laughlin, from Drumheller and Marilyn Conrad from Chestermere compete in the Alberta 55 plus Zone 2 Cribbage Playoff Qualifying Tournament at the Chestermere Whitecappers facility on February 11, 2017. The tournament was to determine which teams would be representing Zone 2 at the Fall Provincials in High Prairie in Sept. 14-16. There were 32 participants competing in the various categories. The results were; in the **55+ Open Single**, Gold Medal Jessie Irion from Carbon, Silver Medal Don Janczyn from Chestermere, and Bronze Medal Pat Bartholow from Olds. **70+ Open Single**, Gold Medal Jean Knecht from Cremona, Silver Medal Ben Grainger from Cochrane, Bronze Medal John Shuya from Airdrie. **55+ Open Doubles**, Gold Medal Holly Wood from Chestermere and Kay Maetche from Airdrie, Silver Medal Lloyd and Wendy Laughlin from Drumheller, Bronze Medal Mike and Gail Benoit from Carstairs. **70+ Open Doubles**, Gold Medal Jean Knecht from Cremona and Peggy Stockwell Sundre, Silver Medal Ben Grainger from Cochrane and Doug Sherriffs from Cremona, Bronze Medal Lilo Rolf and Barry Fullerton from Drumheller. Photo by Jeremy Broadfield, The Chestermere Anchor City News.

The following members will be travelling to High Prairie to represent Zone 2:

Cribbage (55+ Open Doubles)	Silver Medal, Lloyd and Wendy Laughlin
Cribbage (70+ Open Doubles)	Gold Medal, Peggy Stockwell and Jean Knecht
Cribbage (55+ Open Single)	Bronze Medal, Pat Bartholow and 4 th Place, Lorna Wendell
Cribbage (70+ Open Single)	Silver Medal, Ben Grainger and Bronze Medal, John Shuya

Carpet Bowling - Held at the Airdrie Over 50+ Club, March 18, 2017

55+ Open Team - 1st Roy McFarland, Karl Barfrieder, Enid Hayes, Kay Maetche

2nd Lucien Turcotte, Marion Gardner, Jim Leslie, Al Folkers

70+ Open Team - 1ST Lee Smith, Helen Bryant, Kay Humphries, Rose Marie Rutledge

2nd Barry and Judy Samson, Mary Sheet, Viv Morris

The following members will be travelling to High Prairie to represent Zone 2:

Carpet Bowling (55+ Open Team) TBD

Carpet Bowling (70+ Open Team) TBD

Due to lack of entries, there were no Contract or Duplicate Bridge, Euchre or Military Whist playoff qualifiers.

The following members will be travelling to High Prairie to represent Zone 2:

Contract Bridge (55+ Open Pairs) Joss and Karen Binns

Duplicate Bridge (55+ Open Pairs) TBD

Euchre (55+ Open Pairs) TBD

Military Whist (55+ Open Team of 4) Marilyn Conrad, Don Janczyn, Brian and Holly Wood
Cora and Ken Oliver, Gail and Mike Benoit

For the High Prairie Fall Provincials there are still these playoff qualifiers:

Darts – Being held at the Drumheller Legion, May 06, 2017

Floor Shuffleboard – Being held at High River, May 27, 2017 ``to be confirmed``

Bocce – Being held at the Strathmore Happy Gang Club, June 10, 2017



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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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The following positions are up for election at the May 13, 2017 Annual General Meeting:

Vice Preident, Secretary and Publicity Director (2 year term)

Membership Director (1 year term)

Area Director for Areas 1, 3, 5, 7, and 9 (2 year term)

Area Director for Areas 2, 4, and 8 (1 year term)

This is our organization, and we all have a responsibility to 'step-up-to-the-plate'; that without a quorum of members on the Board of Directors, we could not function – no motions could be made or passed, no cheques could be written, and our doors would soon close.

If anyone is interested or has questions please notify a member of the Board of Directors.

Craft Co-ordinator `We Need Somebody`

– responsible for organizing the Zone 2 judging of the Craft entries for the Fall Provincials.

Arts Co-ordinator `We Need Somebody`

– responsible for organizing the Zone 2 judging of the Art entries for future Provincials.

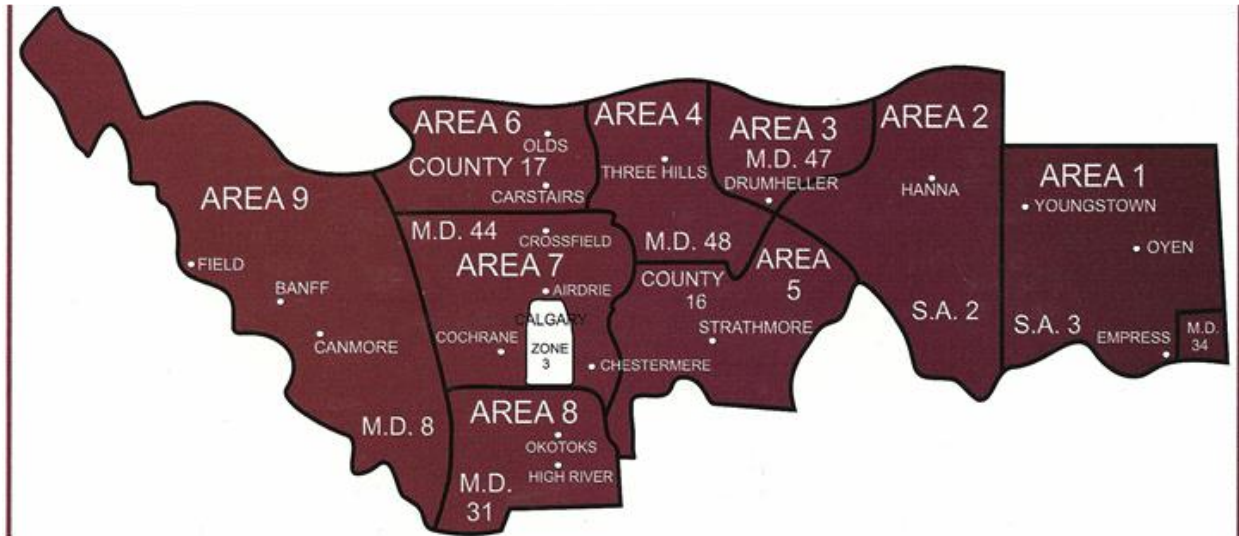
Creative Writing Co-ordinator `We Need Somebody`

– responsible for organizing the Zone 2 judging of the Creative Writing entries for future Provincials.



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ZONE 2 MAP



- Area 1** **Area Director:** `We Need Somebody`
Youngstown, Chinook, Cereal, Oyen, Acadia Valley, Empress, Esther and all communities within Special Area #3
- Area 2** **Area Director:** `We Need Somebody`
Hanna, East Couleee, Garden Plains and all communities within Special Area #2
- Area 3** **Area Director:** `We Need Somebody`
Drumheller, Carbon, Morin, Rumsey, Rowley and all communities within Municipal District #47
- Area 4** **Area Director:** `We Need Somebody`
Three Hills, Trochu, Acme, Linden, Torrington and all communities within Municipal District #48
- Area 5** **Area Director:** Ed Michel 403-734-3670 eddebmichel@yahoo.ca
Strathmore, Gleichen, Standard, Rockyford, Rosebud, Hussar and all communities within County #16
- Area 6** **Area Director:** Earl Welton 587-796-1101 ehwelton@oldsnet.ca
Sundre, Olds, Didsbury, Carstairs, Cremona, Water Valley, Bergen and all communities within County of Mountainview #17
- Area 7** **Area Director:** Nancy Gibbie 587-362-2009 njgibbie@telus.net
Bears paw, Bragg Creek, Cochrane, Springbank, Airdrie, Beiseker, Crossfield, Irricana, Chestermere, Indus and all communities within Municipal District #44
- Area 8** **Area Director:** John MacKillop 403-620-8676 jwmack@shaw.ca
Okotoks, High River, Cayley, Black Diamond, Turner Valley, Longview, Millarville, Priddis and all communities within Foothills Municipal District #31
- Area 9** **Area Director:** `We Need Somebody`
Banff, Canmore, Exshaw and Field, B.C. and all communities within Municipal District #8