



FEEL THE SUNSHINE

THE LIFTLINE CMCA Newsletter

2017 EVENTS

CMCA Executive

Castle Mountain Community Association (CMCA) represents members of the community at Castle Mountain Resort. We are a group of avid skiers/snowboarders, and outdoor enthusiasts who recreate in this area year round.

President – Fraser Stewart

Vice President – Kevin Finn

Secretary – Sean Annis

Treasurer – Litisha Miller

Directors – Ward Armstrong, Pearl Murphy, Katherine Seleski, Jamie Smith and Carmen Walker

CMCA MEMBERSHIP SALES

The CMCA has instituted a \$20 annual membership fee to help raise funds for community based projects and the ongoing costs of maintenance of existing infrastructure. As a community based organization, there are many grants we can apply for and it is often a requirement for us to provide our member list.

We would like to thank all the families that have purchased a membership already. If you would like to purchase a membership we are selling them at the community potlucks or you can fill out the form at the back of this newsletter and submit it with payment to one of the executives listed on the form.

IFSA Jr. Freeskiing / Snowboard competition March 11 & 12

Men's Retreat March 16 & 17

King of the Castle
March 18



Community Potluck March 18



Casino Royal March 18

Nancy Green Terrain Event
March 19

Livingstone Ski
Academy Mexican
Fiesta March 25



Sprint Fest April 1

Fire Fighting Training for Castle
Community June 24, 2017 11
am - 4 pm

Huckleberry Festival August 25
- 27

Live Music in the T-Bar every
Friday Night 9 - 11 pm



CMCA Projects

For years the Castle Mountain Community Association (CMCA) has been working to bring the community together and improve the environment we all enjoy. The lists below highlight the current projects and 2016 projects the CMCA has been involved with.

CURRENT PROJECTS

- Represent our community's interests to provincial and municipal governments

- Share information of interest and importance to the community
- Sponsor and support community based social events
 - Pot Luck Suppers
 - Maritime Night
 - Huckleberry Fest
- Maintain infrastructure owned by the CMCA
- Coordinate the development of a year round firefighting plan
- Install fencing and benches around the Mother Goose community playground
- Sponsor, promoting and supporting community beautification and recreation projects

2016 PROJECTS

- Installed Mother Goose community playground
- Provided funding for the Master Development Plan
- Represented our community's interests to the Municipality of Pincher Creek with respect to the Land Use Plan
- Surveyed the community regarding the vision, values and priorities of the community
- Developed the CMCA's mission, vision, values and mandate statements based on survey feedback
- Sponsored and supported community based social events
 - Pot Luck Suppers
 - Maritime Night
 - Huckleberry Fest

Parks Update

In January, the Premier announced that the Province is proceeding with the creation of the new Castle Provincial Park and the Castle Wildland Park. Shortly thereafter the Province published a Draft Management Plan and established a 60 day period in which it will accept comments on the plan from Albertans.

You can access the Draft Management Plan (a revised draft will be made available on March 10) and the public survey at <https://talkaep.alberta.ca/CastleManagementPlan> or you can send an email with your comments and ideas to ABParks.PlanComments@gov.ab.ca

This Consultation is designed to gather your thoughts and ideas about the Provincial Parks. The consultation questionnaire covers the various sections of the Draft Management Plan and asks you to

choose from a range of responses to questions, with space for comment. The plan is a lengthy but interesting document due to its relevance to our lives. The questionnaire is relatively short and straightforward.

Comments on the road, infrastructure, services and activities you would like to see in the region and the impact that may have on the Castle Community are fair game; as are comments regarding access and OHV use. However, the Province has no jurisdiction when it comes to municipal taxation or the use of private land within the base village area, so comments of this nature will likely be ignored.

CMCA sees the potential for future development of tourism to this region as helping sustain our community and recreational playground and will be providing feedback to the Province regarding the Draft Plan. The Province will rely on public feedback to plan and design the activities, services and infrastructure within this region. The

more constructive feedback the Province receives during the consultation period; the more likely our concerns will be taken into consideration for the final plan.

WE URGE ALL CMR RESIDENTS AND USERS TO REVIEW THIS PLAN AND SUBMIT INDIVIDUAL COMMENTS PRIOR TO APRIL 19, 2017.

**Have an article you'd like included in the next Liftline Newsletter?
Contact Carmen Walker at carmenhwalker@gmail.com with your ideas.**

Livingstone Ski Academy

The Livingstone Ski Academy allows students to blend their school experience with something they are already passionate about.... Skiing. In order to allow the students to ski during school hours, their academic timetable has been tailored to minimize missed instruction. The academy is open to all students, from Grade 5 to 12 including international students, who are looking for a unique and innovative learning experience. Through our partnership with Castle Mountain and Livingstone Range School Division, we have design individual training programs aimed at improving student athleticism and skills in a variety of competitive and noncompetitive alpine disciplines. Ski training is carried out by a professional coaching staff and separated into four specific skills groups including: developmental,

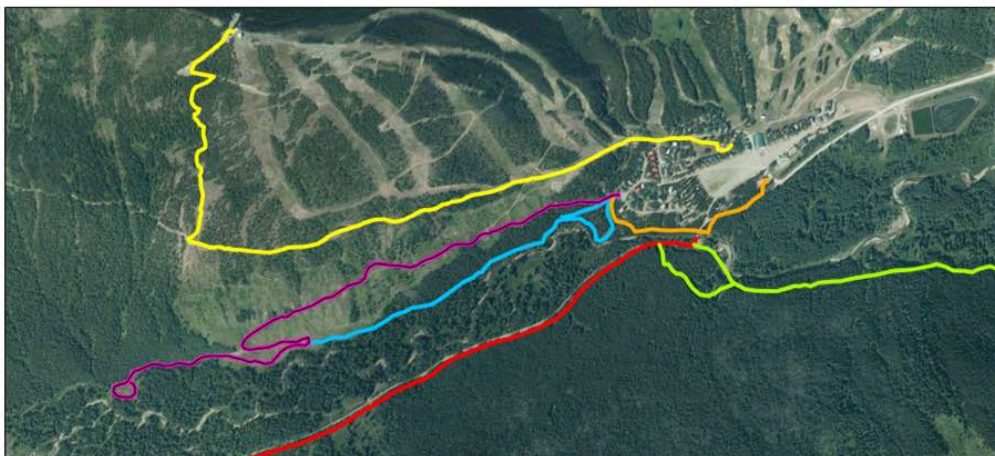
freestyle, big mountain and race focused. From the beginning of December until the end of March, students in Grades 5 and 6 train two days a week while students in Grades 7-12 train three days a week. The dryland and on-hill training components of the LSA promote physical fitness and a healthy, active lifestyle while helping our students athletes make possible athletic, recreation and other alpine industry career connections.

Although skiing is obviously a major part of LSA programing, the academy offers the students more than just athletic training and academic instruction. The LSA offers a holistic approach to developing and working with students. The students have been asked to create and work towards achieving goals in five specific domains including: academic, personal interests, career preparation, personal wellness and community. Our students will create portfolios of evidence to demonstrate their progress in each

of these domains. These portfolios will follow students as they progress through grade levels forming a picture of student learning and growth beyond calendar academic years. We call this the LSA Continuum of Learning.

The LSA represents an opportunity to provide innovative, engaging, and memorable learning experience for students from all over the world and we are extremely pleased to be able to offer this program at Livingstone School.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Clifton on cell: (403) 795-7704 or via email: cliftonj@lrsd.ab.ca



Google Earth Imagery

Winter Trails (one-way distances)

- Moose Meander (10 km to Syncline X-Country Trails)
- Groomed Trail (2.4 km)
- Village Trail (0.6 km)
- Little Dipper (1.5 km)
- West Castle Valley Trail (2 km+)
- Uphill Ski Mountaineering (2.5 km)

Multi-use trails include X-Country, Snowshoeing and Fat Bikes.

Trails are volunteer maintained and not patrolled.
Use at your own risk.

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Breaking Trails

Some hard working locals have been busy creating some winter trails for snowshoeing, fat biking and x-country skiing. Keep these trails in mind when non skier/boarders come for a visit or for those days where it's too icy, too slushy, too busy or just don't feel like skiing.

Printed copies of the attached map are available at the rental shop or the ticket office. Signage for these trails was provided by the CMCA.

Please pick up after your pet.

CMCA MEMBERSHIP FORM

A CMCA membership:

- Expire on December 31 every year
- Covers one family per house hold
- Costs \$20 per year
- Primary method of communication will be via email

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

CMR Unit #: _____ Number of people this membership covers: _____

Email Address(s): _____

Phone Number: _____

Mailing Address (of primary unit owner/renter): _____

City: _____ Postal Code: _____

Please return the completed form with payment to one of the following people:

Carmen Walker CMR Lot# 7

Litisha Miller CMR Lot# 15

Fraser Stewart CMR Lot# 48