

Newsletter # 14 July 2007 Riverland Recreational Trail Society and Alberta's Iron Horse Trail

# **AGM Report**

In June, 2003, people gathered for the official Alberta's Iron Horse Trail opening at the Boscombe Hall. It seemed fitting to hold the April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2007 Annual General Meeting for Riverland Recreational Trail Society at the same location.

Seventy people came out for the evening which started with a buffet meal followed by entertainment from local musician, Brett Kissel. Brett performed an original number as well as Canadian country classics and announced that he will be starting to work on a new album this fall. President Marvin Bjornstad gave a power point presentation on the organization's activities for the last year and spoke of some of the upcoming projects.

#### **Progress this year 2006**

- •Strategic Planning Workshop
- •Revised website
- •Application for funds for IHT Product club
- •Support from N.E. Muni-Corr
- •DVD production of Centennial Relay
- •Trail surfacing report

### Immediate future - Project completions

- •Cold Lake building work party
- •Ashmont roof
- •Bonnyville staging area
- •Fort Kent staging area at LARA
- •Voluntary Trail Pass
- •PDF mapping

### Grant completions

- •Lindbergh bridge
- •More Signage
- •Grass seed
- •Trestle gravel / approach wings
- •Lights & signs for work vehicles

### Long Range Future

- •Trail surfacing
- •Anshaw staging area
- •Dealing with Water pipelines
- •Organizational stability
- •Post Election Tour

## New Executive & Board

### **Riverland Recreational Trail Society**

President – Sheila Thompson Vice President – Ron Belzil Vice President, Trail Stewards - Danny Smyl Secretary - Marjorie Scott Treasurer - Marvin Bjornstad Directors: Walter Sadoway Del Huchulak Dave Dalby Hector Dalpe George Deputat Mike Bergeron Jerry Bidulock Dave Noel **Robert Pruneau** Roy Scott Dave Hunter Andy Wakaruk Maurice Dargis Laurier Dechaine **Rick Beecroft** Bert Davidson

Outgoing President, Marvin Bjornstad received a standing ovation for his leadership and dedication to the organization. Past President Jerry Bidulock was also recognized for his vision and hard work.



### 2007 Memberships

Membership, donations and volunteers are needed to help with the materials and maintenance of Alberta's Iron Horse Trail. Take a moment to fill out your form and send it in.

#### **Membership Form**

Yes! I want to support Trails. Please sign me up as a Member. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address:

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail:\_\_\_\_\_

Individual Member \_\_\_\_ (yr) x \$10.00 = \$\_\_\_\_

Family Membership \_\_\_\_\_ (yr) x \$25.00 = \$

Group Membership \_\_\_\_ (yr) x \$50.00 = \$

**Donations** are greatly appreciated to help our volunteer Trail Stewards with the materials needed for AIHT trail maintenance \$

> TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ Please make cheque payable to: **Riverland Recreational Trail Society**

Riverland Recreational Trail Society Mail to: P.O. Box 587 Elk Point, AB, TOA 1A0

Riverland Recreational Trail Society is a nonprofit, charitable organization. Membership contributions and donations to RRTS are tax deductible.

Local recording artist, Brett Kissel has been having great success with his new album. For more information on Brett and where you can purchase his CD visit his website www.brettkissel.com.

Tried and True – A Canadian Tribute



## Thank You!

We'd like to extend a huge thank you to Marjorie Scott and Sheila Thompson for preparing the buffet meal for Rriverland's AGM. Special thanks to Lorie Davie and Iris Huchulak for the delicious desserts and to Ken Tripp and Jim Hawkins for helping with clean up.

### Ardmore Luau

June 1, 2007 at 8:00 PM Tickets \$10.00 at the door Community Fundraiser For more info - call (780) 826-1983

### N.E. Muni-Corr Quad Ride

N.E. Muni-Corr invited approximately 25 Municipal representatives to participate in a two-day quad ride on Alberta's Iron Horse Trail. The group started in Waskatenau / Smoky Lake and finished in Cold Lake. This was a great opportunity for Mayors, Reeves and Councilors to experience the trail and to learn about the opportunities and challenges the trial presents.



