



# MAYOR'S REPORT

June, 2023  
2<sup>nd</sup> Quarterly



As we near the end of June, we get to celebrate the accomplishments of the Graduating Class of 2023, and especially Graduate Elise Nelson for receiving the Town of Lake Cowichan scholarship. On behalf of Council, we wish you well on your future endeavors. Also, to the Lake Cowichan Trailblazer Society for a successful opening ceremony of its trail network, in partnership with Mosaic Forests, a great addition and opportunity for hiking, biking and tourism visits.

Congratulations to the newly crowned 2023-2024 Cowichan Lake Ambassadors; 2<sup>nd</sup> Princess Megan Bell, 1<sup>st</sup> Princess Olivia Youmans and the 2023-2024 Lady of the Lake Lara Court. We also offer our thanks to the outgoing royalty and 2022 Ambassador Team made up of 2<sup>nd</sup> Princess Elise Nelson, 1<sup>st</sup> Princess Danielle Bissett and the 2022-2023 Lady of the Lake Jenae Weir for their remarkable representation of our local community.

Finally, to The Mesachie Group, which on Father's Day weekend, surpassed the million-dollar mark in fundraising for Muscular Dystrophy research. A huge milestone indeed with the fun supporting those afflicted with the debilitating neuromuscular disease. Great job to all involved.

On July 1<sup>st</sup>, please join us at Central Park to celebrate Canada Day from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm. Many activities are planned with thanks to Councillor Austin for organizing. Along with the Town's celebrations, there are a few similar celebrations in the area to keep you busy and entertained.

The renovation of the Town Hall is nearing completion, and we hope to invite you all to have a visit once we get situated and organized in the new facility. This will be the first stand-alone Town Hall once completed, as we have always shared our operations with other entities in the past.

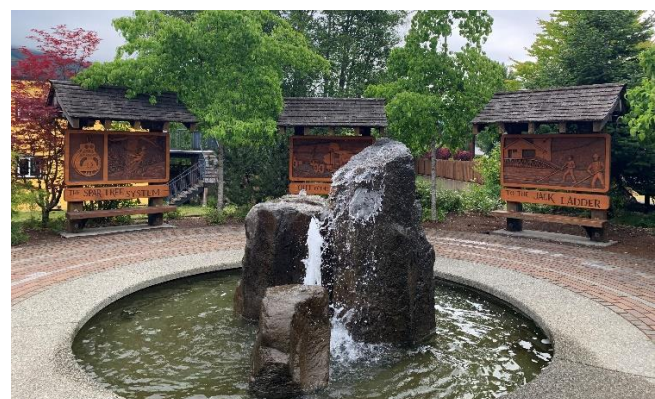
On July 5<sup>th</sup>, a delegation of 10 students and 7 Adults will be travelling to Ohtaki Japan after a lengthy hiatus of the program, to rekindle the Educational, Cultural exchange which began 34 years ago in 1989. Those who have participated in the program have lasting memories and friendships, which endure distance and time.

Summer will see an influx of visitors to our area for our natural beauty and hospitality, although it can be hectic at times. This is an opportunity for our small business community to prosper and bridge the financial strains of the slower winter months. Patience and understanding can go a long way towards building our community pride.

On behalf of myself, and others on Council, we wish to thank you for your support and to Staff, for guiding us through our governance.

Tim McGonigle  
Mayor  
Lake Cowichan

*Our vision is to create a vibrant, healthy, sustainable community that exists in harmony with the natural environment, enjoys a balanced economy, supports all generations, and provides the opportunities to satisfy diverse social needs.*



[2022 Annual Report](#) ~ Available Online