Cooper Landing Gem

Diamond in the Winter

Emerald in the Summer

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Ahh Spring! (Hopefully!)

Well, summer is coming and you can tell when the talk about town is about our popular upcoming annual events! Watch the calendar for the upcoming Easter Egg Hunt in April, sponsored by the Cooper Landing Chamber, and then in May, the Snail-a-thon, and of course our fun and "easy going" but yet competitive Cooper Landing Soft-ball Tournament! We know everyone starts to get a little more busier this time of year, with prepping for the upcoming summer season, but if you can, be sure to volunteer to help out at one of these great events.

Our next Chamber board meeting is Tuesday, April 4th at 10:30 am, and the general public is welcome to attend after 11:30. Please be sure to stop by and visit, pick up the new 2017 Upper Kenai Visitors Guide (now available at the Kenai International Airport too!) to have on hand for your upcoming visitors.

Lastly, we hope you enjoy our new delivery system for the Cooper Landing Gem thru Mail Chimp. We will be delivering it and announcements from now on thru this format. If you have new announcements regarding your business or your services that you would like some help to get out there, please be sure to send your information to info@cooperlandingchamber.com before the end of the month.

Cheers!

Stephanie Lesmeister, President

The 2017 Upper Kenai Visitors Guide will be available for pick up at the Cooper Landing Visitors Center and around Cooper Landing by March 14th. Copies will be distributed to Sunrise Inn, Wildmans, Sacketts, the Cooper Landing Library and our Senior Center. Please feel free to pick up extra copies!

You are also welcome to upload our cover graphic/link to your website or email it out to prospective visitors! Email us at info@cooperlandingchamber.com and we'll be sure to get it to you!

Cooper Landing
Chamber of Commerce

Community Events Happening in the Landing

Snowshoe Softball
Saturday, April 1, 2017 at 1 pm—NO FOOLIN!!
Cooper Landing Community Hall Softball Field

Cooper Landing Emergency Service Board Meeting
Monday, April 3rd, 2017 at 6 pm
CLES Building

Cooper Landing Seniors Board Meeting
Tuesday, April 4th, 2017 at 1:30 pm
Helen Gwin Commons

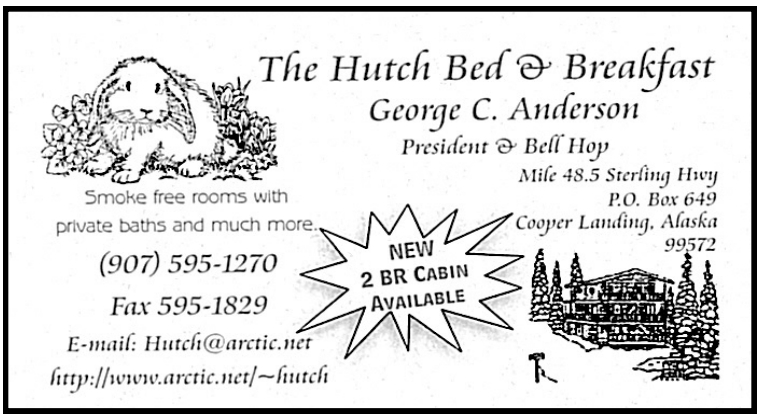
Cooper Landing Chamber & VB Meeting
Tuesday, April 4th, 2017
10:30 am Board Meeting
12:00 noon Open to General Public Sunrise

Cooper Landing Action Planning Committee Meeting
Wednesday, April 5th at 6 pm
Cooper Landing Community Club

Cooper Landing Easter Egg Hunt
Saturday, April 15th at 11 am
Cooper Landing Community Hall

Snow River Dam Project Information and Public Meeting—Moose Pass
Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at 7:00 pm
Moose Pass Community Hall, MP 29.5 Seward Highway

Cooper Landing Parent Action Committee Meeting
Wednesday, April 22nd at 12:30 pm
Cooper Landing School



Wildman's Hours

Open 7 Days a Week
7:00 am to 10:00 pm

Come in and eat lunch with us or take it to go!

Enjoy Wildman's awesome chicken fingers, fries and ice cream!

Mark Your MAY Calendars!!

Cooper Landing Gun Club Event
Saturday, May 6th, 2017
Summit Lake Lodge
Cooper Landing Gun Club is hosting their 2nd Annual Friends of the NRA Banquet on May 6th Saturday at 5:30pm at Summit Lake Lodge. Tickets are $60 each. Includes Prime Rib Dinner, raffles, auctions and fun with a chance to win exclusive guns, gear, décor and collectibles! Buy tickets on-line at www.friendsofnra.org or call Laura 205-0801 or Lisa 202-6833. Also available at Wildmans. Limited tickets available.

Cooper Landing Snail– a –Thon
Saturday, May 20th, 2017
More information to come!

Cooper Landing Softball Tournament
Thursday May 25th thru Saturday, June 3rd, 2017
For more information, please contact the captain of your team, (or Dan Michels!)

Cooper Landing Community School Update

Tot Time: Mondays and Wednesdays, when school is in session, 11am. Bring your kids to the school gym for some play time with their friends.

Cooper Landing Cooperative Preschool: Fridays 10am-12pm, Cooper Landing School portable classroom. Bring: outside play gear for kiddos, cup or water bottle and dish/plate that can stay at preschool for snack time. Parent duties: one scheduled teacher, one scheduled helper, and one additional unscheduled parent for each week (for a total of three adults). Everyone else feel free to drop off your kiddo. (You're encouraged! Go have fun!) Cost: Boxed curriculum and non-perishable snack supply will be purchased this week. Cost will be split between all parents once we know the total. Questions: Contact Jen 229-3421 jenbelisle96@gmail.com

Volleyball: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6pm to 8pm, at the Cooper Landing School gymnasium. Please wear clean, non-marking shoes and be prepared to help with cleanup.

Book Club: 7pm at Cooper Landing Community Library. Coming up:
April 21 - *The Story Hour* by Thrity Umrigar
For more information, contact Virginia Morgan at tommyginny@arctic.net or 595-3094.

Interested in teaching/hosting a class or event in the community, or have a recommendation? Contact Deb at carlsons@arctic.net with your ideas.

Cooper Landing Library

Be sure to check out our website:
http://www.cooperlandinglibrary.com/
and like us on Facebook:
https://www.facebook.com/cooperlandingcommunitylibrary

April Library Hours: Monday and Tuesday 1-3 pm; Wednesday and Thursday 12:30-3 pm; Thursday Evenings 5-7 pm; Friday 11-5 pm; Saturday 11-3 pm

CHUGACH
POWERING ALASKA'S FUTURE

Snow River Dam Project Information and Public Meetings

Chugach Electric Association has received a Preliminary Permit from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to study the concept of a hydroelectric project on the north fork of the Snow River. A Preliminary Permit from FERC allows an applicant three years to study a project concept. Chugach's plans are to conduct its study incrementally, and has not yet determined whether or not it will proceed to apply for a FERC license to build the project. The 2017 effort will largely consist of reviewing prior studies and research, and an initial field reconnaissance. If the utility decides to proceed, additional studies would take place in 2018 and beyond.

Chugach has been meeting with representatives of agencies to discuss the investigation, and would like to have a similar meeting with representatives of NGOs. The meeting is scheduled for 4 pm on Thursday, April 6. The meeting is planned for the Training Room at Chugach headquarters, 5601 Electron Drive, Anchorage.

Chugach would like to hear from organizations interested in sending one or more

representatives to this meeting. If your organization is interested, please RSVP to deanna_scott@chugachelectric.com

The April 6 meeting is intended to be a discussion with representatives of NGOs.

A pair of public meetings has been scheduled for April 17 (Anchorage) and April 18 (Moose Pass).

Information about the Snow River hydro project concept, including a link to the FERC Preliminary Permit Application, FERC Order Issuing Preliminary Permit, and the public meetings, can be found at:
https://www.chugachelectric.com/inside-chugach/projects/snow-river-project

Questions about the project concept or upcoming meetings can be directed to Mike Brodie at Chugach.

mike_brodie@chugachelectric.com

907-762-4835 (desk)

907-529-8605 (mobile)

It's Happening on the Peninsula

Slush Cup!
Alyeska Resort 40th Annual Spring Carnival
Celebrate the end of ski season and the perfect combination of sun and snow at Alyeska Resort during the 40th Annual Spring Carnival featuring the Alaska Airlines Slush Cup, the biggest bash of the year!
Friday, April 7 Costume Party | 6- 9 pm @ the Sitzmark
First round of Alaska Airlines Slush Cup participant picks. 25 competitors will be selected based on quality of costume (originality, flare and style). Winners must come in the same costume for the Slush Cup on Saturday. 21 & over, free admission. You can also register for the Idiots Swim, Dummy Downhill, Bike Race and XTRATUF Tug o'War.
Saturday, April 8 Event Registration | 10 am - 3 pm
Register for all Spring Carnival events including the remaining 25 spots for the Slush Cup, Idiots Swim, Dummy Downhill and XTRATUF Tug o'War! Final Round of Alaska Airlines Slush Cup picks | 1:30 pm. Hopeful participants must convince the judges they are worthy of the remaining 25 spots in Slush Cup. Must be in full costume.
Idiot Swim Across | 3 pm
Brave souls swim across the pond for your entertainment! Free. Pre-registration required.
40th Annual Alaska Airlines Slush Cup | 4 pm
50 competitors will ski or ride down the mountain and try to make it across the 90' pond for a chance to win a 2016-17 season pass! $50 entry. Potential participants must register by 1 pm and selections will take place at 1:30 pm.
Sunday, April 9 Event Registration | 10 am - 2 pm
Register for Spring Carnival events. Parade of Dummys will be on display near the Bear Cub Quad.
Mountain Bike Race | 10 am
Bikers will race from the top of the tram down. $10 entry (FREE with lift ticket/season pass). Register from 8 am - 9 am at Tramway Cafe. Tram uploads begin promptly at 9 am.
Dummy Downhill | 12 pm
Create your own "dummy" to send flying down a ski trail. Dummy Downhill Rules> Great prizes for top finishing dummies! Free. Drop your dummy off by 11:30 am by the Info Tent. Pre-registration required.
XTRATUF Tug-of-War | 2 pm
Teams of 5 compete in a tug-of-war across the pond. Last team standing wins a pair of XTRATUF's for each member of the team. Free. Pre-registration required.

Have an event? Let Cooper Landing Chamber help get the word out!
Send your information to info@cooperlandingchamber.com.
Submissions are due 3 days prior to the end of the month.

Lynx News April 2017

Homepage: http://cooperlandingschool.blogs.kpbsd.k12.ak.us/wpmu/

This Spring, Cooper Landing School went on a walking field trip to Kenai Lake to learn about ice fishing. A big thank you to the guides from Kenai River Fly Fishing, LLC, for volunteering your time to make this fun afternoon possible.

Birthdays

4/5	Alejandra Smith
4/6	Jimmy Milne
4/11	Blythe Larsen
4/11	George Anderson
4/12	Joyce Koppert
4/14	Clara LaRock
4/14	Sue Simpson
4/15	Barb Atkinson
4/16	Rhys Larsen
4/17	Nana Sether
4/17	Terry Robinson
4/18	Gary McFadden
4/18	Jocelyn Rose
4/18	Butch Reger
4/20	Elizabeth Grimmond
4/20	Terri Tobias
4/22	Cheryle James
4/24	Cooper Gossard
4/26	Katie Thomas
4/29	Kristen Helgren
4/29	Shirley Wilmoth

Anniversaries

4/30	Gary and Yvette Galbraith

Upcoming Events

4/4	Last Ski Day Alyeska
4/5	Early Release In-Service
4/7	AK Coastal Ecology Program
4/12-4/14	Kasitsna Bay Trip
4/15	Easter Egg Hunt Comm. Hall
4/20-4/21	PEAK Testing
4/24-4/27	PEAK Testing
5/3	Early Release In-Service
	Kinder Orientation 10am-1:45

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Tuesday, April 4 is the last day for the 2017 downhill skiing/snowboarding program at Alyeska. Students and staff at Cooper Landing School thank the community for supporting our fundraisers and helping to provide this fabulous opportunity. We also thank the staff at Alyeska for working with our school and providing us with a top notch experience!

Below: read what some of the students wrote about their experience at Alyeska this year.

I like skiing on free ski because you can go on any chair and the bunny hill too. I love chair 3 and not 7.

-Rhys 1st Grade

Ski! Ski! I like to ski! It is fun! My brother snow boards. It looks like fun. My brother went on the double black diamond .

-Athena 1st Grade

Yesterday the school had a field trip. That field trip was skiing, When we got to school we had math for one hour and fifteen minutes. Then we had break and snack. After snack we got ready to leave My ride took a while, but we weren't late. When we got to Alyeska we had lunch and got ready.

When I was ready I warmed up on the magic carpet. I thought the magic carpet was too slow, so I walked up the hill. Once the instructors were ready we started lessons. We went straight to Ted's Express. My instructor showed us a cool trail.

-Tallis 3rd Grade

I like skiing; it is fun. I am a level 4. My instructor's name is Sam. Sam is awesome. We ski on Tuesdays.

I went up the tram and went down Main Street, which leads to Chair 4 Road. Then I did Upper and Lower Vanimhof; after that I did Race Trail and Chair 3 Road. I like Christmas; it is fun. I like the tram.

At the top of the tram we got hot chocolate. It's really good. I had a turkey sandwich, a PB&J sandwich, fruit by the foot, and some chips. It was yummy.

-Leihla 5th Grade

2017 Cooper Landing Chamber of Commerce & CVB

Please support our local businesses!

5 Dogs Fishing	907/598-3525	Inn at Tern Lake (MP)	907/288-3667
Alaska Heavenly Lodge	907/599-0022	Jason's Guide Service	907/351-3036
Alaska Horsemen Lodge	907/595-1806	Kahtnu Spirit Lodging	907/299-2855
Alaska Kenai Fishing for Fun	888/495-2194	Kenai Cache	907/595-1401
Alaska Marketing Consultants	907/230-3055	Kenai Fjords Tours (Seward)	888/478-3346
Alaska Outdoor Woodstoves	907/598-1633	Kenai Kayak Company	907/521-0244
Alaska River Adventures	907/595-2000	KPB Mayor – Mike Navarre (Sold.)	800/478-4441
Alaska Rivers Company	907/595-1226	KPBSD Superintendent Sean Dusek	907/714-8836
Alaska Streamers	907/205-0000	Kenai Peninsula Econ. Dev. Dist.	907/283-3335
Alaska Troutfitters	907/595-1212	Kenai Princess Wilderness Lodge	907/595-1425
Alaskan Angling Adventures LLC	907/595-3336	Kenai River Drifters Lodge	907/595-5555
Alpine Inn Motel	907/595-1557	Kenai River Float-n-Fish, LL	907/595-3505
Angle 45 Adventures (Hope)	907/782-3175	Kenai River Fly Fishing	907/598-1400
Bean Creek Gallery	907/595-3488	Kenai River Day Trips & Kenai Riverside Lodge	800/334-8730
Best Route Productions	303/570-2081	Kenai River Trout Anglers	907/599-0085
Blue Yeti Food Truck	907/231-6089	Kenai Riverside Campgrnd/RV Park/B&B	907/595-1406
Boatman's	907/202-1004	Kim's Essential Oils & Gifts	815/751-7959
Camp K on Kenai Lake	907/279-3551	Major Marine Tours (Seward)	907/274-7300
Conoco Phillips Alaska, Inc.(Anch)	907/276-1215	Natalia with Century 21 Realty Solutions @ Freedom Realty	907/830-1069
Cooper Landing Community Club	907/595-2169	Professional Testing-Carrie Williams	907/598-1633
Cooper Landing Community Library	907/595-1241	Prospector John's Pan for Gold	907/598-1808
Cooper Landing Community Schools	907/595-1244	Sackett's Kenai Grill	907/595-1827
Cooper Landing Emergency Services	907/595-1800	Seramur Home Services	907/599-0019
Cooper Landing Fish Camp	907/595-3474	Spruce Moose Chalets	907/677-7543
Cooper Landing Gun Club	907/599-0004	Stevenson Retreat	907/595-3489
Cooper Landing Historical Society	907/598-1042	Sunrise Inn & Café	907/595-1222
Cooper Landing Senior Citizens Corp.	907/595-3000	Talon Air Service, Inc. (Sold.)	907/262-8899
Eagle Landing Resort	907/595-1213	The Hutch Bed & Breakfast	907/595-1270
First National Bank Alaska (Sold.)	907/260-6000	Wells Fargo (Sold.)	907/262-4435
Gwin's Lodge	907/595-1266	Wildman TR Inc.	907/595-1456
Hotel Seward/A Cabin on the Cliff	907/224-8001		

Are you interested in joining the Cooper Landing Chamber?

Either visit www.cooperlandingchamber.com for a complete list of the benefits and to download our membership packet or email us at info@cooperlandingchamber.com.

Take Advantage of your local chamber benefits today!

April 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 April Fools Day! Snowshoe Softball 1 pm @ CLCH Field
2	3 CLES Meeting 6 pm @ CLES	4 CL Chamber Meeting 10:30 am - Board - 12 noon Public @ Sunrise CLSCCI Board Mtg. 130 pm @ Helen Gwiin Commons	5 CL Fire Training 6 pm @ CLFH CLAPC Meeting 6 pm @ CLCH	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15 CL Easter Egg Hunt 11 am @ CLCH
16 Easter Sunday	17	18 Snow River Dam Project Meeting 7 pm @ Moose Pass	19 CL PAC Meeting 12:30 pm @ CLS CL Fire Training 6 pm @ CLFH	20 Gem May Newsletter Submissions Due	21 CL Book Club 7 pm @ CLL	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	1-May CL Chamber Meeting 10:30 am - Board - 12 noon Public @ Sunrise	2 CLES Meeting 6 pm @ CLES	3 CL Fire Training 6 pm @ CLFH	4	5	6 Cooper Landing Gun Club Event 5:30 pm @ Summit Lake Lodge

Community Activities

Soldotna Shuttle Bus
Wednesdays 8:30 am

Game Night
Fridays 7pm
Helen Gwin Commons

After School Group
Wed 3:30-5:30 pm
CL Comm. Hall

Sew & Sew Quilters
Mondays 10 am
Community Hall

Trap at Gun Club
Sat at 12pm

Tot Time
Mondays 11-12 pm
CL School Gym

Gym/Volley Ball
Tues & Thurs 6-8 pm

Church Services

CL Baptist 11:00 am

Catholic 12:30 pm

CL Community Lutheran 4 pm
(First Sundays of month only)

April Gem Submissions Due

April 20th

POST YOUR EVENT OR MEETING

Is your event or meeting date missing from this Calendar?
Be sure to send them to us and we'll make sure its on here!
Email your information by 4/20/17 to
info@cooperlandingchamber.com

Cooper Landing Library Winter Hours

Monday & Tuesday 1 - 3 pm
Wednesday & Thursday
12:30 - 3 pm
Thursday Evenings 5 pm - 7 pm
Friday 11 am - 5 pm
Saturday 11 am - 3 pm

Cooper Landing Chamber of Commerce
And Visitors Bureau, Inc.

- Chamber Newsletter
- Member Meetings
- Referral Service
- Brochure Display
- Web Listings
- Visitor Center Displays
- Events Management
- Visitor Inquiry Mailing List
- Membership Directory
- Bulk Mail Stamp
- Joint Advertising
- Networking
- Teamwork
- A Voice In The Community
- Insert in Chamber Newsletter
- & Much, much more!!

For more information on becoming a member, contact:

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