



BATAWA SKI HILL CHAIR LIFT

Many have waited for the day that Batawa Ski Hill would get a chair lift, and on June 15th Mrs. Bata and Batawa Ski Hill General Manager Steve Spiessman announced that this year the Ski Hill would fulfill that dream! Leitner Poma has been hired to construct the new chair lift in time for the upcoming ski season. With early bird season passes already surpassing last year's sales record, this season will be one to remember. Be sure to keep checking out the Batawa Ski Hill website for new information on events, chair lift progress, and season pass deals. www.batawaskihill.com



"WALTER" DINO DIG

An exciting project is taking shape at the Batawa Ski Hill. As local children set out to explore the woods off the ski hill parking lot, they will find a 35 foot fossilized model of a tyrannosaurus rex buried beneath the forest floor. The first of its kind in Canada, the "Dino Dig" will be unveiled in early November. Join Batawa school children and local dignitaries at the "Bury the Beast" ceremony. This will be the last opportunity to see the T-Rex in its entirety before sand hides the dino for children to discover. The project was the brainchild of Batawa resident and Research Castings Inc employee, Garth Dallman, who with his colleagues developed the concept for the prototype play area. The Dino Dig promotes exploration, discovery, play and learning. Research Castings has now developed a product line of dino dig play features and will showcase the Batawa Dino Dig as their prototype. A special thanks to the Batawa Firefighters, Trenval Business Development Corporation, Research Castings Inc, the BDC and the Batawa Ski Hill for their funding and in-kind support. The T-Rex will be named "Walter" in memory of long-serving Batawa Firefighter and Bata Shoe employee Walter Pavlica.



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Did you know.....

In the 1940's Arthur Duncan created a one page daily newspaper called the "Batawa Bulletin" which was written in both English and Czech.



YOUTH VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Parents – here's an opportunity for your kids to contribute to the community and volunteer, earning their community service hours and working with their friends to improve our community. The BDC is organizing volunteer work parties, supervised by a former teacher and BDC staff member. Each week, a new project will be planned, and we can use their help. Send your willing kids, aged 12 and up, to the BDC office:



- Saturday, October 25th, November 1, December 6 at 9 a.m. (lunch pizza party included)
- Tuesday, October 28, November 4, 18 and 25th, 4-6 p.m.

Any necessary safety equipment (gloves, glasses, etc) will be provided. We receive many requests from parents to provide volunteer opportunities throughout the year, so take advantage of these dates to get your kids involved in the community – and thanks for your help.

WELCOME OUR NEW CARETAKER

BDC welcomed Mike Mulvihill to the BDC team as Caretaker of Properties this summer. Mike brings with him 28 years of experience working as a contractor in several trades. Mike says he loves the position and the people he meets and works with each day. He enjoys the new challenge. Be sure to welcome Mike to the community when you see him at work throughout the village.



BATAWA SKI HILL - THE PLACE TO BE

The Batawa Ski Hill is simply the place to be! The Ski Hill team held a successful nine week Summer Day Camp program. Each week had a different theme: Outdoor Adventure, Sport Spectacular, Leadership, and Eco-Adventure. Adult and teen dances brought music to the Hill, and hundreds of people enjoyed "Breakfast at the Hill" every Sunday. Sunday brunches often featured different attractions including geo-caching, alpacas, mountain biking, emu products and other local attractions.



Summer wrapped up with the second annual Corn Roast on Sept 13th. There was live music throughout the night with the "Robyn Edagar" and "The Sock Monkeys" band. Over 400 people enjoyed a BBQ and local corn.

Fall kicked off with "Harvest Day at the Hill" where guests enjoyed Gus's Chili Cook-Off, pumpkin carving, bike safety, wagon rides throughout the community, and a visit from our Batawa Fire Fighters. 12 teams entered "Gus's Chili Contest" with the winner being our own Mike Mulvihill. People Choice winner was the "Hot Chillin Chicks", a team of Karen Edison, Nicole and Renee Lamoureux, Julie and Olivia Tolmie, and Quinn and Britt Logan. The pumpkin carving contest winner was Renee Lamoureux. All children walked away with a pumpkin for Halloween. Special thanks to the Batawa Ski Hill for their community spirit, making Batawa a fun place to be year round!



Batawa, beautiful by nature and design