

Farmworkers Campground now a reality



The Farmworkers Campground, located just outside the village of Keremeos, is open and in use as the valley's first crops of the season near maturity. Many workers are appreciative of the efforts made to help provide them with basics for camping, however problems with itinerant camping within the village continue, frustrating several residents.

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On June 23, 2010 the Similkameen Farmworkers Campground Society installed the official sign on the site. It lays out the simple rules of the camp, information needed for the Farmworkers, a bulletin board too, as well as area maps of the many farms in the region. A fee of \$1 per person per night is required to camp there.

The official sign was a shared effort by our local farmers and citizens of the community. Doe Gregoire chaired the ad hoc committee with Kevin Demchuck and Marc Lepage (directors of the Society), Glen Goguen a committee member, Charlene Cowling and Gary Thielmann (village councilors). Huge thanks go out to Kevin Demchuck who made the sign structure with a roof from materials donated by the Village of Keremeos and by Irlly Bird of Keremeos. Mary Monroe donated the actual printed portion of the sign through the Hilltop Store and Signz gave us a discount for the printing of the sign. There were many hands to place this sign in the ground, Thanks to Kevin Demchuck, Tim Cottrill & son, Ron Gould, Glen Goeguen, Marc Lepage, Guy Wilkinson and Mike Rushton for the use of his flat bed trailer

Glen Goguen who also speaks French is site manager collecting the \$1.00/night/person fees as well as making sure the campsites are kept clean and garbage is taken to our rented dumpster and the Porta potties are cleaned as needed.

Parking and No parking signs are going up along the road to keep the roadway and dike clear.

The campground has been opened since June 1 and now that the sign is up the campers have a clearer idea what is expected of them to respect the environment and their neighbours.

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