



Sasamat Volunteer Fire Department October News



Department Group Photo: In early September, the SVFD gathered together at Belcarra Park for a group portrait. Thanks to Gavin Michie and Jacob Crawford at *Black Fir Photography* for volunteering their skill and time to make this happen. Gavin took the shots from the ground, while Jacob took photos from a drone. If anyone is looking for a couple of great photographers – we would highly recommend them.



Ma Murray Days & Terry Fox Run: Thanks goes out to the organizers and volunteers that championed both events. The Kids' Firefighter Challenge was a particular hit with local children in the community. It was also special to listen to Kristen Fox (Terry Fox's niece) come out and speak at Anmore's local Terry Fox run. The SVFD is fortunate to have the Executive Director of the Terry Fox Foundation as a long-serving member.

Reminder about Wood-burning Fireplaces: If you have a wood-burning fireplace and the chimney hasn't been cleaned for awhile, please get it looked at. In the past, we've had several dangerous calls in the fall where creosote buildup inside a chimney has suddenly caught fire and threatened homes. If in doubt, please get it checked.



SVFD's 2017 Roster: Anmore and Belcarra's fire service now has 45 members, two halls, five fire trucks and an ATV – making us one of the larger volunteer fire departments in the province. For almost 40 years, through thousands of emergencies, the SVFD has been the backbone of emergency response for the two Villages. Our firefighters live in the communities they serve, their children go to schools here - that small-town neighbour-helping-neighbour dynamic is something pretty special. So proud to be part of this group!

Sincerely,

Jay Sharpe (*Fire Chief*)

Dave Gregory (*Dist. Chief Anmore*)

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