

The Summer Village of Gull Lake



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During this special year in our country, the **Gull Lake Community League** will present on this web site a series of articles on topics related to the geography, history and community life of our area of central Alberta. There will be a new article every month during the year, and I hope they will remind you of what a unique and wonderful place Gull Lake really is.

Gull Lake by the Numbers

- Size- 22 km. long and 6 km. wide
- Average depth- 5.4 m. (18ft.)
- Maximum depth- 8m. (26 ft.)
- Catchment area- 206 sq. km. (80 sq. mi.)
- Surface area- 80.6 sq. km. (31.1 sq. mi.)
- Retreat of glaciers in last ice age-20,000 to 12,000 years ago
- Bison gone- 1870
- Anthony Henday, fur trader visited the area on his way to Rocky Mountain House- 1755
- Cree People call the Lake “kiyaskos sakahikan”- 1850
- David Thompson named the lake “Long Lake”- 1814
- Lake referred to on Arrowsmith map as Gull Lake- 1859
- First settler built first cabin- 1893
- Summer village of Gull Lake incorporated, first summer village in Alberta-1913
- Census in 2011-122 permanent residents in 56 of 80 total dwellings

