

# Lab City Connect



## New Hovercraft Enhances Emergency Response

We are proud to announce the arrival of a brand-new hovercraft for the Fire Department, a major investment in community safety and emergency preparedness. This specialized piece of equipment will play a vital role for rapid deployment in water rescue operations.

The total cost of the hovercraft was approximately \$98,000. We are incredibly grateful to Rio Tinto IOC for their generous contribution of \$40,000 and to Volunteer Fire Department Association, who raised \$10,000 through local fundraising efforts. The Town of Labrador City covered the remainder.

This initiative demonstrates the positive outcomes that can be achieved through strong partnerships between municipal services, industry stakeholders, and the community.

## Fire Season Begins: Preventing Wildfires Together

With wildfire season underway, it's crucial that we all take action to protect our community.

Warmer, drier weather means higher risk — and prevention starts with us. How You Can Help:

- Clear dry brush and flammable debris from your property.
- Respect fire bans and never leave a fire unattended.
- Safely dispose of cigarette butts — never toss them outside.
- Operate equipment like ATVs and lawnmowers only when conditions are safe.

## Emergency Prep: Are You Ready?

**Wildfires can spread fast. Keep an emergency kit with:**

- Food & water (3-day supply)
- Medications, ID & key documents
- Flashlight, batteries, first aid
- Pet supplies
- Phone charger & battery bank

Plan ahead: Know two exit routes from your neighbourhood.

## Fire Risk & Local Resources

- Watch for Fire Risk Signs:
- Hot, dry, windy days
- Dry brush buildup
- Smoke or smouldering areas

## Stay Informed:

- Follow Town of Labrador City on Facebook
- Subscribe to Everbridge Alert System. Call (709) 944-2621
- Download the FireSmart Begins at Home app
- Visit [www.gov.nl.ca](http://www.gov.nl.ca) and enter "Fire Hazard Map" in the search bar for fire conditions regularly. (Updated at 2pm daily).

"The best time to prepare for wildfire is before you see smoke."

**If you spot smoke or fire, call 911**

**Report concerns:**

**Town Office: (709) 944-2621**

**Forestry: 1-866-709-FIRE (3473)**

**RCMP (non-emergency): (709) 944-7600**



## SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT

The IronFest sponsorship campaign is underway and local businesses are showing their support. In this issue, we would like to say thank you to these returning sponsors for helping to make IronFest 2025 another epic festival!!



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## Rio Tinto IOC Signs on as Partner for IronFest 2025

We're thrilled to recognize Rio Tinto IOC for their outstanding support of our community, with a generous \$75,000 commitment to IronFest 2025!

This contribution is part of a broader \$185,262 investment over 2025–2026 that will also support the Trick Lane Skatepark expansion, the ongoing development of the Frontier 53 Walking Trails, and our much-loved Winter Carnival.

**RioTinto** | **IOC**

We are truly grateful for Rio Tinto IOC's continued dedication to enriching local life. Their consistent support of these and many other initiatives makes a lasting impact on our town each and every year.

## Bulk Garbage Pickup Week June 16 - 20

Please note that we will be covering your area only on the day of the schedule.

For the convenience of residents, the Lab West Landfill will be open on **Saturday – June 21st from 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.** Thank you for doing your part for Community Pride & the Environment

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| Monday<br>June 16    | McParland Drive and all streets to Carol Drive including all of Carol Drive. (Centennial, Prowse, D'aigle, Massey, MacDonald, Murphy, Nascopie, Jackson, Montagnais, Vanier, Churchill, Vimy, Retty, Robertson)                                                          |
| Tuesday<br>June 17   | All streets from Carol Drive to Hudson Drive including all of Hudson, Cartwright, Durrell, Hamilton & Beothuck. (Cormack, Cook, Curtis, Richards, Caribou, Viking, Elizabeth, Baltimore, Carson, Gilbert, Osbourne, Durrell, Roche, Field, Howley, Guy, Stirling, Burry) |
| Wednesday<br>June 18 | All streets from Hudson Drive to Bartlett Drive including all of Bartlett, Scheffer, Banting & Beverly. (Matthew, Bristol, Campbell, Grenfell, Cartier, Cabot, Marconi, Drake, Beaver, Dineen)                                                                           |
| Thursday<br>June 18  | All streets from Bartlett Drive to Lakeside Drive NOT INCLUDING BARTLETT but including all of Lakeside, Balsam, Willow, Oak, Pine, Spruce, Juniper, Alderdice, Maple, Cedar, Elm, Drake, Raven and Sparrow.                                                              |
| Friday<br>June 19    | Tamarack, Cashin, Cavendish and Harrie Lake Sub-Division.                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

### What's Accepted

Mattresses, sofas, chairs, furniture, bathroom fixtures, carpet tied in rolls (less than 6 ft., less than 50 pounds), tree limbs tied in bundles (less than 6 ft., less than 50 pounds), glass, securely packaged and marked, other bulk items normally associated with a household, white goods.

### What's Not Accepted

Brick, concrete, vehicle parts, earthen materials including stumps and large trees, roof shingles and construction materials, tires, liquids, regular household garbage, hazardous waste like paint, chemicals, industrial and commercial waste, etc.

### Things to Remember

Tree limbs, carpet, wood and similar objects should be cut into pieces a maximum of 6 feet long, and up to 22.5 kilograms (50 pounds). Sharp objects should be clearly labelled. All loose items must be boxed or bagged. No scattered items please. Metal items shall be separated from other garbage.