Communities 13 Inc. Report for 2007-08 Year
(from the General Manager's Report to their AGM in September 2008)

The APM Centre continues to function at a break-even operational cost. They continue to work to improve communication with residents by distributing 6000 Program Summaries, maintaining a "What's Happening" TV in the lobby and they have launched their www.apmcentre.com website.

They balanced increased expenses in electricity, heat and ice-making with savings in insurance, general repairs, snow and garbage removal and wages. The APM Centre overhauled one compressor in '07-'08 and intend to do the other this year (at an approximate cost of $10,000). They hope to start a capital repair budget to prepare for increasing costs as the building ages. They expect increasing energy costs, and plan to have an energy audit done on the building. General Manager Donna Butler works with Recreation PEI on a committee to help arenas decrease electricity expenses. Over the past year they increased arena signage sales, but decreased ice rental sales (due to the loss of the Allan Andrew's ice rental, running a shortened season and losses due to poor weather), and decreased gym rental (Town of Cornwall reduced gym time by 15/hours /week). Meeting room rental increased; but membership sales showed an overall decline; however, aerobic memberships increased).

The APM Centre continues to review health and safety procedures, and management is putting together a life cycle plan for the building, and working to ensure succession planning by producing detailed training plans and procedure manuals. Their goals for 2008-09 were to continue to work on the above, complete an energy audit and assist the board in more fund-raising efforts to repay the long term debt and build a fund for capital repairs. If you wish a copy of their 2007-08 Financial Statements, please contact the Council office at 368-3090 or admin@miltonvalepark.com.

The Miltonvale Park representative on the Communities 13 Inc. Board of Directors is Don Aitken.