

Message from Mayor and Council

Welcome to the fall of 2019! It's incredible how quickly this year has gone by. We have had a great year of progress and change as our new Council learns their roles. We continue to develop and implement new processes and policies to help run our Village in the most efficient way possible.

On behalf of Mayor Langman, Council and Village of Warfield Staff, we would like to thank Jackie Patridge for her years of service as CAO/CFO/CO. Jackie joined our Village Staff to assist with Village finances as the Chief Financial Officer and succeeded in leaving our Village in a greater place financially. We wish Jackie all the best as she settles into the life of a retiree.

That being said, we welcome Lila Cresswell who has undertaken a temporary position as the CAO. Lila brings many years of Municipal experience, most recently retiring as CAO from the Village of Fruitvale in 2017. We are so excited to have Lila's experience in developing new policies and procedures, assisting with the Corporate Officer matters and continuing the great progress Jackie made on the Financial end.

We ask our residents to show a warm welcome to our new CAO and be patient with our Municipal Staff as each one transitions into new roles and responsibilities to better serve our community.

Bear-Proof Garbage Bin



A big THANK YOU to Teck for their support in funding a bear-proof garbage bin for the safety and concern of our residents. This bin will be placed on Lauriente Way.

Unsightly Premises



The Village received numerous complaints this summer regarding unsightly premises. We ask that residents take pride of their community, respect their neighbours by maintaining lawncare and keeping their premises clear of waste and debris. The Village is attempting to rectify this issue, but cooperation from residents is helpful.

Snow Removal

Yes it's early to talk about the "white stuff" and some of us (no particular name(s) mentioned) certainly do not want to see snow until December 24. However, in anticipation of the inevitable we do need to remind the residents that when the fluffy white crystals decide to fall that vehicles are off the road to allow effective snow removal to take place. It is imperative of the Village to clear the roads of snow in a safe and timely manner, starting with the bus routes, then high-traffic volume steep hills, side streets, alleys, and pedestrian ways (Policy #5410).



Yard Waste Pick-Up

The final yard and garden waste pick-up date is scheduled for **Friday, November 29**. Remember to use clear plastic bags and arrange sticks neatly into one-metre long bundles. This is also a reminder for residents with fruit trees to "pick your fruit" so not to attract unwanted wildlife.

No Open Burning



We cannot seem to do enough to remind residents that open burning is NOT permitted at all times within the Village. This refers to the prohibition of burning yard waste; brush; debris and the like. Complaints can be made to the Regional Fire Services non emergency # at 250-364-1737.

Warfield Preschool



The Warfield Preschool has space available and is accepting new students. If you require further information or to place your child on 2020/2021 waiting list, please contact Miss Sherry at 250-231-0828.

Age-Friendly

Warfield received a UBCM grant to study and assess how 'age-friendly' our community really is. This fully funded study involved three community engagement processes: a survey, a drop-in session and a hard-working group of community members dubbed the Task Force. Shannon Gordon facilitated the process which culminated a Report and Action Plan. These were adopted by the Village of Warfield Council on Wednesday, August 21st. This Report and Plan are comprehensive and available at the Village office (electronic or hard copy!).

We learned that people generally feel safe, accepted and supported in Warfield. We heard that snow and a lack of sidewalks can be difficult for people in the winter; more improvements are needed in housing, transportation and communication; there is a need for more social opportunities, a focus on inclusion and a watchful eye to isolation. We also heard that people want action, not just another report. We carefully considered this feedback, discussed objections and addressed concerns. We are proud of the Report and plan to work towards the recommendations as we can allocate resources to it.

One of the main recommendations in the Report is to create a "Seniors' Coordinator" position. We began conversation with Trail and Rosslund to get a sense of how a shared "Seniors' Coordinator" might be possible, and determine how funding may work. We want to address the needs of everyone, since all of our communities have an aging population. There is much more to be said about the process, therefore if you have questions, concerns or ideas related to the Report, Action Plan or Seniors' Coordinator position, please contact Councilor Cyra Yunkws cyra.yunkws@warfield.ca or drop by the Village Office and get your copy today!

WYAN

After school drop in sessions are happening for youth aged 12-18 on Wednesdays from 2:30 - 4:30.

Monthly FREE community movie nights are starting on Friday, September 20th at 7:00 pm. Admission is FREE and concession items are \$1.00. All proceeds of the movies support WYAN initiatives.

Special Events—Fun for All

Warfield Special Events Committee is excited to host three events in the coming months.

Friday, October 25th - FREE Hallowe'en event: PUMPKIN CARVING at the Hall 3:00 -5:00 pm. Bring a donation for the food bank and your own carving tools. Pumpkins provided (first come, first served)! Prizes will be awarded.

GET SPOOKED as you walk Nightmare on Lauriente Way. Under 12: 5:30-6:15pm. Ages 12+: 6:30-7:15pm.

Warfield Hall: 5:30-7:00 pm (or until supplies last) - Hot Dogs, hot chocolate, roasted marshmallows. WYAN sponsored movie: 6:30 pm (Popcorn, candy, drinks \$1.00 each).

LOVE HALLOWE'EN? Adopt and decorate a section of the path.

Contact Victoria at vsticha@gmail.com if you are interested.

Saturday, November 16th, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. GET A HEADSTART ON CHRISTMAS SHOPPING and join us at the **Warfield Fall Craft Fair**.

Admission is only \$2.00. Kids and under FREE. [Proceeds to Joccy Brewer.](#)

Saturday, December 7th 9:00—11:00 am.

SANTA BREAKFAST

COME in your Christmas PJs or Ugly Christmas Sweater and enjoy a pancake breakfast.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

Warfield Centennial Pool

The Warfield Centennial Pool had a slow start to the season due to the uncooperative, wet weather conditions in July. However, the sunny skies and record breaking highs in August brought life back into the pool.



Aqua Fit was a very successful program this year. For those that are not fond of exercise, this is a very effective, low impact, great for the joints workout. Be sure to keep this in mind for your summer activity next year.

Have a safe and happy fall! Enjoy the changing leaves in our amazing community and enjoy the bike rides, hikes and walks in this changing season.