Beaver Valley Bulletin

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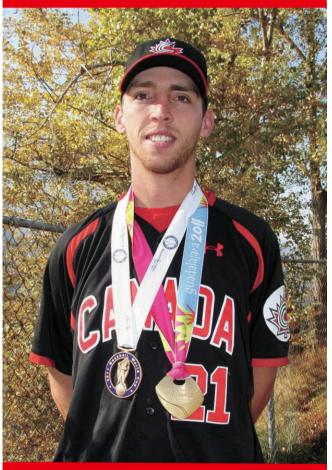


TO ALL THOSE WHO ATTEND

There will be video and photographs taken of this event that will be passed on to Jays Care Foundation. All attendees must sign a waiver allowing the Jays Care Foundation to potentially use images/videos with them in it for future marketing campaigns without receiving compensation. These forms can be picked up at the **Village of Fruitvale** Office during regular business hours and dropped off with staff or in the mail slot. There will be forms available the morning of the ceremony.

MCINNIS PARK GRAND OPENING CEREMONIAL FIRST PITCH





CHRIS KISSOCK

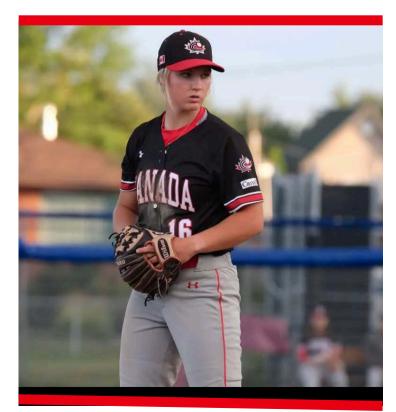
Chris grew up with a love for baseball, spending most of his days right here at McInnis Park playing for Beaver Valley Little League. In 2005, he earned a scholarship to Lewis-Clark State College, where he helped lead the Warriors to two national championships. In 2007, Chris was drafted in the 9th round by the Philadelphia Phillies and played eight years of professional baseball. He represented Team Canada, winning bronze medals at the Baseball World Cup in 2009 and 2011, and a gold medal at the 2011 Pan Am Games. That gold-medal team was later inducted into the Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame. Today, Chris shares his passion for the game by coaching his three young kids, mentoring youth in the community, and volunteering countless hours to the Little League organization.



ALLI SCHRODER

Alli began playing baseball at just three years old in Beaver Valley. She went on to play for the Trail Orioles and the Cranbrook Bandits in American Legion Baseball, earning an honorable mention on the Montana U19 All-State Team. Alli made history by becoming the first female to play college baseball in Canada when she signed with Vancouver Island University (VIU).

At 15, she was named to Team Canada's extended roster and made the full national team at 16, earning Baseball Canada's Futures Award. Now entering her ninth year on the national team, Alli holds a Pan Am Continental Qualifier bronze medal and two WBSC Women's Baseball World Cup bronze medals. Most recently, she was honored with Baseball Canada's Team Leadership Award.



Alli is featured in a Amazon Prime Series: "See Her Be Her" that focuses on bringing attention to high profile women in baseball.

Mayor Wes Startup - May 2025 Update

Village Staff and Council have been working diligently to finalize the 2025 budget. The Budget Open House was held mid-April and featured a presentation on the overall budget as well as a lively Q&A session. Based in part on public feedback at that forum residents will see a three percent increase in their property taxes this year.

At the Open House there was a fair amount of time spent discussing the Village's Reserve Funds. These funds are used to undertake projects such as paving, road improvements, and replace worn fleet equipment. With the tax increase of 3% this year we will be setting aside \$90,000.00 to go into our reserves. This amount is small when considering the 2024 cost of asphalt is in the range of \$70.00 per square meter and so we will see a small amount of paving/road repairs in 2025. To keep taxes low and to also start tackling our significant infrastructure needs Council is considering a Parcel Tax for 2026 which will be dedicated to building our reserve funds. More discussion and thought is required here and Council looks forward to any feedback or comments residents may have.

The demolition/remediation of the middle school gym is underway, and it is expected to be completed in the next several weeks. The site will be cleaned up and left in a more marketable state with the remaining part of the school, from the old library on, left intact. Council is pursuing long range alternatives for this portion the site, either demolishing or renovating whichever is most cost effective.

The Village is poised to complete phase two of the sewer Infiltration and Ingress (I&I) project which will entail the replacement of leaking sewer lines in the alley behind the downtown business district (McHale Lane). Completion of this work will greatly reduce the amount ground water, melt water, and rainwater that infiltrates the sewer pipes resulting in less effluent being treated at our sewage treatment plant. Reducing runtime on our sewage treatment plant and staying within our allowable discharge rates into Beaver Creek is critical and will result in long term cost savings.

Spring has arrived, a little earlier than I remember in the past. Spring is a time of outdoor activities and easy living, and I hope everyone has a wonderful time no matter your fun thing! Just make it happen! Be safe!

Area A - May Update Ali Grieve

Ongoing Collaboration in the Valley

Making a Splash in Montrose



For several years now, residents across the Beaver Valley have enjoyed the popular Splash Park in Montrose—a well-loved and wellused community space. In recent discussions with Mayor Mike Walsh, I was excited to learn about some fantastic improvements planned for the park.

Given how widely this space is used by a broad range of community members, it felt like another great opportunity for collaboration in the Valley. In support of these enhancements, Area A has provided a grant of \$100K from Community Build Funds. Work expected to begin early this year (subject to new equipment arriving on time).

Planned improvements include:

- Added water features, including actuators for the visually impaired
- Additional picnic tables & benches to improve comfort for visitors
- Expanded shaded areas for better sun protection during hot summer days

We're lucky in the Beaver Valley to have such a diverse range of activities and amenities for our residents and families. Keep an eye out for details on an official grand opening later this year—we hope to see you there!

Yurt Coming Soon

Many of you are already familiar with Beaver Valley Family Park, a hidden gem located just 5 km east of Fruitvale in Area A. Last year, the site manager, in collaboration with RDKB staff, shared an exciting vision to better utilize some of the underused space within the park.

Thanks to 100% Provincial Grant Funds allocated to Area A in 2023, we're thrilled to announce that a yurt has been ordered from a Canadian company based in Langley. It's expected to arrive in approximately six weeks! ALL GRANT FUNDED!

Once in place, the yurt will be available to rent for unique overnight stays—similar to an "Airbnb"—and will also be available for small meetings, workshops, wedding showers, and community classes etc.

Stay tuned as this project takes shape—we're excited to bring new energy and possibilities to this special space!

CONCEPT DRAWING





Village of Montrose

Office Hours - Monday to Friday 8:30 –noon -1:00 – 4:30 p.m. 367-7234



www.montrose.ca

admin@montrose.ca

WE ARE ON FACEBOOK & DOWNLOAD THE NEW CITIZEN

DOG WASTE

Please be a responisible pet owner and pick up after your pooch. No one wants dog waste on their boulevard or having our parks polluted. Making it someone else's problem doesn't solve the issue.

VILLAGE SQUARE BOOK EXCHANGE

We are in need of bookshelves or any shelving units to store books at the Village Square building. If you have any to donate, please contact the office.



FAMILY FUN DAY

Mark your calendars! Family Fun Day is set for June 14th. Stay tuned for more details and a schedule of events coming soon.



ATTENION MONTROSE WATER USERS BASIC WATER CONSERVATION REGULATIONS

•HOUSES EAST OF 5TH STREET WATER ON EVEN NUMBERED DAYS

·HOUSES WEST OF 5TH STREET WATER ON ODD NUMBERED DAYS – EXCEPT THE 31ST

·UNDERGROUND SPRINKLERS WATER BETWEEN 12:00 A.M. AND 4:00 A.M. ON PERMITTED DAYS

•SPRINKLE USING OTHER THAN UNDERGROUND SPRINKLERS BETWEEN 6:00 A.M. AND 8:00 A.M. AND 6:00 P.M. AND 8:00 P.M. ON PERMITTED DAYS

•NO SPRINKLING ON THE 31ST OF ANY MONTH

·MAXIMUM OF ONE WATERING DEVICE USED DURING PERMITTED WATERING PERIODS.

Please ensure that watering is limited to lawns/gardens and not running onto the roads. Bylaw Enforcement has been increased with warnings and subsequent fines



being issued.



PROPERTY TAXES

USING E-TRANSFER TO MAKE PAYMENTS TO THE VILLAGE OF FRUITVALE

When paying by E-transfer, it is **imperative** that you indicate in the memo section what you are paying, the invoice number, your roll/account/folio number listed on your invoice or your street address, so that your payment can be applied to the correct account.

2025 VILLAGE OF FRUITVALE PROPERTY TAXES

The 2025 property tax notices will be mailed to homeowners mid May and are due Wednesday July 2, 2025 to avoid a 10% penalty. (The Village Office will be closed Tuesday, July 1). If you do not receive your tax notice by June 9, please contact the Village Office, 250-367-7551.

To apply for your Home Owner Grant

When you receive your tax notice, please visit the provincial website at <u>www.gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant</u> to apply online or call toll free to **1-888-355-2700** to speak with an agent. **Home Owner Grants must be applied for every year.**

HOW TO PAY YOUR ANNUAL PROPERTY TAXES:

- **Cash, Cheque, money order, bank draft, credit card**: Attach your cheque to the bottom tear-off portion of your tax notice and place in our mail slot to the lower left of the front door or mail it through Canada Post. We happily accept post-dated cheques. Please be mindful of the possibility of a postal strike, postmarks are not accepted. There is a 3% charge on the use of credit cards.
- Online banking: This is available with the Credit Union, Scotiabank, CIBC and BMO ONLY. Find us under "Fruitvale, Village Property Tax". Depending on the requirements of your financial institution, use at least the last 6 digits of your folio number without the 521 and the decimal point. For example, Folio No. 521 00123.456 would be 123456. If more digits are required, use more zeros. For example Folio No. 521 00123.456 would be 00000123456.
- **E-Transfer:** Send your payment to <u>finance@village.fruitvale.bc.ca</u>. We are set up for auto deposit, no password is required. You must write your Folio number in the messages to ensure the payment is applied to the correct account. We are not responsible for payments made to the wrong account if this is missed.

Property Taxes are due **Wednesday July 2, 2025**. Be sure to apply for your home owner grant, if applicable, at **www.gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant** or phone **1-888-355-2700** before **July 2, 2025** to avoid a 10% penalty on your unapplied for home owner grant.



CALLING ALL COMMUNITY CHAMPS



Beaver Valley Recreation

Do you love local events, meeting new people, and making your community a more vibrant place to live?

Head to RDKB.COM/CAREERS to find out more or contact Jayme at Beaver Valley Recreation:

250-231-7260



bvevents@rdkb.com

WHERE TO PURCHASE GARBAGE TAGS



The Village Office is not the only place in Fruitvale to purchase garbage tags -Liberty Foods also sells them.

The price is still the same no matter where they are purchased. Tags can also be purchased at these other local municipalities and businesses: Trail: Trail City Hall, Ferraro Foods, No Frills, Safeway, Canadian Tire, McKelvey Creek Landfill, RDKB Office Warfield: Warfield Village Office, Petro Canada Rossland: Rossland City Hall, Alpine Drug Mart, Ferraro Foods

Beaver Valley	Public Library		LEY PUBLIC			2025
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
*Registration Required				Library AGM 5:30pm	2	3
4	5 Stitching Drop-in 1:00-3:00 Tween night-Movie 5-6:45pm	6 Mother Goose 11:45-12:30* Tech Help Drop-in 1:00-3:00	7 Afterschool Drop in 2:30-4:00	8	9	10
11	12 Stitching Drop-in 1:00- 3:00 Teen Night 5:00-6:30	13 Mother Goose 11:45-12:30* Tech Help Drop-in 1:00-3:00	14 Afterschool Drop in 2:30-4:00	15 Author Talk-6:00pm Philip Seagram	16	17
	19 Victoria Day Closed	20 Mother Goose 11:45-12:30* Tech Help Drop-in 1:00-3:00	21 Afterschool Drop in 2:30-4:00	22	23	24
25	26 Stitching Drop-in 1:00- 3:00 Family Night* 5-6:30pm watch for details	27 Mother Goose 11:45-12:30* NO Tech Help	28 NO DROP IN	29	30	31

BEAVER VALLEY LIONS CLUB

FRUITVALE MEMORIAL HALL 1968 Main Street, Fruitvale, BC VOG 1L1



Bingo Wednesday's at the Fruitvale Memorial Centre Doors Open at 3PM and Bingo starts at 6PM





BEAVER VALLEY CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

The Beaver Valley Citizen of the Year Committee takes great pleasure in announcing the recipients of the 2025 Citizen of the Year Award to Past & Present Members of the South Columbia Search & Rescue Organization.

This award recognizes outstanding contribution to the Beaver Valley Community and this group of dedicated volunteers exemplifies these qualities.

We invite the public and all past recipients of this award to attend the award presentation and reception for them at the Beaver Valley Curling Rink on Friday, May 23^h at 7 pm.

NON-WORKING STREETLIGHTS

If you notice a streetlight not working in your municipality, please report it to your respective Village Office: For non-working streetlights in Fruitvale, report them to info@village.fruitvale.bc.ca or 250.367.7551

For non-working streetlights in Montrose, report them to admin@montrose.ca or 250-367-7234

Be sure to include the location of the pole, the number on the pole and the problem with the light. Village staff will report the streetlight to FortisBC, who will repair as time permits.



MAY 22, 2025 1:00PM-4:00PM

FES GYMNASIUM

Fruitvale Elementary School invites you to our Youth Entrepreneur Market

This is NOT a fundraiser! All money stays with the student vendors

30 Student Vendors Offering Great Items!

🔆 HAND-CRAFTED ITEMS - JEWELRY, COMICS, POTTERY, TEA

🐼 SERVICES - DOG-WALKING

BAKED GOODS, LEMONADE, CANDY

🛠 GARDEN PLANTS AND FLOWERS



쉱 & MUCH MORE!

Thank you <u>I/O Design & Engineering Ltd</u>. for sponsoring the event! Poster supplies provided by <u>Cowan's Office Supplies Ltd.</u>





Contact <u>fruitvale.elementary.market@gmail.com</u> for more information

Please remember this is a young entrepreneur market. All items have been crafted with care by FES students of all ages!



BV YOUTH NEEDLE FELTING WORKSHOP WITH NORDIC STUDIOS



Come learn how to Needle-felt in this fun workshop held by Nordic Studios!

May 17 10:30-12:30 ocated at Nordic Studios

Located at Nordic Studios (295 Columbia Ave, Castlegar)

Registration Required, Limited Space!

If you want to register or have any questions, email us at: beavervalleyyan@gmail.com





INCREDIBLE FARMERS MARKET -FRUITVALE-

OUTDOOR MARKETS

Bi-weekly Tuesdays Pole Yard Lane 3pm - 6pm

May 13 & 27 June 10 & 24 July 8 & 22 August 5 & 19* September 2* & 16* & 30* October 14*

*themed markets



SPECIAL MARKETS

Easter Market March 29

Try-it-Out Market August 19

Zucchini Contest September 2

Try-it-Out Zumba September 16

> Pet Contest September 30

> Spooktacular October 14

Fruitvale Christmas Market November 21 & 22



@fruitvalesfarmersmarket incrediblefarmersmarket.com fruitvalesfarmersmarket@gmail.com



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Beaver Valley Recreation

Follow us on Instagram & Facebook under Beaver Valley Recreation <u>www.rdkb.com</u> Click on Recreation & Culture, Beaver Valley

BV Recreation offered Babysitting and Stay Safe in March 2025. Unfortunately, Nicole is not available to instruct in April and May. So next course offerings are in Trail on June 14 and 21.

STAY SAFE Ages 9+

Instructor: Nicole Morrison This Canadian Red Cross Course teaches applicable and age appropriate skills to improve your child's own safety. Basic first aid and safety skills will be included. June 14, 2025 9 am – 1:45 pm \$42.75 McIntyre Room Call Trail Parks & Rec at 364-0888

BABYSITTING COURSE

Instructor: Nicole Morrison Ages 11+ Learn childcare, injury prevention and basic first aid. Become qualified and increase your chances of getting hired to babysit. June 21, 2025 9 am – 4:30 pm \$69.50 McIntyre Room Call Trail Parks & Rec at 364-0888

SENIOR'S LUNCHES

Tuesdays at 12:30 pm May 20 at Fruitvale Hall June 17 at BV Family Park Campground \$10 admission at the door Please rsvp to Jayme one week prior at 231-7260 bvevents@rdkb.com

PM GENTLE YOGA

Instructor: Jodi Ihas Thursdays 7 - 8:15 pm \$75 - 6x, \$120 – 12x \$14 drop in (Pass can be used at all regular Yoga classes and BV/B&B) Fruitvale Hall To pay over the phone, call BV Recreation at 231-5172 or bring cash or cheque to Jodi at class

A.C.T. FITNESS CLASS

Instructor: Violet Richtsfeld Aerobic + Chair + Tone. Bring a set of 1 or 2 lbs handheld weights and a water bottle. Tuesdays & Thursdays Running until May 29, 2025 9:30 - 10:30 am Montrose Hall \$110 - 10 punch pass \$13 drop in Call Violet at 367-6448 for more info.

BODY WEIGHT, BANDS & BALLS

Instructor: Wendy Robertsen Fitness bands and 2-5 lb weights are required. For all fitness levels. Mondays & Thursdays (Omit June 5 & 9) Noon – 1 pm at Fruitvale Hall \$75 - 6x, \$120 – 12x \$14 drop in (Pass can be used at all regular Yoga classes) To pay over the phone, call BV Recreation at 231-5172 or bring cash or cheque to Wendy at class

AM GENTLE YOGA

Instructor: Wendy Robertsen Wednesdays (omit June 4) 9 – 10:15 am \$75 - 6x, \$120 – 12x \$14 drop in (Pass can be used at all regular Yoga classes and BWB&B) Montrose Hall To pay over the phone, call BV Recreation at 231-5172 or bring cash or cheque to Wendy at class

ZUMBA ages 12+ Instructor: April Arnot Mondays at Fruitvale Hall Thursdays at Montrose Hall (Thursday's cancelled for May & June) (omit May 19, June 30) 6:30 - 7:30 pm \$50 - 5x, \$92 - 10x, \$172 - 20x, \$12 drop in To pay over the phone, call BV Recreation at 231-5172 or bring cash or cheque to April at class

ZUMBA GOLD

Instructor: April Arnot

A low-impact modified Zumba® dance fitness class perfect for beginners of all fitness levels. **Wednesdays** 9:30 - 10:30 am \$50 - 5x, \$92 - 10x, \$172 - 20x, \$12 drop in Tae Kwon Do Gym To pay over the phone, call BV Recreation at 231-5172 or bring cash or cheque to April at class

CHAIR YOGA

Instructor: Abby Verigin Tuesdays from 10 - 11 am Fridays from noon - 1 pm (omit May 16 & 20) A gentle, seated style of yoga made for all bodies & abilities. \$75 - 6x, \$120 – 12x \$14 drop in (Pass can be used at all regular Yoga classes and BWB&B) Fruitvale Hall To pay over the phone, call BV Recreation at 231-5172 or bring cash or cheque to Abby at class

FITNESS & YOGA for MOMS & BABIES!

Instructor: Abby Verigin *Payment only through Abby* Mondays April 28 – June 9, 2025 (omit May 19) 3:15 - 4:15 pm Montrose Hall \$100 for the series, \$20 drop in Enjoy gentle exercises and yoga poses that are safe and fun for you and your baby. Email absverigin@gmail.com

MARSH CREEK DISC GOLF COURSE

This PDGA standard 18-hole course is located at BV Family Park Campground. There are tons of features that will challenge any seasoned disc golf player. This course can be played year-round. Camp in the park and play all 3 courses in the area. Washrooms are open from May 16 to September 30. Discs can be purchased at the BV Arena office from Monday-Friday between 7 am-3 pm.

INDOOR PICKLEBALL

Starting June 2, 2025, the BV Arena will be open Monday to Friday from 7am – 3pm for you to get out of the heat and enjoy four indoor pickleball courts. \$50 for a 2 month summer pass or \$5 drop in. For more information, please contact Kelly Moore at <u>lolojane@telus.net</u> or David Underwood at <u>dhunder@shaw.ca</u>

2nd annual SPRING CLEANSE WORKSHOP

Instructor: Wendy Robertsen **Clinical Ayurveda Practitioner** May 10, 2025 Benefits of a Cleanse: 1. Supports your immune system 2. More energy 3. Improved digestion 4. Improved sleep 5. Increase clarity & Groundedness Meet at the Fruitvale Hall to receive a detailed outline/instructions and ask questions. You will receive Ghee, mung beans, tongue scraper, 7-day instructions and an individual follow-up meeting. 12:30 - 2:30 pm \$60 Fruitvale Hall

Fruitvale Hall To pay over the phone, call BV Recreation at 231-5172 or bring cash or cheque to Wendy at class

SUMMER PARKS PROGRAM

This is a free program for children (ages 6-11) of Fruitvale, Montrose and Area A residents. July 2 – August 8, 2025 Come to the parks to enjoy games, crafts, sports and special events! A detailed poster will be sent out by end of May.

DROP IN SOCCER

Instructor: Krista & Geoff Fontes Ages U15 and up Come enjoy recreational soccer! Thursdays May 1 – June 19, 2025 6:30 – 7:30 pm \$65 Upper Mazzochi Call BV Recreation at 231-5172

T-BALL

Instructor: Payton Fowler Ages 3-4 This program will introduce your child to ball. Bring a glove and water bottle. Thursdays May 1 – June 26, 2025 (omit May 15) 4 – 4:30 pm *Full* 4:30 – 5 pm 5 – 5:30 pm \$40 Montrose Park Call BV Recreation at 231-5172

SOCCER

Instructor: Payton Fowler Ages 2-4

This program will introduce your child to soccer, through fun games and easy to learn soccer drills. Bring a water bottle and wear running shoes. **Tuesdays**

April 29 – June 17 4 – 4:30 pm, ages 2-3 4:30 – 5 pm, ages 2-3 *Full* 5 – 5:30 pm, ages 3.5-4 *Full* \$40 Montrose Park Call BV Recreation at 231-5172

BV FAMILY PARK CAMPGROUND

Located at the end of Marsh Creek Road, 3 km outside of Fruitvale. Open **May 16 - September 1**. Rates are \$20 for dry camping and \$25 for power & water. The entire park is available for weddings, reunions & parties for \$200 per night. Amenities include 19 tent and trailer sites (half with water/power hook-up), washroom and shower building, a kitchen, brick bbq's, large covered gazebo with picnic tables, 18 hole championship disc golf course, playground, hiking trails and pickle ball court.

Beaver Valley SENIORS' LUNCH Tuesday, May 20

FRUITVALE MEMORIAL HALL SERVED BUFFET DRAW PRIZES 12:30PM



United Way British Columbia

king with communities in North, Interior, Lower Mainland, trai & Northern Vancouver Island Ticket Cost: \$10.00

For individual or group bookings(6+) RSVP to Jayme Fowler by May 13: T: 250-231-7260 E:bvevents@rdkb.com

Regional District of Kootenay Boundary

BEAVER VALLEY THRIVING COMMUNITIES AGM TUESDAY MAY 20TH, 2025 6:30 PM RYDER PAVILLION

> BEAVER VALLEY JHRIVING COMMUNITIES —SOCIETY—



Jeniors May Days Jea Friday, May 23th, 1-3 at the Beaver Valley Manor Free admission



Special thank-you to Nipkows Greenhouse for door prizes, and Dianne Kniss for cards.

BEAVER VALLEY MAYDAYS 2025

PLEASE JOIN US FOR FUN, GAMES, EVENTS, VENDORS AND DELICIOUS FOOD

May 23, 24 & 25

HAINESPARK, FRUITVALE BC

ENJOY OUR TYPICAL EVENTS OF :

Live Music, Softball, Delicious Food, Vendors, Beaverian (Beer) Gardens, Car Show, Antenna Trail Hike, Citizen of the Year, Kid-Zone, 50/50, Boomtown Garter Girls Performance and so much more!



If you'd like to join us as a sponsor, or volunteer, please reach out on Facebook or email vicepresident@beavervalleymaydays.com