

**2009 Ashcroft & District Fall Fair**  
**“Back to Our Roots” Year of the Potato**

The 2009 Annual Fall Fair will be held on Sunday, September 13th, 2009 from 10:00 am until 5:00 pm in the Ashcroft Drylands Arena. The committee has been very busy organizing a day full of activities and events that are sure to entertain the young and the young at heart. The Fall Fair booklets are available at most of the local businesses and the categories range from field crops to fruits and flowers to baking, preserving, wine, needlecrafts, art, sewing and everything in between. There are separate categories for Children 8 and under; youth ages 9-12 and youth ages 13-16. As always there are aggregate trophies for individuals, family and boys and girls. This is an excellent opportunity to share with the community your talents and projects. Once again there will be a Scarecrow Contest with judging based on unique appearance, street appeal, creativity and potato/heritage theme.

Fall Fair entries may be brought to the arena between noon—4:00 pm on Friday, September 11 or 9:00 am—noon on Saturday, September 12.

Following the fair, many of the entries will be auctioned off which is a great way to support the fair and bring home tasty samples for your family to enjoy. Hope to see you all there.



Answers to Trivia Questions: A—1914; B—1952; C—Sam Kincaid (Position was referred to as Chairman not Mayor); D—Bank of British North America in 1898

**Your Mayor and Council:**

Mayor: Andy Anderson

**Councillors:**

Alice Durksen—Jerry Fiddick—Helen Kormendy—Colin Williams

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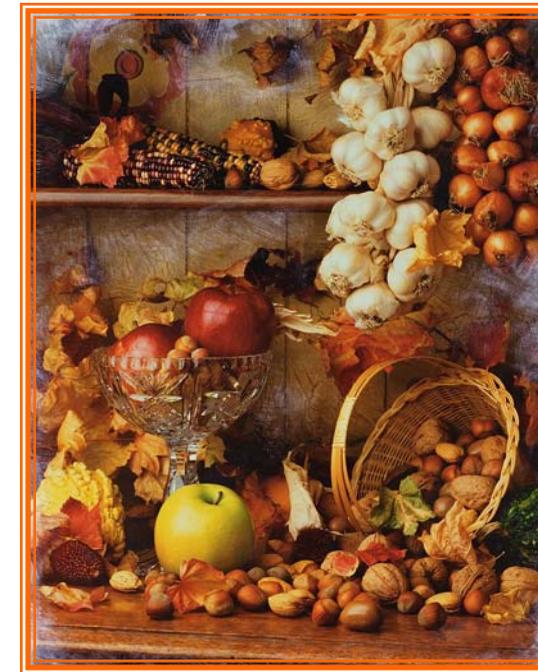
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# Village of Ashcroft

## August 2009 Newsletter



### **MAYOR ANDERSON AND COUNCIL**

**WELCOMES EVERYONE TO THE**

### **2009 ASHCROFT & DISTRICT FALL FAIR**

**Sunday, September 13, 2009**

**For more information on the Ashcroft & District Fall Fair see the back page**

## Community Update

Mayor Anderson and Council would like to take a few minutes of your time to tell you about a number of things they have been working on as well as some community events:

- The Village of Ashcroft provided shelter to animals whose owners were evacuated from Lillooet due to the wild fire. Approximately 200 dogs, cats, birds and the odd fish and rabbit were housed in the Drylands Arena while horses were kept at the rodeo grounds. The public responded by providing dog walking services as well as food for both the animals and the volunteers. Thank you to everyone for assisting during this time of need.



- The judges for the Communities in Bloom were in Ashcroft on August 9th & 10th and were very impressed with how neat and tidy our village is. While many people associate this program with flowers, the judges were also interested in our recycling programs, the operating efficiency and classification of our water and waste water plants and our overall long term planning. The national awards presentation is in October so we are all anxiously awaiting our results. Congratulations to the committee for all their hard work.



- The Village of Ashcroft has requested a joint meeting with representatives from the BC Ambulance Service and Interior Health to discuss how to ensure the highest level of emergency care is available during emergency room closures.



Photos courtesy of Dave Gory

- The Ashcroft Volunteer Fire Department sponsors various projects throughout the year with the funds raised being donated to Muscular Dystrophy Canada. During the past year they have raised nearly \$5,500 for this very worthwhile cause. Congratulations to Chief Henderson and his crew on these successful projects.



- The Village received an informative report on the importance of honey bees and how their numbers are rapidly declining. Council declared May 29, 2010 as the Annual Day of the Honey Bee.

- The next meeting of Council will be on September 14. This will be a regular meeting of council and will begin at 4:30 pm. There will be two presentations to Council, firstly representatives of the Northern Development Initiative Trust will be here along with the Superintendent of School District #74 (Gold Trail). This meeting is open to the public.

## Upcoming Events

- September 13—Annual Fall Fair in Ashcroft Drylands Arena
- September 26—Bike Festival in Downtown Ashcroft
- October 17—Community forum to develop a unique Brand for Ashcroft. Mark your calendars and plan to attend
- October 30, 2009—Historic presentation at Ashcroft Museum followed by a tour of the Ashcroft Cemetery. More details to be confirmed.
- February 6, 2010—Olympic Torch Relay passes through Ashcroft
- April 14, 2010—Council hosts a Volunteer Appreciation evening in the Ashcroft Community Hall



## Did you know....

- The Ashcroft Library has new hours: Tuesdays: 10:00 am—3:00 pm; Wednesdays & Thursdays: 1:00 pm—6:00 pm; Fridays: 1:00 pm—7:00 pm and Saturdays: 10:00 am—3:00 pm. The library is closed Sundays, Mondays and all holidays. In addition to a great variety of books, the library offers internet access and fax and photocopying services.
- Here is some Ashcroft trivia for you. See how many you get correct:
  - What year was telephone service established in Ashcroft? 1910 1914 1922
  - What year was Ashcroft incorporated? 1902 1938 1952
  - Who was the first Mayor of Ashcroft?
  - What was the first bank to operate in Ashcroft?

(Answers on the back)