

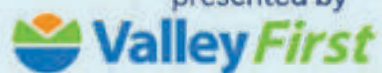
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## ABOUT VERNON WINTER CARNIVAL

Since 1961, our mission has been to **foster community spirit and promote Vernon as a Winter Destination through a 10-day Winter Festival.**

Vernon Winter Carnival offers a unique winter experience that is **inclusive** to all. We strive to bring our **community** together through **fun** events and activities that keep us connected through shared experiences.

Through honoured Carnival **traditions** and exciting new opportunities, residents and visitors get to show their community spirit—to show the true Carnival spirit. As a non-profit society we rely on your continued support to help us achieve our vision to be **leaders in community spirit** and engagement, not only during Vernon Winter Carnival, but year round.



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daily for event info and festival updates*



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### FUTURE CARNIVAL DATES:

*Mark your Calendars  
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**2025** February 7 - 16  
**2026** February 6 - 15  
**2027** February 5 - 14

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Way\* | Hello Citizens of Vernon and area

On behalf of the Members and Council of the Okanagan Indian Band, it gives me great pleasure to welcome everyone to Syilx territory and the 64th Annual Vernon Winter Carnival. At 64 years, Winter Carnival is older than most of the people who live in the region, which is quite a legacy for a volunteer-run event that continues to help define Vernon's culture.

This year, the organizers have decided to go forward with the theme of "Games" centered on having fun and celebrating together with family and friends. Games play a big role in Syilx culture and have for centuries. People loved games of all sorts, and they loved competitions, so they developed the

Stick Game. It is one of many games that continue to be played to bring our people together in the spirit of friendly competition.

We look forward to this Carnival and the excitement it will bring this year. I'd like to encourage everyone to enjoy the festivities that will light up the 2024 winter season.

Winter Carnival is the culmination of the work and support of many people and organizations, and it is inspiring to witness the creativity and energy that goes into making it a success. We are so fortunate to have people in our community who throw their hearts into this event. It is through traditional events like Winter Carnival that an inclusive community is built and supported.

To the sponsors, Winter Carnival continues to be a local tradition because of the generosity and community-mindedness that you demonstrate through your support. To the organizing team, I say thank you for your hard work and careful planning. Once again you have managed to put together a fitting celebration.

*Limlemt | Thank you  
Chief Byron Louis*



On behalf of the Vernon Winter Carnival Society I am pleased to welcome you to the 64th Annual Vernon Winter Carnival, The Carnival of GAMES! We are very excited about our theme this year. Everyone young and old loves games! We have 10 days of fun filled events planned for all to enjoy.

As Chair of the Board of Directors for Carnival, I want to start off by saying thank you to our hard working directors, staff and volunteers. Thank you for your commitment to our community and your willingness to give your time and energy to this organization. Everyone involved in this festival is dedicated to providing our community with the beloved tradition of VWC, as a long time Vernon resident myself I know how much this festival means to generations families.

Our mission is "To foster Community Spirit and promote Vernon as a Winter Destination". Without the support of our local businesses, City of Vernon, government grants, monetary grants and in kind donations this mission would not be

possible. We are very thankful to have the support of our community- the generosity of this community never ceases to amaze us. Our festival brings happiness and joy in the midst of winter and we love celebrating with you.

I encourage all members of our community to get involved and show your Community and Carnival Spirit during Vernon Winter Carnival! One of my favourite things about this festival is the connection I feel to the community during the 10 days of Carnival. The sense of pride we feel during VWC is unique to Vernon. Let's embrace that feeling of warmth this winter and be proud to live in a place where we believe in the strength of people coming together to create something for the good of our community.

Sincerely Yours In Carnival Spirit

*Laurell Cornell  
Vernon Winter Carnival Chair*







The City of Vernon welcomes everyone to the 64th Annual Winter Carnival in Vernon, British Columbia - *Western Canada's largest Winter event*, February 2-11, 2024 and extends our warmest winter greetings to all friends and guests who are visiting from near or far.

This year's theme is "Games" and whether it's a board game, sports game, cards, or video games, everyone has a favourite game!

The Winter Carnival Organizing Committee has again, provided a spectacular event for our participation and enjoyment. The City of Vernon thanks everyone for their tremendous hard work, tireless effort and continued dedication in planning Carnival 2024.

I encourage you to join in the festivities and fun. Game On!

*Sincerely,  
Victor I. Cumming, Mayor*



Welcome to the 64th Annual Winter Carnival, Vernon's most cherished and exhilarating tradition! As the Vernon-Monashee MLA, I am thrilled to welcome you to this year's celebration, themed "Carnival of Games." As we embark on this joyful 10-day journey, we are reminded of the incredible power of community, winter, and the spirit of playfulness that binds us all together.

At the heart of our Winter Carnival lies the dedication and enthusiasm of our incredible volunteers, sponsors, patrons, and the steadfast support of the esteemed Board of Directors. Without your unwavering commitment, this event wouldn't be the spectacular gathering that it is today. It's your collective passion that lights up our darker months and infuses our town with an infectious spirit of camaraderie. This year's theme, "Carnival of Games," promises a vibrant tapestry of activities and events, including the beloved parade! With more than 100 opportunities for you to indulge in the thrill of winter fun, from traditional and not-so-traditional winter sports to imaginative events that challenge the

mind and delight the senses, there's something for everyone. Get ready to explore, participate, and create cherished memories with family and friends.

As we come together to revel in the wonders of winter, let's celebrate not just the season, but also the unity and warmth of our community. The Vernon Winter Carnival is a testament to our collective strength, resilience, and ability to find joy amid chilly temperatures. It's a reminder that together, we can create magic and turn ordinary days into extraordinary experiences.

Let's make the 64th Annual Winter Carnival a testament to the spirit of fun, friendship, winter wonder, and games. Thank you once again for being an essential part of this cherished tradition. We eagerly anticipate the laughter, games, and memories that await us in the coming days. Here's to a Winter Carnival filled with endless joy and unforgettable moments! Thank you,

*Harwinder Sandhu  
MLA for Vernon-Monashee*



As the Member of Parliament for North Okanagan - Shuswap, it is a great pleasure to welcome everyone to the 64th Annual Vernon Winter Carnival, Western Canada's largest Winter Carnival.

The Carnival has a long tradition of fostering community spirit by bringing people together in ways that are inclusive to all. With this year's theme of "Games", blended with the spirit of long-time favorites like the Carnival Parade, and snow sculptures, plus newer events like the chili cookoff and more, there is sure to be plenty of fun and games for everyone to enjoy.

I look forward to seeing the creativity of entrants in the competitions and the Carnival Parade as we continue the tradition of celebrating the beauty and splendor of indoor and outdoor winter activities of the North Okanagan.

While you are out enjoying the Carnival, be sure to thank the volunteers and sponsors, without whom, this exciting carnival would not be possible. Thank you for supporting the 64th Vernon Winter Carnival, please enjoy and participate responsibly.

*Sincerely,  
Mel Arnold, M.P.  
North Okanagan- Shuswap*



# JESSE FERGUSON MEMORIAL TROPHY

For more than 60 years Vernon Winter Carnival has celebrated all that is winter in the North Okanagan. At its heart, Carnival is all about celebrating community, the uniqueness, the people and the traditions in Vernon.

Annually, the Vernon Winter Carnival Society presents prestigious awards to well deserving recipients who have been instrumental in the

growth of Carnival. The Jessie Ferguson Memorial Trophy is presented to a person or group in the community who has shown years of dedication to Carnival through support of events and/or volunteerism.

**If you know someone who is deserving of this award nominate them today!**

## JESSIE FERGUSON MEMORIAL TROPHY RECIPIENTS

<b>1967</b> Snowflake Presentation	<b>1993</b> Carnival Cops	<b>2009</b> Mary Anderson
<b>1968</b> Terry Gower	<b>1994</b> Bert Niehaus	<b>2010</b> Debbie Antony
<b>1969</b> G. Preston	<b>1995</b> Jim Bailey	<b>2011</b> Calvin Hoy
<b>1970</b> J. Hutchinson	<b>1996</b> Ed Forslund	<b>2012</b> Bob Lindley
<b>1971</b> Jock Henniker	<b>1997</b> Carl Rigby	<b>2013</b> Margaret Hogan
<b>1972</b> Wayne Hickson	<b>1998</b> Sid Baker	<b>2014</b> June Rigby
<b>1973</b> Sis Arthur	<b>1999</b> VJH Hospital Auxiliary	<b>2015</b> Coleen Noel
<b>1974</b> Doreen Brown	<b>2000</b> Wayne McGrath	<b>2016</b> Joy Stafford
<b>1975</b> Sue Nolan	<b>2001</b> Heather Rawsthorne	<b>2017</b> Ron Morgan
<b>1976</b> Isabel Medynski	<b>2002</b>	<b>2018</b> Alvin Timm
<b>1977</b>	<b>2003</b> Christel Cam	<b>2019</b> Cathy Sim Rigby
<b>1978</b> Dick File	<b>2004</b> Brenda Fletcher	<b>2020</b> Gerry Manley
<b>1979</b> Ed Flegel	<b>2005</b> Sharon MacKenzie	<b>2021</b> Cors & Pat Verhage
<b>1980</b> Bob Ingersol	<b>2006</b> Coldstream Women's Institute	<b>2022</b> Terry & Kelly Moorhouse – Okanagan Restoration Services
<b>1981</b> Stella Andrew	<b>2007</b> Brad Albrecht	<b>2023</b> Brent Wattie   Okanagan Springs Brewery
<b>1982</b> Ken Little	<b>2008</b> Herb Lee	
<b>1983</b> Lil-Ken Nistor		
<b>1984</b> Colleen Vollan		
<b>1985</b> Audrey King		
<b>1986</b> Patrick Nicol		
<b>1987</b> Jack Koch		
<b>1988</b> Al Skaley		
<b>1989</b> Jim Alverberg		
<b>1990</b> Ken Nistor		
<b>1991</b> George Zimmerman		
<b>1992</b> Claire Hart		



**2023 Winner**  
**Stephan Tobler -**  
**Okanagan**  
**Springs**  
**Brewery**

# THE ORDER OF JOPO

The Order of Jopo is the highest honour that the Vernon Winter Carnival can bestow. Through the City of Vernon, it has been presented to visiting dignitaries, long time Carnival supporters, past Chairmen and honoured cities around the world. All recipients have shown tremendous Community Spirit and Commitment to Carnival and the community.



**2023 Order of Jopo Recipient  
MARTI GIROUX**

## LONGTIME CARNIVAL SUPPORTERS

2023 Marti Giroux	2009 Dorothy Lindley	2002 Ursula Gohmann	1985 Fern Makarenko
2022 Ruth Hoyte	2008 Brenda Fletcher	2000 Phyllis DeBoice	1983 George Zimmerman
2021 Deb White	2006 Duaine Brown	1999 N. Ok. Amtr Radio Club	1982 Stella Andrews
2020 Teresa Durning Harker	2006 LeRoy Peterson	1995 Ross Simpson	1980 Stuart Fleming (jointly)
2018 Margaret Hogan	2006 Carl Rigby	1994 Don Weglo	1980 Petie Kaulback (jointly)
2017 Feather Fanciers	2005 Claudia Brown	1992 Lil and Ken Nistor	1976 Dorothy Sawicki
2016 Jack Gareb	2004 Christel Cam	1990 June Rigby	1975 John Ladyman (jointly)
2013 Mary Andersen	2003 Lettie Maloney	1988 Ken Little	1975 Evelyn Tebo (jointly)
2012 Wayne Emde			
2010 Sandi LaFleche			

## ORDER OF JOPO DIGNITARIES AND HONOURED CITIES INCLUDE

2021 Deb White	1990 James H. Stuart, Mayor, Kelowna
2019 The City of Vernon	1989 Cliff Branchflower, Alderman, Kamloops
2013 Sharel Shoff, Deputy Mayor of Drumheller, Alberta	1988 Jack Hebnar, Councillor, Spokane, Washington
2011 Paul Kuehn, President of Modesto, California Sister City Committee	1987 Lyall Hanson, MLA & Past Mayor, Vernon and Ralph Klein, Alderman, Calgary, Alberta
2010 Wayne Lippert, Mayor, Vernon	1986 Michael Harcourt, Mayor, Vancouver
2009 Mayor Ken Melamed, Whistler	1985 The Hon. Claude Richmond, Provincial Minister of Tourism
2008 George F. Ferguson, Mayor, Abbotsford	1984 Ethel Winger, Mayor, Williams Lake and The Hon. Robert G. Rogers, Lieutenant-Governor of BC
2007 City of New York	1983 Charles Lakes, Mayor, Trail
2006 David Perry, Mayor, Penticton	1982 Ed Schreyer, Governor General of Canada and Derrick Humphreys, Mayor, West Vancouver
2005 Ellen Woodsworth, Councillor, Vancouver	1981 Andy Anderson, Mayor, Lethbridge, Alberta and Neil Davidson, Mayor, Vernon
2004 Ron McCrae, Mayor, Kimberley	1980 Donald A. Ross, Mayor, Surrey
2003 David Laird, Mayor, City of Merrit	1979 The Hon. Henry Bell-Irving, Lieutenant-Governor of BC, George Fergusson, Mayor, Abbotsford and Bob Neil, Mayor, Vernon
2002 Glen Everitt, Mayor, Dawson City, Yukon	1978 Pierre E. Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada and Ken Curle, Mayor, Red Deer, Alberta
2001 Brian Postill, Mayor, Coldstream	1977 Michael Young, Mayor, Victoria
2000 Guy Boissy, Mayor, Saint-Lambert, Quebec	1976 Walter Owen, Lieutenant-Governor of BC and Tom Constable, Mayor, Burnaby
1998 Larry McNabb, Alderman, Nanaimo and Vancouver Firefighters Band	1974 The Hon. George R. Pearkes, VC Lieutenant-Governor of BC, The Hon. David Barrett, Premier of BC, Muni Evers, Mayor, New Westminster, Ron J. Morrier, CBC-TV Vancouver
1997 Jeff Griffen, Mayor, Reno, Nevada	
1996 Kathy Watson, Mayor, Whitehorse, Yukon and Garde Gardom, Lieutenant-Governor of BC	
1995 Richard A. Lang, Mayor, Modesto, California	
1994 Stephen D. Wallace, Mayor, Quesnel	
1993 Rollie Rose, Mayor, Ladysmith	
1992 Wayne McGrath, Past Mayor, Vernon	
1991 Anne Clarke, Past Mayor, Vernon, Pat Jordan, Past MLA and Geoff Battersby, Mayor, Revelstoke	

# CARNIVAL EVENT WINNERS 2023

## ADULT EVENT

*Winner:* Adult Parka Party - Predator Ridge  
*Runner Up:* Carnival Kickball VWC

## NEW EVENT

*Winner:* Bubble Tea Making - Rich Tea  
*Runner Up:* 1-Miler VWC

## CULTURAL EVENT

*Winner:* Reconnecting in the North Okanagan -  
Destinaton SilverStar

## FAMILY EVENT

*Winner:* Family Days at Historic O'Keefe Ranch  
*Runner Up:* 62nd Annual Parade VWC

## SENIOR EVENT

*Winner:* Western Square Dance by  
Star Country Squares  
*Runner Up:* Happy Days Sock Hop VWC

## OUTDOOR EVENT

*Winner:* Chilli Cookoff - Downtown Vernon Assoc.  
*Runner Up:* Snow Sculptures VWC

## CHRISTEL CAM PARADE SPIRIT AWARD

This trophy is for Best Parade Spirit and is awarded to the entry contributing the most fun, enthusiasm and zeal to the parade. This trophy is dedicated to the memory of Christel Cam for her many years of overseeing the parade, bandarama and trophy portfolios. Winner of the 2023 Christel Cam Spirit Award also won a \$500 cash prize for their passion and spirit!

2023 Winner Secure Self Storage

# BEST DECORATED PREMISES WINNERS 2023

## Window Painting - Non Professional

1st Place: The Stor-it Place  
2nd Place: Little Miracles Preschool



## Window Painting- Professional

1st Place: DESC Services  
2nd Place: Southward Medical Supplies

## Window Display

1st Place: Southward Medical Supplies  
2nd Place: Corbett's Office Supplies

## Interior Decorations

1st Place: Halina Activity Centre  
2nd Place: Rich Tea

## Performances & Costumes

1st Place: ACERA Insurance  
2nd Place: Raising Stars Preschool

**Grand Champion** ACERA Insurance  
Runner Up Valley First



# PAST VERNON WINTER CARNIVAL CHAIRS

**Erik Olesen** 2021 - 2022

**Deb White** 2016 - 2020

**Doug Edgar** 2015

**Calvin Hoy** 2014

**Dave Fletcher** 2011, 2012, 2013

**Derek Hall** 1993, 1994, 2009, 2010

**Ingrid Baron** 2007, 2008

**Donna Hall** 2003-2006

**Glen Taylor** 2000, 2001, 2002

**Donna Mihalcheon** 1998, 1999

**Carol Williams** 1995, 1996, 1997

**Bob Williamson** 1991, 1992

**Bill Martin** 1989, 1990

**Evelyn Lerosé** 1987, 1988

**Tom Fletcher** 1986

**Marie Morris** 1984, 1985

**Fernand Desroches** 1981, 1984

**Patrick Nicol** 1982, 1983

**Norm Stevenson** 1980

**Sharon Shaw** 1978, 1979

**Bob Adsched** 1977

**Harold McDonald** 1974, 1975, 1976

**Mike Kowaluk** 1968, 1969, 1973

**Vince Lilley** 1970, 1971, 1972

**Bill Oxley** 1966, 1967

**Bill Malcolm** 1964, 1967

**Frank Oliver** 1963

**George Melvin** 1961, 1962





# BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2023-2024



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# 2024 CARNIVAL AT A GLANCE

## PRE-CARNIVAL EVENTS

- School Poster Contest
- Gold Rush Scavenger Hunt
- Raffle
- Online Auction
- 50-50
- Essay Contest
- Media Night
- Paper Mâché Hot Air Balloon Lantern
- Best Decorated Premises

### *On Daily!*

- Colouring Contest
- Play a Game "At Home" Edition
- Lego Building Competition
- Arrest the Best
- Snow Sculpture "At Home Edition"
- Lego Building "At Home Edition"
- Cocktail Competition
- Downtown Gold Rush
- Snow Sculptures at SilverStar
- Gameboard Chronicles Museum

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

- Cocktail Competition
- Ground Hog Day at Allan Brooks
- Chocolate Express
- Downtown Vernon Goldrush
- Live Music at Lake City Casino
- Heritage House Tea, Tour & Chocolate Fondue
- Balloon Glow
- Snow Sculpture Competition
- Over the Hill Down Hill
- Hot Air Balloon Lantern Craft
- Pictionary Paint at VPAG
- Sip & Savour
- Bubble Tea Making

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

- Cocktail Competition
- Elks Beer Garden
- SaturPLAY
- Chocolate Express
- Downtown Vernon Goldrush
- Chicken Plop Bingo and Fancy Feather Show
- Lake City Casino Live Music Night
- Reception
- Snow Sculpture Competition
- Trinity Tea Time
- One Miler Race
- 63rd Annual Parade
- Snowglobe Music Concert
- Trading Cards
- Bubble Tea Making

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

- Carnival of Chocolate Youth Class
  - Seniors' Bingo
  - Intermediate Ride
  - Easy Ride
  - The Reverie
  - Celebration of Talent
  - Snow Sculpture Competition
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- Snow Sculpture Competition
- Brain Games
- Cocktail Contest
- Bouncy Family Fun
- Five Dollar Family Movie
- Trading Cards
- Live Music at Lake City Casino

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5

- Cocktail Competition
- Date Night Jive
- Jam Can Curling
- Downtown Vernon Goldrush
- Ella's Drag Bingo
- Speedskating Try It
- Lots of Tots Playgroup
- Arrest the Best

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

- Cocktail Competition
- Free Salsa for Couples
- Jam Can Curling
- Downtown Vernon Goldrush
- BINGO MARATHON
- Fun & Games!
- Best Decorated Award Deliveries
- Arrest the Best
- Heritage House Tour Tea & Chocolate Fondue

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

- Board Game Making
- Jam Can Curling
- Downtown Vernon Goldrush
- Total Fun Bed Races
- Sock Hop Dinner & Dance
- Arrest the Best
- Cocktail Contest

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8

- Cocktail Competition
- Retro Nintendo - Mario Party
- Free Bachata Lesson for Couples
- Art Tours at Mackie Lake House
- A Winter's Night Painting Party at Caetani
- Jam Can Curling
- Chocolate Express
- Games Games Games
- Downtown Vernon Goldrush
- Figure Skating Ice Show
- PeeWee Hockey Tournament
- Drag Trivia at the Library
- "The Harley Guy" Herb Dixon Full Throttle Comedy Tour
- Arrest the Best

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

- Cocktail Competition
- Free Country Swing Date Night Dance Lesson
- Pride Games at Boarding House Cafe
- Jam Can Curling
- Valentine Special Chocolate Class
- Downtown Vernon Goldrush
- Winter Blues Band at O'Keefe Ranch
- Family Fun Park
- PeeWee Hockey Tournament
- Live Music Night at Lake City Casino
- St James Family Fling
- Arrest the Best
- Teen Night

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

- Cocktail Competition
- 13th Winter Carnival Blues Festival
- SaturPLAY
- Valentine Special Chocolate Class
- LGBTQ+ Trivia at the Family Resource Centre
- Downtown Vernon Goldrush
- Jumanji Dance Party!
- Pancake Breakfast at Halina Centre
- Family Fun Park
- PeeWee Hockey Tournament
- Live Music Night at Lake City Casino
- Life-Sized Clue Extravaganza: Solve the Mystery!
- Polar Bear Swim
- Polar Bear Market
- Jess4Kids Relay at Sovereign Lake Nordic Ski
- Carnival Kickball
- Parent's Night Out: Game Night!
- Chili Cook Off
- JCI Vernon Rockstars Curling Bonspiel
- Bubble Tea Making

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

- Cocktail Competition
- Lunar Eclipse
- PeeWee Hockey Tournament
- Starting Block 10K Running Race and 3K Fun Run
- Downtown Vernon Goldrush
- Bubble Tea Making
- SnoGolf
- Carnival Kickball
- Carnival of Chocolate Youth Class

### *On Daily!*

- 50-50 Carnival Classic
- Jopo Raffle 2024
- Online Auction



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## YOU HAVE ALL ARRIVED TO THE

# 2024 WINTER CARNIVAL

*Lim lemt*

*Thank you to Okanagan Indian Band leaders and elders for sharing the Syilx culture with the Vernon community.*

### sqilx<sup>w</sup> / syilx People

The Okanagan Indian Band is a part of the Syilx Nation. The Syilx Nation extends across the 49th parallel and is a transboundary Nation. It comprises 7 communities on the Canadian side and one confederated tribe on the United States side. The Okanagan Indian Band is the most northern community of the Nation and neighbours the Upper Nicola Band to the west and Westbank First Nation to the south. The distinction between the Okanagan Indian Band and the other Syilx communities is based on location and linguistic dialect.

**syilx** – The term is an nsyilxcn translation for the people who speak nsyilxcn.

**sqilx<sup>w</sup>** – The Nsyilxčh term for Indigenous person. It

can be understood as human. It translates as “the dream in a spiral”.

These two terms are often used to describe the Indigenous people who live in this area. Have you seen these terms?

### Winter

**kwu kscapt'ikwł!** We are going to story tell!

In the winter months, this is the time sqilx<sup>w</sup>/syilx people gather to tell stories.

**Did you know that knpxwxwtan is the time of snow drifting.** This period is from the full moon in January to until the new moon period in February.

During the hard winter season, this is the time to fish for ling cod. Have you ever seen ling cod?

## Nsyilxčh terms and phrases

### OKANAGAN WINTER WORDS

smik'wt (smeehoot) *snow*

smq'waq<sup>w</sup> (smeehoot-ackoo) *Snow falling*

sq'w'faq'w'fa?ilpm (skw-ack-wah-ah-eel-pim) *sled*

kłs'apíkam (ksh-appy-kem) *hockey*

sq'w'faq'w'axnam (skw-ack-wah-nem) *skiing or snowboarding*

sýiriwaxnm (see-eery-wah-nim) *snowshoe*

snt'rqmin (sint-rick-min) *winter dance lodge*

?istk (east'k) *winter*

čalt (chasht) *it is cold*

sn?istktn (sn-east-k'tin) *winter camp*

### capt'ikwł

capt'ikwł are sqilx<sup>w</sup>/syilx oral stories that embody the passage of knowledge, experience, and information from generations to generations. These bodies of literature help to understand challenges and issues that may come up, they help to define how sqilx<sup>w</sup>/syilx people do things, they help to create spaces to listen, learn and teach.

Traditionally, we as sqilx<sup>w</sup>/syilx people, tell capt'ikwł stories during the winter months when there is snow out. These stories help remind us of our responsibilities to ourselves, our families, our communities, and our land.

Please take the time to listen and watch the following YouTube video on one of the original trilogy capt'ikwł.

**How Food Was Given** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=wff-XR\\_DxJw&t=1s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wff-XR_DxJw&t=1s)

**Bare in mind that these phonetic pronunciations are approximations and that the specialized alphabet has to be learned in order to say the words correctly.**

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# 2024 PRE-CARNIVAL EVENTS

## School Poster Contest

Sponsored by: Vernon Teach & Learn and Vernon Winter Carnival Society  
Deadline: Jan 30, 2024  
Date: Judging: Wednesday Jan 31, 2024  
Time: During School Hours  
Location: Greater Vernon Elementary Schools

Attention Schools - get your students showing their Carnival Spirit! All elementary school aged children from kindergarten to and including Grade 7 are eligible to enter a poster they create using the Carnival theme Carnival Games. Classes are asked to display their posters at their school. Judging will take place Wednesday Jan 31, 2024. All teachers must be listed with number of entries. And teachers, remember, we have a draw for you too! Email [info@vernonwintercarnival.com](mailto:info@vernonwintercarnival.com) to confirm your participation and book your judging time.

## Paper Mâché Hot Air Balloon Lantern

Sponsored by: Vernon Community Arts Centre  
Date: Thursdays, Jan 25 and Feb 1, 2024  
Time: 5:30pm to 8:30pm  
Location: Vernon Community Arts Center  
Admission: \$90.00  
Ages 13+

Make your own decorative 'hot air' balloon with papier mâché. On the first day you will create the main part of your balloon using the paper strip method. The following week, you will decorate your balloon using tissues, paint, and other techniques to personalize it. Then add the finishing detail by adding the basket and the special little touches. Price includes all tools and materials.

## Downtown Vernon Gold Rush

Sponsored by: Downtown Vernon Association & 105.7 Pure Country  
Date: Jan 28 - Feb 11, 2024  
Times: Various  
Location: Downtown Vernon - Various  
Admission: \$10.00 - Club Packages on sale Jan 28, 2024

Winner of Best Outdoor Event, the Downtown Vernon Association's Gold Rush Scavenger Hunt (for GOLD) is back! Scour Downtown Vernon with the New and somewhat easier Gold Rush clue package and answer the questions with family and friends (or keep the prizes for yourself). All answers are within Downtown Vernon. Part of past questions: There is no charge to be here on "Sitting" days (Saturday) with your expensive family member (your car, at the Parkade). Get your hands on the Club Package from the Vernon Winter Carnival office and enjoy the game! Win a real Gold Nugget and a ton of other prizes!

## Best Decorated Premises

Presented by: Nixon Wenger LLP  
Sponsored by: Valley First, Castanet, Vernon Winter Carnival & Greater Vernon Chamber of Commerce  
Deadline: Entry Deadline Jan 24  
Admission: Free to Enter

Celebrate 51 years of Community Spirit with Vernon Winter Carnival and the Best Decorated Contest. With multiple prizes for businesses, clubs and organizations, it's the perfect way to get involved. Entries are judged Tuesday Jan 30. (Awards to Follow for 1st and 2nd prizes)

# 2024 AT HOME EVENTS

## Play a Game "At Home" Edition

Sponsored by: Evolve Marketing  
Date: Feb 2 - 11, 2024  
Location: At Home | Social Media

Games is the theme for our 2024 Vernon Winter Carnival and Evolve Marketing wants to see YOU enjoying a game. Whether it's a board game, outdoors game, video or any kind of game at all ... post it to Facebook or Instagram and TAG Vernon Winter Carnival and Evolve Marketing. Every post is an chance to win! Draw Date Feb 11th at 4pm

## Snow Sculpture "At Home" Edition

Sponsored by: Vernon Winter Carnival  
Date: Feb 2 - 11, 2024  
Location: At Home | Social Media

Create your own back yard snow sculpture! Will it be a snowman family, a lake monster, ice palace? Build something fun in the snow and post a photo on Facebook or Instagram and tag Vernon Winter Carnival for your chance to win a \$200 prize package!  
Winner draw date Feb 11th

## Lego Creation "At Home" Edition

Sponsored by: Gallery Vertigo  
Date: Feb 2 - 9, 2024  
Location: At Home | Social Media

Build a lego masterpiece with your family or friends. Take a photo and post it to Facebook or Instagram with these hashtags #LegoAtGalleryVertigo #WinterCarnivalGame and be entered to win the Grand Prize valued at \$200. Draw Date Feb 9 at 4pm

## Grade 12 Essay Contest

Sponsored by: The Stor-It Place  
Location: At Home  
Deadline: Feb 2 at 5pm  
Winners: \$500 Scholarship

The criteria: Submit 1-2 pages (minimum 500 words)  
· Must be in Grade 12  
· Topics can include:  
- Favourite Vernon Winter Carnival Experience  
- Why you think Vernon Winter Carnival is important to our community  
- How Vernon Winter Carnival has impacted traditions in your family  
email to [hello@vernonwintercarnival.com](mailto:hello@vernonwintercarnival.com)

# 2024 CARNIVAL EVENTS



## *Your chance to Win Big With VWC!*

### 50-50 Carnival Classic

Dates: Jan 28 - Feb 11, 2024

Location: Online

Tickets: 1 for \$5 / 3 for \$10 / 10 for \$25 / 25 for \$50

Your chance to win \$10,000 cash! Get your 50-50 tickets online for your chance to win big! Tickets at our [vernonwintercarnival.com](http://vernonwintercarnival.com) Good luck, everyone! Winners consent to the release of their names by the licensee. Ticket purchases must be by 19 years of age or older. Problem Gambling Helpline 1-888-795-6111. [www.bcreponsiblegambling.ca](http://www.bcreponsiblegambling.ca) Know your limit, play within it. License Number #1212202

### Online Auction

Dates: Jan 28 - Feb 11, 2024

Location: Online

Bid on dozens of items! Tons of fabulous gift certificates, event packages, local items and more. The auction is online and proceeds support the Vernon Winter Carnival society. [VernonWinterCarnival.com](http://VernonWinterCarnival.com) to view items and bid. May the odds be ever in your favour!

### Jopo Raffle 2024

Sponsored by: Twin Anchors Houseboats, Electric Fat Bike Company, Halycon Hotspings, Downtown Vernon Association,

Dates: Armstrong Regional Coop and Valley First.

Location: Dec 1, 2023 - Feb 11, 2024

Online Tickets

1 for \$20 / 3 for \$50 / 10 for \$150

Wow! Once again, the Vernon Winter Carnival Jopo Raffle does not disappoint! Thank you to our amazing sponsors for donating these items. Tickets at our [vernonwintercarnival.com](http://vernonwintercarnival.com). Good luck, everyone!

1st Prize Twin Anchors Houseboat Prize \$7600

2nd Prize Two Electric Fat Bikes Prize \$4462

3rd Prize 1K Your Way Valley First \$1000

4th Prize \$1000 GC from Haylcon Hotspings

5th Prize \$1000 GC from Downtown Vernon Association

6th Prize \$1000 GC from Armstrong Regional Coop

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## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

Raffle \* 50-50 \* Auction \* online now!

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## SCHOOL Poster CONTEST

### GET IN THE CARNIVAL SPIRIT!

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## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

### Cocktail Competition

Sponsored by: Sponsored by Vernon Nissan, Kelly O'Bryans,  
TMS, Vernon Winter Carnival

Dates: Feb 2 - Feb 11, 2024

Location: Various Restaurants

Support local restaurants and have fun trying their Carnival Cocktail!  
For just \$10 you can taste their unique creation designed just for carnival.  
There's a chance to win a \$600 prize package, too! Follow the instructions  
on the table tent at the restaurants who are playing along. To find the list  
of competitors, go to [vernonwintercarnival.com](http://vernonwintercarnival.com) OR visit our socials and  
follow our link. (See Page 32)

### Games Games Games

Sponsored by: The Boarding Games Café

Dates & Times: Feb 2-3 open til 8pm

Feb 5-6 open til 6pm

Feb 7-10 open til 8pm

Location: Boarding Games Café 3101 31 Avenue, Vernon BC V1T 2G9

Admission: \$6.00 per person, pay at café

Enter to win: Guess how many PomPoms in the jar for your chance  
to win a Vernon Winter Carnival Toque and \$25 GC from the Boarding  
Game Cafe. The theme for Vernon Winter Carnival this year is 'Games'  
and this is the perfect hub to meet up at. Grab your friends and family  
and pop in to see our amazing collection of games, puzzles and fun.

### Gameboard Chronicles

Sponsored by: The Museum & Archives of Vernon

Dates & Times: Friday, Feb 2, 11:00am - 4:00pm

Saturday, Feb 3, 11:00am - 4:00pm

Wednesday, Feb 7, 1:00pm-4:00pm

Thursday, Feb 8, 11:00am - 4:00pm

Location: Friday, Feb 9, 11:00am - 4:00pm

Admission: Saturday, Feb 10, 11:00am - 4:00pm

Vernon Museum - 3009 32nd Avenue

Free

A Voyage into board game history! Step into a world where dice roll and  
cards shuffle! Immerse yourself in the enchanting realm of vintage board  
games in this nostalgic exhibit.

### Groundhog Day at Allan Brooks Nature Centre

Sponsored by: Allan Brooks Nature Centre

Date: Friday, Feb 2, 2024

Time: 10:00am - 11:00am

Location: Allan Brooks Nature Centre Grasslands Theatre

Admission: Free

Okanagan Okie is the newest Groundhog mascot in the province and will  
come out of his burrow Feb 2 to let us know whether spring is on its way, or  
winter will have a few more weeks with us! So far Okie is hitting 500 and we  
are looking forward to the prognostication for 2024!

### Cozy Chocolate Fondue and Heritage Tour

Sponsored by: Mackie Lake House Foundation

Date: Friday, Feb 2, 2024

Time: 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Location: Mackie Lake House, 7804 Kidston Rd,  
Coldstream, BC V1B 1S2

Admission: \$45.00 per ticket.

Ages 19+

Enjoy a cozy afternoon of edu-tainment at the historic Mackie Lake House  
this February! Take in a tour, sip on a cup of tea, and indulge in a decadent  
chocolate fondue. You'll love the cozy ambience of this Edwardian mansion.



*Check Out*  
**vernonwintercarnival.com**



*for more information on events and schedules*

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

### BC Snow Sculpture Competition

Presenting Sponsors: Silver Star Mountain Resort & The Cooperators  
Sculpture Sponsors: Tekmar, Arts Council of the North Okagan,  
TMS, Vernon Winter Carnival  
Supporting Sponsors: Destination SilverStar, Bugaboos Café  
Date: Feb 2 - Feb 4, 2024  
Location: Silver Star Mountain Resort - Village  
Admission: Free

BC Snow Sculpture Competition is taking place at Silver Star Mountain the first weekend of Carnival. This yearly event brings to life a gallery of beautiful sculptures created of only water and snow. Watch as these amazing artists from all over BC create their masterpieces in our very own backyard and compete to be recognized as BC's best! The community can view the artistic process beginning at 10:00am Friday, Feb 2 until 10:00am Sunday, Feb 4. People's Choice is Sunday morning from 10am-11:45am! Come vote for your favourite! Check out all the great activities Silver Star Mountain Resort has to offer. The awards presentation will be Sun. Feb 4th at 12pm. The finished sculptures are up for viewing for a week or two after completion; weather dependent.

### Hot Air Balloon Lantern Craft Activity

Sponsored by: Vernon Community Arts Centre  
Date: Friday, Feb 2, 2024  
Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm  
Location: Vernon Community Arts Center in Polson Park  
Admission: \$35.00  
Kids 7 to 12

Come create a fun hot air balloon inspired lantern. Using paper, markers, tissue, twine, and paper ball lanterns you can create a favourite balloon you have seen in previous years or create something from your imagination. Price includes all materials.



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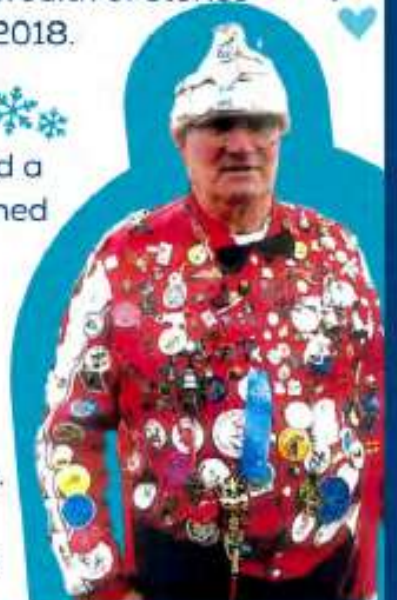
## Alvin Timms

We fondly remember Alvin Timms, aka "The Button Man" or "Mr. Carnival." Alvin was so much more than a supporter; he was our living history book, recognizing faces in photos without names and cherishing a wealth of stories memories and more. He earned "Jesse Ferguson Award" in 2018.

With a heart full of carnival facts and an unwavering love for the Vernon Winter Carnival since 1961, Alvin never missed a season. During the parade, he stood out with his jacket adorned with buttons and pins, like a walking memory lane.

Alvin's carnival spirit was year-round. He was our unofficial ambassador, spreading joy and love. As we gather to celebrate our cherished carnival in 2024, we honour the life of Alvin Timms, leaving behind a vibrant, enduring legacy.

In Loving Memory of Alvin Timms Oct 1, 1939 - Jan 13, 2023





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Our theme this year is "Games".



## PARADE ENTRY DEADLINE

**SUNDAY JAN 21ST, 2024**

Drop off your entry form at  
Vernon Winter Carnival

Email to

[info@vernonwintercarnival.com](mailto:info@vernonwintercarnival.com)

Or register online

[vernonwintercarnival.com](http://vernonwintercarnival.com)



The Parade position number and set up map will be available  
from Thursday, Feb 1 - Friday, February 2, 2024 at the Vernon  
Winter Carnival office from 9:00am to 5:00pm.



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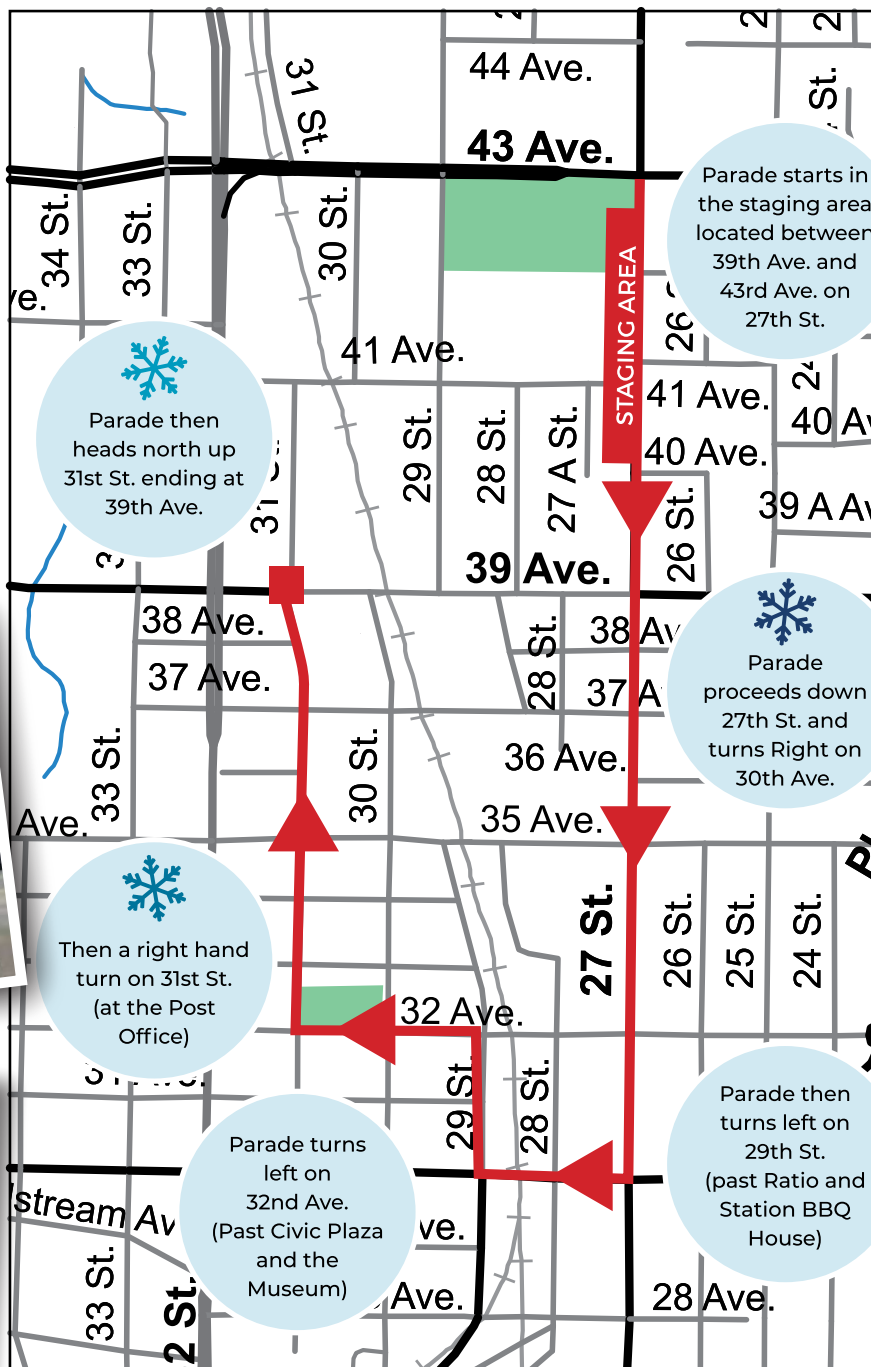
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## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

### Balloon Glow

Sponsored by: Vernon Winter Carnival, TMS, Tourism Vernon,  
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Vernon Nissan

Date: Friday, Feb 2, 2024

Time: 4:00pm to 6:30pm

4pm Food Trucks on Site

4:30pm Kinshira Fire Show

5pm Balloons start to glow (THIS is weather  
Dependent and they ONLY light as long as they  
have enough fuel. Approximately 45 minutes).

Location: Polson Park

Admission: Free

There's nothing like the warmth and light from a Hot Air Balloon in the dark of winter. Come out and enjoy on the Vernon Winter Carnival's most beloved events. Pilots and crew will be on site, get up close and personal for photos and fun. Bring the Family down for dinner in the park with these Food trucks on site: Mystic Pizza, Uncle Buck's Lil Donuts, Samosa Joe, Just Dawgin It, Prasad's Shadap and Eat, Yeti Kettle Corn \*EVENT IS WEATHER DEPENDANT\* FREE Bus Public Transit Routes 1-9, no transfers.  
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### The Chocolate Express

Sponsored by: Cotton's Chocolates

Date: Friday, Feb 2, 2024

Time: 5:45pm-8:45pm

Location: Cotton's Chocolates - 3334 30th Ave.

Admission: \$99.50 per person - Maximum 8 people per class

Climb aboard the Chocolate Express! One of Carnival's most popular and delicious events returns! If you love Chocolate you don't want to miss your chance to learn the art of chocolatiering from the local master Barrita Durward. Enjoy an evening of mouthwatering chocolates, chocolate truffle wine pairings and tons of prizes, including a chocolate tower with speciality hand crafted Belgian chocolates that will tickle your tastebuds! The best part, you get to take home everything you make, and everyone leaves with chocolate and a prize! Partial proceeds go to the Sweet Smiles Society - Helping Children live the lives children should be living.



### Sip & Savour

Sponsored by: A&W and Vernon Winter Carnival  
Friday, Feb 2, 2024

Date: 6:30pm - 10:30pm

Time: Vernon Recreation Centre Auditorium

Location: Tickets \$35 (includes 2 tasting tokens)

Admission: Tokens are \$3 on site

One of the Okanagan's most popular showcase of beer, cider and wine returns! Domestic Beer, Craft Beer, Ciders and wine, savoury bites and DJ Lunchbox to keep the party going while you taste and try! 25 vendors will be in attendance offering tastings in exchange for your tickets, which will be available for purchase throughout the evening.

### Pictionary Paint at VPAG

Sponsored by: The Vernon Public Art Gallery

Date: Friday, Feb 2, 2024

Time: 7:00pm to 10:00pm

Location: Vernon Public Art Gallery

Admission: \$30.00

Ages 19+

Join us for Pictionary Paint at VPAG, a Vernon Winter Carnival event. Pictionary Paint is not your ordinary game night. Join us for an exciting and creative experience where you and your friends can compete as a team of 4 or 6 and receive a special discounted group rate. Alternatively, if you're coming solo or with a friend, we'll pair you up with some awesome new friends for the night. The fun, laughter, and creativity will flow as you work your way to the top of the leaderboard, vying for incredible prizes and even a VPAG membership for your entire team! The evening kicks off with teams competing head-to-head, with the winner of each round advancing to the next, in classic Pictionary style. Teams that don't make it to the next round won't miss out on the fun - they can partake in curated art activities inspired by the current exhibitions at VPAG while enjoying the Pictionary painting showdown. But wait, there's more! Even if your team gets eliminated in the first round, there's no need to worry. We have a range of engaging art activities, games, drinks, and snacks to keep you entertained throughout the night. "Pictionary Paint" promises an unforgettable evening of creativity, camaraderie, and competition, ensuring that everyone leaves with smiles and unforgettable memories. Don't miss out on this fantastic event, where art and fun unite in the heart of the Vernon Winter Carnival. Secure your spot by registering early, and get ready to create, laugh, and celebrate with us at VPAG.



### Over-the-Hill-Downhill

Date: Friday, Feb 2 - Feb 3, 2024

Location: SilverStar Mountain

Admission: Register at [www.skisilverstar.com](http://www.skisilverstar.com)

OTH RACE IS RETURNING FOR 2024 AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO CELEBRATING WITH YOU! It's time to dig out the long skis, the race suit, your need for speed. This incredibly fun and long running recreational downhill ski race pits individuals and teams of four against each other for the glory of being the fastest down the mountain. Teams are entered in a category based on the combined team age ranging from 65 to 225+ years. Teams can be comprised of all male or all female; no longer 1 female per team required. OTHDH Qualifying: Friday, February 2, 2024  
OTHDH Race #1 and #2: Saturday, February 3, 2024  
Dinner and Awards: Saturday, February 3rd, 2024 at 5pm  
Visit [www.skisilverstar.com](http://www.skisilverstar.com) to register



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## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

### Live Music at Lake City Casino

Date: Friday, Feb 2, 2024  
Time: 8:00pm to 11:00pm  
Location: MATCH Eatery & Public House -  
Lake City Casino - 4900 Anderson Way  
Admission: Free  
Adult event 19+ to attend

MATCH Eatery & Public House has combined the welcoming and social traditions of a neighbourhood pub with the high-energy of a lively sports bar. Whatever your great night out looks like, we'll match it with our creative comfort food, cold libations, and exciting entertainment. Come for the live music every Friday and Saturday evening at MATCH, then stay and play at Lake City Casino! Whether it's slots or live tables, Vernon's Lake City Casino is sure to have your game! Check [vernonwintercarnival.com](http://vernonwintercarnival.com) for band listing announcements. Please gamble responsibly, know your limit, play within it.

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

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### Chicken Plop Bingo and Fancy Feather Show

Sponsored by: Halina Activity Centre & Vernon Pigeon & Poultry Club  
Date: Saturday, Feb 3, 2024  
Time: 9:00am - 4:00pm  
Location: Halina Activity Centre  
Admission: \$5 per square

The Halina Activity Centre and Vernon Pigeon & Poultry Club have joined together to bring you a fun game for those 19+ to participate in.....CHICKEN PLOP BINGO. Select your favourite chicken(s), buy a square and hope that is the one the chicken "plops" on. As the end result is up to the chicken, times will vary per game. Games will be ongoing through out the day. Everyone is welcome to join in on the cheering; and while you wait and watch, enjoy the music, games and the Fancy Feather Show. Cafe will be open with light refreshments available for purchase.

### SaturPLAY

Sponsored by: BCG Okanagan  
Date: Saturday, Feb 3, 2024  
Time: 8:30am - 12:30pm  
Location: BGC Okanagan Vernon Gym 3300-37th Avenue  
Admission: Free

Join BGC Okanagan for their famous Satur/PLAY drop in style playgroup between the hours of 8:30am and 12:30pm for a winter wonderland full of GAMES, winter carnival crafts, winter snacks, songs and stories.

### Bubble Tea Making

Sponsored by: Coco Milk Tea Corp  
Date: Saturday, Feb 3, 2024  
Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm  
Location: 110-3334 30 Avenue  
Admission: \$50

Bubble Tea has grown so much in popularity all over the world. Gen Z and millennials especially are going gag over this most coveted drink. Experience a one of a kind bubble tea training that will allow you to create the most perfect cup of bubble tea. We will teach you how to curate your own favourite boba from the comfort of your own home. Your DIY Bubble Tea Kit is included in the class. Don't miss this fun filled Boba day!

### North Okanagan Early Years Fair

Sponsored by: BCG Okanagan  
Date: Saturday, Feb 3, 2024  
Time: 10:30am - 12:30pm  
Location: BGC Okanagan Vernon Gym 3300-37th Avenue  
Admission: Free

Join BGC Okanagan and a wide variety of community partners and services for families with children 0 to 8 yrs old. Games, activities, crafts and goodie bags!

### Elks Beer Garden

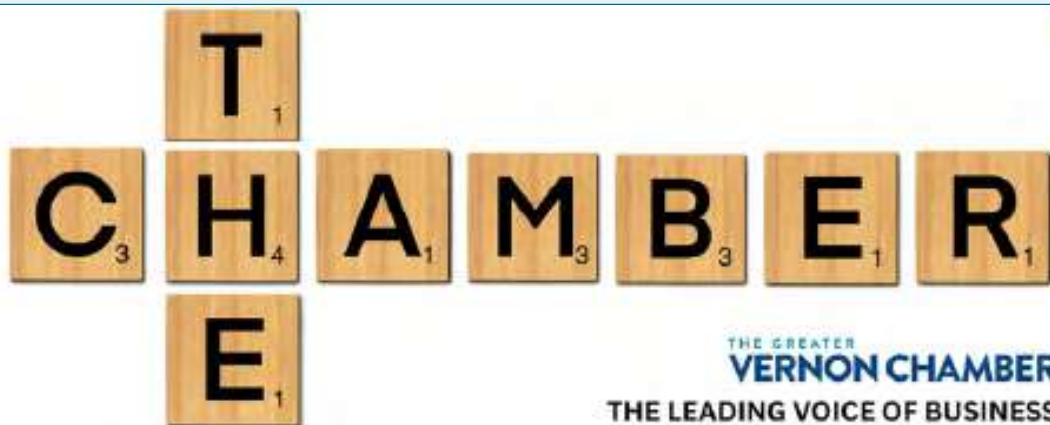
Sponsored by: Elks Lodge 45  
Date: Saturday, Feb 3, 2024  
Time: 11:00am - 4:00pm  
Location: Elks Lodge - 3103 30 Street  
Admission: Free  
Ages 19+

Join in the Vernon tradition if celebrating the Vernon Winter Carnival right after the parade. Cheers!

## Carnival Games



Be sure to check the Vernon Winter Carnival website at [vernonwintercarnival.com](http://vernonwintercarnival.com) and social media daily for event info and updates.





A close-up photograph of evergreen branches covered in a thick layer of white frost or snow. The branches are dark green and the frost is bright white, creating a high-contrast, wintry scene. The background is a soft, out-of-focus blue-grey.

***It's time  
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## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

### One Miler Race - Group 1 Racing Group

Sponsored by: The Starting Block, Bush Babes Trail Running, Sport & Culture of the North Okanagan, Vernon Winter Carnival  
Date: Saturday, Feb 3, 2024  
Time: 12:00pm  
Location: Parade Route  
Admission: \$20 per person

Timed race on the starting line. Racing bibs provided and prizes for the winners. The run ends in Civic Memorial Park and you can watch the parade right from there. Food trucks will be on site, too. Whether you are in it to win, or running for fun, help us kick off the 2024 Vernon Winter Carnival with our 1-Miler

### One Miler Race - Group 2 Fun Run

Sponsored by: The Starting Block, Bush Babes Trail Running, Sport & Culture of the North Okanagan, Vernon Winter Carnival  
Date: Saturday, Feb 3, 2024  
Time: 12:00pm  
Location: Parade Route  
Admission: \$2 per person

Get ready to start the parade with our fun and friendly 1 mile run! Your start time will be moments after the Competitive Race so be ready! Be cheered on by the crowds of Vernon and enjoy our famous one-miler. Every runner gets a little treat at the end! The run ends in Civic Memorial Park and you can watch the parade right from there. Food trucks will be on site, too. Whether you are in it to win, or running for fun, help us kick off the 2024 Vernon Winter Carnival with our 1-Miler

### Vernon Winter Carnival Parade, 63rd Annual

Sponsored by: The City of Vernon, Tourism Vernon, Vernon Winter Carnival  
Date: Saturday, Feb 3, 2024  
Time: 12:00pm  
Location: South on 27th Street to 30th Avenue, then North on 29th Street, left on 32nd Avenue and then North on 31st Street ending at 39th Avenue

Join us for one of Vernon's most beloved events! The 63rd Annual Winter Carnival Parade! Bring the family and a thermos of hot chocolate or soup, and of course your Carnival spirit! Be sure to vote for the fan favourite! Overall Parade Spirit (Christel Cam Memorial) will be determined by the community, vote for the winner online after the parade! Enter the parade with your Carnival Games entry! Get creative and entertain the crowd! Registration deadline for the Carnival Parade is Jan 21, 2024. Register at [vernonwintercarnival.com](http://vernonwintercarnival.com)



### Trinity Tea Time

Sponsored by: Trinity United Church  
Date: Saturday, Feb 3, 2024  
Time: 2:00pm - 4:30pm  
Location: Trinity United Church, 3300 Alexis Park Drive  
Admission: \$30.00

Come in your best tea attire, and enjoy a late afternoon tea. Complete with proper tea finger foods, door prizes, bake sale and a silent auction. This is an all ages social time event to help raise funds for the Teen Junction. All money raised from tickets, bake sale, and silent auction will go to the Vernon Teen Junction for their programs.

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## Games Around the Globe

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# VERNON WINTER CARNIVAL



## Over-the-Hill-Downhill

Date: Friday, Feb 2 - Feb 3, 2024  
Location: SilverStar Mountain  
Admission: Register at [www.skisilverstar.com](http://www.skisilverstar.com)

OTH RACE IS RETURNING FOR 2024 AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO CELEBRATING WITH YOU! It's time to dig out the long skis, the race suit, your need for speed. This incredibly fun and long running recreational downhill ski race pits individuals and teams of four against each other for the glory of being the fastest down the mountain. Teams are entered in a category based on the combined team age ranging from 65 to 225+ years. Teams can be comprised of all male or all female; no longer 1 female per team required. OTHDH Qualifying: Friday, February 2, 2024, OTHDH Race #1 and #2: Saturday, February 3, 2024, Dinner and Awards: Saturday, February 3rd, 2024 at 5pm Visit [www.skisilverstar.com](http://www.skisilverstar.com) to register

## Trading Card Free Activity

Sponsored by: Vernon Community Arts Centre  
Date: Saturday, Feb 3, 2024  
Time: 3:30pm - 5:30pm  
Location: Vernon Community Arts Center in Polson Park  
2704A Hwy 6, Vernon BC V1T 5G5  
Admission: Free

Come spend some time making artist trading cards at Vernon Community Arts Centre. ATCs are miniature pieces of art that are traded around the world. Artists create, trade and collect art at organized "swap" events, either in person or online. The only official rule for ATCs is the size: 2.5" x 3.5". All materials will be provided.

## The Chocolate Express

Sponsored by: Cotton's Chocolates  
Date: Saturday, Feb 3, 2024  
Time: 5:45pm-8:45pm  
Location: Cotton's Chocolates - 3334 30th Ave.  
Admission: \$99.50 per person - Maximum 8 people per class

Climb aboard the Chocolate Express! One of Carnival's most popular and delicious events returns! If you love Chocolate you don't want to miss your chance to learn the art of chocolatiering from the local master Barrita Durward. Enjoy an evening of mouthwatering chocolates, chocolate truffle wine pairings and tons of prizes, including a chocolate tower with speciality hand crafted Belgian chocolates that will tickle your tastebuds! The best part, you get to take home everything you make, and everyone leaves with chocolate and a prize! Partial proceeds go to the Sweet Smiles Society - Helping Children live the lives children should be living.

## BC Snow Sculpture Competition

Presenting Sponsors: Silver Star Mountain Resort & The Cooperators  
Sculpture Sponsors: Tekmar, Arts Council of the North Okagan, TMS, Vernon Winter Carnival  
Supporting Sponsors: Destination SilverStar, Bugaboos Café  
Date: Feb 2 - Feb 4, 2024  
Location: Silver Star Mountain Resort - Village  
Admission: Free

BC Snow Sculpture Competition is taking place at Silver Star Mountain the first weekend of Carnival. This yearly event brings to life a gallery of beautiful sculptures created of only water and snow. Watch as these amazing artists from all over BC create their masterpieces in our very own backyard and compete to be recognized as BC's best! The community can view the artistic process beginning at 10:00am Friday, Feb 2 until 10:00am Sunday, Feb 4. People's Choice is Sunday morning from 10am-11:45am! Come vote for your favourite! Check out all the great activities Silver Star Mountain Resort has to offer. The awards presentation will be Sun. Feb 4th at 12pm. The finished sculptures are up for viewing for a week or two after completion; weather dependent.



## Snowglobe Concert Featuring Cod Gone Wild & the Dirt Road Kings

Presenting Sponsor: A&W

VIP Sponsors: Great West Equipment, Pure Country, Sleeman Breweries, Millennium Valley Productions & Vernon Winter Carnival, Organizing Chaos by Design

Date: Saturday, Feb 3, 2024

Time: 7:00pm - 11:30pm

Location: Vernon Recreation Centre Auditorium

Admission: \$35

Ages 19+

The largest party to hit Vernon returns!! It's got everything, DJ Lunchbox spinning all types of music, separate VIP area, swag giveaways, food, dancing and of course two EPIC Party Bands in one night! Get ready to boot stomp with these fan favourites! Beer garden and concession on site.

## Live Music at Lake City Casino

Date: Saturday, Feb 3, 2024

Time: 8:00pm to 11:00pm

Location: MATCH Eatery & Public House -

Lake City Casino - 4900 Anderson Way

Admission: Free

Adult event 19+ to attend

MATCH Eatery & Public House has combined the welcoming and social traditions of a neighbourhood pub with the high-energy of a lively sports bar. Whatever your great night out looks like, we'll match it with our creative comfort food, cold libations, and exciting entertainment. Come for the live music every Friday and Saturday evening at MATCH, then stay and play at Lake City Casino! Whether it's slots or live tables, Vernon's Lake City Casino is sure to have your game! Check [vernonwintercarnival.com](http://vernonwintercarnival.com) for band listing announcements. Please gamble responsibly, know your limit, play within it.

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## Family Gym Bouncy Castle

Sponsored by: City of Vernon Recreation Centre

Date: Sunday, Feb 4, 2024

Time: 9:00am - 11:00am

Location: Vernon Recreation Centre

Admission: Free

Recommended ages: 1-10yrs

Join us at the Recreation Centre for a Family Open Gym hosted by Rec Services Youth Volunteers. Enjoy a bouncy castle and active games as well as mat play for the young ones. Parent supervision required.

## Polson Market at SilverStar

Sponsored by: Destination Silverstar and Silverstar Mountain Resort

Date: Sunday, Feb 4, 2024

Time: 10:00am to 4:00pm

Location: Chilcoat Centre at SilverStar Mountain

Admission: Free

Join us for the market and explore an array of exquisite items in the charming village of Silverstar Mountain. There's so much to discover and enjoy in this picturesque setting.



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## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

### Easy Like Sunday Morning Fat Bike Trail Tour

Sponsored by: North Okanagan Cycling Society  
and Vernon Singletrack Fat Bike Riders of BC

Date: Sunday, Feb 4, 2024

Time: 10:00am

Location: Approx 1 hour ride

Location: Red Gate Entry at Kal Park

Admission: \$5.00 at event

Bike Level: Gentle

Bring your own bike



Join NOCS for a snowy ride in Vernon's beautiful Kalamalka Park. We will meet at the Red Gate at 10am and cruise together on our Fat Bikes enjoying the fresh air and beauty of a wintry Sunday morning. This ride is designed for those who are new or like to take it easy. Free hot chocolate and tea at the end to warm us all up.

### Cruisin' On Sunday Morning Fat Bike Trail Tour

Sponsored by: North Okanagan Cycling Society  
and Vernon Singletrack Fat Bike Riders of BC

Date: Sunday, Feb 4, 2024

Time: 10:00am

Location: Approx 2 hour ride

Location: Cosens Bay Entry at Kal Park

Admission: \$5.00 at event

Bike Level: Intermediate / Strong

Bring your own bike



Join NOCS for a wintry ride in Vernon's beautiful Kalamalka Park. We will meet at the Cosens Bay entry of Kal Park at 10am and cruise together on our Fat Bikes enjoying the fresh air and beauty of a Vernon Sunday morning. This ride is designed for those who know. Free hot drinks at the end to warm us all up. This ride is designed for experienced riders.

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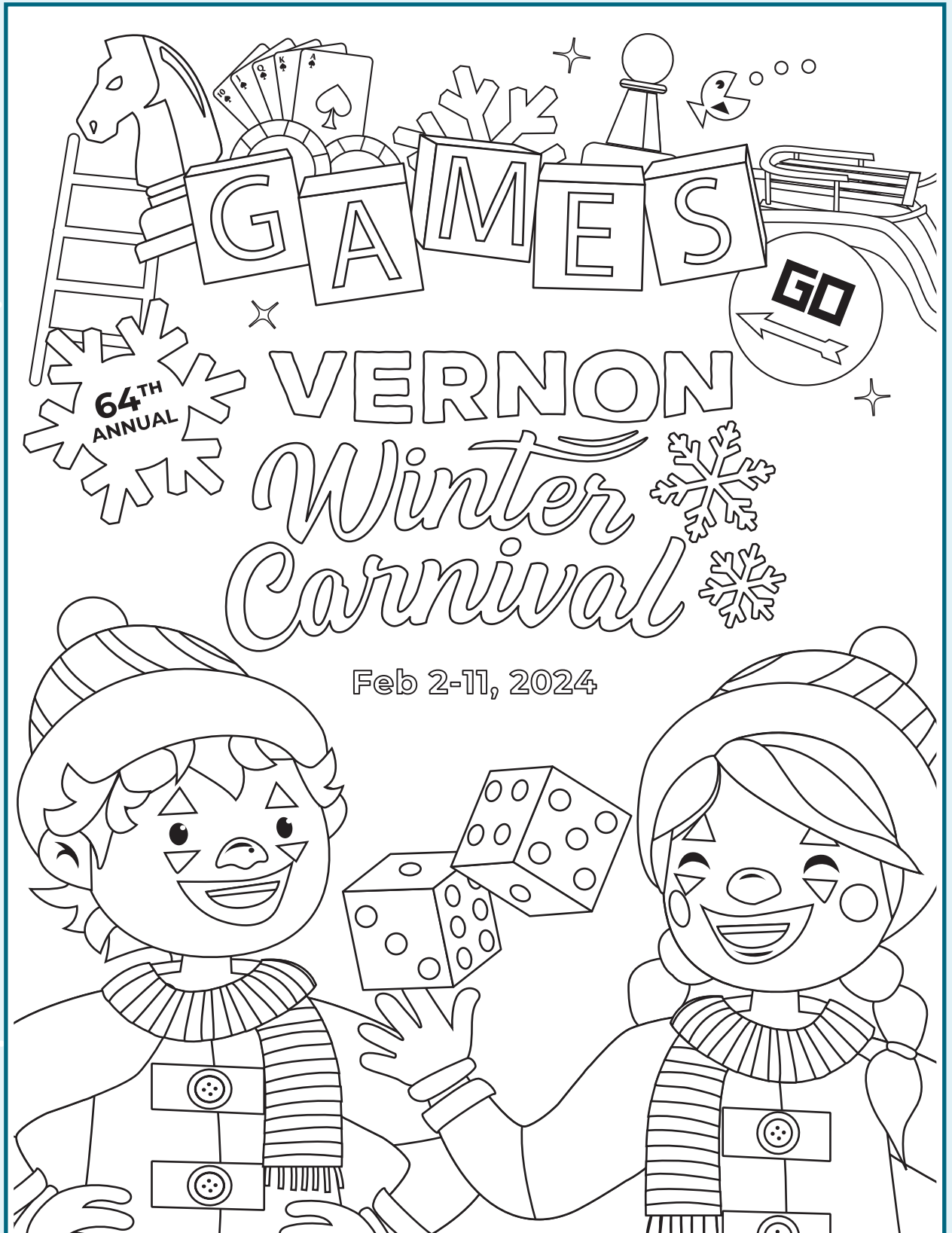


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Email a photo of your art to [hello@vernonwintercarnival.com](mailto:hello@vernonwintercarnival.com) or drop off at 3401-35 Ave between Feb 2-10. Draw for prizes Feb 11, 2024.

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## Brain Games: Mind-blowing Science

Sponsored by: Okanagan Science Centre  
Date: Sunday, Feb 4, 2024  
Time: 10:00am to 5:00pm  
Location: Okanagan Science Centre 2704 hwy 6  
Admission: Free

Did you know that the most powerful and complex supercomputer ever built is your brain?! Get ready for an amazing adventure of the mind at the Okanagan Science Centre as we combine and explore the incredible worlds of math and science. With exciting games that involve numbers, shapes, and problem-solving - these scientific brain games will amaze you! Find your thinking cap and join the scientists at OSC for a day of mind-blowing science!

## Bubble Tea Making

Sponsored by: Coco Milk Tea Corp  
Date: Sunday, Feb 4, 2024  
Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm  
Location: 110-3334 30 Avenue  
Admission: \$50

Bubble Tea has grown so much in popularity all over the world. Gen Z and millennials especially are going gag over this most coveted drink. Experience a one of a kind bubble tea training that will allow you to create the most perfect cup of bubble tea. We will teach you how to curate your own favourite boba from the comfort of your own home. Your DIY Bubble Tea Kit is included in the class. Don't miss this fun filled Boba day!

## BC Snow Sculpture Competition

Visit SilverStar Mountain to view the sculpture teams carving today!  
Full details page 19.

## The Reverie

Date: Sunday, Feb 4, 2024  
Time: 12:30pm to 2:30pm  
Location: Noble Yoga Studio  
Admission: \$35 Limited capacity: 25 spots available  
Age Limit 18+

Thaw out from your winter fun with a tantalizing sensory treat at Noble Yoga Vernon with Dolly Reno & Jai Eyford! This unique event will warm your spirit as well as loosen up your body with the help of aromatherapy, thoughtfully curated music and projected visuals resulting in a delightful new yoga experience! Join us to celebrate the Winter Carnival!

## Trading Card Free Activity

Sponsored by: Vernon Community Arts Centre  
Date: Sunday, Feb 4, 2024  
Time: 12:30pm - 2:30pm  
Location: Vernon Community Arts Center in Polson Park  
2704A Hwy 6, Vernon BC V1T 5G5

Admission: Free  
Come spend some time making artist trading cards at Vernon Community Arts Centre. ATCs are miniature pieces of art that are traded around the world. Artists create, trade and collect art at organized "swap" events, either in person or online. The only official rule for ATCs is the size: 2.5" x 3.5". All materials will be provided.

## Celebration of Talent

Presented by: Vernon Winter Carnival Society  
Sponsored by: Vernon Winter Carnival & Castanet  
Date: Sunday, Feb 4, 2024  
Time: 1:00pm  
Location: Schubert Centre  
Admission: Free

Join Vernon Winter Carnival for this returning classic event! A showcase of local amateur performers and entertainers, you and your family are sure to be dazzled. Bring your friends and family for this free Carnival Tradition!



# COCKTAIL COMPETITION

Support Local! Go taste one of the Vernon Winter Carnival Cocktails. A team of judges will be selecting the winner but you can take part too...

## ENTER TO WIN SOCIAL MEDIA CONTEST

Head down to one of the restaurants taking part in our fun competition, enjoy their creation, post a photo on social and tag Vernon Winter Carnival. You could win the grand prize:

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## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

### Five Dollar Family Movie

Sponsored by: North Okanagan Shuswap Conservative Association  
Date: Sunday, Feb 4, 2024  
Time: 1:00pm - 3:00pm  
Location: Vernon Towne Theatre  
Admission: \$5 plus an item for Vernon Food Banks

Come and enjoy a Game-themed family movie (TBA). Fun for the whole family! Adults: \$5, Kids: FREE with an item for the Vernon Food Bank.

### Children/Youth Classes - Carnival of Chocolate

Sponsored by: Cotton's Chocolates  
Date: Sunday, Feb 4, 2024  
Time: 1:00pm to 2:30pm  
Location: Cotton's Chocolates - 3334 30th Ave.  
Admission: \$59.50 per person - Maximum 10 people per class  
Ages 6-12 years

The most delicious event in town returns to Vernon Winter Carnival! Register your kids for the Carnival of Chocolate! Kids will get to learn the art of chocolatiering from the local master Barrita Durward. Take home everything you make from this SWEET party, plus make a tasty batch of Cotton Candy to take home as well!

**\*Two classes on Sunday Feb 4th - 11:30am & 3:00pm\***

### JOPO Swim

Sponsored by: City of Vernon  
Date: Sunday, Feb 4, 2024  
Time: 1:30pm - 4:00pm  
Location: Vernon Recreation Centre  
Admission: Free

Come have some splash time at the Vernon Aquatic Centre. Our hosts will be leading games and activities for viewers of all ages. FREE swim with the Greater Vernon Recreation Centre.

### Seniors' Bingo

Sponsored by: Family Resource Centre  
Date: Sunday, Feb 4, 2024  
Time: 2:00pm - 3:30pm  
Location: Family Resource Centre 3303 30 St, Vernon, BC V1T 5E4  
Admission: Free  
Seniors Only

Seniors! Join us for bingo, snacks, and fun prizes!

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5

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**Colouring contest - see pg 31**

### Arrest the Best

Sponsored by: Vernon Winter Carnival and Okanagan Restoration Services  
Date: Monday, Feb 5- Friday Feb 9, 2024  
Time: 8:30am - 5:00pm  
Admission: Minimum \$100 Bail

The Carnival Cops are a long standing tradition during the festival. Nominate someone you know to be arrested for something light or cheeky (telling bad jokes, taking the office stapler home, drinking the last cup of coffee without making more!) and we will send our merry crew to you with our Vernon Winter Carnival Jail. You set the bail and it's up to them to raise funds for their freedom. Arrests are made and jail is parked right outside your business for maximum exposure. All funds raised go to Vernon Winter Carnival Society. To book your arrest, email [hello@vernonwintercarnival.com](mailto:hello@vernonwintercarnival.com)



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**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5**

### Lots of Tots Playgroup

Sponsored by: Trinity United Church  
Date: Monday, Feb 5, 2024  
Time: 9:30am - 11:30am  
Location: Trinity United Church, 3300 Alexis Park Drive  
Admission: Free  
Tots (under age 5)

Lots of Tots playgroup offers a free playgroup with lots of games and toys for littles to play with! We will have a special music guest of Ann with her ukulele! Come see how we have turned into a winter wonderland full of games and toys for your tots!

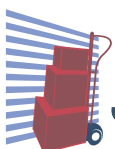
### Jam Can Curling

Presented by: Tolko  
Sponsored by: Harwinder Sandhu MLA, Subway,  
Vernon Winter Carnival, Tim Hortons  
Date: Feb 5 - Feb 9, 2024  
Time: 9:30am - 11:30am **BY INVITE ONLY**  
Location: Centennial Rink  
Admission: Free Students in gr 4-5-6

Jam Can Curling returns to Vernon Winter Carnival! This is one of the best ways to encourage our youth to participate in Vernon Winter Carnival! Come and watch outdoor curling fun as teams from local elementary schools participate! Schools can register by emailing [hello@vernnonwintercarnival.com](mailto:hello@vernnonwintercarnival.com). Spectators are welcome and encouraged to attend and cheer on the kids!

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## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5

### Ella's Naughty Bingo

Sponsored by: Rebellious Unicorns  
Date: Monday, Feb 5, 2024  
Time: Bingo starts at 7:00pm - come early  
Location: Elks Hall  
Admission: Reserved Seating & Daubers \$7.99+tax in advance  
Bingo Cards: \$2 each or 5 for \$10 \*CASH/DEBIT - on site only  
Only due to regulations\* 19+ Person Event - valid government-issued photo ID is required.

Get ready for a night of fabulous fun and glittering prizes at Ella Lamoureux's Naughty Drag Bingo! Join us at the vibrant Elks Hall for an evening that's bound to make your heart race and your spirits soar. Hosted by Ella Lamoureux: Prepare to be entertained by the fabulous Ella Lamoureux, our glamorous host who will guide you through an evening of laughter, naughtiness, and fantastic prizes. Ella knows how to make every moment unforgettable! We're thrilled to announce that proceeds from this event will be donated to the Vernon Pride Society, so you can feel good about having a fantastic time! Don't miss your chance to cringe and gag at Ella Lamoureux's Naughty Bingo. Whether you're a seasoned bingo pro or a first-time player, this night promises laughter, glamour, and unforgettable memories. Reserve your seats now @ [www.rebelliousunicorns.com](http://www.rebelliousunicorns.com), and let's make it a night to remember!



### Try It Speed Skating

Sponsored by: Vernon Speed Skating Club  
Date: Monday, Feb 5, 2024  
Time: 6:00pm - 7:30pm  
Location: Kal Tire North Rink  
Admission: Free  
Pre register on ICE Reg with TRY IT <https://icereg.ca>  
Try on a pair of speedskates and give it a whirl.

### Date Night Jive

Sponsored by: Cheek to Cheek Dance Studio  
Date: Monday, Feb 5, 2024  
Time: 7:00pm - 7:45pm  
Location: 3008 30 Avenue  
Admission: Free  
Bring a partner for your free Rockabilly Jive Dance Lesson!  
Think Happy Days 50's Rock 'N Roll

## Carnival Games ❄️

Be sure to check the Vernon Winter Carnival website at [vernonwintercarnival.com](http://vernonwintercarnival.com) and social media daily for event info and updates



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Admission: Free Students in gr 4-5-6

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## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

### Bingo Marathon

Sponsored by: Halina Activity Centre  
Date: Tuesday, Feb 6, 2024  
Time: 12:00pm - 12:00am  
Location: Halina Activity Centre 3310-37 Ave  
Admission: Free - Bingo Cards must be purchased 19+

The first session is played at noon, with each session running about two and a half hours in duration. Each session consists of 13 games, all games must be played in duration. Win CASH prizes for all games! Concession meals are available for a charge. New players are welcome to join at the beginning of each session, which starts at noon, 3pm, 6pm, 9pm. Admission: Free - Bingo cards must be purchased. Take part in a Bingo Marathon! Adult Event 19+ to play, know your limit, play within it. BC Gaming License # 146138

### Cozy Chocolate Fondue and Heritage Tour

Sponsored by: Mackie Lake House Foundation  
Date: Tuesday, Feb 6, 2024  
Time: 1:00pm - 3:00pm  
Location: Mackie Lake House, 7804 Kidston Rd, Coldstream, BC V1B 1S2  
Admission: \$45.00 per ticket. Ages 19+

Enjoy a cozy afternoon of edu-tainment at the historic Mackie Lake House this February! Take in a tour, sip on a cup of tea, and indulge in a decadent chocolate fondue. You'll love the cozy ambience of this Edwardian mansion.

### Fun and Games!

Sponsored by: Okanagan Regional Library  
Date: Tuesday, Feb 6, 2024  
Time: 3:15pm - 4:15pm  
Location: Okanagan Regional Library  
Admission: Free  
Kids (Ages 5-12)

Come to your Vernon Library, and bring your friends for some great fun and games!

### Free Salsa For Couples

Sponsored by: Cheek to Cheek Dance Studio  
Date: Tuesday, Feb 6, 2024  
Time: 7:00pm - 7:45pm  
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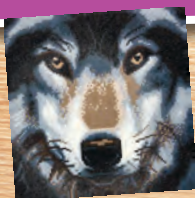
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## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

### Total Fun Bed Races

Sponsored by: Total Restoration Services & Castanet  
 Date: Wednesday, Feb 7, 2024  
 Time: 12:00pm-2:00pm  
 Location: Kal Tire Place Parking Lot  
 Admission: Free

Don't miss the return of the Winter Carnival Total Fun Bed Races! A fun event where the teams participating can create their racing machines from the ground up. A race track will be set up in Vernon where the teams will race for victory. We can't wait to see your creative masterpieces! Register your team today!

### Jam Can Curling

Presented by: Tolko  
 Sponsored by: Harwinder Sandhu MLA, Subway, Vernon Winter Carnival, Tim Hortons  
 Date: Feb 5 - Feb 9, 2024  
 Time: 9:30am - 11:30am by invite only  
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## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

### Board Game Making

Sponsored by: Okanagan Regional Library  
Date: Wednesday, Feb 7, 2024  
Time: 3:30pm-4:45pm  
Location: Okanagan Regional Library 2800 30th Ave.  
Admission: Free

Paint your own board game boards based on traditional games or invent your own. Supplies will be provided but are limited so be sure to register to save your spot. This is open to all ages but children under 8 years-old need to be accompanied by a guardian who is actively participating. We could get messy! Wear clothes you don't mind getting paint on.

### Happy Days Sock Hop Dinner & Dance

Sponsored by: Vernon Winter Carnival  
Date: Wednesday, Feb 7, 2024  
Time: Doors Open 4:30pm  
Dinner 6:00pm  
Dancing 7:00pm - 10:00pm  
Location: Prestige Vernon Lodge  
Admission: Tickets \$30.00 Early Bird until Jan31  
Tickets \$35.00 Regular price Feb 1  
Ages 19+

Step back in time to the 1950's with the Vernon Winter Carnival Happy Days Sock Hop! Dress up in your 50's attire and enjoy a delicious dinner with friends and family as you're entertained by our Happy Days inspired live band! Take a spin around the dance floor with our dance instructors! Get your poodle skirts and leather jackets and rock & roll with all your friends! This is an event you won't want to miss!

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Time: 8:00am - 10:00pm  
Location: Kal Tire Place Arena 3445 - 43 Avenue  
Admission: Tickets available at the door

Don't miss the Annual Coca-Cola Pee Wee Hockey Tournament at Kal Tire Place! Eight teams will participate in one of Western Canada's best rated and most exciting PeeWee Hockey tournaments. The stars of tomorrow are here today. Alumni & Locals Night Friday Feb 9 - visit [theclassic.ca](http://theclassic.ca)

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VWC, in partnership with the Stor-It Place, named two local Grade 12 students, Hillary Quiring of Vernon Secondary School and Trinity Remple of Vernon Christian School, with a \$500 scholarship each.



**Carnival truly is a unique event that has spanned generations of family members and this scholarship is helping to show the impact it's had on our community.**

Applications are now being accepted for the 2024 VWC Scholarship - Sponsored by The Stor-it Place. Grade 12 students can submit their essay online today for the chance to receive one of two \$500 Scholarships.

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## THE SUCCESSFUL RECIPIENTS WERE:

**Trinity Remple**  
Vernon Christian School

**Hillary Quiring**  
Vernon Secondary School



## Why you think Vernon Winter Carnival is important to our community?

The Vernon Winter Carnival is a long-standing tradition in our community. It is an important festival because it brings community members together to experience events that create memories that last a lifetime.

I have fond memories of Winter Carnival events. I remember years of lining the streets of downtown Vernon with hundreds of other people, anticipating the floats and fancy cars that would entertain willing spectators during the Winter Carnival Parade. My sister and I longed for the music and candy that was handed out by community members and volunteers.

I remember my parents laughing about monetary donations that they made to help break friends free from "jail" after the Carnival Cop had arrested them at their workplaces. As a young student, I excitedly anticipated the dances that were held at the rec center where us pre-teens could meet up from surrounding schools to celebrate our great city together.

I was always excited to hear about the new theme and poster contests that my friends and I participated in at school, anxious for the judges' decisions, anxious to see if one of my friends would win! My class attended the Coca-Cola Classic Pee wee hockey tournaments and we created posters to encourage and cheer on out-of-town guests. The hockey tournament brought out a spirit of sportsmanship and I remember my teacher talking about the quality players that had participated in the past.

My mom speaks of her time at Much Music video dances and viewing ice sculptures up at Silver Star Mountain and adult events such as Suds and Cider. She shared that her and my dad, when 18 years old, volunteered to be the mascots of the carnival. They dressed up as Jopo and Jopette and attended many events to help brighten the carnival spirit.

My grandmother speaks of Queen Silver Star training and competitions and how young girls became ambassadors of Vernon. (My grandma volunteered for years as a coordinator / chaperone for the Queen Silver Star Excellence Program). Her carnival highlights include the hot air balloon event that sees colorful balloons fill the sky and land on the ice of Swan Lake just outside of her backdoor.

These stories fill our house every February and reveal the importance of the events that collectively make up the Vernon Winter Carnival. The fact that my family, made up of three generations of "Vernonites", can share our favorite memories and desire to attend new events, reveals that importance of the Carnival even today. The celebration brings people together and allows them to escape the long winter by offering fun and festivities that make the winter seem a little more bearable. Decorated store lobbies, carnival pins on lapels and the Carnival Cop wondering through the mall all bring joy and something festive to long February days. School children learn of the

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events by attending hockey games, jam can curling events or simply using their artistic talents to design carnival posters. I know that our family will venture out to see the ice sculptures and balloon glow once again. Each year, we run into families that we have not seen in months, and we share stories and catch up on holiday happenings.

The Vernon Winter Carnival is important because it brings the community together. All interests and all different

ages are planned for. People can be participants, observers, or volunteers. Local businesses get to showcase what they have to offer, and the people of Vernon get an opportunity to get out and experience something new. There is truly something for everyone. The Vernon Winter Carnival is a 10-day festival that builds community spirit and gives families an opportunity to have shared experiences that build fond memories that last a lifetime.

Hillary Quiring  
Grade 12 student at VSS

## *The Winter Carnival - Building Community Since 1893*

Although we aren't alone by any means – Vernon possesses a metro population of 67,086 – the annual Vernon Winter Carnival brings the community together. It allows people to get out of their houses after a long hibernation, giving us a place to regroup, rekindle and reminisce.

Growing up, I spent a lot of time in downtown Vernon. My parents opened the doors to Pooh's and Beans Sweet Shoppe in 2000, and it quickly became my second home. The lead-up to Christmas was a flurry of excitement yearly as Main Street was set aglow with twinkling lights. And just as the memories of each Christmas began to fade, the town came alive again, buzzing with preparations for the much-anticipated Winter Carnival.

When we were five and seven, my big brother Liam and I started setting up a little hot chocolate and candy stand during Winter Carnival activities held in the downtown core. Our small sign was hung, with its scribbled letters, proudly proclaiming "Pooh's and Beans: Hot Chocolate and Treats." I'd stand on an overturned milk crate, pouring hot chocolate for eventgoers who were quick to appreciate my skill & confidence as I served them and how Liam always accurately counted back change. We'd set up right where we could see all the commotion, often stealing glances to enjoy what was happening around us and feeling like we had something important to contribute. People would stop and chat with other customers or us. Which parade float was the best? What other activities would be fun to check out? And which of the many activities planned was our favourite?

From my experience, community events like the Vernon Winter Carnival bring out the best in people. It's where I've seen people at their happiest and most caring. Memories are tied to the Winter Carnival, creating inextricable bonds that can instantly generate camaraderie amongst strangers while sharing their best experiences - or fiascos- of years past.

The importance of community is widely reported, and articles online and in magazines consistently remind us of the benefits of belonging to a community. A 2020 Forbes article titled "How To Build Community And Why It Matters So Much" emphasizes that communities are

great for overall well-being, shared purpose and building resilience. Over the years, carnival coordinators and volunteers have provided the platform and created this legacy for our residents. And whether a planner or a participant, the Vernon Winter Carnival gives us a role to play in the bigger picture of where we call home.

The Winter Carnival remains a source of joy and nostalgia, capturing the spirit of our town and the memories we hold dear. As Vernon's kids have slowly grown, the many events, the bustle to round up volunteers and the sights, sounds and smells of the Winter Carnival have shaped our perspective of our hometown. Instilling not only in us what it means to be a part of a smaller interior community but an incredible connection to where we grew up.

I will always hold memories of my family going to see the balloon glow close to my heart - admiring the different patterns of each balloon and choosing which were our favourites. Or going to the ice palace in Polson Park, and when I got older doing the polar bear swim; even now, as I visit the event nearing adulthood, I'm still filled with the same child-like delight as when I first experienced the Winter Carnival.

Annually, the celebration casts a spell over Vernon, transforming it into a wonderland. The streets are alive with the sound of drums, motors, and high-flying batons as kids march with grins stretching from ear to ear. Events like the Winter Carnival make Vernon unique from other places; the deep-rooted tradition evokes the fondest memories of our town. The Carnival serves as a bridge, connecting all community members and making everyone feel

welcome, whether they are outsiders or lifelong residents. The Winter Carnival remains a shining example of what makes Vernon extraordinary and why it holds such a special place in the hearts of those who call it home.

Trinity Remple  
Vernon Christian School

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## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8

### Art Tours at Mackie Lake House

Sponsored by: Mackie Lake House Foundation  
Date: Thursday, Feb 8, 2024  
Time: 2:00pm - 3:00pm  
Location: Mackie Lake House, 7804 Kidston Rd,  
Coldstream, BC V1B 1S2  
Admission: \$20.00 per person

Are you game to learn about art? An intimate tour of the Mackie House art collection, perfect for beginners. You'll explore a variety of media with expert Christine Kashuba, and conclude with tea and cookies in the sitting room at Mackie Lake House, registered heritage site.

### The Chocolate Express

Sponsored by: Cotton's Chocolates  
Date: Thursday Feb 8, 2024  
Time: 5:45pm-8:45pm  
Location: Cotton's Chocolates - 3334 30th Ave.  
Admission: \$99.50 per person - Maximum 8 people

Climb aboard the Chocolate Express! One of Carnival's most popular and delicious events returns! If you love Chocolate you don't want to miss your chance to learn the art of chocolatiering from the local master Barrita Durward. Enjoy an evening of mouthwatering chocolates, chocolate truffle wine pairings and tons of prizes, including a chocolate tower with speciality hand crafted Belgian chocolates that will tickle your tastebuds! The best part, you get to take home everything you make, and everyone leaves with chocolate and a prize! Partial proceeds go to the Sweet Smiles Society - Helping Children live the lives children should be living.

### Retro Nintendo - Mario Party

Sponsored by: Okanagan Regional Library  
Date: Thursday, Feb 8, 2024  
Time: 3:00pm-4:45pm  
Location: Okanagan Regional Library 2800 30th Ave.  
Admission: Free  
Kids Ages 5-12

Play Mario games on the Wii projected on the big screen. Make pixel art. Show your enthusiasm and skill in the costume contest.

### Art Tours at Mackie Lake House

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### Figure Skating Ice Show

Sponsored by: Vernon Figure Skating Club  
Date: Thursday, Feb 8, 2024  
Time: 6:00pm - 7:30pm  
Location: Kal Tire Arena  
Admission: \$10.00

Figure Skating Ice Show, Presented by the Vernon Figure Skating Club members



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### A Winter's Night Painting Party at Caetani

Sponsored by: Caetani Centre  
Date: Thursday, Feb 8, 2024  
Time: 6:30pm - 8:30pm  
Location: Caetani Centre: Sveva Caetani Gallery  
Admission: \$60.00  
Ages 19+

Come out of the cold during Carnival and explore your creative side at the Caetani Centre's winter-themed Painting Party. Join artist Destanne Norris to create your own work of art that celebrates Carnival and Silver Star. Enjoy wine (and other beverages), nibbles, socializing, and best of all, you get to keep the painting you create to take home and frame. All materials, food and beverage, and facilitation by our professional artist are included in your ticket.



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## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8

### Drag Trivia

Sponsored by: Vernon Pride & Okanagan Regional Library  
Date: Thursday, Feb 8, 2024  
Time: 6:30pm  
Location: Okanagan Regional Library  
Admission: FREE  
All Ages

Get ready to test your knowledge and have a blast at our "Trivia Night." This event is open to all ages, making it the perfect opportunity for families, friends, and individuals to come together for an evening of brain-teasing fun. All are welcome!

### Free Bachata Lesson For Couples

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Time: 7:00pm - 7:45pm  
Location: 3008 30 Avenue  
Admission: Free

### "The Harley Guy" Herb Dixon

#### Full Throttle Comedy Tour

Sponsored by: Train Wreck Comedy  
Date: Thursday, Feb 8, 2024  
Time: 7:30pm - 9:00pm  
Location: Towne Theatre  
Admission: \$35.00 plus tax  
Ages 19+

When it comes to nicknames, you don't get to choose your own! But let us tell you about someone with the most awesome nickname ever: Herb Dixon, aka "The Harley Guy." This dude can impersonate a Harley Davidson like nobody else on the planet. How cool is that? Herb is also one of the most in-demand stand-up comedians in North America and has been for the past 30 years. His high-energy shows are filled with hilarious stories, masterful sound impressions and jokes so good you will be telling them to your friends for weeks after the show. Let us give you the lowdown on Herb's epic journey. Not only did he rock the house at the massive 17,000-seat grandstand show during the Calgary Stampede, but he did it twice in a four-year span. Talk about a crowd-pleaser! In 2003, Herb got the ultimate opportunity to showcase his Harley Davidson impression at the 100-year anniversary event in Milwaukee, where he shared the stage with the legendary BB King. Herb blew away the tough biker crowd and proved that his Harley impression was top-notch. After that incredible experience, Herb hit the road and opened for some huge names. We're talking about opening acts for the likes of the Doobie Brothers, The Beach Boys, Blake Shelton, and LeAnne Rimes. Herb even got to share the stage with Kenny Chesney at the famous Sturgis Motorcycle Rally in 2009. From sold-out theatres to diverse cruise ship crowds, Herb Dixon has rocked them all and truly is a comedian you need to see to believe!

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Time: 7:00pm - 7:45pm  
Location: 3008 30 Avenue  
Admission: Free



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## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

### Family Fun Park

Presented by: Kal Tire & Vernon Winter Carnival

Game Sponsors: TMS, Castanet, Vernon Nissan, Laing Roofing, Kal Rotary, Tim Horton's, Total Restoration, Tourism, Okanagan Science Centre, Nor-val Rentals

Date: Friday, Feb 9, 2024

Time: 12:00pm - 8:00pm

Admission: Free

Join us for a fabulous day of fun! Dress warm and come to the Family Fun Park! Enter through our giant igloo and enjoy hot chocolate, face painting and games galore! Try our ice slide, gnome roam, human fooseball, broomball, and more! We light up Friday night with a Fire Juggling show from Kinshira and Fireworks! Electric Fat Bike on site with free bike rides! Vernon Motor Sports on site with free on mini-snowmobiles! Maximum height 56". Family Fun Park is by donation.

12-5 Fat Bikes

12-5 Snowmobiles

5pm Fire Show Kinshira

6pm Fireworks

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### St. James Family Fling

Sponsored by: St. James School

Date: Friday, Feb 9, 2024

Time: 5:00pm to 8:00pm

Location: St. James School

Admission: \$5.00

The St James Family Fling is so much fun! It's the perfect place to dance the night away. Dress up as your favourite 'GAME', get creative and have fun.. and make memories to last a lifetime. Limited tickets available at the door.

### Special Adults Valentine's Chocolate Class

Sponsored by: Cotton's Chocolates

Date: Friday, Feb 9, 2024

Time: 5:45pm to 8:45pm

Location: Cotton's Chocolates - 3334 30th Ave.

Admission: \$129.50 per person - Maximum 8 people

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### Pride Game Night

Sponsored by: Vernon Pride

Date: Friday, Feb 9, 2024

Time: 6:00pm to 8:00pm

Location: The Boarding House Cafe

Admission: \$6.00 pay at the Boarding House Cafe

Join us for a fun-filled "Game Night at the Boarding House Café" where friends and strangers alike come together to enjoy an evening of laughter, competition, and camaraderie. The cafe changes into a hub of excitement as we roll out a variety of board games, card games, and more for all to enjoy. All are welcome!

### Bounce & Glow Teen Night

Sponsored by: City of Vernon Recreation Centre & Vernon Winter Carnival

Date: Friday, Feb 9, 2024

Details: 6:00pm - 8:00pm in Auditorium/Gym

6:00pm - 9:00pm Swim

Location: Vernon Recreation Centre

Admission: Free

Ages 13-18

Pool 2-for-1 youth swim

Calling all teenagers for our first ever Bounce and Glow at Teen Night! All the usual treats and prizes you love PLUS inflatable attractions that will have you defying gravity while glowing up the dark with our selection of glow sticks and more! Enjoy awesome music that will keep the party alive, make a splash with 2 for 1 swimming at our fantastic pool, and shoot some hoops in the gym. Join us for the ultimate Teen Night at the Vernon Recreation Centre, where the fun never stops!

### Winter Blues Band

Sponsored by: Historic O'Keefe Ranch

Date: Friday, Feb 9, 2024

Time: 7:00pm to 9:00pm

Location: O'Keefe Ranch 9380 Hwy 97N

Admission: \$25.00

Get ready for a night of blues magic at the Ranch! Join us for the renowned Blues band, Poppa Dawg, featuring the iconic 'Rick 'Poppa Dawg' Halisheff. With his powerful vocals, extraordinary guitar skills, and unique 'talkbox' sound, he's been a staple in the Western Canadian blues scene for over 25 years. But we're not stopping at music! Enjoy our "Black and Blue Family Feud" at the O'Keefe Ranch, where you can play, dance, and laugh the night away. Our licensed bar will be ready with your favorite drinks, and we'll keep your energy up with complimentary chips and salsa. Don't miss this one-of-a-kind blues experience - we'll make you "fight till your back and blue" with music, celebrate the "black of night" in style, and leave you with a "black eye" of delight. See you at the Ranch!

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Date: Thursday, Feb 8 - Sunday Feb 11, 2024  
Time: 8:00am - 10:00pm  
Location: Kal Tire Place Arena 3445 - 43 Avenue  
Admission: Tickets available at the door

Don't miss the Annual Coca-Cola Pee Wee Hockey Tournament at Kal Tire Place! Eight teams will participate in one of Western Canada's best rated and most exciting PeeWee Hockey tournaments. The stars of tomorrow are here today. Alumni & Locals Night Friday Feb 9 - visit [theclassic.ca](http://theclassic.ca)

### Pancake Breakfast

Sponsored by: Halina Activity Centre  
Date: Saturday, Feb 10, 2024  
Time: 8:00am - 11:30am  
Location: Halina Activity Centre - 3310 - 37 Ave  
Admission: \$8/person - Kids under 6 eat free

Indulge in a Winter Carnival Treat! Warm up your winter with a scrumptious pancake breakfast at the Halina Activity Centre. We're celebrating the Vernon Winter Carnival, and you're invited to savor the fluffy goodness of pancakes with a delightful twist - we're serving them with a generous topping of fresh, juicy blueberries! This family friendly event promises a hearty and wholesome breakfast that will leave you smiling and ready to enjoy all the Winter Carnival festivities. Don't miss out on this delicious tradition. Bring your family and friends for a delightful morning in the heart of winter wonderland. For more information, contact us at 250-542-2877. Please note that all proceeds go towards supporting the Halina Activity Centre's community programs. Join us for a warm and tasty start to your Winter Carnival Experience!

### SaturPLAY

Sponsored by: BCG Okanagan  
Date: Saturday, Feb 10, 2024  
Time: 8:30am - 12:30pm  
Location: BGC Okanagan Vernon Gym 3300-37th Avenue  
Admission: Free

Join BGC Okanagan for their famous Satur/PLAY drop in style playgroup between the hours of 8:30am and 12:30pm for a winter wonderland full of GAMES, winter carnival crafts, winter snacks, songs and stories.

### Bubble Tea Making

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### Carnival Kickball

Sponsored by: Whitehouse Mortgages  
Date: Saturday, Feb 10, 2024  
Time: 10:00am - 4:00pm Schedule TBD  
Location: Sawicki Park  
Admission: \$350 per team  
Ages 12+

Want to feel like a kid again?? Get your friends together for a fun weekend in the snow playing your favorite childhood game.....CALIFORNIA KICKBALL or as we like to call it Carnival Kickball!! Our theme in 2024 is Games and we highly encourage costumes (including prizes for them!) so join the fun and gear up! Players must be 12 years and older to participate. Team maximum 18 players. Beverage garden and concession will be available on site during games. Register by December 15th and save \$50 on your team registration PLUS each team member on the roster will get a drink ticket for the beer garden.

### Polar Bear Market

Sponsored by: Mission Hill Elementary PAC  
Date: Saturday, Feb 10, 2024  
Time: 10:00am - 2:00pm  
Location: Paddlewheel Hall  
Admission: Free

Come to the 3rd annual Polar Bear Market at Paddlewheel Hall, with lots of treasures to be found. Concession of hot dogs and hot chocolate, by donation. Silent Auction from 10 am to 130 pm. Join outside by the fire pit or partake in the Polar Bear Swim at 1 pm. All money raised goes to support the children of Mission Hill School.



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### Family Fun Park

Presented by: Kal Tire & Vernon Winter Carnival  
Game Sponsors: TMS, Castanet, Vernon Nissan, Laing Roofing, Kal Rotary, Tim Horton's, Total Restoration, Tourism, Okanagan Science Centre, Nor-val Rentals  
Date: Saturday, Feb 10, 2024  
Time: 10:00am - 6:00pm  
Admission: Free

Join us for a fabulous day of fun! Enter through our giant igloo and enjoy hot chocolate, face painting and games galore! Try our ice slide, gnome roam, giant Foosball, broomball, and more! Electric Fat Bike on site with free bike rides! It's your chance to try an electric fat bike! Vernon Motor Sports on site with free on mini-snowmobiles! Maximum height 56" Dress warm and come to the Family Fun Park! Family Fun Park is by donation.  
12-5 Fat Bikes  
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### JCI Vernon Rockstars Curling Bonspiel

Sponsored by: Junior Chamber International Vernon  
Date: Saturday, Feb 10, 2024  
Time: 10:00am - 2:00pm  
Location: Vernon Curling Club  
Admission: Team Price Only  
Ages 19+

Come one! Come all! A fun day of curling, dinner and prizes!



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### Chili Cook Off

Sponsored by: Downtown Vernon Association and 107.5 Beach Radio  
Date: Saturday, Feb 10, 2024  
Time: 12:00pm - 3:00pm  
Location: Downtown Vernon - various locations  
Admission: \$7.00 per passport - available to purchase Jan29

It's back! The one-day chili event of the year where you decide who has the best chili in town! The Classic Chili Cook off is back for it's 15th year and is one of Vernon's hottest food tasting events, featuring authentic chili recipes served by Vernon's most talented chefs and eateries.

### Polar Bear Swim

Sponsored by: Mission Hill Elementary PAC  
Date: Saturday, Feb 10, 2024  
Time: 12:30pm - 1:30pm  
Location: Paddlewheel Beach  
Admission: Registration \$10/person \$25/Family

Want the biggest thrill of all? Jump into the lake! Check out Paddlewheel hall for the Polar Bear Market, Silent Auction, and a cash concession. Registration starts at 12 pm on the beach. Swim is at 1 pm. Registration fee \$10 per person, Family rate \$25. All money raised goes to children at Mission Hill Elementary.

### Jess4Kids Relay Fundraiser

Sponsored by: Sovereign Lake Nordic Club  
Date: Saturday, Feb 10, 2024  
Time: 1:00pm - approx 3:00pm  
Location: Paddlewheel Beach  
Admission: \$40.00 / team of 4

Dress Up in Team Costumes and bring friends, family, or co-workers of all ages together to form teams of 4 to take part in our Relay Challenge. 2 skiers and 2 snowshoers will duke it out with other teams for glorious prizes. Suitable for all levels of ability, There are awards and prizes for best costumes and team spirit so make it count! This year's Winter Carnival theme is 'Games' so take that idea and run with it when you are coming up with team costumes! Apres hot chocolate and treats. All proceeds directly benefit the Jess4Kids Ski Scholarship Fund, a fund created in memory of a Sovereign Lake member. This fund provides ski and snowshoe opportunities through our club to youth, families, and schools in our community. Registration opens Jan5th - link on website under events

### LGBTQ+ Trivia

Sponsored by: Family Resource Centre  
Date: Saturday, Feb 10, 2024  
Time: 2:00pm - 3:30pm  
Location: Family Resource Centre 3303 30 St, Vernon, BC V1T 5E4  
Admission: Free

Test your knowledge of 2SLGBTQIA+ community, history, music, and art! Eat snacks! Compete for fun prizes! 2SLGBTQIA+ community and allies welcome!

### 13th Winter Carnival Blues Festival

Sponsored by: Army, Navy, Air Force Veterans Club  
Date: Saturday, Feb 10, 2024  
Time: Doors open at 6:00pm  
Live music from 6:30pm to 10:00pm  
Location: A.N.A.F. Vernon  
Admission: \$35  
Ages 19+

Join us at the Army, Navy, Air Force Veterans Club in Vernon for 2 stages of non-stop blues. Sherman Doucette and his Tank Full of Blues, Cat Wells Blues Band, Cadillac Jack and the Blue Tones, Del Rango and the Derailers will entertain you with 2 ample dance floors to boogie the night away. Some snacks available to purchase.

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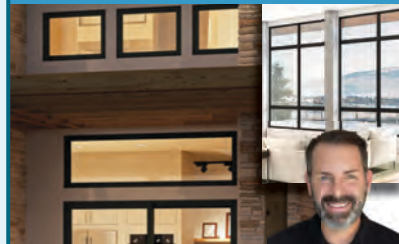
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### Jumanji Dance Party!

Date: Saturday, Feb 10, 2024  
Time: 7:00pm to 11:00pm  
Location: City Dance 4411 29 Street, Vernon  
Admission: \$25.00  
Ages 19+

Dare to enter the CITY DANCE JUNGLE for an evening of dancing, mini lessons, performances, games and FUN! "Don't be fooled, it isn't thunder... missing this would be a blunder. Roll the dice and take a chance, get your tickets...come and DANCE!"



### Parents Night Out | Game Night for Kids

Sponsored by: Vernon's BEST Summer Camp & Sundance Martial Arts  
Date: Saturday, Feb 10, 2024  
Time: 6:00pm to 9:00pm  
Location: Sundance Martial Arts  
Admission: \$30 per child  
Ages 6-12 years  
You MUST Pre-register Call or text 250-306-2285

It's time for another awesome PARENT'S NIGHT OUT! Parents just like you LOVE our Parents Night Out! Does your child love FUN? PIZZA? GAMES? (yes!) You are probably wondering... What is a "Parent's Night Out?" Well, it's simple... You get to enjoy a fun evening all to yourself, while your child has a blast playing games, winning prizes, and hanging out with friends in a fun and safe environment. Parents love this event! You will be able to go out to your favourite restaurant, go see a new movie, or simply enjoy some peace and quiet at home! What will you choose to do during this time?  
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### Science After Hours: Whodunnit?

Sponsored by: Okanagan Science Centre  
Date: Saturday, Feb 10, 2024  
Time: 6:00pm to Midnight  
Location: Okanagan Science Centre 2704 hwy 6  
Admission: \$100 per team of 4  
Ages 19+

A murder mystery game night like no other - the scientists at the Okanagan Science Centre need your help! Join us for an exhilarating and immersive adult-only experience as we bring the classic board game CLUE to life! Work in teams to collect clues and gather evidence, find hidden items, and solve riddles that will lead you to the answers. The more you investigate, the closer your team will be to revealing the murderer, the weapon of choice, and the room where the murder occurred. Dress the part - prizes will be awarded for the best costumes! Delectable dining - food trucks will be onsite and our cocktail bar (not included in the ticket price). The climax of the evening will see accusations and revelations as the murderer is finally unmasked. Will your team solve the mystery?

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### Starting Block 10K Running Race and 3K Fun Run

Sponsored by: Kal RATS  
 Date: Sunday, Feb 11, 2024  
 Time: 10:00am to 1:00pm  
 Location: Lavington Elementary School -9715 School Rd, Coldstream  
 Admission: \$35 for 10k and \$10 for 3K Fun Run

The Kal RATS (Running and Triathlon Sports Club) would like to host once again the 10K Starting Block Running Race and 3K Fun Run in association with Interior Running Association and the Starting Block Running Store in Vernon. This event will take place 10:00 am Feb 11th at Lavington Elementary School (9715 School Rd. Coldstream BC V1B 3G4). The Starting Block 10k has been a stalwart of the Kal RATS Running and Triathlon Club and the Interior Running Association Road Race Series for over 30 years. The 10k course is and gentle rolling with an in and out back loop through rural/residential and agricultural countryside. Age group awards in the first 3 of age group. Expect ice and snow. The 3K Fun Run is an all paved flat loop out and back. No placing or awards for 3k. Capacity is limited so visit the KalRATS website to sign up today! \$35 for the 10k. \$10 for the 3k. Registration online [www.kalrats.com](http://www.kalrats.com).

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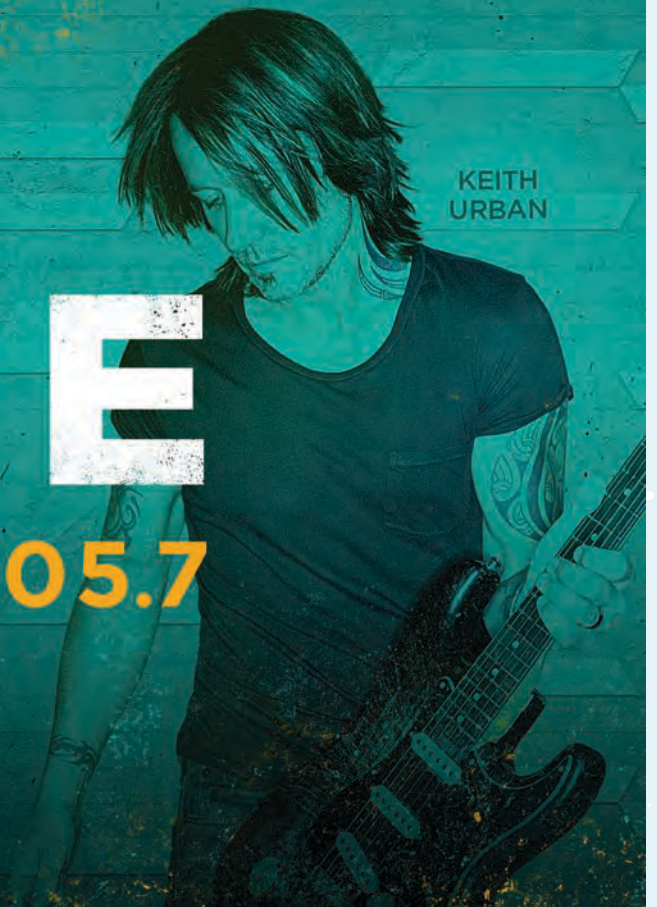
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"We won every tournament we entered that year, including the Vernon Winter Carnival tournament which, as a kid, you always wanted to play in that tournament, we also won the provincials that year. It was a great team with great guys that are friends to this day, great coaches and and great parent support."

## Brent Gilchrist

- Retired NHL



"Everything was exciting about that tournament. They made you feel like a star with the banquet and the parade. There was a team from Ontario so it was a pretty big deal."

## Andrew Ebbett

- Retired NHL

"The Winter Carnival was an awesome experience, I remember playing in front of a packed Civic Arena and the atmosphere was great, not to mention the opportunity to have a team float in the parade"

## Curtis Lazar

- NHL



"One of the highlights of my hockey career was carrying the Canadian flag as captain during the opening ceremony of the Winter Carnival tournament"

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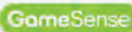
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Admission: \$350 per team  
Ages 12+

Want to feel like a kid again?? Get your friends together for a fun weekend in the snow playing your favorite childhood game.....CALIFORNIA KICKBALL or as we like to call it Carnival Kickball! Our theme in 2024 is Games and we highly encourage costumes (including prizes for them!) so join the fun and gear up! Players must be 12 years and older to participate. Team maximum 18 players. Beverage garden and concession will be available on site during games. Register by December 15th and save \$50 on your team registration PLUS each team member on the roster will get a drink ticket for the beer garden.

### Children/Youth Classes - Carnival of Chocolate

Sponsored by: Cotton's Chocolates  
Date: Sunday, Feb 11, 2024  
Time: 1:00pm to 2:30pm  
Location: Cotton's Chocolates - 3334 30th Ave.  
Admission: \$59.50 per person - Maximum 10 people per class  
Ages 6-12 years

The most delicious event in town returns to Vernon Winter Carnival! Register your kids for the Carnival of Chocolate! Kids will get to learn the art of chocolatiering from the local master Barrita Durward. Take home everything you make from this SWEET party, plus make a tasty batch of Cotton Candy to take home as well!

### SnoGolf

Sponsored by: Vernon Craft Distilleries, Vernon Golf & Country Club  
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Vernon Winter Carnival  
Date: Sunday, Feb 11, 2024  
Time: 12:00pm to 4:00pm  
Location: Sawicki Park  
Admission: \$180 per team of 4  
Ages 19+

A Canadian Classic returns to Winter Carnival! Register your foursome and prepare to have the most fun you've had all winter! Basically anything goes in Snogolf! Bring a "club" some examples include a hockey stick, a driver or maybe a frozen fish! Dress up with your team and enjoy a day of "golf" including tons of prizes, fun and games! The greens are called "whites" and the name of the game is to have fun. Our theme in 2024 is Games and we highly encourage costumes (including prizes for them!) so join the fun and gear up! Space is limited. Includes prizes and fun! This year there will be a bbq and beverage garden on site, too. No golf experience needed!



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## Happy Days Seniors Sock Hop featuring the *Legendary Lake Monsters*

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# BALLOON GLOW

Balloons are scheduled to GLOW at 5pm BUT this is weather dependant and they can only stay lit for as long as conditions are safe. (approx 45 min). Kinshira Fire Show will also be on the same night!

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## FREE TRANSIT Feb 2, 2024



- Note this is only for Routes 1 to 9.
- Transfers will not be provided.
- Free transit will **NOT** be provided on the regional routes (Routes 60, 61, 90).



## WE VOLUNTEERS

Vernon Winter Carnival celebrated 335 volunteers in 2023. Wow! Whether you helped organize events, hauled games and decor, flipped burgers, offered a helping hand, or simply shared a friendly smile, your contributions have made a lasting impact. We love our Vernon Winter Carnival volunteers! If you are interested in helping in 2024, email [office@vernonwintercarnival.com](mailto:office@vernonwintercarnival.com)



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