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**YAHK KINGSGATE  
COMMUNITY  
NEWSLETTER**



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*Bill Whitehouse  
Deputy Chief  
Yahk Kingsgate Volunteer  
Fire Department*

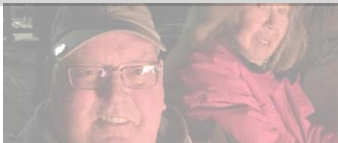
The fire department will be having a table at the Christmas Craft Fair Saturday December 7<sup>th</sup> at the Yahk Kingsgate Hall. You will be able to meet some of the members and ask them any questions you would like about your Fire Department. You will be able to see some of the new equipment that your tax dollars pay for which help us do a better job and keep us safe.

As an example we have new structure fire fighter helmets with built in lights, all new self-contained breathing apparatus with high pressure bottles which gives us longer service time.

We have also just purchased new wildlands helmets complete with face shields and ear muffs. Plus new wildlands boots for the whole department.

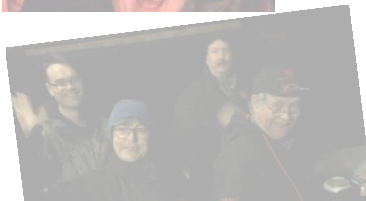
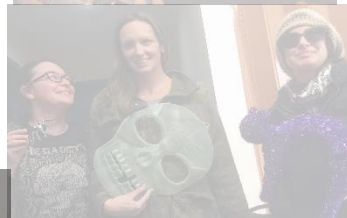
As always if you would like to join we could always use new members.

Call Tom 424-5579 or Bill 424-5583 or come down to the Fire Hall Wednesdays at 6 pm.



**Learn a Skill!  
Pie Makers wanted for  
the Christmas Craft Fair...**

Do you want to learn how to bake Pies? Or want to help? We want YOU!  
Contact Judy Dickson  
250-254-5025



**Events & Happenings**



**Remembrance Day  
November 11<sup>th</sup> 2019**

Please arrive by 10:30 am at the hall.

**Christmas Craft Fair  
10 am – 3 pm Saturday  
December 7<sup>th</sup>**

Vendors Tables available \$15  
Plus we have a Luncheon and Seniors raffle  
Contact: Lynn Berry 250-424-6945  
or Judy Dickson 250-254-5025

**AGM**

**7 pm Monday December 9<sup>th</sup>  
Location: Yahk Kingsgate Hall**

3 Positions for board are available. Join the team and share your experience...make that difference in your community.

**Christmas Kids Party  
6 pm Friday December 20<sup>th</sup>  
Location: Yahk Kingsgate Hall**

Please bring goodies.  
To register your children (12 and under)  
contact :

Tara 250-254-2152

**Other upcoming items:**

**Christmas Dinner December 25<sup>th</sup>** : all welcome – YKRS is putting this on.

**Community Appreciation event TBA** (keep watching!)

**Committee meetings**

Please join us to share your vision.

**Events Committee:** Last Tuesday of the Month at 7 pm.

**Newsletter Committee:**

2nd Thursday of the month at 11 am

Below: Thanksgiving 2019 great turn out of 60 people, tones of desserts



## Additional Hall Activities

**Monday Open Gym Night:** 6 pm all welcome, and no physical restrictions. contact [Jodi.boots@gmail.com](mailto:Jodi.boots@gmail.com)

**Walk and Stretch: Tuesdays & Thursdays 9 am** drop in ... everyone welcome!

### **Seniors Club:**

Come join us every Wednesday at 12:30 pm. Lunch 1 pm, chat & catch up, play games. Usually done by 3:30 pm.

**Qigong** anyone interested in learning & practicing the 12 Rivers Form at the Hall please contact Penny 250-254-9393 with your availability.



### **Archives workshop participants**

We now have the skills to continue the archiving process. Work will be progressing through the winter

### **November's Kidz Kount Contest**

Win a prize from **Arlen Crawford** By Naming the Remembrance Day related items in this newsletter. Write down your answers along with your name, age and phone number on a piece of paper and drop it in the suggestion box at the Hall.

Three winners will be drawn from the correct entries on November 20th 2019.

**Submission deadline:**  
**November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

Winners will be contacted by phone  
(Contestants must be under 18 years)  
(Limit: one entry per contestant)

### **Octobers Kidz Kount**

Thank you to  
**Yahk Kingsgate Volunteer  
Fire Department**  
for donating the prizes!

## Community Contribution

### **Egg Carton Fire Starters**

It's that time of year for a cozy fire in the woodstove or fireplace, even outside!

What you need:

- used egg cartons
- old candles or similar wax
- double boiler, or coffee can with sauce pan to boil water
- sawdust
- cotton cord for wick (optional)

1. Fill egg cups about  $\frac{3}{4}$  full of sawdust.
2. Melt wax in double boiler, or coffee can set inside some water in a saucepan.
3. Cut a piece of the cord 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. and place in each cup as a wick. This is optional, as they will burn without a wick, but seem easier to light with one.
4. Pour melted wax over the sawdust in each cup to saturate and hold the wick in place.
5. Cool until hardened.

Note: Each cup will burn about 5 minutes and easily ignites the kindling placed over it starting the fire quickly.

Option ii : Dip a Paper Towel in melted wax, then let dry. Tear or cut a strip of it. Place in your fire with kindling, start. This method also creates a longer flame time to light your stove.

*Contributed by  
Lynn Berry & Krista Bunskoek*

## **Editor's Note**

If you would like to contribute, give feedback or even be part of this committee, please contact editor:  
Penny A.P. Anderson (250) 254-9393.

The newsletters are on our website:  
[www.yahkkingsgate.com](http://www.yahkkingsgate.com)

### **A note from our YKRS Board President**

Firstly, I would like to welcome some new members to our hall team, Ashley Parr in the library, Roberta Hill looking after the garbage drop off and Sonya Croot in janitorial. Also I welcome Jenna Traxel who has agreed to fill our vacant board position of treasurer.

We had a three day workshop for the archive room, now we have some training and direction to keeping our records. Thanks to all those who attended.

Our AGM is fast approaching, December 9th, there are three board positions for election this year. If you have an interest in running for the board and would like more information about what is involved please feel free to contact me anytime.

Dave St Germain, President, YKRS Board  
[www.yahkkingsgate.com](http://www.yahkkingsgate.com)

**NOTE: The next Board meeting will be held on November 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm**

### **Board Members & Contacts**

|                  |                |
|------------------|----------------|
| Dave St Germain: | (250) 254-5596 |
| Jenna Traxel:    | (403) 336-0217 |
| Paul Wilson:     | (306) 861-4566 |
| Lynn Berry:      | (250) 424-6945 |
| Arlen Crawford:  | (403) 627-7397 |
| Derk Bunskoek:   | (604) 722-5384 |
| Randie Stone:    | (250) 435-2400 |

### **Hall Services Schedule:** 8790 Railway Ave., Yahk, BC

#### **Library Hours:**

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| Monday    | 6 pm – 8 pm  |
| Wednesday | 1 pm – 3 pm  |
| Saturday  | 9 am – 11 am |

#### **Garbage drop off available:**

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| Wednesday | 11 am – 1 pm |
| Saturday  | 11 am – 1 pm |

- (\$2.50 per household size garbage bag)
- Recycling bins are available daily.

### **The Yahk-Kingsgate Community Hall Contact Information**

P.O. Box 13  
8790 Railway Ave  
Yahk, BC. V0B 2P0  
Phone: **(250) 424-5462**  
email: [ykrsboard@gmail.com](mailto:ykrsboard@gmail.com)  
[www.yahkkingsgate.com](http://www.yahkkingsgate.com)

### Other Contacts

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|---------------------------------------|------------------------|--|
| Report a Forest Fire:                 | 1 800 663-5555         | or: *5555 (Cell)   |
| Fire Bans/Restrictions:               | 1 888 797-1717         | <a href="http://bcfireinfo.for.gov.bc.ca">bcfireinfo.for.gov.bc.ca</a> |
| Creston Conservation Officer:         | James Barber:          | 877 952-7277   |
| RDCK Area B Director:                 | Tanya Wall:            | 250 428-1993   |
| Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA): | Hon. Michelle Mungall: | 250 354-5944   |
| Member of Parliament (MP):            | Rob Morrison:          | tba  |