October 24, 2025

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Upcoming Community Events for the 2025 Christmas Season

Hayes Creek Fire Craft and Bake Fair

November 9 - 10am - 3pm

Shop for beautiful handmade items made by our local Artisans, Bakers and Crafters. Craft tables are available to pre-book for $15 and a baked item donation. Everyone is welcome to donate a baked item or preserves for the Bake Fair. Shop early for the best selection of delicious treats! A light lunch will be available by donation.

You can also purchase tickets for the Limited Edition "Roman Holiday" 2025 quilt made by the Real Crafty Ladies. The quilt is 83" x 101" (approx. queen size).
Quilt raffle tickets are 1 for $10 or 3 for $25. Draw date: Saturday, Dec. 6, 2025 at the PotLuck Dinner
For more information or to purchase raffle tickets, email Donna or Sara: events@hayescreek.ca

Hayes Creek Community Potluck Dinner

Saturday, December 6 - starts at 5:00 pm

All local residents and their guests are invited to this annual free event. Roasted turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, and gravy will be provided, but please bring a special food item to share, and any 'special' seasonal beverages you want to enjoy. Bring a spare 'bottle' and join in on the reverse bottle draw! Please RSVP, including what food item you'll be bringing, to: events@hayescreek.ca before November 24.

Santa Run

Tuesday, December 24

If you have property in the Osprey/Link Lakes area and would like Santa and his elves to visit your under 10 years old children on Christmas Eve, just email us before December 20 at: santa@ospreylake.ca. Please include children names, lake address, and contact information. We will provide candy bags, but to ensure your children get a gift they really want, we request the parents provide wrapped gifts with name tags. Specific details and timing will be emailed to those properties participating.

Snow Golf

Tuesday, December 31 - 2:00 pm sharp

Come and enjoy our unique 'Golf on ice' experience on Osprey Lake. Clubs and balls are both provided. We will have **two** celebrity designed 6 hole championship courses, and will feature a shotgun start. Roasted hot dogs and delicious hot chocolate are included - only **$10/person** collected, in cash, at the event. The starting point is at Mitchells - 4071 Lakesyde Rd (on Osprey Lake). Prize donations are requested to make it an even better day for the golfers.

11th Annual New Year's Eve Fireworks

Wednesday, December 31 - 11:45 pm

Best viewed from the ice, directly in front of the Osprey Lake Forestry Campsite (approx. 4199 Princeton Summerland Rd). Join the large on-ice group around the campfires. It usually lasts just under 1/2 hour - a fantastic display! We request a **$10/person** cash donation to help offset the costs. If you don't get a chance to pay at the 2025 event, you can also just eTransfer your donation to: ratepayers@ospreylake.ca

September 19 Forest Fire

We were all very fortunate to have had our local Hayes Creek and Erris Volunteer Firefighters available to fight this fire. It was called in at about 8:00pm and located less than one km from many nearby residential buildings. Along with the BC Wildfire Service, helicopters, water bombers, and water transported from Hayes Creek's new pumping station, it was under control within a day. We were also lucky there was virtually no wind or other nearby fires, which would have reduced the number of firefighters and equipment the Wildfire Service would have had available. For all the locals who helped out directly and those 'support' people who provided food and refreshments to all those involved, a big thank you. What a great community.

Upcoming Events for 2026

Hayes Creek Fire - Pancake Breakfast

November 2, 2025 - 9:30 to 11:00 am (and starting again in February on the first Sunday of each month) at the Hayes Creek Community Hall - Full breakfast with pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausages, muffins, toast, tea/coffee and juice. $15 for Adults and $5 for children under 10. All residents and guests are welcome.

Family Day Winter Festival

Sunday, February 15, 2026 - 11:00 am to 2:00 pm - Osprey Lake Forestry Campground at approximately 4175 Princeton Summerland Rd. A family friendly community event with free food, ice skating, and fun around a campfire. We will also have Poker Hands available for $10 each with some great prizes. Please, no dogs.

Hayes Creek - Annual General Meeting

Sunday, April 2026 - date TBC - 11:00 am

Children's Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 5, 2026 – starting 11:00 am

Ratepayers' - Annual General Meeting

Sunday, May 17, 2026 - 11:00 am

40th Annual Corn Roast - 2025

This year was one of the best we've ever had, with glorious weather gracing our events! With sunny skies and temperatures soaring up to 30°C, everyone sought shade, and we were glad to have our large tarp on hand to keep everyone comfortable.

Fishing Derby Kicked Off the Fun

The festivities began on Friday with our much-anticipated Fishing Derby, attracting 75 enthusiastic participants. This year, we witnessed some incredible catches, including a record-breaking winner at just over 3 pounds! Notably, six other fish surpassed the winning size from last year's competition, showcasing the larger fish in our lake.

Games and Outdoor Movie Night

Saturday morning buzzed with excitement as we set up for the day's activities, which started a variety of adult games. Bocce attracted 60 players, while Corn Hole broke records with a whopping 104 participants enjoying friendly competition. As the sun set, we introduced a new family event: a movie under the stars featuring the beloved classic "Cars." Approximately 60 attendees, including many adults, gathered to enjoy this cinematic experience together.

The Sunday Main Event

On Sunday, the energy was palpable as about 50 children participated in the bike parade, drawing the cheers of over 200 parents, relatives, and neighbors. Breakfast was served up deliciously with a Hayes Creek spread of pancakes and sausages for a record 206 guests! Following breakfast, the kids raced, crafted, and fished, each leaving with ribbons and treats, smiling from ear to ear.

As the day progressed, it was time for the adults to take center stage with a Cake Walk featuring 70 donated cakes, a Mac n Cheese contest where six participants showcased their best dishes, and the lively 'lets get wet' Canoe Races. Raffles kept everyone excited, and we closed the afternoon with spirited bingo games.

Changes for 2026

After running the Corn Roast for the last 20 years, I thought it was time to turn it over to someone new. Although it will remain on our property, Chris Boyd and Brooke Lewis have agreed to take over running it next year. I appreciate the offer to do this and believe they will do a great job - Alan.

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