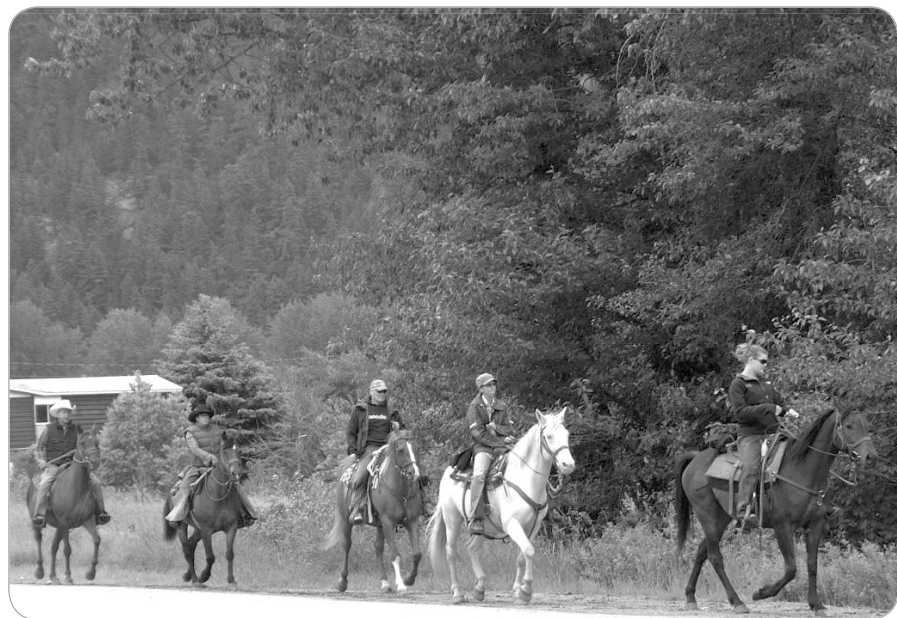




Village of **PEMBERTON** | *Community Update*



Pemberton Clip-Clops Into Motion, at the annual Rick Hansen fundraiser. More than 25 riders reclaimed the streets in the name of spinal cord research. The Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion fund has supported the One Mile Lake trail network. Enhancing the One Mile beach, with new picnic tables, is a priority for Council in the forthcoming year.

What's Up, Pemberton?

Here's what Pembertonians wanted to know at the June 5 Town Hall meeting.

What's being done about the water quality? Pemberton water is acidic which has an impact on the life span of water heaters and fixtures. Before the quality issue can be addressed, the Village's first concern is to enhance the quantity of water. Developing a secondary well has been a top order priority. After drilling several test wells, a location for the second well has been secured in Pioneer Park. An application for funding from the Canada/BC Infrastructure grants has been filed, to finance the well and a water treatment facility. Treatment, as required by Vancouver Coastal Health, will add a pH conditioner that will redress the acidity, and chlorination to protect against contamination.

Where's the Community Centre at? The Community Centre is a joint initiative, but administered by the regional district. The Village of Pemberton has input into the project on the Pemberton Valley Utilities and Services Committee (formerly Joint Operations.) Because of an increase in

size, the relocation of the old library/youth centre, a water line and a traffic impact study, the scope and cost of the facility has increased. This may postpone the construction of the Water Park and Skate Park until additional funds can be secured. More than \$1.5 million in grant money has already been sourced to fund the Centre, including a Live Sites grant. The current projection is for a February 2008 opening.

Why isn't the By-Law officer ticketing for wayward dogs? By-law enforcement was identified by the community as our number one priority in 2006. Following a 6 month trial period, with an emphasis on education and awareness, the By-Law officer's contract has been renewed for 12 months. The Village has been enforcing a two-strikes policy, with secondary offenders being ticketed for contraventions to the By-Law. Enforcement will be stepped up in 2007. Visit www.pemberton.ca to read more.

Who's priority is the revitalization of the downtown core? Creating a Business Improvement Area as part of downtown revitalization is a form of self-taxation that needs to be initiated by the affected business owners. The Village of Pemberton will continue to support the vitality of the downtown, and has prioritized installing sidewalk and trees along the south side of Birch Street. Underground, this will also entail upgrading substandard sewer and water

lines and ensuring adequate drainage. Through the incredible contribution of local community groups, the Village is committed to supporting revitalization with the resources that we have, and thanks residents (our greatest resource) for their volunteer labour and initiatives.

I wanna know, who's responsible?! The Village's core business is the operation and maintenance of municipal infrastructure - roads, sewer, water, parks - and the daily upkeep of the town - lights, banners, landscaping, snowploughing, animal control. With a small, largely residential taxbase, the Village is committed to fiscal responsibility, and has made reinvesting back into our basic infrastructure its first priority. Beyond that, as Mayor Jordan Sturdy says, "Our role is to help facilitate community initiatives, and then to get out of the way." Joint initiatives with the Squamish Lillooet Regional District include recreation (the Community Centre, playing fields, trails), regional transit, waste management and the Economic Development Officer.

The Village thanks all those residents who attended the first Town Hall meeting for their input and energy. The 2007 Strategic Plan is available online at www.pemberton.ca.

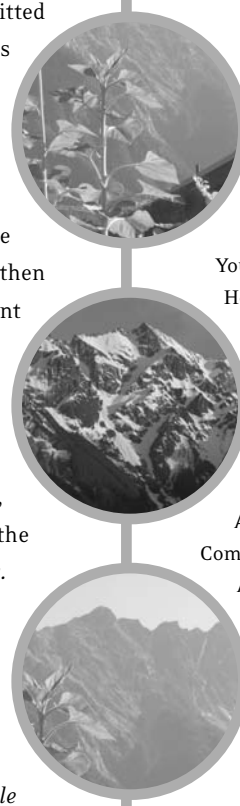
REDUCE comes before **REUSE**, **RECYCLE** and the Village of Pemberton recently passed a resolution to support the reduction of plastic bag use in Pemberton by 80%. A free community seminar on reducing plastic bag use has been organized by a new environmental committee, chaired by Councillor Jennie Helmer. Come by the Locals' Living Room on Wednesday, 20 June, 7pm. Bring your own mug, and join in on the conversation that is making plastic-bag free waves through communities across North America.

RECYCLE: Make Wednesday night your night for dumpster diving. (or Drop-off.) The new and improved Pemberton Household Waste and Recycling Station at the Industrial Park offers a one-stop shop for all waste drop-off, including recyclables, household garbage, e-waste, drywall and old appliances. Its relocation also means that a visitor's first impression of Pemberton is no longer the detritus of our personal lives. Open weekends from 10am-5pm, and from 1pm - 5pm weekdays, with late night hours until 8pm every Wednesday.

REMEMBER Pemberton's Emergency Numbers

- PEMBERTON AMBULANCE - EMERGENCY: 604.894.6353
Non-Emergency: 604.894.6022
- PEMBERTON FIRE RESCUE - EMERGENCY: 604.894.6412
Non-Emergency: 604.938.4145
- PEMBERTON RCMP - EMERGENCY: 604-894-6126
Non-emergency: 604-894-6634

REGIONAL SHOWPIECE - On June 20 and 21, Pemberton will be the backdrop for Vancouver Coast and Mountains Regional Tourism Leaders Forum. Delegates will be in Pemberton for seminars, a BBQ dinner at the Adventure Ranch, and a handful of optional activities, including jetboating, golfing, horseback riding and soaring.



PROPERTY TAXES DUE JULY 3. Property Tax Notices for 2007 were mailed Friday May 25, and are due at the Village of Pemberton by 4:30pm, Tuesday July 3 2007 to avoid penalty. If you are eligible for the Home Owner Grant, don't forget that this must also be received by the Village office before 4:30pm July 3rd to avoid penalty. Your bank or mortgage company CANNOT claim your Home Owner Grant on your behalf. The Home Owner Grant Application in on the bottom of your tax notice and must be submitted each year!

RESPECT to the businesses who recently purchased bear bins, to help reduce bear conflicts in town. Respect also to the Pemberton Arts Council and the Advisory Design Review Committee for their work on the new street banners. All these initiatives contribute to a vital, attractive and safe downtown. Thank you!

