



September 2025

Community Newsletter



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BACK TO SCHOOL SAFETY

In Pincher Creek, the kids head back to school on Tuesday, September 3, which means they will be out in droves on the streets and pathways once again!

Please be extra cautious when passing kids walking or biking and pay closer attention to crosswalks and intersections (these are still considered crosswalks).

NEVER pass a school bus that has its lights flashing and stop sign extended!! This means that kids are getting on or off the bus and could be crossing the road in front of the bus.

Pay extra close attention to School and Playground Zones and slow down accordingly!

In accordance with the Traffic Safety Act:

- School zones (indicated by signs with a 30 km/hr speed limit posted beneath it) are in effect on school days from 8-9:30am, 11:30am-1:30pm, and 3-4:30pm
- Passing is not permitted within school zones
- Playground zones (indicated by signs with a 30 km/hr speed limit posted beneath it) are in effect from 8:30am until 1 hour after sunset.
- Playground and School areas (indicated by signs without a speed limit sign posted beneath it) are put in place to alert drivers that children may be near, and caution must be used when driving through the playground area.

For more details regarding traffic safety and school or playground zones and areas, please visit <https://www.alberta.ca/driver-guides-overview-and-pdf-versions>



NEW PINCHER CREEK HEALTHCARE COMMITTEE



Pincher Creek Healthcare Committee

Recognizing the need to support healthcare professionals in our region, Councillors from the Town of Pincher Creek, the M.D. of Pincher Creek, and the Village of Cowley have partnered to establish a new Healthcare Committee for the Pincher Creek district.

The committee was officially formed during the July 3, 2025 Town of Pincher Creek Committee of the Whole Meeting. Its purpose is to attract and retain healthcare professionals, advocate for healthcare services in the district, and build awareness of community healthcare needs.

COMMITTEE COMPOSITION

The Healthcare Committee brings together a broad range of voices, including:
Councillors from the Town of Pincher Creek, M.D. of Pincher Creek, and Village of Cowley
Representatives from Alberta Health Services (local and regional) and Southern Alberta Recruitment
Representatives from local medical clinics
Two community members at large (currently vacant)

The committee will meet monthly, with a mandate to examine healthcare trends, review legislation and municipal requirements, and provide quarterly reports to Joint Council.

CALL FOR MEMBERS AT LARGE

The Town is currently recruiting two members at large to join the Healthcare Committee. These positions are open to residents of the Town of Pincher Creek, the M.D. of Pincher Creek, or the Village of Cowley. Members at large will play an important role in representing the public voice, helping shape strategies to strengthen local healthcare, and supporting recruitment and retention of healthcare professionals.

Interested individuals can find the Terms of Reference and apply through the Town of Pincher Creek website at <https://pinchercreek.ca/health-committee>.

Apply by September 19, 2025.

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

2026 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES GRANT APPLICATIONS

IMPORTANT: Due to new reporting requirements for the province, we have updated the application and process. Please review the FAQ and Guidebook and use the Budget Reporting Template found at <https://pinchercreek.ca/fcss>.

The Pincher Creek & District Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) program provides financial support for the delivery of preventative social programs designed to enhance the well-being of individuals, families, and communities.

To be eligible, programs must:

- Be of a preventive nature that enhances the social well-being of individuals and families through promotion or intervention strategies provided at the earliest opportunity, and
- Do one or more of the following
 - help people to develop independence, strengthen coping skills and become more resistant to crisis;
 - help people to develop an awareness of social needs;
 - help people to develop interpersonal and group skills;
 - help people and communities to assume responsibility for decisions and actions which affect them;
 - provide supports that help sustain people as active participants in the community.

Programs and Services not eligible under the program include those that:

- provide primarily for the recreational needs or leisure time pursuits of individuals;
- are intended to sustain an individual or family (ie. Providing food, clothing or shelter);
- are primarily rehabilitative in nature; or
- duplicate services that are ordinarily provided by a government or government agency.

For questions, please contact Lindsey Johnson, FCSS and Special Projects Coordinator at 403-627-4406 or fcss@pinchercreek.ca

2026 FCSS Grant Funding Applications

Deadline September 19, 2025

Eligibility requirements and application can be found at

<https://pinchercreek.ca/fcss>



Questions? Contact
Lindsey at
403-627-4406 or
fcss@pinchercreek.ca



NEW PLAYGROUND AND SCHOOL SIGNS

◆ New School & Playground Zone Signs ◆

The infographic is titled "New Signs Installed" and is set against a background of a residential street with a playground. It is divided into two main sections: "Playground Areas" and "School & Playground Zones".

- Playground Areas:** Features a yellow diamond-shaped sign with a black silhouette of a person running with a ball. Below it, text states: "No required speed reduction but drive with caution as there is a playground or sports field nearby and children may be present".
- School & Playground Zones:** Features two signs. On the left is a yellow diamond-shaped sign with a black silhouette of a person running with a ball. On the right is a green pentagon-shaped sign with a black silhouette of two people walking. Below these signs are two white rectangular signs, each with "MAXIMUM" at the top and "30" in large black numbers. Text below these signs reads: "Must reduce speed to 30 km/hr".
- End of Zone Sign:** A white rectangular sign with "MAXIMUM" at the top and "50" in large black numbers. Text to its right reads: "This indicates the end of the reduced zone. The Town of Pincher Creek does not encourage you to speed up to 50km/hr, please continue to drive with care, using good judgment for the area and conditions." Below this text is the Town of Pincher Creek logo, which is a circular emblem with a stylized landscape and the text "TOWN OF PINCHER CREEK ALBERTA".

You may have noticed some new signs around our schools and playgrounds. The Town of Pincher Creek has updated signage to meet the Provincial Guidelines for School and Playground Zones and Areas (Alberta Transportation, Version 2).

✔ What's Changed:

Small speed limit signs have been replaced with larger "MAXIMUM 30" signs in school and playground zones.

Playground Area signs remain advisory only. These do not set a reduced speed limit but advise drivers that a playground or sports field is nearby and remind us all to use caution as children may be nearby.

At the end of school or playground zones, you'll now see "MAXIMUM 50" signs. This indicates the end of the reduced zone. The Town of Pincher Creek does not encourage you to speed up to 50km/hr, please continue to drive with care, using good judgment for the area and conditions.

Your caution and safe driving help keep our community's children and families safe. ❤️

CLEAN ENERGY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

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Invest in Your Home and Your Future with the Clean Energy Improvement Program

As we move into the cooler months, it's the perfect time to start thinking about home upgrades that will keep you warm and save you money. Through the Town of Pincher Creek's Clean Energy Improvement Program (CEIP), you can make energy-efficient and renewable energy upgrades to your home with flexible, low-interest financing that's repaid through your property tax bill.

Whether you're considering replacing drafty windows, upgrading insulation, installing a high-efficiency furnace, or even adding solar panels, CEIP helps you make smart investments that pay off for years to come. Not only can these upgrades lower your utility bills, they also reduce your environmental impact—benefiting your household today and creating a cleaner, more sustainable future for the next generation.

Be a part of the change, learn more and apply at <https://myCEIP.ca/Pincher-Creek>.



PINCHER CREEK FARMERS MARKET



Wednesdays | 3:00pm – 7:00pm
Cenotaph Park | 717 Main Street


The Pincher Creek & District Chamber of Commerce is excited to be hosting the markets again this year! If you are interested in being a vendor this summer, please contact Linda Davies at market@pincherchamber.ca or call 403-396-4237.

They are looking for lots of vendors who "make, bake, or grow" their products, musicians who want to come and share their talents, commercial vendors, non-profit groups, and local food trucks too!

WE WILL BE AT THE MARKET THIS SUMMER!

We will be at the Farmers Market this season! Stop by our booth to ask questions, find information about services available to you.

We have booked tables at the following markets:

 September 3

Hope to see you there!

SKATING LESSONS

with the



Now accepting registrations for our CanSkate, Adultskate, and Starskate programs

Scan this code with your phone's camera to learn more and register for any of our programs.



WHAT IS CANSKATE?

Whether you are looking to improve basic skating skills for figure skating, hockey, ringette or speed skating, or wish to skate for recreation, fitness or fun, Canskate will get you there.

Millions of Canadians, including World and Olympic figure skating champions and NHL stars, have taken their first steps on the ice with the Canskate program.



www.pinchercreekskatingclub.ca



COMMUNITY HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

SEEKING MEMBERS AT LARGE

The Town of Pincher Creek is seeking members at large for the Community Housing and Economic Development Committee.

This committee provides advice to Council on housing trends, policies, land use, grants, and community economic development initiatives that shape the future of our town.

If you're passionate about housing, growth, and the well-being of our community, we'd love to hear from you!

Learn more and apply today at <https://pinchercreek.ca/content.php?p=74>.

PINCHER CREEK ALLIED ARTS SOCIETY

GIFT SHOP & GALLERY HOURS

Tuesday – Friday | 10:00am – 5:00pm

Saturday | 12:00pm – 4:00pm

www.thelebel.ca

ES:MO LIVE MUSIC @ THE LEBEL

Friday, September 19 | 7:30pm

\$20 tickets

Juno nominated contemporary jazz/folk musicians!

PIIKANIKOAN: LIVING UNDER A BLACKFOOT SKY – A MODERN WINTER COUNT

September 16 – 26

Visiting exhibition from the Galt Museum, free to view at the Lebel

METIS HISTORY THROUGH MUSIC AND DANCE WITH JUNO NOMINATED FIDDLER

BRIANNA LIZOTTE AND ETHAN GRAVES

September 27 | 1:00pm – 4:00pm

Town Hall Gym | 962 St John Avenue

Everyone is invited to join for an afternoon of great music and fun!

MODERN LOVE: MOTHER CARE

September 6 – October 24

Gallery exhibition

FRIDAY ART CLASSES

September 12, 19, 26 | \$5.00 drop in fee

INTRO TO POTTERY

Six week pottery workshop

Starts Thursday, September 17 | 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Ages 18+ | \$245 per person

YOUTH CLASSES

- After School Program | Ages 6-9 | 1:45pm – 2:45pm
- Artists @Heart | Ages 9+ | 3:00pm – 4:30pm
- Mud Makers | six week pottery workshop for kids 9+ | starts Wednesday September 17 | 3:45 - 5:15pm | \$145 per person
- Jr. Ceramics Guild 10 week pottery workshop | kids 9+ with clay experience | starts Thursday, September 25 | 3:45pm – 5:30pm | \$150 per person plus the cost of clay

PINCHER CREEK HUMANE SOCIETY

Come visit the Pincher Creek Humane Society at the following:

Farmer's Market – September 3

Cowley Dino Day Festival – September 6

CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Pincher Creek Humane Society together with The Rotary Club of Pincher Creek will be hosting a Charity Golf Tournament.

Registration 1:00pm at the Pincher Creek Golf Club.

\$10,000 Hole in One Prize sponsored by Ames Insurance

Prizes and a Legion Steak Dinner



MUSTANGS 30TH ANNIVERSARY!

PINCHER CREEK & DISTRICT
MUSTANGS



30th Anniversary
FOOTBALL
Tailgate Party



SEPT 20TH
2025

TRIPLE HEADER HOME OPENER GAMES:

PEEWEE MUSTANGS VS CLARESHOLM COBAS - 11 AM
BANTAM MUSTANGS VS LETHBRIDGE BULLDOGS - 1PM
SENIOR MUSTANGS VS CARSTAIRS KODIAKS - 330 PM

**FREE ENTRY | FOOD TRUCKS | BOUNCY CASTLE | DJ
RAFFLES | PRIZES | HALF-TIME GAMES AND CONTESTS
ICE CREAM | FACE PAINTING | ONLINE 50/50 DRAW**

MATTHEW HALTON FIELD PINCHER CREEK

RECREATION & PARKS

For information, registration, or any other inquiries, please contact the Recreation office at 403-627-4322 or rec@pinchercreek.ca

FALL REGISTRATION NIGHT



FALL ACTIVITY REGISTRATION NIGHT

Register for your favorite activity

- Allied Arts
- Pincher Creek Skating Club
- Girl Guides
- Mustang Football
- Chinook Bowling
- Maker Center
- Barracuda Judo
- KidSport
- Moonshadow Run
- Turning Pointe Dance Studio

THURSDAY
SEPTEMBER 4, 2025

OPEN AT
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

POOL LOBBY
895 MAIN STREET

For More Information contact
Recreation Office 403 627 4322
or rec@pinchercreek.ca



MOONSHADOW RUN



ANNUAL MOONSHADOW RUN 2025

SEPTEMBER 27
6:30 PM

2.5 KM
5 KM
10 KM

Run/walk the creek paths of Pincher Creek

Register at
www.MoonShadowRun.ca



Registration deadline September 12, 2025. Register at <http://moonshadowrun.ca>



PINCHER CREEK KIDSPORT

Supporting local families, keeping kids in sports! For information, contact KidSport at pinchercreek@kidsport.ab.ca, <https://kidsportcanada.ca/alberta/pincher-creek>, or contact the Recreation office at 403-627-4322.

TOWN HALL GYM FITNESS PROGRAMS

962 St. John Ave

Gym Walk | Drop-in | Free
Tuesdays & Fridays | 10:00am – 11:00am
Unorganized independent walking.

Pickleball | \$3.00 drop-in
Mon, Wed, Fri | 1:00pm – 3:00pm
New participants are welcome. Instruction and equipment provided by members

Afternoon Fitness Break | \$7.00 | punch pass available at Recreation Office
Mon, Thurs | 4:00pm – 5:00pm
Program starts September 15

Community Keep Fit | Free
Mon, Wed | 10:00am – 11:00am
Program starts September 15

Legends Keep Fit
Tues, Fri | 10:00am – 11:00am
Register with Jill Bruder

FACILITY INFORMATION

- MCC Indoor Courts Closed for the season. Ice making is underway!
- MPF Pool Annual Maintenance Shut-down is September 2 – 21
- Veteran's Memorial Campground closes September 28 for the season
- Spray park will remain open weather dependant
- Both the MCC Arena and the MPF Pool will be closed September 30 for National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

2026 COMMUNITY CALENDAR

2026 Calendar Contest

Submit your images for a chance to be featured in the Town's annual Community Calendar! Grand prize winner takes home \$200!

We are also collecting event dates to be included in the calendar.

Send your submissions and consent to:
rec@pinchercreek.ca
Deadline: October 31

GRAND PRIZE
\$200



Visit pinchercreek.ca/community_calendar to complete the consent form

2025 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

VOTER REGISTER

NEW! Beginning in 2025, voters are required to register. Make sure your information is up to date so you're ready when it's time to cast your ballot! Register by September 15. Visit <https://www.voterlink.ab.ca/> or call 780-427-7191.



CANDIDATE INFORMATION

This could be your chance to make a lasting impact in your Town. Ready to learn more? Explore what it takes to run for Council. Whether you're considering running for Mayor or Councillor, we encourage you to review the Candidate's Nomination Package, familiarize yourself with Council's roles and responsibilities, and explore meeting agendas and minutes to understand current issues and priorities. Remember, running for office is a significant commitment, and being informed is key to making a positive impact.

Alberta Municipalities and the Rural Municipalities of Alberta are hosting a series of webinars to help you prepare for this year's election. September 9 & September 16. Visit the ABmunis events page at <https://www.abmunis.ca/events> for the full schedule.

ELECTION DATES

Nomination Day

September 22, 2025 | 10:00am - 12:00pm

Advanced Voting

October 15, 2025 | 10:00am - 4:00pm

Election Day

October 20, 2025 | 10:00am - 8:00pm

Council Orientation

TBD | Within two weeks of election

Find out more at <https://pinchercreek.ca/election>

COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

These highlights do not form the full Council minutes. To view the full Council minutes, please visit <https://pinchercreek.ca/council>

UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

Committee of the Whole | September 3 | 8:30am

Joint Council Grant Meeting | September 3 | 5:00pm | MD of Pincher Creek Office | 1037 Herron Ave

Council Meeting | September 8 | 6:00pm

Council Meeting | September 22 | 6:00pm

Council Meetings are held in Council Chambers at 962 St. John Avenue and are available virtually via MS Teams. These meetings are open to the public except on some occasions where all or part of a meeting is closed to the public (Closed Session) to prevent the disclosure of information that is protected under the Protection of Privacy Act.