

Rock Talk



Happy  
Valentine's  
Day!

# Special

# Stoney Creek Ranch

# General Meeting

February 12th

Registration 6:00 pm. — Meeting 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Clubhouse

## Purpose

To allow Stoney Creek residents to **VOTE** to purchase a **pumphouse backup generator** for the **sewer lift station**.

## Cost (from Contingency Funds)

\$38,390.00 (Platinum Electric cost - installed)

## Details

- During a power outage at the pumphouse several months ago, it was discovered that the power supply to the geothermal system (resident furnaces) and the sewer lift station are on a separate power grid from the rest of Stoney Creek Ranch.
- The outage lasted most of the day. The sewer lift station filled in approximately 6 hours and had to be pumped out on a Sunday at the cost of \$1,300.00. If the outage extended longer (possibly days) we would have to pump our lift station every 8 hours until the power was restored.
- There would be no geothermal heating or cooling to homes during any outage time. Critically, the Board feels that the sewer lift station is our number one priority.
- Please attend the Special General Meeting in person or by proxy.
- *Advantage* will be providing a package for each home with proxy forms and full details.

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## Events Schedule 2026

March 17 <sup>th</sup>	Card Bingo
May 5 <sup>th</sup>	Cinco de Mayo
June 27 <sup>th</sup>	Bocce & Grilled Food
September 12 <sup>th</sup>	Poker Run & Chili
October 24 <sup>th</sup>	Oktoberfest with Beer Tasting
December 9 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Appy Night

Please note these dates are booked but could change. Always check the Stoney Creek Facebook, Monthly Rock Talk Newsletter, bulletin boards and the Social Event emails for updates and details

*Mark Your*  
**CALENDAR** 

# South Africa



An excellent turnout came to listen to a fascinating session on South Africa with hosts Gail and Wayne Oakes. Their insights were beautifully illustrated during their 37 years in South Africa. It highlighted how a career and the places it takes you help shape your life - through the people you

meet and the experiences you share. Thank you Gail & Wayne!

If you would like to share a presentation about your career and/or the places you lived before retirement at Stoney Creek Ranch, please get in touch with the Social Club. (Fran Dillen [franlance@outlook.com](mailto:franlance@outlook.com) or call 604-218-4114). Every story truly deserves to be told.



Save the Date  
Card Bingo is Coming

**March 17th**

Watch your bulletin boards for details



# Quilting Club

## **The Henhouse Stitching Comfort and Community**

In memory of our beloved Grace MacDonald. Grace was a great neighbour and friend. Quilting was the tie that bound us together. Grace shared her love of quilting with all, absolute beginners and those who had been quilting for years. She had a way of making you feel like you belonged, an integral member of the group. Grace had a great wit and a sense of humour and we shared many laughs and some tears all while quilting. We will miss her dearly at our weekly quilting session at the Clubhouse.



Bags made by Grace's Hens Quilting Group filled with essential goodies for women in shelters. Delivered by Jean Puffer (on the left above).

# January Bottle Report

I am Happy to report we had a Great Collection once again. Stoney Creek is very good and supporting the Bottle Group.

**That is why we can contribute \$2000.00 to the new Enterphone system.**

Great work Stoney Creek. We will be starting a new project soon. Not sure what it will be yet.

For the Month of January, we collected \$196.80

Next collection will be February 2, 2026

*Patti Hatchard*



# *The Cobblestone Happy Hour Group*

A Special Group of Neighbours

At the beginning of the pandemic, many neighbours along Cobblestone Street, went out at 7:00 each evening with their assorted pots and ladles, bells or noise makers to thank the healthcare workers. As time passed and the weather became milder, we decided to take out lawn chairs, sit in a big circle (observing the 1 metre distance rule), have our favourite beverages, and continue to toast the caregivers. Like every year since 2020, this will continue again in 2026, when the weather is mild enough for us to go out at 4:00 every Saturday afternoon, until the cool days of autumn!

Here is a photo of most of our group, enjoying a post-Christmas get-together...





## Thinking About Running for SCR Board of Directors?

Anyone who has lived in Stoney Creek Ranch for at least ONE CALENDER YEAR may run for one of seven positions on the Board of Directors. Get involved and have input into how your community is managed and develops into the future. Nomination forms for the next Stoney Creek AGM in June 2026 can be obtained from any current Board member.

## Trivia Night is Coming in January

Saturday, January 24th. 6:30 pm

Teams will be comprised of 3 or 4 people. Bring your own team or join in with another group.

\$5.00 will be collected from each person at the door (no tickets sold). This will cover all four games and some left over to pay for expenses, like popcorn & cookies. \$4.00 will then be divided equally into four pots to be distributed to each winning team of the round.

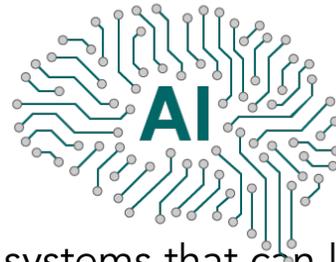
If you choose to enter the Bonus Round, bring an extra toonie each to enter. Winning team takes all!

BYOB. Popcorn and cookies will be provided to help energize yourself into the next round.



**Trivia Night**

# Some Help with AI



## **What is AI?**

- Artificial Intelligence (AI) refers to computer systems that can learn patterns and make decisions, similar to humans but much faster and on a larger scale.
- AI doesn't think, feel, or understand life, truth or ethics; it's simply very good at identifying patterns in information and providing useful answers.
- For example: AI is like a super-fast librarian who has read almost every book in the world and can instantly tell you about the book, where to find the answer you need, and how to summarize it in simple language.
- AI is not magic or sci-fi; it's just incredible pattern recognition.

Learn more here: <https://aibeginner.net/beginners-guide-to-ai>

## **Problems with AI**

1. Lack of AI Transparency and Explainability
2. Job Losses Due to AI Automation
3. Social Manipulation Through AI Algorithms
4. Social Surveillance With AI Technology
5. Lack of Data Privacy Using AI Tools
6. Biases Due to AI
7. Socioeconomic Inequality as a Result of AI
8. Weakening Ethics and Goodwill Because of AI
9. Autonomous Weapons Powered by AI
10. Financial Crises Brought About by AI Algorithms
11. Broader Economic and Political Instability
12. Loss of Human Influence
13. Increased Criminal Activity and Child Safety Concerns
14. Mental Deterioration and Psychological Harm
15. Uncontrollable Self-Aware AI

Learn more here: <https://builtin.com/artificial-intelligence/risks-of-artificial-intelligence>

# February

## 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Every other Monday: Garbage, Recycle & Organics = <b>GRO</b> Private Event	<b>GRO</b> Social Club Meeting 1 pm	Quilting 9 am — 4 pm Bottle Pickup 11 am Mexican Train 7 pm	Line Dancing 10 — 11 am			
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Recycle & Organics = <b>RO</b>	<b>RO</b> Cleaning Day 9:00 - 11 am	Quilting 9 am — 4 pm	Line Dancing 10 — 11 am			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Private Event	<b>GRO</b>	Quilting 9 am — 4 pm Mexican Train 7 pm	Line Dancing 10 — 11 am	BOD Meeting 9:30 am		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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	<b>GRO</b>					