

Rock Talk

Happy

new
year

Stoney Creek Ranch Newsletter January 2026

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Christmas Appy Night

Sixty seven residents came with their appetizers in hand to participate in this year's Christmas festivities. A story was told about the Stoney Creek Grinch (Mel) and his accomplice, Shell.

In the end, Mel Grinch (despite his accomplice) came to realize the error of his ways and embraced the Christmas spirit at Stoney Creek Ranch. Everyone received the gift they had always hoped for, and the night concluded with warm cheer and joy shared by all.

Robbie St Cyr was the lucky one to win a \$60.00 gift card to enjoy at Frankie's Restaurant. It looks like it was a struggle to open that gift card!!



South Africa

Join us for an eye-opening talk on January 14th, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. and listen to the good, the bad and the realities of life in South Africa shared by someone who called it home for 37 years ... **Gail Oakes**

Gail has deep insight into South Africa's politics, education, healthcare, apartheid, geography, and wildlife - and that's just the beginning.

Sit back with tea, coffee and cookies and enjoy an afternoon of vision into another country.

No tickets required



It's not all about Safaris.

Salvation Army

Christmas Hamper Drive

Stoney Creek Ranch certainly showed its Christmas spirit this year! Because of the generosity of many residents, the Salvation Army Christmas Hamper Drive raised an incredible **\$4,635.00**, surpassing last year's total of \$4,211.00. A special thank you, as well, to the Coffee Morning Group and the Social Club for your generous contributions. Your kindness and enthusiasm will help fill approximately 2500 Christmas hampers and brighten Christmas for many Chilliwack families who need it most.

Thank you all for sharing the spirit of Christmas!

Diane Boyd



Giving
Hope
Today

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From The Library

Hope you have enjoyed the Christmas Reading, this month.

Lot's more good reading for the New Year to come.

Thank you Diane Boyd for making the Book Marks.

Judy and I would like to Wish you a Merry Christmas, Good Health and Happy New Year



Shirley Haebel

December Bottle Report

This month we collected \$148.10
\$74.05 went to interphone system.



Year in Review

What the Bottle group has purchased this past year:

Carpet for the front area for the clubhouse	\$88.48
Sign for the Garage sales	\$30.00
2 BBQ covers	\$103.20
Filling Cabinet for complex	\$334.76
Wheelbarrow	\$246.37
Flagpole	\$154.55
Two Tables for clubhouse	\$156.78
Set aside for interphone system.....	\$1,485.95
Total.....	\$2600.09

On behalf of the Bottle Group

We thank the community for all their donations and wish you all
A very Merry Christmas and a Safe and Healthy New Year

Patti Hatchard



The Quilting Club

The Henhouse Stitching Comfort and Community

Each week on Tuesdays, the quilting group known fondly as the Henhouse gathers with their baskets of fabric, sewing tools, and plenty of smiles and good cheer.

What began as a small circle of hobby quilters has grown into a powerhouse of community support, with dozens of handmade items donated to those in need each year. The Hens meet not only to work on personal quilting projects but also to craft items specifically for local charities, blending creativity with compassion. Their weekly sessions are filled with the hum of sewing machines, shared stories, and the steady rhythm of purposeful stitching.

This season, the Hens have focused much of their charitable energy on creating quilts for Sardis Doorway for Young Moms. Each quilt is

designed to offer warmth and reassurance to young mothers and their children, reminding them that the community cares. One featured photo shows a vibrant array of these quilts with the happy quilters ready to deliver them to the young unsupported Moms.

Sardis Doorway for Young Moms



More Quilting Club

In addition to quilts, the Hens have quilted dozens of small fabric pouches filled with essential items for Wilma's Transition Society and the Ann Davis Society. These pouches, shown in another photo neatly lined up in rows, contain practical necessities chosen to bring comfort to individuals facing difficult circumstances. The careful stitching and cheerful fabrics add a personal touch that store-bought supplies simply cannot match.

While the Hens take great pride in their charitable projects, they also value the camaraderie that comes from gathering each week. Their shared laughter, encouragement, and friendships fuel the work they do for the community. Together, they continue to sew hope, one quilt and one pouch at a time—proving that even simple stitches can make a meaningful difference.

Grace MacDonald



Know Your Bylaws

PROHIBITIONS

An Owner shall not:

- (a) use his residence for any purpose which may be illegal or injurious to the reputation of the project.
- (b) make undue noise in or about any residence, common areas or common facilities.
- (c) keep any animals, livestock, fowl, or pets in his residence or the common property other than two dogs, or two cats or one cat and one dog.
- (d) feed any food substance to wildlife. Birdfeeders are not permitted with the exception of hummingbird feeders.
(amended, AGM, June 7, 2017)
- (e) compost any materials on their lot, whether in a commercial container or otherwise, unless required by a bylaw passed by the City of Chilliwack.

Back Gate Curb Fixed

And they said it would never happen !! The narrow exit from our back gates onto Chilliwack River Road had long raised safety concerns, particularly for vehicles and RVs attempting to turn right into oncoming traffic.

This issue was first identified about 3 years ago during the upgrade of Chilliwack River Road and the subsequent installation of the new curb near our back gate exit. When Mel Sandberg rejoined the BOD back then, he took it upon himself to start the conversation with the appropriate City of Chilliwack department to hopefully get this situation corrected. After many emails (even one to our mayor), phone calls, meetings, Mel's persistence, dedicated efforts and with help from Fred Mantel and Katherine Mathieson, it finally paid off with the city recognizing the safety concerns and danger that their badly placed curb could cause.

On November 25th through November 27th, we witnessed this project brought to a satisfactory completion which now allows our residents to make that right turn onto Chilliwack River Road in a safe and stress free manner.



Emergency Preparedness

Nobody wants to talk about it but, with the weather we have had it looks like this is a good thing to think about and get ready.

Below is a link to the BC Government website with a recommended list of items to include in an:

1. Emergency Kit
2. Grab-and Go Bag

The site talks about Water (how much, expiration, uses) and provide three 2-minute Videos.

Click the button below to go to the website:



[Emergency Kit and Grab and Go](#)

December
Rose





TRIVIA NIGHT

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.

To sign up, please email Fran by clicking the button below:

Trivia Night

Or call Fran at 604-218-4114 to sign up.

January 2026



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
Every other Monday: Garbage, Recycle & Organics = GRO	RO	Quilting Group 9 am — 4 pm				
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Recycle & Organics = RO	GRO Cleaning Day 8:30 - 10 am Social Club Meeting 1 pm	Bottle Pickup 11 am Quilting 9 – 4 pm Mexican Train 7 pm	Line Dancing 10 — 11 am		Walking Group 10 – 11 am Private Event	Private Event
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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