

City of Vernon, Greater Vernon, City of  
Armstrong and Township of Spallumcheen

**2017, 2018 or 2019 55+ BC Games Bid**

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PREDATOR RIDGE RESORT

## INTRODUCTION

The City of Vernon hosted the first BC Seniors Games in 1988. The City Of Vernon, Greater Vernon, The City of Armstrong and Township of Spallumcheen are thrilled to submit a joint bid to bring the 2017, 2018 or 2019 55+ BC Games back to where it all began. Our preferred hosting date would be September 12 – 16, 2017 for the 30th Anniversary Games.

Vernon and Armstrong have an unrivalled reputation for hosting events including: The Greater Vernon 2012 BC Winter Games, 2011 Sparkling Hill Masters World Cup (Cross Country Skiing), 2008 Telus World Skins Game at Predator Ridge, 2008 Ford World Women's Curling Championship, the annual Funtastic Sports Music Festival and Slo-Pitch Tournament (Canada's largest slo-pitch tournament) and of course the Armstrong Interior Provincial

Exhibition and Stampede which has been in operation since 1899. We pride ourselves on a thriving active seniors community and a strong sense of volunteerism which will serve to be a rich source of participants, officials and volunteers should we be successful in the bid.

The beautiful Okanagan climate, low rainfall and pleasant temperatures almost guarantee that outdoor events can be run as planned and on schedule. The brand new certified Greater Vernon athletics facility is now well under construction in Coldstream and is due for completion in the fall. Together, The City of Vernon, Greater Vernon, The City of Armstrong and the Township of Spallumcheen are not only able to provide the volunteer base, but also fantastic competition level facilities for 28 sports, all within minutes of most accommodation and main hubs.

*Where it all began!*

The first ever BC Seniors Games were held in Vernon in 1988.



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INTERIOR PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION





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Where it all began!

Over 176,000 people participate in major events hosted by our communities each year!





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## CITY COUNCIL SUPPORT

This bid has been prepared with the full support of the City of Vernon, Greater Vernon - Regional District of North Okanagan, the City of Armstrong, and the Township of Spallumcheen.

### COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS

- City of Vernon
- Greater Vernon - Regional District North Okanagan
- City of Armstrong
- Township of Spallumcheen

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Hosting the games in 2017 will celebrate the 30th Anniversary.







File 7700-04

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

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May 27, 2015

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

BC Seniors Games Society  
c/o Administrative Assistant  
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To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of City of Vernon Council, I am pleased to write this letter of support endorsing the City of Vernon and City of Armstrong's bid to host the 2017, 2018 or 2019 55+ BC Games with our preference being 2017. As you know, the first ever BC Seniors' Games were held in Vernon in 1988 and played host to 650 athletes. We were proud and excited to be the first ever community to host these games and would love to welcome athletes back to where it all started for the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary games in 2017.

The City of Vernon is a small vibrant city staged in a natural backdrop at the foot of the Monashee Mountains at the north end of Okanagan and Kalamalka Lakes. Vernon blends small city charm, urban amenities, robust cultural events, a love of sports and amazing outdoor activities. Located in the Okanagan-Similkameen zone 5, Vernon is centrally located in the southern part of the province and is easily accessible by car from most zones in the province or by air through the Kelowna International Airport which is just 35 minutes away.

With a large and enthusiastic volunteer base that constantly steps up, our community has demonstrated success in hosting past events such as the 2012 BC Winter Games and the annual Funtastic Slo-Pitch tournament and Music Festival – Canada's largest slo-pitch tournament.

The 55+ BC Games offers a great opportunity to encourage and promote lifelong healthy lifestyles and showcase our area. With all that Vernon, Greater Vernon and the Armstrong areas has to offer, we believe we would be an ideal location to host the 55+ BC Games.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours truly,

Akbal Mund  
Mayor



## THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

File: 7700-04

May 27, 2015

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

**Re: 2017, 2018, 2019 55+ BC GAMES BID**

Council, at their April 13, 2015 Regular Open Meeting adopted the following resolution:

*"THAT Council authorize Administration to proceed with the application to host the 55+ BC Games in 2017, 2018 or 2019 with the preference being the 30th Anniversary Games in 2017;*

*AND FURTHER, that Council request support from the Greater Vernon Advisory Committee (GVAC) and RDNO Board to proceed with the application to host the 55+ BC Games in 2017, 2018 or 2019 and to provide proportional financial support towards the \$60,000 cash contribution and \$55,000 in-kind contribution to the Host Society;*

*AND FURTHER, that Council confirms the City of Vernon's support to provide proportional financial contribution towards the \$60,000 cash contribution and \$55,000 in-kind contribution to the Host Society;*

*AND FURTHER, that Council request that the City of Armstrong provide proportional financial support towards the \$60,000 cash contribution and \$55,000 in-kind contribution to the Host Society, should the City of Armstrong resolve to be a partner host community.*

**CARRIED."**

Should you have any questions, please contact Mr. Doug Ross, Director of Recreation Services at 250-550-3687 or via email at [dross@vernon.ca](mailto:dross@vernon.ca).

Yours truly,

Patricia Bridal, CMC  
Director Corporate Services

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City of Armstrong

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## REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NORTH OKANAGAN

### MEMBER MUNICIPALITIES:

CITY OF ARMSTRONG  
DISTRICT OF COLDSTREAM  
CITY OF ENDERBY

VILLAGE OF LUMBY  
TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN  
CITY OF VERNON

### ELECTORAL AREAS:

\*B\* – SWAN LAKE  
\*C\* – B.X. DISTRICT  
\*D\* – LUMBY (RURAL)

\*E\* – CHERRYVILLE  
\*F\* – ENDERBY (RURAL)

OFFICE OF: PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURE

OUR FILE No.: 8100.15 / BC 55+ Games

May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015

BC Seniors Games Society  
203 - 2453 Beacon Avenue, Sidney, BC V8L 1X7

### **RE: Confirmation of RDNO Proportional Funding for BC 55+ Bid**

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I am pleased to provide the BC Seniors Games Society with a letter confirming RDNO's commitment of proportional funding to support the Greater Vernon and Armstrong Bid to host the BC 55+ Games in 2017, 2018 or 2019.

In support of this event, at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Regional District of North Okanagan, the following motion was passed:

*That if the City of Vernon's bid to host the BC 55+ Games in 2017, 2018, or 2019 is successful, the Regional District through the Greater Vernon Recreation and Programming Grant Service (063), agrees to commit proportional financial support towards the \$60,000 cash contribution to the BC 55+ Games Host Society in the budget year that the Games are awarded.*

Thank you for your consideration of our bid.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rick Fairbairn", is written over a horizontal line.

Rick Fairbairn, Chair

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May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015

BC Seniors Games Society  
203 - 2453 Beacon Avenue, Sidney, BC V8L 1X7

### RE: BC 55+ Games – Greater Vernon / Armstrong Bid

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I am pleased to provide the BC Seniors Games Society with a letter in support for the Greater Vernon and Armstrong Bid to host the BC 55+ Games in 2017, 2018 or 2019.

In support of this event, at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Regional District of North Okanagan, the following motion was passed:

*That if the City of Vernon's bid to host the BC 55+ Games in 2017, 2018, or 2019 is successful, the Regional District, through the Greater Vernon Parks, Recreation and Culture Function (060), agrees to provide in-kind support to the BC 55+ Games Host Society, through Grants In-Lieu of the facility-use costs associated with the use of Regional District owned/managed parks and facilities for the purposes of the Games, in the budget year that the Games are awarded.*

The Regional District owns and operates a number of sports fields that would be involved in hosting the BC 55+ Games, including but not limited to:

- Greater Vernon Community Sports Field and Athletics Facility
  - IAAF compliant, 8-lane synthetic surface running track
  - Caged shot put and hammer throw
  - Approved high jump and long jump
  - Canadian Football sized artificial turf field
  - Officials rooms
- Marshall Fields (Soccer and Tennis Courts)
- DND Fields (Ball)

As indicated in the above motion, the Regional District has agreed to provide the use of the necessary parks and facilities at no cost to the Host Society, in order to support the BC 55+ Games in the year awarded. With the new facility in the final stages of construction, to be fully complete in the Fall of 2015, we will be well-prepared to welcome the province by 2017. We thank you for your consideration of our bid.

Yours truly,

Rick Fairbairn, Chair

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## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

June 11, 2015

File No. 0940-09

Mayor Akbal Mund  
City of Vernon  
3400 30th Street  
Vernon, BC V1T 5E6

Dear Mayor Mund;

**Re: 55+ BC Games**

On behalf of Council, I am pleased to confirm that the City of Armstrong supports the City of Vernon's bid to host the 55+ BC Games in 2017, 2018 or 2019, with the preference being the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary games the week of September 12-16, 2017.

The cost to Armstrong will be proportionate to the population of the City of Vernon which equates to a \$5,000 cash contribution and in-kind contributions through the donation of facilities managed by the Armstrong-Spallumcheen Parks and Recreation Commission. The cash contribution will be shared 50/50 by the City of Armstrong and the Township of Spallumcheen.

Our City has much to offer to our guests during their stay as we are home to the oldest farmers' market in BC; we support a variety of artisans that produce hand crafted cheeses, gourmet chocolates, deluxe oils and vinegars to name a few; and for over 100 years, we have been host to BC's premiere agricultural tradition, the annual Interior Provincial Exhibition and Stampede.

It is with great enthusiasm that Armstrong prepares to welcome the athletes and their friends and families to our region.

Yours Truly,

Chris Pieper  
Mayor

CP/ng

Enclosure (1)

cc: Doug Ross, Director, Recreation Services, City of Vernon  
Janice Brown, Mayor, Township of Spallumcheen



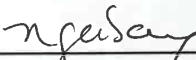
## RESOLUTION

**MOVED by Councillor Fowler, seconded by Councillor O'Sullivan that the Council of the City of Armstrong partners with the City of Vernon to submit a unified bid to host the 2017, 2018 or 2019 55+ BC Games with the preference being the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 55+ BC Games the week of September 12-16, 2017; AND that the bid be supported financially up to \$2,500 along with the gifts of in-kind donation of Parks & Recreation managed facilities.**

**CARRIED**

I hereby certify the above to be a true and correct copy of a resolution of the Council of the City of Armstrong as adopted on Monday, May 25, 2015.

Dated at Armstrong, BC, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015.

  
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Natalie Garbay  
Deputy Corporate Officer



THE CORPORATION OF THE  
**TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN**

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OUR FILE NO.



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June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**

Mayor Akbal Mund  
City of Vernon  
3400 – 30<sup>th</sup> Street  
Vernon, BC V1T 5E6

**Re: 55+ BC Games**

Please accept this letter of support from the Township of Spallumcheen for the City of Vernon's request for the Township of Spallumcheen's joint participation with the City of Armstrong in the 55+ BC Games.

As the Armstrong/Spallumcheen Parks and Recreation Commission is a joint venture between Armstrong and Spallumcheen I am pleased to announce that the Township of Spallumcheen is supporting the City of Vernon's bid to host the games which includes the Township contributing 50% (\$2,500) of the Armstrong/Spallumcheen Joint financial portion of \$5,000 and gift in kind for the Township's 50% of the Armstrong Spallumcheen Parks and Recreation Commission facility use. As I understand you have already received the Joint Council Press release from myself and Mayor Chris Pieper outlining our communities support.

The bid for hosting the 2017 55+ BC Games also falls within the same calendar year as the Township of Spallumcheen's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of incorporation, which took place on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1892. The 55+ BC Games will be an excellent addition to the festivities to celebrate this anniversary.

On behalf of Council, we look forward to supporting this event as a regionally significant tourism and economic development opportunity.

Sincerely,

Janice Brown  
Mayor

JB/cg

Attach. Certified Resolution

cc. Mayor Chris Pieper

# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN

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## TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN

### CERTIFIED RESOLUTION

***Moved by Councillor York/seconded by Councillor LeMaire:***

***“THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council support the 2017 Senior Games Proposal to be submitted by the City of Vernon as outlined in the Letter from Mayor Akbal Mund, City of Vernon dated May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015 including the Township contributing 50% (\$2,500) of the Armstrong/Spallumcheen Joint financial portion of \$5,000 and gift in kind for the Township’s 50% of the Armstrong Spallumcheen Parks and Recreation Commission facility use.”***

**CARRIED**

I hereby certify the above to be a true and correct copy of a resolution released in Regular Session and adopted by the Township of Spallumcheen at their Closed/In Camera Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

Dated: June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015

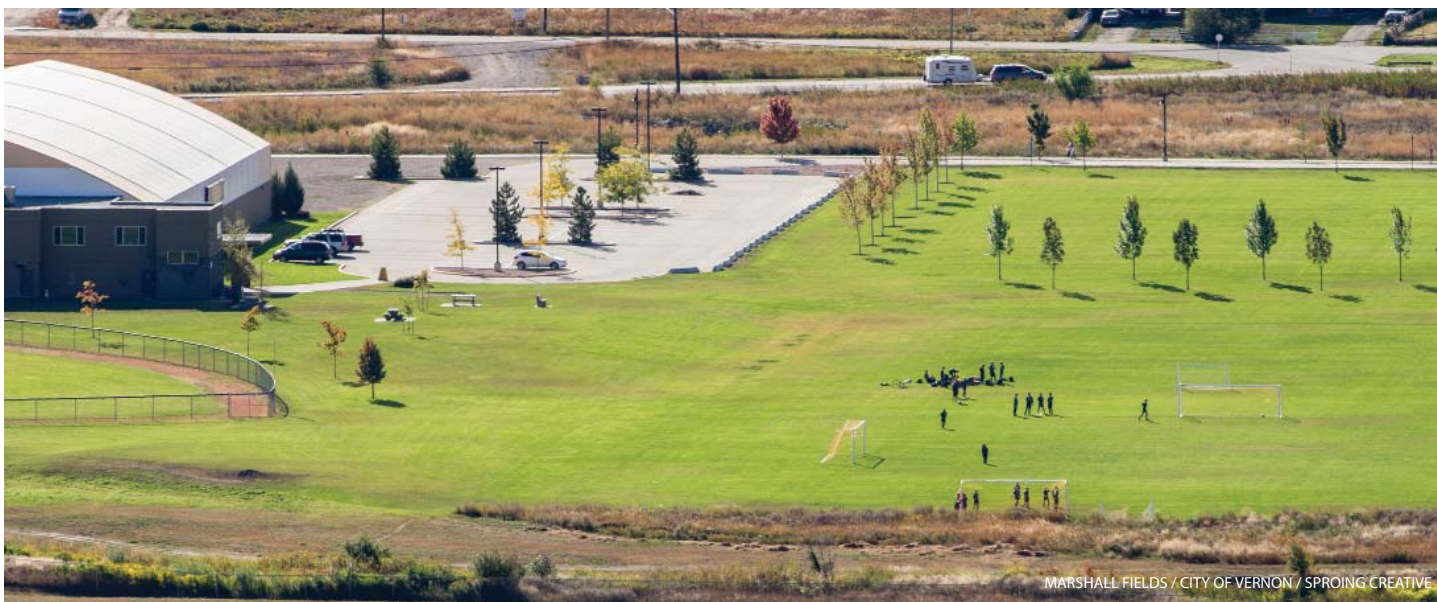
  
Cindy Graves  
Deputy Corporate Officer

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***Where Farming Comes First***

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## SCHOOL BOARD AND VENUE SUPPORT

The City of Vernon, Greater Vernon - Regional District North Okanagan, the City of Armstrong and the Township of Spallumcheen are delighted to provide venues to host the 2017, 2018 or 2019 55+ BC Games. In addition, School District 22 and the District of Coldstream have also enthusiastically pledged their support alongside many other public and private organisations. Other venues will be provided by a variety of private partners. Letters of support from all facility providers are included:

- School District 22 – Gymnasiums and Sports Fields
- District of Coldstream – Racquet Courts and Sports Fields
- Halina Seniors' Centre – Cards
- Schubert Seniors' Centre – Cards
- Armstrong and District Fish and Game Association – Archery
- Lincoln Lanes Bowling Club - Bowling
- Army Navy Air Force Veterans Association - Darts
- Fraternal Order of Eagles 3557 - Darts
- Vernon Lawn Bowling Club - Lawn Bowling
- Vernon Golf and Country Club - Golf
- Spallumcheen Golf and Country Club - Golf
- Roster Sports Club - Squash
- Vernon Curling and Athletic Club – Ice Curling
- St. John Ambulance – First Aid and Dedicated Medical Facility

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In 1988, 650 seniors participated in 15 events. Today, there are about 3,500 in 20-31 sports and activities.



SPALLUMCHEEN GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB / ALLEN JONES

## SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 22 (VERNON)

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VERNON, BRITISH COLUMBIA  
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June 15, 2015

Doug Ross  
Director of Recreation Services  
City of Vernon  
3400-30<sup>th</sup> Street  
Vernon, B.C. V1T 8S8

Dear Mr. Ross:

RE: Your letter, 55+ BC Games Support

At the May 27, 2015 public board meeting, the Board of Education passed the following motion:

*That the Board of Education support the City of Vernon's bid to host the 55+ BC Games in 2017, 2018, or 2019, with the preference being the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 55+ Games the week of September 12 – 16, 2017.*

Sincerely,



Joe Rogers  
Superintendent of Schools.

cc Trustees



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## DISTRICT OF COLDSTREAM

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### OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

File: 0470-20

June 10, 2015

City of Vernon Mayor and Council  
3400 – 30 Street  
Vernon BC V1T 5E6

Dear Mayor Mund:

Re: **55+ BC Games**

Thank you for your letter dated, June 1, 2015. Council considered your proposal at their meeting held June 8, 2015 and passed the following resolution:

*THAT Council supports the bid committee in their application to host the 55+ BC Games in the Greater Vernon area and that the District of Coldstream will commit to providing some of the local parks and facilities in-kind for events related to the 55+ BC Games should the bid be successful.*

We are pleased to support this bid. As the resolution notes, the District is prepared to make facilities available on an in-kind basis with the understanding that specific facilities will be identified following a successful outcome in the bidding process.

With all of the sports amenities in our communities and natural beauty the Okanagan Valley has to offer, Greater Vernon is the perfect location for hosting the 55+BC Games. These games would also be a wonderful opportunity to showcase both of our communities and the surrounding areas. We wish the Bid Committee every success.

Yours truly,

Jim Garlick  
Mayor



**Vernon Senior Citizens' Recreational Society  
(a.k.a. Halina Seniors Centre)**

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May 13, 2015

Emma Mc Ginty  
Vernon Recreation Centre  
3310-37 Avenue  
Vernon, BC  
V1T 2T8

Dear Emma Ginty:

Re: **The "55+ BC GAMES FOR THE YEAR 2017"**

I am very pleased, on behalf of the Vernon Senior Citizens Recreational Society, a.k.a. Halina Seniors Centre, to back the bid by the City of Vernon to host the above games.

Our Club was incorporated as a British Columbia Society nearly 42 years ago, as a non-profit charity organization, offering different activities and events to seniors 50+, we are run by minimum staff and depend on volunteers and members to help with these events throughout the week and weekends. We are extremely active and run regular programs such as: floor curling, canasta, dancing, bingo, crafts, darts, table tennis, shuffleboard, billiards, carpet bowling, etc.

The Halina Seniors Centre tries to incorporate programs to meet the needs of the seniors today, as research shows that seniors are enjoying increased life expectancy and generally better health than ever before. Studies have shown that they are more physically active and more involved in groups and activities within their communities. It is all about healthy lifestyle, and staying active is the key. Recreational opportunities such as the ones offered at our Centre contribute towards living a healthy and active life.

Getting active and staying active benefits more than just our bodies. It helps us stay engaged in life, improves our mood and mental health, and gives us opportunities to meet new people. It also boosts our confidence and self-esteem and some studies show that physical activity can reduce the risk of health issues like dementia by keeping our minds in good condition.

Vernon is geographically well situated to host the 2017 55+ Seniors Games. These games first took place in Vernon in the year 1988 and the Halina Senior Centre would love to see them come back for their 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The Halina Senior Centre is pleased to support this application and will make our facilities available for this great prestigious event.

Sincerely,



Rosemary O'Neal, BSW  
Manager

The Fun Starts Here

# Schubert Centre Society

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Emma McGinty  
55+ B.C. Games Bid

From: Schubert Centre Society  
3505 30<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
Vernon B.C.  
June 12, 2015

Dear Mrs. McGinty,

The Schubert Centre would be delighted to offer its support towards the Greater Vernon's, City of Armstrong's and the Township of Spallumcheen's bid to host the 55+ B.C. Games in 2017, 18 or 19. We will gladly make our facilities and equipment available for the duration of the games, should we be successful in the bid.

The Schubert Centre is primarily run by volunteers and is an independent organization, running activities and programs that help local seniors boost their quality of life. Our staff and volunteers strive to help seniors maintain a good quality of life by providing a variety of social and recreational programs and services which are based on the abilities and interests of our membership. We have been a social and recreational "hot spot" for seniors since 1984.

The centre is always a hive of activity. Amongst our many programs and clubs we also have table tennis, dancing and card games which include bridge, whist and cribbage.

Schubert Centre wishes our cities the very best of luck with the bid and are confident that if successful, we, as a community, will rise to the occasion to make the 55+ B.C. Games in Greater Vernon, the City of Armstrong and the Township of Spallumcheen, the best games yet!

Sincerely,

  
Jack Gareb  
Manager of Schubert Centre



## Armstrong District Fish & Game Association

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June 1, 2015

Emma McGinty  
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Dear Emma

**Re: City of Vernon's Bid for the 55+ BC Games for 2017 & 2018**

We are very pleased to back the bid by the City of Vernon to host the 55+ Games.

The Armstrong District Fish & Game Association Incorporated in 1963 is a non-profit group of volunteers offering the community a safe and secure place to learn and practice pistol, rifle, black powder, trap and archery. The club is open to public several days a week and seven days a week to members. Family days, school training, and demonstrations are regular activities which promote game management and environmental conservation.

ADFGA puts on several Archery target & 3D shoots each year and has hosted the Senior Game Trails for Zone 5.

Our Club house has eating for 110, complete kitchen, and bathrooms, picnic & BBQ area, outdoor bathroom, limited Camping and Parking. All wheel chair friendly (on gravel).

We like to think that Vernon is second to none in Dining, lodging, recreation. Lets get this bid and make these Games one to remember.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Donald Williams'.

Donald Williams  
Treasurer ADFGA  
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# LINCOLN LANES

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To: Emma McGinty  
55+ Games Bid –City of Vernon

Dear Emma,

This letter is to inform you that the management, staff and Volunteer base at Lincoln Lanes are fully behind Vernon's bid to host either the 2017 or 2018 55+ Games. We have in past helped host this event when Vernon very successfully hosted the first annual "B.C. Seniors Games". We have over the years hosted numerous zone, regional, provincial and national bowling events at our facility, and have always run them flawlessly.

I will tentatively book the lanes for the dates required and once we receive specific times will narrow it down to the necessary bookings.

We look forward to helping Vernon host this prestigious event and know our city and it's volunteers will do us proud.

If you require any other information from me, please feel free to give me a call or drop me an email.

Sincerely,

Gord Wiffen  
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## ARMY, NAVY & AIR FORCE VETERANS

Unit No. 5

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Emma McGinty  
55 + BC Games Bid  
Recreation Services  
City of Vernon, B.C.

Dear Emma,

The Army, Navy, and Air Force Veterans Unit #5 acknowledges, and is in support of your bid to host the BC Seniors games for 2017. Vernon has experience hosting major events, one such event being the World's Women Curling in 2008.

Vernon has a lot to offer visitors to the North Okanagan, such as our beautiful lakes, Kalamalka and Okanagan, along with Kalamalka and Kekuli Bay Provincial Parks. Vernon is also home to world class skiing facilities, Silver Star downhill, and Sovereign Lake cross country ski hills.

In regard to your request for a venue to support the Dart Tournament associated to the Senior games, please be advised of the following;

1. As previously discussed our Unit #5 has twenty mounted Dart Boards which do not meet the minimum distance between boards as laid out by the BC Senior Games. Our distance between our boards is only just over four feet between center to center of adjacent boards.
2. If we were to reduce access to only 10 boards, the distance between our boards would be 8 feet 3 1/2 inches, which is still below the minimum required distance of 10 feet between center to center.

Our facility would be in a position to support 10 Dart Boards, subject to you receiving approval to utilize them with the distance at 8 Feet 3 1/2 inches between the center of adjacent boards.

Ralph Svenson  
Secretary  
ANAF Vets Unit #5  
Vernon, B.C.



**VERNON AERIE # 3557**

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Emma McGinty  
Re 55+ BC Games bid

Please find enclosed the Venue Requirement and Evaluation Form for the Darts competition of the 55+ BC Games. The Vernon Aerie of the Fraternal Order of Eagles strongly supports your bid to host the Games in Vernon in 2017/2018.

Vernon has an active Darts community and we are sure that you will find both competitors and volunteers among them. The Okanagan Valley has always been a destination spot for many BC residents and sport-minded competitors. Along with its great weather and friendly people, there are plenty of hotels, motels and campgrounds.

Vernon has hosted sporting events such as World Curling, RBC Junior Hockey Cup. The Funtastic Slow-ball Tourney brings in thousands of players every year in July. We, ourselves, have hosted numerous City, Regional and BC Darts tournaments.

With advance notice, the Eagles Hall can be made available on the dates that you have noted. Food and bar service is in place already. The FOE 3557 wishes you success in you bid.

John Mayrhofer- Secretary

Fraternal Order of Eagles 3557



# **VERNON LAWN BOWLING CLUB**

**P.O. Box 254,**

**Vernon, B.C., V1T6M2**

**E-mail: [vernonlbc@gmail.com](mailto:vernonlbc@gmail.com)**

**Phone#: 250- 549- 4100**

## **TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**

The Board of Directors of Vernon Lawn Bowling Club hereby fully endorse and support the City of Vernon's bid to host the 55+ B.C. Games in 2017, particularly in the sport of Lawn Bowling.

Vernon L.B.C. feels that the City of Vernon would be an excellent venue for the 55+ B.C. Games in terms of its warm, sunny climate, its central geographical location within the B.C. Southern Interior in general and the Okanagan Valley in particular, and also in terms of the facilities available to support the hosting of the lawn bowling component within the club's beautiful location at Polson Park.

For many years, every July, the Funtastic Sports Society, associated with the City of Vernon has successfully organized a series of multi-sports tournaments which include participation by Vernon Lawn Bowling Club. Lawn bowlers from all regions of British Columbia regularly congregate at Vernon L.B.C. to compete in our annual Funtastic Lawn Bowling Mixed Triples Tournament. It is always highly popular and very well supported by lawn bowlers throughout both B.C. and other parts of Canada. It has become one of the most significant and successful events on our annual lawn bowling calendar.

In 2017, Vernon Lawn Bowling Club will be celebrating its centenary and to be able to host the 55+ B.C. Games Lawn Bowling tournament would be a tribute to 100 years of continuous lawn bowling in this city. It also coincides with the 30 years anniversary since the inception of the B.C. Senior Games which, coincidentally was also held in the City of Vernon.

The Board of Directors of Vernon L.B.C. affirm that as a member of both Bowls B.C. and Bowls Canada, the club would be honoured to provide volunteer officials, equipment, sports facilities and the use of our eight, high quality, regulation bowling greens for the duration of the 55+B.C. Games.

**Richard Prys-Jones,  
Past President,**

**June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015**

**Vernon Lawn Bowling Club.**

**Phone # 250-275-3160.**

**E-mail: [prysjones@shaw.ca](mailto:prysjones@shaw.ca)**

## VERNON GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

Emma McGinty  
City of Vernon  
Recreation Services  
3310 37<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Vernon, BC V1T 2Y5

June 5, 2015

Dear Emma,

On behalf of the Vernon Golf and Country Club, please accept this letter of support for the bid to host the 55+ BC Games in September 2017.

We feel Vernon would be an excellent venue for the games and specifically golf. We have most recently hosted the BCGA Senior Ladies Championship with rave reviews. Our championship 18 hole golf course is centrally located in the City of Vernon and we would be proud to be a host golf course for these games. We are steeped in history and have been in business since 1913, over 100 years old!

We boast a membership of over 600 and many of them would be honored to volunteer for such an event. Our members will support and will make our facilities available for the games.

Sincerely,



Julie Knobloch, General Manager  
On behalf of the Membership of the Vernon Golf & Country Club



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# Spallumcheen Golf and Country Club

9401 Highway 97N - Box 218 – Vernon BC – V1T 6M2

Phone: 250.545.5824 Fax: 250.549.7476

[www.spallumcheengolf.com](http://www.spallumcheengolf.com)

To whom it may concern:

This letter is to express our support for the City of Vernon hosting the BC 55+ games. Vernon has a long history of supporting large scale events, one of which was the 2013 Canadian Senior ladies Amateur Championship held at Spallumcheen.

During that event we had 90-100 participants coming from all over Canada as well as North America and beyond. This required us to have 130+ volunteers, all of which came from our membership and the Vernon and Armstrong communities. We also worked with local businesses including hotels, wineries, and others in order to make the event a success. It was with this support from the members of the community that we were able to host and execute a very successful national event.

Our Facility is well equipped to host events, having successfully held numerous provincial and the above mentioned national championship. We have full practice facilities, an 18 and 9 hole golf course as well as food and beverage facilities. Combining this with a great team of managers and employees as well as a proud and supportive membership, Spallumcheen is very well equipped to support BC's best Athletes.

Thank you for your consideration of our community in hosting this prestige's event.

Sincerely,

Myles Johnson

PGA of Canada Head Professional

Spallumcheen Golf and Country Club

[myles@spallumcheengolf.com](mailto:myles@spallumcheengolf.com)





## **THE ROSTER SPORTS CLUB BAR & GRILL Ltd.**

**Dear Mrs. McGinty,**

**The Roster Sports Club and Bar are absolutely delighted to hear that Greater Vernon, the City of Armstrong and Township of Spallumcheen are putting in a joint bid to host the 55+BC games for 2017, 18 and 19. Roster has hosted many squash and racquetball events throughout the years, more recently the National Bank Financial Open where 120 players competed, including some of the top players in BC. For the last two years in a row we have also hosted the B.C. Racquetball Provincials. We have one regulation sized Squash court and three non-regulation sized courts (Length is regulation, width is only 12 inches short). As well, we have three racquetball courts.**

**The Roster Sports Club and Bar will make its facilities available for the duration of the Games should we be successful in winning the bid. We wish our cities the very best of luck and sincerely hope we can host the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary games here in Vernon!**

**Sincerely,**

**Gus Morris**

**Owner/Operator**

**The Roster Sports Club**

**Bar & Grill**



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Emma McGinty  
55+ BC Games Bid  
City of Vernon  
Recreation Services,  
3310 37<sup>th</sup> Ave,  
Vernon BC V1T 2Y5

Tuesday, June 2, 2015

Dear Ms. McGinty,

On behalf of the Vernon Curling Club, please accept this letter of support for the bid to host the 55+ BC Games to be held 12-16 September 2017. These date fits perfectly with our schedule and can be easily accommodated.

The Vernon Curling Club is one of BC's premier curling venues and has hosted many Provincial, Canadian and World Championships and Bonspiels.

As you may know, we partnered with the City to bring the Ford World Women's Curling Championship to Vernon in 2008. This international event was successful in every regard. The Club also participated with the City, providing the Curling venue for the 2012 BC Winter Games. We have had the pleasure of hosting 3 of the last 6 BC Men's Curling Championships, 2010, 2011 and 2015.

We are fortunate to have one of the best Ice makers in the country, Dave Merklinger. He is regularly called upon to be the Head Ice Technician at the Briar, Scotties & the Continental Cup to name a few. We believe that BC's 55+ athletes will be delighted and impressed by the quality of our ice surface and the welcoming nature of our volunteers and members.

The Club and our members are excited about and looking forward to working with the City to make the 55+ Games truly great event.

Respectfully,

Guy Morazain,  
President  
Vernon Curling Club

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June 5, 2015

Ms. Emma McGinty  
c/o City of Vernon  
VIA EMAIL [emmamcginty1@gmail.com](mailto:emmamcginty1@gmail.com)

Dear Emma,

**Re: 2017 55+ Games**

Further to your conversation with our Branch Manager in Vernon and our telephone conversation today, we would like to confirm that St. John Ambulance is pleased to support the City of Vernon's bid for the 2017 55+ Games to be held in Vernon to mark its 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

To support the Games, St. John Ambulance is prepared to provide volunteer Medical First Responders for first aid and patient care to Games spectators and personnel at various venues and to have our branch facilities serve as the Medical Clinic during Games Days.

Thank you for considering St. John Ambulance to be part of the Games and good luck!

Yours truly,

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE (BRITISH COLUMBIA AND YUKON)

May Foggo,  
Director of Community Services and Human Resources

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Cc: Mr. Jeff Nelson,  
Branch Manager



**St John**

St. John Ambulance is an international humanitarian organization and is a foundation of the Order of St. John. Charitable Registration #10802 2500 RR 0009

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## LETTERS OF COMMUNITY SUPPORT

In addition to public and private venue providers we have also received support from many other community organisations and as a result, are pleased to confirm that we are able to host 28 of the sports outlined in the 55+ BC Games Sport Package.

### Service Clubs

- Downtown Vernon Association
- Greater Vernon Chamber of Commerce
- Junior Chamber International - Vernon
- Armstrong Spallumcheen Chamber of Commerce
- Rotary Club Vernon Silverstar
- Vernon District Performing Arts Centre
- The Morning Star - Vernon
- Vernon Tourism

### Seniors Clubs

- Armstrong Seniors' Activity Centre
- Halina Centre
- Schubert Centre

### Sports Organizations

- Greater Vernon Open Bocce
- Boston Pizza Hockey League
- Funtastic Sport Society
- Greater Vernon Pickleball Association
- Vernon Pickleball Club
- Mens Over 55 Soccer League
- Vernon Tennis Association
- Vernon Amature Athletic Association
- Vernon Kokanee Swim Club
- Vernon Rowing & Dragon Boat Club
- Vernon Fish and Game Club
- Armstrong District Fish and Game Club
- Vernon Horseshoe Club

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"Vernon has a community of volunteers that will rise to the challenge of an event of any size."  
- Downtown Vernon Association



FUNTASTIC SPORTS SOCIETY



June 10, 2015

Emma McGinty  
55+ BC Games Bid- City of Vernon  
Recreation Services, 3310 37<sup>th</sup> Ave, Vernon BC V1T 2Y5

Dear Emma McGinty,

On behalf of the Downtown Vernon Association, please accept this letter of support for the bid to host the 2017 55+ BC Games.

Our organization serves a 42-block area that consists of 550+ businesses, property owners and tenants in the heart of the city. Downtown Vernon is the retail center of the community and provides a culture rich in diversity, heritage and culinary delights for locals, visitors and tourists alike.

Vernon has been host to many successful sporting events such as the 2014 RBC Cup, 2008 Ford World Women's Curling Championship, and 2008 Skins Golf game at Predator Ridge to name a few. Our community also plays host to Funtastics Canada's Largest Slow-pitch tournament (350+teams), Kalamalka Lake Classic (Stand up Paddle Boarding Race) more than 40 free community events put on by the Downtown Vernon Association directly.

Vernon has a community of volunteers that rise to the challenge of any event of any size. Additionally, the Downtown Vernon Association has strong working relationships with our Chamber of Commerce, local social services providers, emergency services providers (fire/rescue/ambulance), and service clubs like the local Rotary, sports clubs, arts councils as well as with many community industry leaders and would be asking for these organizations to partner and support the 2017 55+ BC Games.

These are just a few examples of what makes our city unique in its ability to create enthusiasm and excitement around an event which will help to promote lasting benefits for health and community spirit.

Hosting the 55+ BC Games will showcase all Vernon communities a great place to live, work, play, invest and raise a family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lara Konkin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Lara Konkin  
Executive Director  
Downtown Vernon Association

May 30, 2015

Emma McGinty  
55+ BC Games Bid  
City of Vernon Recreation Services  
3310 37<sup>th</sup> Ave,  
Vernon BC V1T 2Y5

**RE: CHAMBER SUPPORT OF BID FOR 2017 55+ BC GAMES**

The Greater Vernon Chamber of Commerce (GVCC) is extremely pleased and excited to offer its full support for the community's efforts to land the 55+ BC Games in 2017. The GVCC is one of the largest Chambers in the province and has been an enthusiastic supporter of similar endeavours in the past including the most recent 2012 BC Winter Games which were a tremendous success in the North Okanagan.

We have close to 600 members many of whom would undoubtedly come to the table to ensure there is the financial and volunteer resources available to ensure the 55+ BC Games are the "best ever".

The most recent development of the world class Track and Field venue at Okanagan College is a not only a fantastic sports facility, but it also offers all attendees a breathtaking view of one of the most picturesque lakes in the Province of British Columbia. Other city and regional amenities are also excellent to ensure all focus is on creating a extraordinary experience for those attending.

Greater Vernon's geographic location positions the region extremely well to be an attractive site for athletes and their supporters. With easy highway access and a growing international airport just 25 minutes away, athletes, officials and games supporters would all have easy access to the region no matter where in BC they call home.

Greater Vernon would be a fantastic place to stage the 55+ Games in 2017 and we are pleased to offer our enthusiastic support for the bid application.

Sincerely Yours,



Jaron Chasca  
President





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June 7, 2015

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To Whom it May Concern,

As the 2015 Chapter President of JCI Vernon, I am pleased to submit this letter of support for the City of Vernon to host the 55+ BC Games 2017/2018. JCI Vernon is a local organization, which forms a part of both a National and International organization, whose mission is to provide development opportunities that empower young people to create positive change. It is our vision to become the leading global network of young, active citizens.

Worldwide, JCI boasts a membership of over 200,000; locally, our group consists of active members who are constantly involved with the community, and always looking for ways to create positive change within our society. Our membership ranges in age from 19-40; with the age restriction, our group is constantly changing, growing, and evolving. With that, and with respect to the bid by the City of Vernon to host the 55+ BC Games 2017/2018, JCI Vernon does support the bid and will it known to the membership that this event is taking place. Participation will be encouraged, and should a member wish to become directly involved we will pass the appropriate contact information on to them.

Thank you for your consideration in bringing this exciting opportunity to Vernon.

Sincerely,

**Sue Solymosi**  
JCI Vernon 2015 Chapter President

**JCI Vernon**  
PO Box 1493, Vernon, BC V1T 4E6  
[www.jcicanada.com](http://www.jcicanada.com)



Emma McGinty  
55+ BC Games Bid  
City of Vernon Recreation Services  
3310 37th Ave,  
Vernon BC V1T 2Y5

**RE: CHAMBER SUPPORT OF BID FOR 2017 55+ BC GAMES**

The Armstrong Spallumcheen Chamber of Commerce is pleased to offer its full support for the efforts to land the 55+ BC Games 2017, 2018 or 2019 games with the preference being the 2017 games.

The Armstrong Spallumcheen Chamber of Commerce has one of the highest rates of chamber membership in the province – 90% of businesses in Armstrong Spallumcheen are members.

We have provided support for similar endeavours in the past including 2012 BC Winter Games.

Our community and our chamber members are well known for providing financial and volunteer resources and I have no doubt they will step up to the plate to ensure the 55+ BC Games are a success.

We have several facilities that could be utilized and of course, our community has experience hosting large events – as demonstrated by the 150,000 people that attend the IPE over the 5 days of the fair each year. We are also home to a vibrant downtown core and farming community with many opportunities to create an extraordinary experience for those attending the games.

With easy highway access and a growing international airport just 25 minutes away, athletes, officials and games supporters would all have easy access to the region no matter where in BC they call home.

Greater Vernon would be a fantastic place to stage the 55+ Games in 2017 and we are pleased to offer our enthusiastic support for the bid application.

Patti Noonan, Executive Director  
Armstrong Spallumcheen Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Centre



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## ROTARY CLUB of VERNON SILVER STAR

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2014-15 President, Janet Green; Past Pres, Keith Johnston; Pres Elect, Bev Rundell

May 30, 2015

Ms Emma McGinty  
55+ BC Games Bid-City of Vernon  
Recreation Services 3310 37<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Vernon BC V1T 2Y5

### RE: Vernon's Bid for the 2018 55+ BC GAMES

Dear Ms McGinty

I am pleased to offer the support of Silver Star Rotary for your initiative to bid for the 55+ BC Games. Should Vernon's bid be accepted, I am pleased to offer the services of our Rotarian members to assist in contributing to its success.

The focus for Silver Star Rotary has always been to assist our community and its residents. Our members are dedicated volunteers, who are active members of the community with diverse expertise. In the past Silver Star Rotary has worked at various levels from organization of events or providing volunteers to work at the event. As an example our members played some of the lead roles in the Cross Country Ski event at Sovereign Lake in 2011.

To the Committee: I recommend Vernon as an ideal location for the games. Vernon is easily accessible by air through the Kelowna airport which is a short 30 minute shuttle ride or by car, just off Highway 97 in the North Okanagan. The weather is hot and dry but is buffered by breezes off the three surrounding lakes. We offer an assortment of accommodation options and a variety of restaurants which cross all cultural barriers. In Vernon everything is just a walk away from the downtown business core. **We are a vibrant city but have maintained our small town hospitality.**

We look forward to hearing the good news that these games will come to Vernon in 2018 and we will be ready to assist.

Sincerely

Janet Green  
President  
Silver Star Rotary





## VERNON & DISTRICT PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE

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June 3, 2015

Emma McGinty  
55+ BC Games Bid – City of Vernon  
Recreation Services  
3310 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Vernon, BC V1T 2Y5

Dear Ms. McGinty,

On behalf of the Vernon and District Performing Arts Centre, please consider this letter of support for the City of Vernon's bid to host the 55+ BC Games that will take place September 12 to 16, 2017.

Vernon's history of hosting successful and varied special events, along with its facilities, strong volunteerism among the residents, abundant accommodation and hospitality services, accessibility and beautiful surroundings all ensure success for this exciting event.

The Performing Arts Centre is a 750 seat proscenium arch theatre with superior sound quality, comfortable seating and professional staff. It is our hope that we can collaborate with the City of Vernon to ensure that there will be professional entertainment options for the competitors and spectators during their stay in the area. The Centre also can provide reception and hospitality services if needed, and has a volunteer base of 300 persons.

We believe that the City of Vernon would be a wonderful host for these games and we are pleased to support the application to have them in our community.

Yours truly,

Pamela Burns Resch,  
Executive Director

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May 26, 2015

55+ BC Games Bid  
City of Vernon  
3310 37<sup>th</sup> Ave,  
Vernon, BC  
V1T 2Y5

Attention: Emma McGinty

**Re: 55+ BC Games - 2017 or 2018**

Please accept this letter as confirmation of our organization's commitment to the City of Vernon's bid to host the 2017 or 2018 55+ BC Games.

Greater Vernon and our surrounding areas served as a successful host community for many major events including the inaugural Senior Games in Vernon in 1998. Vernon has hosted multiple Jr A Hockey Championship Tournaments, World Curling Championships, 2 Skins Games, World X-Country Events and in 2012 the BC Winter Games to name several. Greater Vernon is fortunate to be home to many world-class facilities and great volunteer support. With our current Mayor Akbul Mund's history of supporting and leading these major events such as he did as President of our 2012 BC Winter Games, they are sure to succeed. We at The Morning Star are pleased to again serve as a partner in this event as we have done during the previous events.

Good luck with the bid and as always if there is anything else we can do to contribute to the bid and the Games please let us know.

Sincerely,



Ian Jensen

Vernon Morning Star

June 17, 2015



Doug Ross  
Director, Recreation Services  
City of Vernon  
3310 37 Avenue  
Vernon, BC V1T 2Y5

Dear Doug,

As the Manager of Economic Development and Tourism for Tourism Vernon, I would like to offer this letter of support in regards to your application to host the 55+ BC Games.

Vernon and area has a proven track record in hosting a variety of sporting events including the 2014 RBC Cup, the 2012 BC Winter Games, 2011 World Masters Cup at Sovereign Lake, 2008 Telus Skins Game at Predator Ridge Resort and the 2008 Ford World Women's Curling Championship to name a few.

On an annual basis, Vernon is home to numerous events including the Funtastic Slo-Pitch Tournament and Music Festival, which is the largest event of its kind in Canada attracting 200 teams and 3,000 participants.

Tourism Vernon is proud to play a role in supporting these events and would be interested in learning more about potential sponsorship opportunities should Vernon be successful in securing the 55+ BC Games.

If you would like to discuss this further please contact me directly at 250-550-3249.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "K. Poole", is written over the printed name and title of Kevin Poole.

Kevin Poole  
Manager of Economic Development and Tourism  
Tourism Vernon



Armstrong Old Timers' Activity Centre Association  
2520 Patterson Avenue  
P.O. Box 573  
Armstrong, B.C.  
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June 1, 2015.

Emma McGinty,  
55+ BC Games Bid – City Of Vernon,  
Recreation Services,  
3310 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue,  
Vernon, BC, V1T 2Y5.

Dear Ms. McGinty;

Re: 55+ BC Games – Letter Of Support

On behalf of our Association, it is a pleasure to support the City of Vernon's bid for the 55+ BC Games to be held either during the period September 12 – 16, 2017 or September 11 – 15, 2018.

The City of Vernon that is in close proximity to many smaller communities such as Armstrong would be an excellent choice to host the games as it, combined with those smaller communities, can easily host the amenities expected and needed to make the games a huge success.

The Armstrong Seniors Activity Centre as it is commonly known currently provides seniors with a venue for activities such as snooker, table tennis, whist and carpet bowling. We would consider it a privilege to share our equipment and do our best to make the games an experience to remember. Should Vernon be successful in their bid, we would definitely make our venue available for the games and invite our members and the community at large to help showcase our community spirit by assisting where we can.

Yours very truly,



Wayne Cornish,  
President.

**Vernon Senior Citizens' Recreational Society  
(a.k.a. Halina Seniors Centre)**

3310 - 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Vernon, BC Canada V1T 2Y5  
Phone: 250-542-2877  
Fax: 250-542-2614

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May 13, 2015

Emma Mc Ginty  
Vernon Recreation Centre  
3310-37 Avenue  
Vernon, BC  
V1T 2T8

Dear Emma Ginty:

Re: **The "55+ BC GAMES FOR THE YEAR 2017"**

I am very pleased, on behalf of the Vernon Senior Citizens Recreational Society, a.k.a. Halina Seniors Centre, to back the bid by the City of Vernon to host the above games.

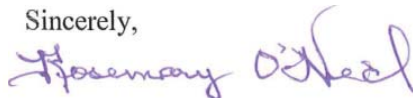
Our Club was incorporated as a British Columbia Society nearly 42 years ago, as a non-profit charity organization, offering different activities and events to seniors 50+, we are run by minimum staff and depend on volunteers and members to help with these events throughout the week and weekends. We are extremely active and run regular programs such as: floor curling, canasta, dancing, bingo, crafts, darts, table tennis, shuffleboard, billiards, carpet bowling, etc.

The Halina Seniors Centre tries to incorporate programs to meet the needs of the seniors today, as research shows that seniors are enjoying increased life expectancy and generally better health than ever before. Studies have shown that they are more physically active and more involved in groups and activities within their communities. It is all about healthy lifestyle, and staying active is the key. Recreational opportunities such as the ones offered at our Centre contribute towards living a healthy and active life.

Getting active and staying active benefits more than just our bodies. It helps us stay engaged in life, improves our mood and mental health, and gives us opportunities to meet new people. It also boosts our confidence and self-esteem and some studies show that physical activity can reduce the risk of health issues like dementia by keeping our minds in good condition.

Vernon is geographically well situated to host the 2017 55+ Seniors Games. These games first took place in Vernon in the year 1988 and the Halina Senior Centre would love to see them come back for their 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The Halina Senior Centre is pleased to support this application and will make our facilities available for this great prestigious event.

Sincerely,



Rosemary O'Neal, BSW  
Manager

The Fun Starts Here

# Schubert Centre Society

3505 -30th Avenue, Vernon, B.C. Canada V1T 2E6 Ph: (250) 549-4201 Fax: (250) 549-2249

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Emma McGinty  
55+ B.C. Games Bid

From: Schubert Centre Society  
3505 30<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
Vernon B.C.  
June 12, 2015

Dear Mrs. McGinty,

The Schubert Centre would be delighted to offer its support towards the Greater Vernon's, City of Armstrong's and the Township of Spallumcheen's bid to host the 55+ B.C. Games in 2017, 18 or 19. We will gladly make our facilities and equipment available for the duration of the games, should we be successful in the bid.

The Schubert Centre is primarily run by volunteers and is an independent organization, running activities and programs that help local seniors boost their quality of life. Our staff and volunteers strive to help seniors maintain a good quality of life by providing a variety of social and recreational programs and services which are based on the abilities and interests of our membership. We have been a social and recreational "hot spot" for seniors since 1984.

The centre is always a hive of activity. Amongst our many programs and clubs we also have table tennis, dancing and card games which include bridge, whist and cribbage.

Schubert Centre wishes our cities the very best of luck with the bid and are confident that if successful, we, as a community, will rise to the occasion to make the 55+ B.C. Games in Greater Vernon, the City of Armstrong and the Township of Spallumcheen, the best games yet!

Sincerely,



Jack Gareb

Manager of Schubert Centre



Bill Trickey  
252 Sarsons Rd.  
Vernon, BC  
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May 26, 2015

Emma McGinty  
55+ BC Games Bid  
City of Vernon Recreation Services  
3310 37<sup>th</sup> Ave,  
Vernon, BC  
V1T 2Y5

Dear Ms. McGinty

**RE: Letter of Support for the 55+ BC Games**

Please accept this letter as support for your bid for the 55+ BC Games. As someone who was born, raised and is now raising a family of my own in Vernon, I can attest to both its beauty and abundance of community spirit. Vernon has a proud history of hosting large scale seasonal events including international curling and skiing events, provincial sporting events such as the 1982 BC Summer games and the 1992 Winter games and more recently the very popular Greater Vernon Open Bocce tournament.

As co-founder of the event that was started over 10 years ago, the Greater Vernon Open (GVO) has grown to become Western Canada's largest single day bocce' event, dwarfing similar bocce events such as the Bocce' by the Beach in Vancouver. We now regularly have over 90 teams of two participate every year in a fun and friendly mixed event tournament. The tournament is also a generous fund raiser for the Ride Don't Hide campaign for Canadian Mental Health. The Ride Don't Hide campaign is a national charity whose aim is to raise awareness and support for mental health issues in Canada.

The GVO is proud of the community participation and local corporate support that enables such events to happen and I would not hesitate to offer my support for the 55+ BC Games bid.

Vernon



Mr. B. Trickey



# Boston Pizza Hockey League

Ms Emma McGinty

55+ BC Games Bid-City of Vernon

Recreation Services 3310 37th Ave

Vernon BC V1T 2Y5

## **RE: Vernon's Bid for the 2018 55+ BC GAMES**

I am very pleased, on behalf of the Boston Pizza Hockey League, to wholeheartedly back the bid by the city of Vernon to host the BC Seniors Games.

Vernon's brand new, state-of-the-art track and field facility will be officially opening this summer. It will be a truly spectacular venue for the Games...and with the added bonus of a view of beautiful Kalamalka Lake!

To give you some indication of the kind of community Vernon is, the committee that worked tirelessly to make this facility a reality consisted of representatives from track and field, soccer, nordic skiing, road running, football, baseball, field lacrosse, rugby, the school district, Okanagan College, the cardio-respiratory recovery group, the city, the regional district, and others. Vernon is a community of people who work together to get worthwhile things done...the perfect place to host an event as worthwhile as the BC Seniors Games.

Sincerely,

Mike Knights

League Commissioner

Boston Pizza Hockey League



Funtastic Sports Society  
3401 - 35Ave  
Vernon, BC V1T 2T5

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Fax: 250-545-0006  
Email: office@funtastic.org

May 30, 2015

Emma McGinty

55+ BC Games Bid – City of Vernon

Recreation Services, 3310, 37<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Vernon, B.C.

V1T 2Y5

Dear Ms. McGinty

On behalf of the Vernon & District Funtastic Sports Society we enthusiastically support the City of Vernon's bid for the 55+ BC Games in 2017 or 2018.

Vernon is well positioned to host the Games with competition class facilities to host the various events which will be greatly enhanced with the impending opening of the new track and field facility. Additionally there are ample support facilities in hotel and camping/RV facilities to accommodate the participants, organizers, officials and supporters of the Games. The DND ball fields with 13 pristine diamonds, including 3 lighted ball diamonds offer spacious parking and room for support facilities such as food and beverage services, are 2<sup>nd</sup> to none. Supporting these facilities are a volunteer resource of hundreds that come together to make every Vernon event successful.

Vernon has a rich history of successfully hosting international (Women's World Curling Championship), national (RBC Cup for junior A hockey) and local sporting events such as Funtastic which is the largest slo-pitch tournament (held at DND and 2 other fields) in Canada drawing over 200 teams and 3000 ballplayers. Funtastic would be pleased to offer its 31 years of experience, organizational strength and equipment to produce the slo-pitch component of the Games. The over 200 volunteers that contribute to Funtastic would be mobilized to pitch in as they normally do.

June 26<sup>th</sup> to June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015







Ms. Emma McGinty  
City of Vernon Recreational Services  
3310 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Vernon, BC V1T 2Y5

Dear Ms McGinty

On behalf of the Greater Vernon Pickleball Association, I am pleased to back the bid by the City of Vernon to host the 55+ BC Games. Our Association supports this event fully and the pickleball playing courts in Vernon meet the requirements for the games. We are prepared to volunteer our time and provide pickleball equipment.

The City of Vernon is an ideal location to hold the 55+BC Games since it has the facilities to host such a major event. I make this statement from personal experience. My participation in two 55+ BC Games as well as the 55+ Canada Games has provided me with firsthand knowledge of what is required of a host city to make such an event successful. The City of Vernon meets all these requirements.

Vernon has proven that it has the organizational experience to host a major event such as the 55+ BC Games. The 2012 BC Winter Games took place in Vernon and were a great success. Volunteers are the backbone of any major event and for the BC Winter Games 2,400 eager volunteers assisted 1,145 participants from all parts of British Columbia. Funtastic, Canada's largest slo-pitch tournament, is held yearly in Vernon with over 525 volunteers. Last year the RBC Cup was held in Vernon and 250 volunteers assisted with this event. Meeting the number of volunteers required for the 55+ BC Games will not be a problem in Vernon.

The citizens of Vernon are always ready to help organize major events and volunteer their time. This should not be any different for the 55+ BC Games, especially since these games first took place in Vernon.

Vernon is a welcoming and wonderful city to visit and enjoy the amenities available. Many visitors return to visit or to live here.

Sincerely,

Jack Carriou  
Vice-President  
Greater Vernon Pickleball Association



June 19, 2015

Ms. Emma McGinty  
City of Vernon Recreational Services  
3310 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Vernon, B.C. V1T 2Y5

Dear Ms. McGinty

The Vernon Pickleball Club is pleased to support the City of Vernon in hosting the 55+ B.C. Games. Our club has a lot of experience in organizing and running Tournaments, and is supported and recognized by Pickleball Canada.

The Vernon Pickleball Club is excited to be able to be part of this opportunity. I know we have many people in our Club that would be pleased to volunteer their time and experience in this endeavor. We have Pickleball nets and other equipment that could be used if needed.

We have had many of our club members volunteer and play in National, International, B.C. Senior Games and regional tournaments. Many of our members have also been trained as scorekeepers and linesman.

We look forward to supporting you in any way we can.

Rod Townsley  
Director  
Vernon Pickleball Club

55+ B.C. Games Bid,  
3310-37 Ave.,  
Vernon, B.C.,  
V1T 2Y5.



June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

Dear Mrs. McGinty,

The Okanagan Men's O 55 Soccer League enthusiastically supports Greater Vernon, the City of Armstrong and the Township of Spallumcheen in their application to host The 55+ B.C. Games in 2017, 2018 or 2019.

Our league currently consists of nine teams (two hundred and fourteen players), two of which are based here in Vernon. Our season is mid-April through September. Many of us have actively participated in The Senior Games every year for many years. We actually won Gold Medals in both the O55 and O60 Divisions in The Kootenays in 2011. This year we will be again sending teams from Zone 5 to both divisions and supplementing Zone 8 in the O65's. The whole soccer community would like to see The Games return to Vernon for its thirtieth anniversary in 2017. Our league would be more than happy to provide volunteers and any other assistance that it can.

We believe that 'Greater Vernon' will be an excellent venue for The Games as it has proved to be for so many sporting events in the past. The strong sense of community spirit, beautiful surroundings and climate will undoubtedly provide an unforgettable experience for participants and spectators alike.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if there is anything that we can do to assist.

Best Wishes,

Tim Penaluna ( Chair, Okanagan Men's O55 Soccer League ).





## VERNON TENNIS ASSOCIATION

[www.vernontennis.com](http://www.vernontennis.com)

Incorporated November 26, 2008, Vernon, British Columbia

June 1, 2015

55+ BC Games Bid Committee  
2017, 2018, 2019 Games

Dear Committee:

Our Vernon Tennis Association Board members voted unanimously to support the bid for the 55+ BC Games. President Wilf Steeves responded, “A great way to promote active healthy lifestyles and meet others that are of a like mind. This enthusiasm is contagious and will spread to other seniors. A great program and a great chance for Vernon to show what we can do.”

Our tennis association membership is growing with over 100 adults of ages 16-86 and 40 junior members. We have many participants who have entered tournaments and are thus knowledgeable in the workings of a tournament. This translates to experienced volunteers to help with the 55+ BC Games, if our bid is successful. That would be important as we will have several sites to officiate and monitor these tennis games, all within 10 minutes of each other.

2017 will be the 30<sup>th</sup> year of the Games, and Vernon was privileged to be the first venue for these games. Besides beautiful weather, our tennis courts provide the scenic surroundings for which Vernon is known. The court atmosphere will give you a slice of Vernon . . . Okanagan Lake and boats moored where paddlewheels were once launched, Terrace Mountain soaring over the rolling hills, tree-shaded parks with gardens and geese and lagoons, and orchards and beaches nearby, plus friendly people who love tennis.

We look forward to being a partner in hosting the 55+ BC Games and sharing our beautiful Vernon with all of British Columbia.

The Board of the Vernon Tennis Association

Marsha White, Past President of Vernon Tennis Association  
Vernon area representative of Zone 5 – BC Seniors Games

# VERNON AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Ms Emma McGinty

55+ BC Games Bid-City of Vernon

Recreation Services 3310 37th Ave

Vernon BC V1T 2Y5

## **RE: Vernon's Bid for the 2018 55+ BC GAMES**

I am very pleased, on behalf of the Vernon Triple A Track and Field Club, to wholeheartedly back the bid by the city of Vernon to host the BC Seniors Games.

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Sincerely,

Ian Cameron

Head Coach

Vernon Triple A Track and Field Club

May 22, 2015

Emma McGinty

55+ BC Games Bid – City of Vernon

Recreation Services, 3310 37<sup>th</sup> Ave

Vernon, BC V1T 2Y5



Dear Emma,

On behalf of the Vernon Kokanee Swim Club, please accept this letter of full support for the bid to host the 55+ BC Games in September of 2017 or 2018.

Our club has hosted two successful swim meets annually for many years. We draw kids of all ages from as far away as Calgary, Alberta. We have an amazing group of parents and community members and sponsors who consistently volunteer their time as officials in order to make our meets a huge success for the athletes. We are so fortunate to have such an amazing support group that would gladly help out should we be successfully in securing the 55+ BC Games.

The Vernon Recreation Center consists of a 25 meter indoor pool with 8 lanes, complete with starting blocks. Our club would of course donate our timing system and expertise in running a multi day swim meet. We find our facility works well having two change rooms with showers and various other rooms to be used by officials and marshalls. Our parking is always free with overflow lots nearby.

Vernon would be proud to host the 55+ BC Games, and the Vernon Kokanee Swim Club is pleased to support the application for such an amazing opportunity!

Sincerely,

Teri Bracken

Secretary

VKSC





**Vernon Rowing & Dragon Boat Club**  
Swan Lake, BC

Dear Emma,

Vernon Rowing and Dragon Boat Club are delighted to hear that The City of Vernon and Armstrong and The Township of Spallumcheen are collectively submitting a bid to host the 2017, 18 or 19 Games. We will be happy to offer our full support to both the Dragon Boat event and to the wider games.

Vernon Rowing and Dragon Boat Club have 250 participants and organize 2 events annually including the Vernon Dragon Boat Festival in August. We are equipped with 3 Millennium Dragon Boats (a fourth is available from Penticton Paddling Centre), 3 safety boats, paddles, pfd's and a trailer to transport equipment to the race location. Our staff and volunteers have extensive race management experience to support the event.

Once again, on behalf of the club may we offer our wholehearted support towards the bid. It would be great to see the Games come back to where it first began - Good luck!

Kind regards

Lisa George  
Program and Event Manager  
Vernon Rowing and Dragon Boat Club

Box 3034  
Vernon, BC V1B 3M1  
vrdbc.com



## Vernon Fish & Game Club

PO Box 596  
Vernon, BC V1T 6M4

June 1, 2015

Emma McGinty, Recreation Services  
3310 37<sup>th</sup> Ave, Vernon B.C.

Dear Emma,

Re: Vernon's bid for +55 B.C. Games

On behalf of the Vernon Fish and Game club, I would like to support Vernon's bid to host the +55 B.C. Games in archery.

Our club is almost 900 members strong and serve to volunteer in the community in several avenues. In 2012 I was the archery chair for the B.C. Winter games in Vernon. We hosted 48 Junior athletes from all over the province in an 18 meter FITA event. That same year I also cohosted a 3-D national event held at Silver Star Mountain Resort. Over 300 shooters from across Canada attended the event which is still touted as the best national event ever. Having the equipment necessary to host the 3-D event and a good working relationship with the BC Archery Assc. for the target archery, and with a working knowledge of hosting events and a large volunteer support group we are confident that we can host a memorable archery event that athletes will refer to for years to come.

We also think that Vernon is an ideal location for hosting the games. Easily traveled to from all regions of the province, hopefully athletes will be fighting over the opportunity to come here and compete.

Yours Truly,  
Leon Meier  
Archery Director,  
Vernon Fish & Game Club



## Armstrong District Fish & Game Association

Box 454 Armstrong, BC V0E 1B0 www.adfga.ca adfga2011@hotmail.com

June 1, 2015

Emma McGinty  
55+ BC Games Bid -City of Vernon  
Recreation Services 3310 37th Ave  
Vernon BC V1T 2Y5  
250.308.4677 emmamcginty1@gmail.com

Dear Emma

**Re: City of Vernon's Bid for the 55+ BC Games for 2017 & 2018**

We are very pleased to back the bid by the City of Vernon to host the 55+ Games.

The Armstrong District Fish & Game Association Incorporated in 1963 is a non-profit group of volunteers offering the community a safe and secure place to learn and practice pistol, rifle, black powder, trap and archery. The club is open to public several days a week and seven days a week to members. Family days, school training, and demonstrations are regular activities which promote game management and environmental conservation.

ADFGA puts on several Archery target & 3D shoots each year and has hosted the Senior Game Trails for Zone 5.

Our Club house has seating for 110, complete kitchen, and bathrooms, picnic & BBQ area, outdoor bathroom, limited Camping and Parking. All wheel chair friendly (on gravel).

We like to think that Vernon is second to none in Dining, lodging, recreation. Lets get this bid and make these Games one to remember.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Donald Williams".

Donald Williams  
Treasurer ADFGA  
don\_p\_williams@hotmail.com  
(250) 308 6766

**Vernon Horseshoe Club**

1047 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Vernon, BC. V1B 2P8

May 19, 2015

55+ BC GAMES

RE: Vernon's Bid for the 2018 55+ BC GAMES

I am very pleased, on behalf of the Vernon Horseshoe Club, to wholeheartedly back the bid by the Greater Vernon to host the BC Seniors Games.

Please be advised that the Horseshoe pitch venue at Alexis Park will be reserved for the duration of the 55+ BC Games.

Don Myrfield – President

Vernon Horseshoe Club

Phone: 250-545-2760

Cell: 250-306-4424





# INFORMATION ABOUT OUR COMMUNITIES

*Where it all began!*

The location and natural surroundings are just as appealing as they were in 1988, but with airport and highway upgrades, the Northern Okanagan is even more accessible.

VERNON TOURISM / THOMAS BULLOCK



# GEOGRAPHY AND CLIMATE

The City of Vernon, the City of Armstrong and the Township of Spallumcheen lie at the northern point of the beautiful Okanagan Valley; situated just 35-50 minutes from Kelowna airport and serviced by routes 97 and 6, making the area easily accessible by road and air for visitors from all zones within province.

With temperatures between 10 and 20°C, 10 hours or more of sunlight and very low rainfall, the fall weather is ideally suited to hosting the 55+ BC Games and offers visitors the opportunity to make the very most of harvest time by visiting one of the many orchards and wineries or hiking a trail to take in the spectacular lake and mountain scenery.



Vernon City hall fountain civic sounds

## CULTURE

Our small cities' charm melds with our year-round cultural events, festivals and celebrations; there's live music, outdoor theatre, sports tournaments, biking, hiking and wine festivals. Vernon boasts world-class resorts, championship golf courses, outstanding restaurants and first rate shopping, all within minutes of the downtown core.

Vernon is home to a state of the art performing arts centre; The Vernon and District Performing Arts Centre. The society presents three series of entertainments and boasts hundreds of touring musical acts, local talent and community based events on a yearly basis. The city also hosts The Powerhouse Theatrical Society; an award winning Community theatre group which has entertained audiences for over 50 years. Vernon also plays host to one of the most successful film societies in Canada. Films are presented every second Monday at Vernon's Towne Cinema. The Vernon Film Society produces two film festivals per year.

Vernon's downtown core is home to a large public art display in the form of its mural project. This artwork depicts interpretations of period photographs from Vernon's early history. The collection of most of the murals was created under the direction of lead artist Michelle Loughery. The mural project is in a continual state of growth, with new pieces of art being added at regular intervals.

Each winter, Vernon plays host to the Vernon Winter Carnival. First held in 1961, it is now Western Canada's largest Winter Carnival.

The City of Armstrong and Township of Spallumcheen are home to the dairy and farmlands of the Spallumcheen Valley, a name derived from a Shuswap language meaning "beautiful valley". These rural communities have their roots based in agriculture, grain farming of alfalfa and wheat, logging, and ranching; a sample of which can be experienced at the historic O'Keefe Ranch. The influence of Dutch immigrants settling in the valley after 1945 is represented by their cheese-making knowledge, allowing Armstrong to become well known for cheese.

Armstrong is also well known for hosting the Interior Provincial Exhibition and Stampede, which has been in annual operation for 116 years. The "IPE" is not just a midway and popular retail show, but still very much a country fair, with contests being held to judge animals, cooking, sewing, hobbies and other items. Additionally, the exhibition offers a variety of entertainment options ranging from concerts, competitions, and the famous mini-chuckwagon races.

The North Okanagan is a place of outstanding beauty from its colour defying lakes, rolling hills, majestic mountains, beaches, friendly people and days filled with sunshine; creating the perfect backdrop for a most successful 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 55+ BC Games.

The City of Vernon, Greater Vernon, the City of Armstrong and the Township of Spallumcheen would also like to take the opportunity to recognise the traditional lands of the Okanagan Nation and Splotsin Indian Band. The bid committee have approached and received support from both organisations.

# POPULATION DEMOGRAPHICS

The City of Vernon, Greater Vernon, the City of Armstrong and the Township of Spallumcheen are home to an extremely active and engaged seniors' community. Approximately 45% of a total population of 69,000 are aged over 50 with 3 thriving senior's activity centres, providing a rich source of athletes and competitors as well as a large body of willing and knowledgeable volunteers. Since the announcement of this bid in the City of Vernon, Greater Vernon, the City of Armstrong and the Township of Spallumcheen area, the bid committee have been inundated with calls of volunteer support from high-calibre, large-scale sport host experienced members of the community. The high senior population demographic and strong sense of volunteerism will be central to providing the event with the requirement of approximately 1,200 community volunteers.

*Where it all began!*

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## GAMES TRANSPORTATION

### By Car

The northern Okanagan is easily accessible by road and air. The area is serviced by highway 97 the longest continuously-numbered route in British Columbia (and the longest provincial highway in any province), running 2,081 km from the Canada/U.S. border near Osoyoos in the south to the British Columbia/Yukon boundary in the north at Watson Lake, Yukon. Highway 6 also runs through the City of Vernon linking the area with the south east of BC.

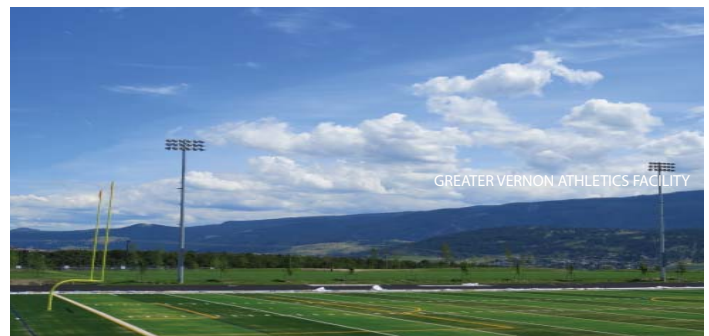
### By Bus

The Greyhound bus station is just a 10 minute walk away from the proposed accreditation centre and just meters away from downtown Vernon.

### By Air

Kelowna airport is situated just 35-50 minutes south of the area which has direct flights from four other BC destinations:  
Cranbrook  
Prince George  
Victoria  
Vancouver

Vernon also has its own airfield for those wishing to use private air transportation.



### Venue Transportation

Eight BC Transit bus routes run throughout the city and pass to within meters of every venue. The downtown bus exchange is less than a 10 minute walk to the Greater Vernon Recreation Centre, which will act as the accreditation centre and main hub for many of the sports. BC Transit also links Vernon and Armstrong making a stop right outside the Nor Val Arena and IPE Showground, which will act as both a satellite accreditation centre and the main hub for many of the Armstrong based sports.

### Dance Transportation

Shuttlebuses will be provided from two central locations to take participants to a dance of their choice. We intend to host two dances, one in Armstrong at the IPE Showground and one in Vernon at Kal Tire Place; each with a different theme.

# FINANCE

BC Seniors Games Society Grant	\$85,000
BC Seniors Games Society Legacy Grant	\$5,000
Participant/Non-Participant Registration Fees	\$105,000
Sport Fees	\$45,000
Municipal Financial Support (proportional)	
City of Vernon	\$37,675
Greater Vernon	\$17,325
City of Armstrong	\$2,500
Township of Spallumcheen	\$2,500
Municipal In-Kind Support (proportional)	
City of Vernon	\$34,980
Greater Vernon	\$15,565
Armstrong/Spallumcheen Parks & Recreation	\$4,455
Sponsorships	\$40,000
Sale of Programs, Merchandise, Advertising, etc..	\$20,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$415,000</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Administration	\$95,000
Special Events	\$70,000
Sporting Events	\$113,000
Communications	\$6,500
Food Services	\$30,000
Medical	\$6,500
Insurance	\$6,500
Registration/Accreditation	\$12,500
Transportation	\$30,000
Volunteers	\$20,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$390,000</b>
<b>Net (Legacy)</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>



# KEY CONTACTS

If the City of Vernon, Greater Vernon, City of Armstrong and the Township of Spallumcheen are successful in their bid to host the games, a full committee, modelled on the highly successful 2012 Winter Games Committee will assemble to plan and deliver the Games. The key contacts for the committee are:

Doug Ross, Director Recreation Services, City of Vernon  
[dross@vernon.ca](mailto:dross@vernon.ca) 250-550-3687

Shayne Wright, Recreation Programs Coordinator, City of Vernon  
[swright@vernon.ca](mailto:swright@vernon.ca) 250-550-3671

Tannis Nelson, Community Development Coordinator Regional District North Okanagan  
[tannis.nelson@rdno.ca](mailto:tannis.nelson@rdno.ca) 250-550-3689

Byron Sayer, General Manager Armstrong/Spallumcheen Parks & Recreation  
[bsayer@icesports.com](mailto:bsayer@icesports.com) 250-546-9456 x203

Kevin Poole, Manager, Economic Development, City of Vernon  
[kpoole@vernon.ca](mailto:kpoole@vernon.ca) 250-550-3249

Joe Rogers, Superintendent of Schools, School District #22  
[jrogers@sd22.bc.ca](mailto:jrogers@sd22.bc.ca) 250-542-3331



# MAJOR EVENTS

Year	Event	# Volunteers	# Participants	Approx Budget
2015	Provincial A and B Championships Ringette	80	550	45,000
2015	Canadian Direct Insurance BC Men's Curling Championship	25	64	10,000
2015	BC Open Stick Curling Championship	15	40	2,000
2015	Prestige Curling Classic	45	195	25,000
2015	Coca Cola International Pee Wee Classic Hockey Tournament	110	200	10,000
2015	BC Provincial A Girls Basketball	266	160-220	16,000
2015	BC Provincial Racquetball Championships	10	45	5,000
2015	The Canadian Jr. National Freestyle Ski Championships	40	160	65,000
2014	Funtastic Slo-Pitch Tournament	200	3000	700,000
2014	RBC Cup Jr. Hockey Championships	1,100	460	596,000
2014	Coca Cola International Pee Wee Classic Hockey Tournament	110	200	10,000
2014	Greater Vernon Open Bocce Tournament	5	198	5,000
2014	Mid-Master, Senior & Super Senior Women Golf – VG&CC	200	63	10,000
2014	BC Provincial A Girls Basketball	266	200	19,000
2014	BC Provincial Racquetball Championships	10	45	5,000
2013	Funtastic Slo-Pitch Tournament	200	3000	700,000
2013	Greater Vernon Open Bocce Tournament	5	180	5,000
2013	Coca Cola International Pee Wee Classic Hockey Tournament	110	200	10,000
2012	BC Winter Games	2400	1124	700,000
2012	Funtastic Slo-Pitch Tournament	200	3000	700,000
2012	Greater Vernon Open Bocce Tournament	5	190	5,000
2011	Sparkling Hill Masters Cup (Cross Country)	150	1100 (23 countries)	600,000

## PRAISE FOR GREATER VERNON AS HOSTS

*As the BC Games cauldron flame was extinguished and the flag was passed to Surrey, host of the 2012 BC Summer Games, BC Games Society President and CEO, Kelly Mann said, "I think you can wrap it up by saying these were literally the best ever BC Winter Games." He commended the 2,400 volunteers saying, "Whether they spent four hours, or two years, they did a collective job that hasn't been seen in this community for years and years, and I think that's just outstanding."*

*Excerpt from Vernon Morning Star 2012*

## FUTURE EVENTS

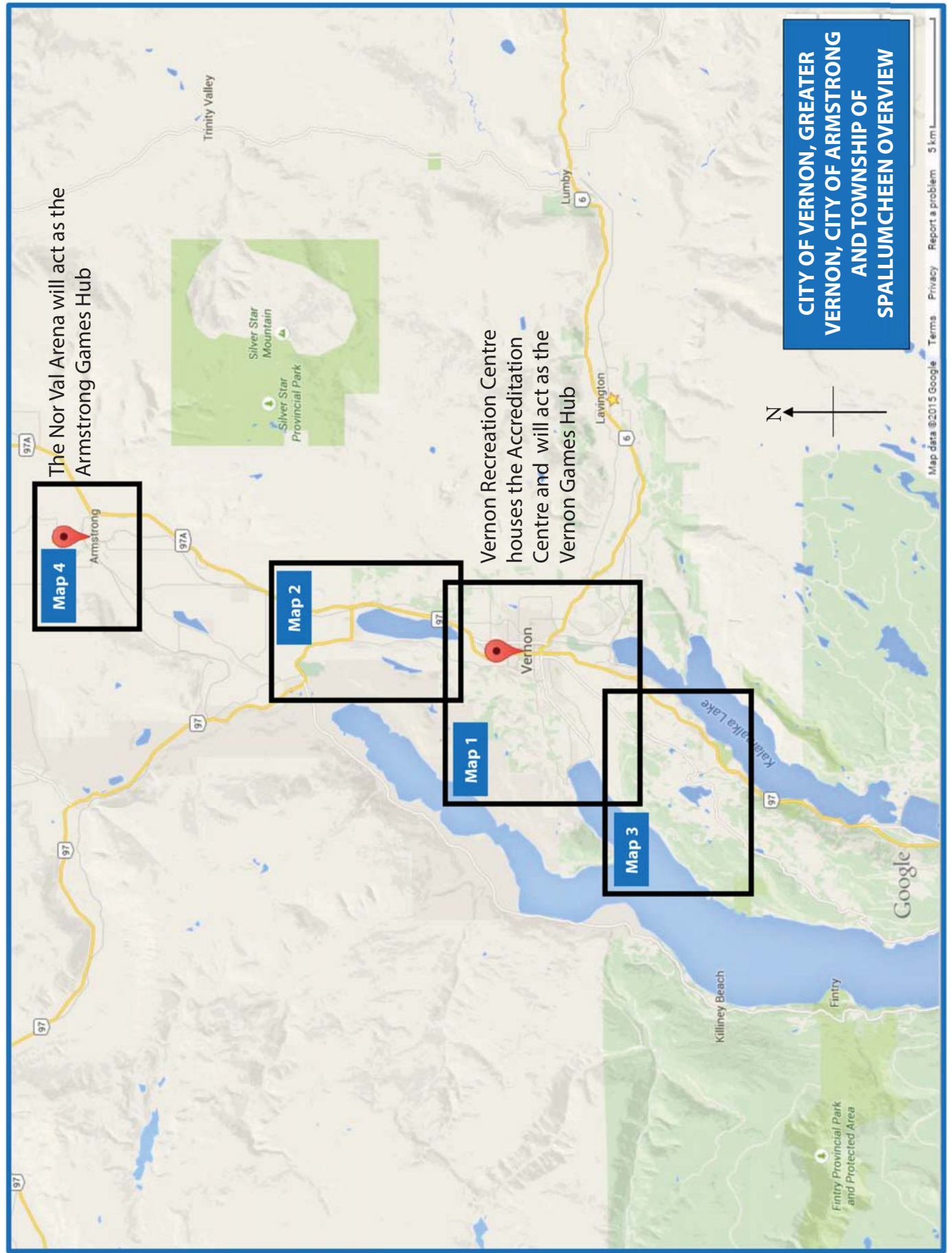
Month	Event	# Volunteers	# Participants	Approx Budget
July	Funtastic Slo-Pitch Tournament	200	3000	700,000
August	Juvenile Championships – Boys' & Girls', Spallumcheen Golf & Country Club, Vernon	10	100	6,000

## OTHER HOSTING EXPERIENCE

Year	Event	# Volunteers	# Participants	Approx Budget
2014	Armstrong IPE	540	150,000	1.75million
2014	Vernon Winter Carnival	265	12,000	200,000
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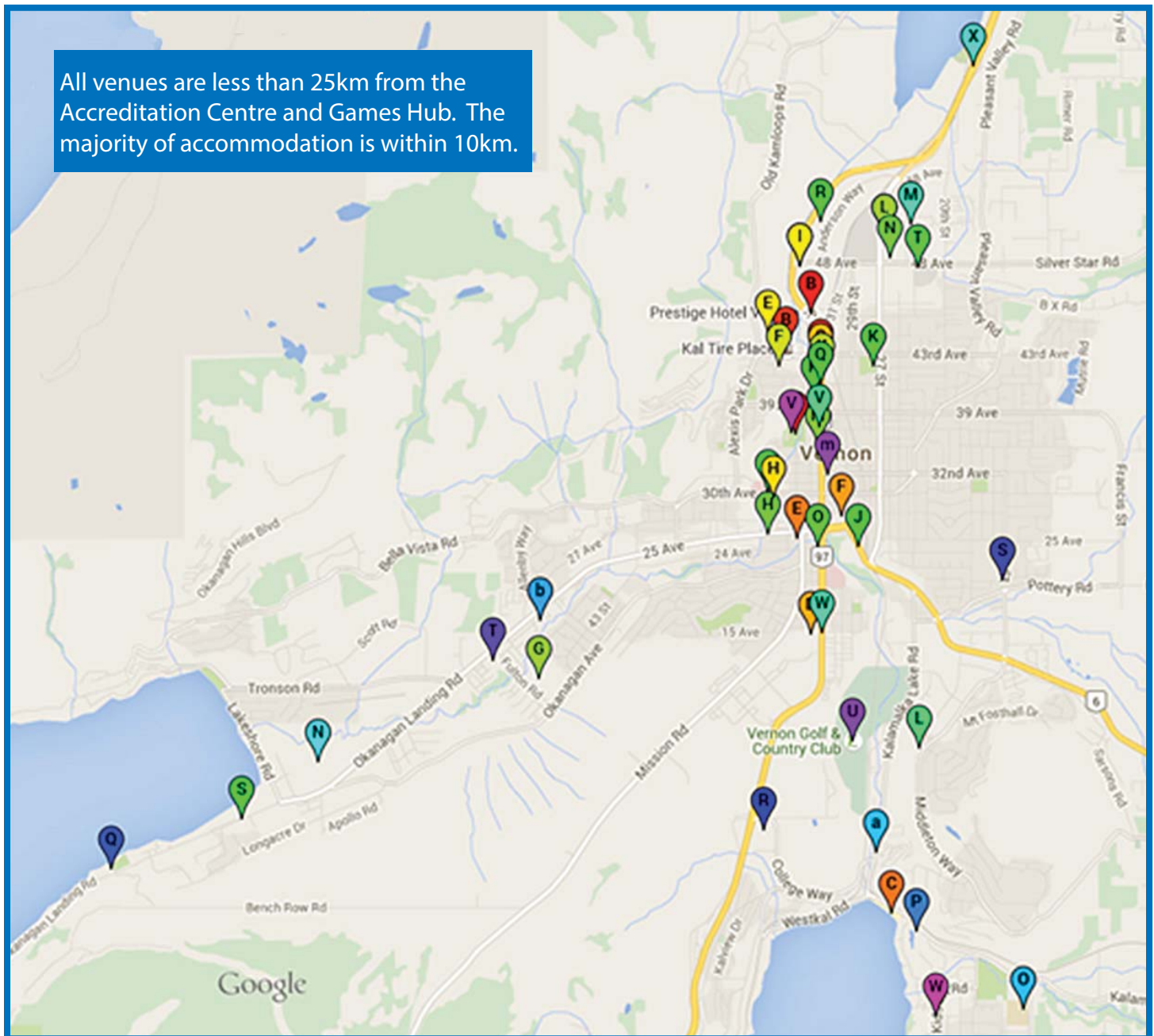
# COMMUNITY MAPS





# MAP 1 - VERNON CENTRAL

All venues are less than 25km from the Accreditation Centre and Games Hub. The majority of accommodation is within 10km.



# MAP 1 - VERNON CENTRAL - LEGEND

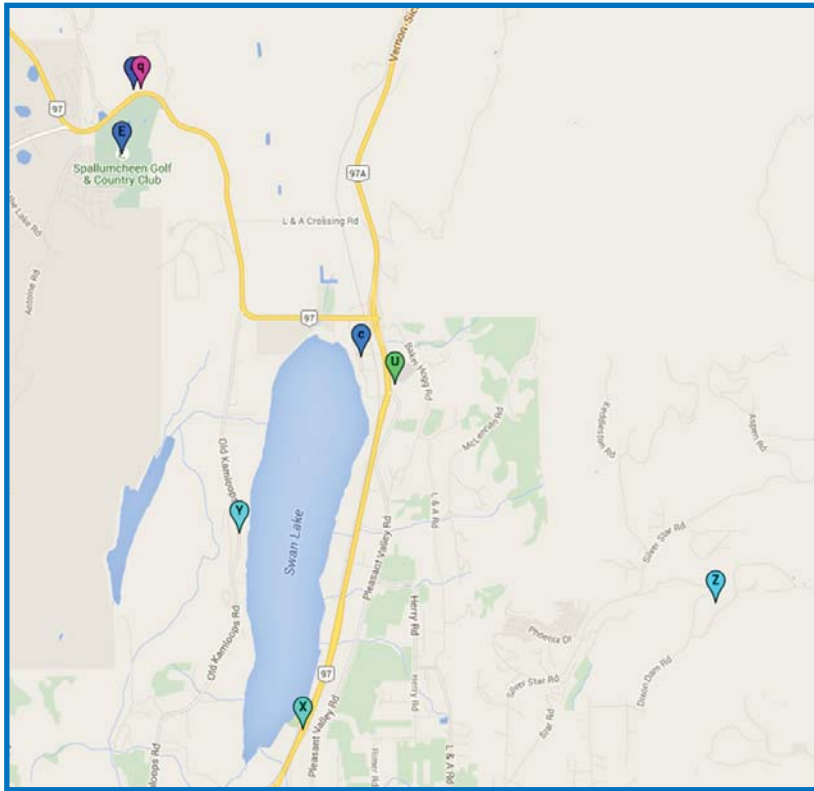
## Vernon Sports Facilities

-  Accreditation Centre/Games Hub
-  Kal Tire Place
-  Kal Beach
-  DND - Ball Fields
-  Kin Race Track
-  Alexis Park
-  Clarence Fulton Secondary
-  Lincoln Lanes (1969) Ltd
-  Schubert Centre
-  Polson Park
-  MacDonald Park
-  Sawicki Park
-  Roster Sports Club Bar & Grill
-  Marshall Field
-  Kalamalka Secondary
-  Kalavista Park
-  Paddlewheel Park
-  Sports & Athletics Facility
-  Vernon Secondary School
-  Ellison Elementary School
-  Vernon Golf & Country Club
-  Vernon Curling Club
-  Sovereign Park

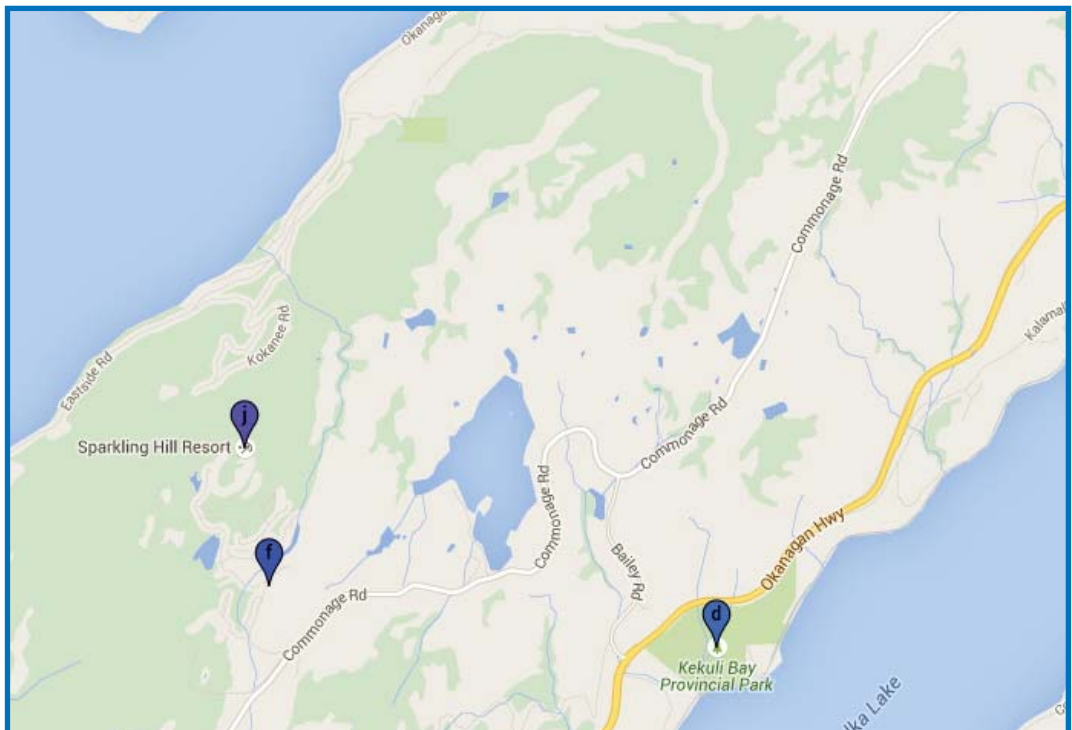
## Vernon Accommodation

-  Pacific Inn & Suites Vernon
-  Prestige Hotel & Conference...
-  Super 8 Vernon BC
-  EconoLodge
-  Tiki Village Motor Inn
-  Journey Inn Hotel
-  Blue Stream Motel
-  Schell Motel
-  Holiday Inn Express Hotel & ...
-  Days Inn Vernon
-  Sandman Inn & Suites Vernon
-  Days Inn Vernon
-  Schell Motel Express
-  Village Green Hotel - Restau...
-  Polson Park Motel
-  Best Western Plus Vernon L...
-  Vernon Inn And Suites
-  Fairfield Inn & Suites Vernon
-  Strand Lakeside Resort
-  Chartwell Carrington Place ...
-  The Castle at Swan Lake Ho...
-  Silver Star Motel
-  tel a friend motel
-  Silver Star RV Park
-  SWAN LAKE RV PARK & CA...
-  Cedar Falls Campground
-  Dutch's Camp Ground
-  Big Chief RV Park
-  Swan Lake Co Owners Resort
-  Kekuli Bay Provincial Park
-  Historic O'Keefe Ranch
-  Predator Ridge Resort
-  Outback Resort
-  Crystal Bay Resort
-  Ellison Provincial Park
-  Sparkling Hill Resort
-  Silver Star Mountain Resort
-  Lord Aberdeen Hotel and Ap...
-  Snowbird Lodge
-  Vance Creek Hotel & Confer...
-  The Bulldog Hotel
-  Super 8 Lake Country/Winf...
-  O'Keefe Ranch RV/Camping

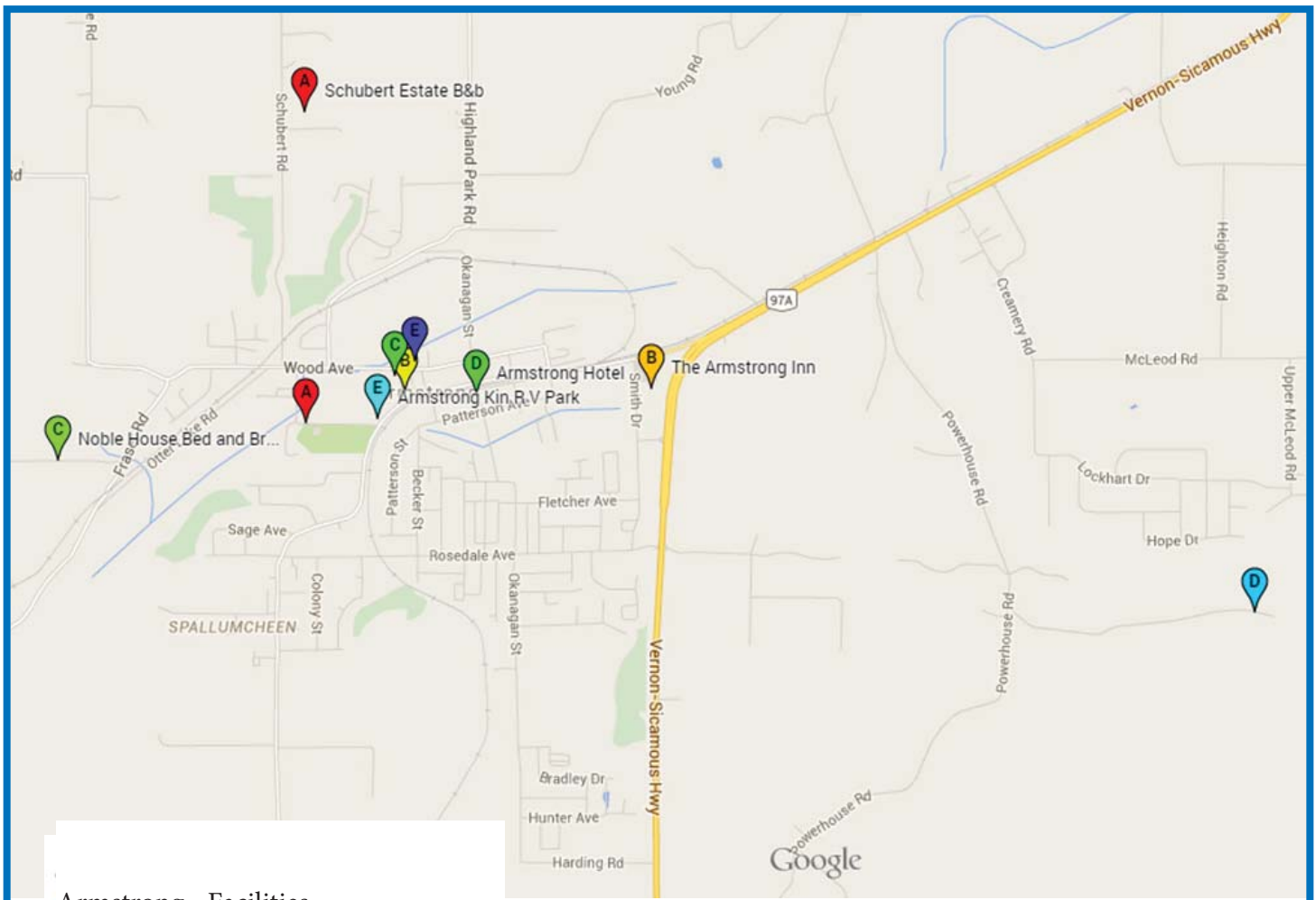
## MAP 2 - SPALLUMCHEEN AND SWAN LAKE



## MAP 3 - SOUTH VERNON



# MAP 4 - ARMSTRONG



## Armstrong - Facilities

- Nor Val Arena/Armstrong Games Hub
- Hassen Memorial Arena
- Interior Provincial Exhibition
- Armstrong and District Fish ...
- IPE RV/Camping

All venues are less than 30km from the Armstrong Games Hub.

## Armstrong - Accommodations

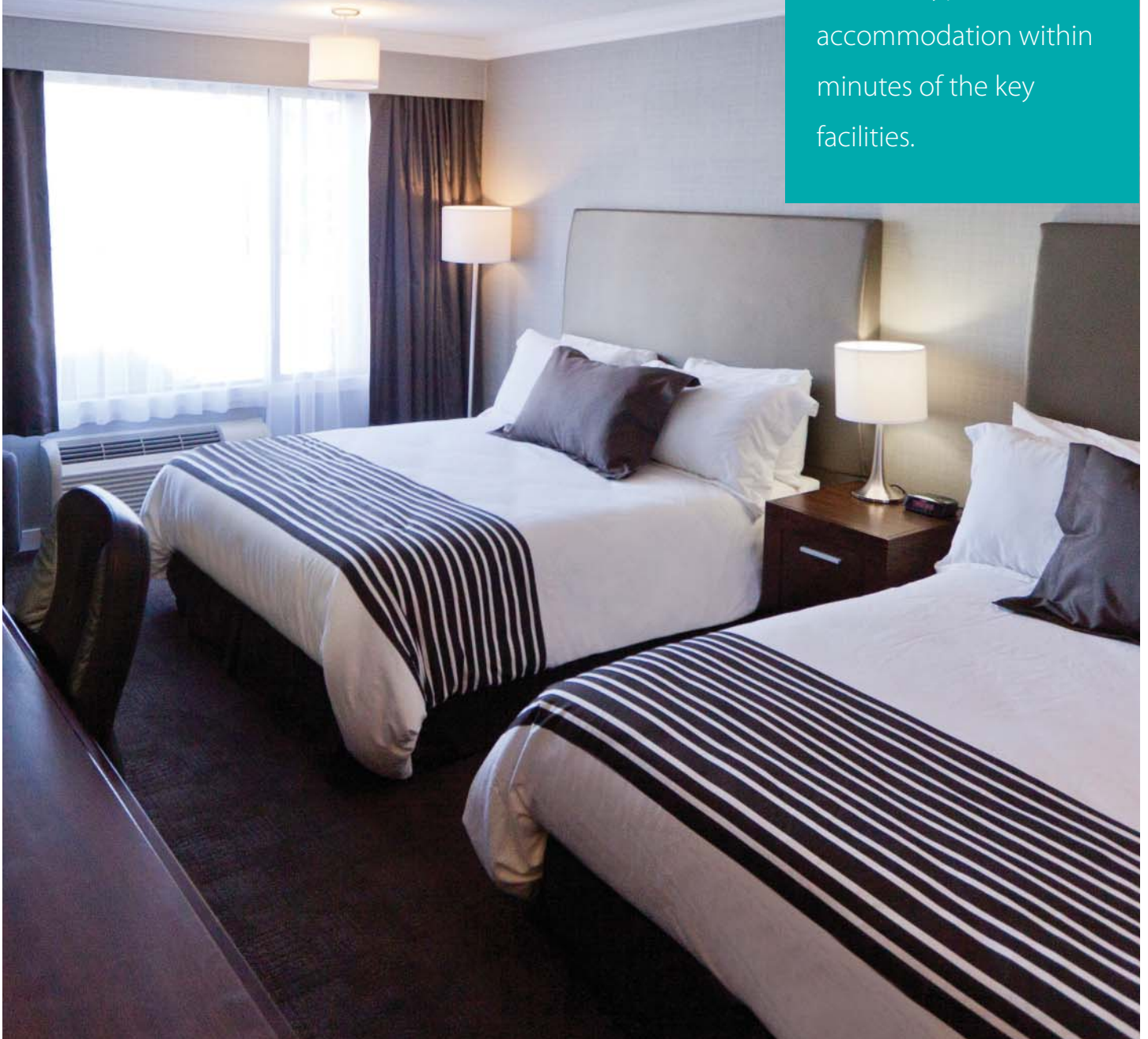
- Schubert Estate B&b
- The Armstrong Inn
- Noble House Bed and Break...
- Armstrong Hotel
- Armstrong Kin R V Park
- Enderby Inn
- Sleep Right Inn



# ACCOMMODATIONS

*Where it all began!*

There are many different types of accommodation within minutes of the key facilities.



# ACCOMMODATION VERNON HUB 0-10km

Distance from Vernon Accreditation Centre	Name of Accommodation	Type	Number of beds/sites
0-10 km	Pacific Inn and Suites	Hotel	61
	Prestige Hotel Vernon	Hotel	103
	Super 8 Vernon	Hotel	61
	Econo Lodge	Hotel	33
	Tiki Village	Hotel	30
	Journey Inn	Hotel	34
	Blue Stream Motel	Hotel	15
	Schell Motel	Hotel	32
	Holiday Inn Express	Hotel	85
	Village Green Hotel	Hotel	127
	Days Inn	Hotel	53
	Sandman Inn and Suites	Hotel	86
	Schell Motel Express	Hotel	24
	Polson Park Motel	Hotel	28
	Best Western Plus	Hotel	124
	Vernon Inn and Suites	Hotel	29
	Fairfield Inn and Suites	Hotel	98
	Strand lakeside Resort	Hotel	40
	Carrington Place	Hotel	4
	Okanagan Vacation Rentals	Hotel	34
	The Castle at Swan Lake	Hotel	44
	Silver Star Motel	Hotel	20
	Tel a Friend Motel	Hotel	14
	Silver Star RV and Tent Park	RV/Camping	87
	Swan Lake Campground	RV/Camping	50
	Cedar Falls Campground	RV/Camping	42
	Dutch's Campground	RV/Camping	121
	Big Cheif RV Park	RV/Camping	21
	Swan Lake Rec Resort	RV/Camping	105

# ACCOMMODATION VERNON HUB 11-40km

Distance from Vernon Accreditation Centre	Name of Accommodation	Type	Number of beds/sites
11-15km	Kekuli Bay	RV/Camping	69
	O Keefe Ranch	RV/Camping	10
16-20km	Predator Ridge Resort	Hotel	121
	Outback Resort	Hotel	20
	Paradise Vacation Homes	Hotel	6
	Crystal Bay Resort	Hotel	5
	Ellison Provincial Park	RV/Camping	71
	Sparkling Hill Resort	Hotel	149
21-25km	Armstrong Inn	Hotel	20
	Noble House	Hotel	4
	Armstrong Hotel and Saloon	Hotel	15
	Armstrong Kin RV Park	RV/Camping	25
	IPE Showground	RV/Camping	200
	Silver Creek Lodge	Hotel	69
	Lord Aberdeen Hotel	Hotel	15
	Snowbird Lodge	Hotel	54
	Vance Creek Hotel	Hotel	19
	The Pinnacles	Hotel	18
26-30km	The Bulldog Hotel	Hotel	23
	Schubert Estate	Hotel	3
	Super 8 Lake Country	Hotel	40
35-40km	Sleep Right Inn	Hotel	16
	Enderby Inn	Hotel	11

**Total Number of Beds 1787**

**Total Number of Camp Sites 801**

# ACCOMMODATION ARMSTRONG HUB 0-25km

Distance from Armstrong Hub	Name of Accommodation	Type	Number of beds/sites
0-10 km	Armstrong Inn	Hotel	20
	Noble House	Hotel	4
	Armstrong Hotel & Saloon	Hotel	15
	Armstrong Kin RV Park	RV/Camping	25
	Schubert Estate	Hotel	3
	IPE RV Campground	RV/Camping	200
11-15km	Sleep Right Inn	Hotel	16
	Enderby Inn	Hotel	11
	The Castle at Swan Lake	Hotel	44
	Swan Lake Rec Resort	RV/Camping	105
16-20 km	Silver Star RV and Tent Park	RV/Camping	87
	Swan Lake Campground	RV/Camping	50
	O Keefe Ranch	RV/Camping	10
21-25 km	Pacific Inn and Suites	Hotel	61
	Prestige Hotel Vernon	Hotel	103
	Super 8 Vernon	Hotel	61
	Econo Lodge	Hotel	33
	Tiki Village	Hotel	30
	Journey Inn	Hotel	34
	Blue Stream Motel	Hotel	15
	Schell Motel	Hotel	32
	Holiday Inn Express	Hotel	85
	Village Green Hotel	Hotel	127
	Days Inn	Hotel	53



# ACCOMMODATION ARMSTRONG HUB 21-40km

Distance from Armstrong Hub	Name of Accommodation	Type	Number of beds/sites
21-25 km	Sandman Inn and Suites	Hotel	86
	Schell Motel Express	Hotel	24
	Polson Park Motel	Hotel	28
	Best Western Plus	Hotel	124
	Vernon Inn and Suites	Hotel	29
	Fairfield Inn and Suites	Hotel	98
	Carrington Place	Hotel	4
	Silver Star Motel	Hotel	20
	Tel a Friend Motel	Hotel	14
26-30 km	Cedar Falls Campground	RV/Camping	42
	Dutch's Campground	RV/Camping	121
	Big Chief RV Park	RV/Camping	21
	Strand lakeside Resort	Hotel	40
31-35 km	Kekuli Bay	RV/Camping	69
36-40 km	Crystal Bay Resort	Hotel	5
	Outback Resort	Hotel	20
	Paradise Vacation homes	Hotel	6
	Predator Ridge Resort	Hotel	121
	Sparkling Hill Resort	Hotel	149
	Ellison Provincial Park	RV/Camping	71

**Total Number of Beds                    1515**

**Total Number of Camp Sites    801**

# CORE EVENT VENUES

*Where it all began!*

Since 1988 many new facilities have been built and upgraded including the addition of Kal Tire Place, a multi-purpose arena.



# CORE EVENT VENUES

## Accreditation Centre

The main Accreditation Centre will be located in the Creekside Conference Centre (CCC) of the Vernon Recreation Centre. The CCC is an area of 12,404 ft<sup>2</sup> and can seat up to 1,000 theatre style, 718 for a banquet, 550 for a cabaret or 800 at a dance. The CCC will easily accommodate tables for each sport and zone with adjoining facilities available if more space is required for trade booths. A large commercial kitchen with 300 place settings is also available.

## Ceremony Venues

The opening ceremony will be held at Kal Tire Place, Vernon. Kal Tire Place is a 3,006 seat multi-purpose arena with additional standing room capacity of 500 and a total concert capacity of 5,650. It was built in 2001 and serves as home to the Vernon Vipers Jr. Hockey Club. This indoor facility has good wheelchair access, two permanent concessions and a licenced beverage service. Kal Tire Place will also be the Vernon location for the Dance.

The closing ceremony will be held in the Creekside Conference Centre of the Vernon Recreation Centre. This versatile facility can be quickly and easily converted from the Accreditation Centre to a 1,000 seat concert hall for the closing ceremony.



Creekside Conference Centre

## Medical Facilities

The Greater Vernon and Armstrong area has ample capacity for medical care with three walk-in clinics, the Vernon Jubilee Hospital and a multitude of high calibre physiotherapy clinics. The St John Ambulance has agreed to provide first aid at sporting venues.



## Dedicated Medical Facility

A dedicated medical facility will be set up and will be staffed for the duration of the Games and will serve to alleviate any pressure on existing Community Health Care Facilities.

Dedicated Medical Facility	Hospitals	Physiotherapy
Vernon St John Ambulance 1905 47 Ave, Vernon, BC, V1T 9A3	Vernon Jubilee Hospital (operates a 24 hour emergency department – 148 beds) 2101 32 St Vernon, BC V1T 5L2 250-545-2211	There are over 75 physiotherapy and sports injury clinics in the Greater Vernon, City of Armstrong and Township of Spallumcheen area; many of which hold a very high reputation in the sports community.
<b>Walk-In Clinics</b>		
There are three, easily accessible medical walk-in clinics in Vernon.		
Vernon Family Medical Doctors Walk- In Clinic 3101 Hwy 6 #116 Vernon, BC, Canada 250 545-8332	Kelowna General Hospital (54km from Vernon, 77km from Armstrong – 711 beds) 2268 Pandosy St Kelowna, BC V1Y 1T2 250 862-4000	Spine and Sports Clinic 201-4710 31 St 3607 - 31st St. Vernon 250 558-9998
North Okanagan Medical Clinic Ltd. (Open 7 days, 9am-9pm) 5001 Anderson Way Vernon, BC, Canada 250 545-8338	Shuswap Lake General Hospital (40km from Armstrong, 60km from Vernon – 160 beds) 601 10 St NE Salmon Arm, BC, Canada 250 833-3600	Thrive Physiotherapy Clinic 27-100 Kalamalka Lake Rd, Vernon 778 475-5910
Gartree Medical Clinic 4400 32 St Vernon, BC, Canada 250 545-9112	Royal Inland Hospital (117km from Vernon, 110km from Armstrong– 128 beds) 311 Columbia Street Kamloops, BC V2C 2T1, Canada 250 374-5111	Damini Physiotherapy and Sports Injury Clinic 3301 24 Ave, Vernon 250 545-2335
		Concept Physiotherapy 3101 Highway 6, #105D, Vernon 250 260-1550
		Vernon Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation Clinic 3207 30th Ave #102, Vernon 250 545-3696

## Food Services

Most of the sport venues have a dedicated concession on site or the facility is in close proximity to food service providers. In areas where food services are limited, quality mobile food vendors will be stationed to provide participants with nutritious and delicious food options.

Greater Vernon is alive with home-grown ingredients and flavours from around the world. Participants will be able to choose from ethnic restaurants, quaint bistros, nationwide and local coffee shops, fast food, pubs and pizza parlours.

## The Dance

Our plans include hosting two separate events each with a different theme. This will serve to give the participants choice and alleviate any pressure on food and beverage services as long lines have been reported during past Games. Kal Tire Place will host a classic rock and roll themed dance in Vernon while the IPE showground in Armstrong will look to deliver a country and western themed option. Both venues will provide snacks, a no host bar, tables and chairs and plenty of room to twist and shout or two step!

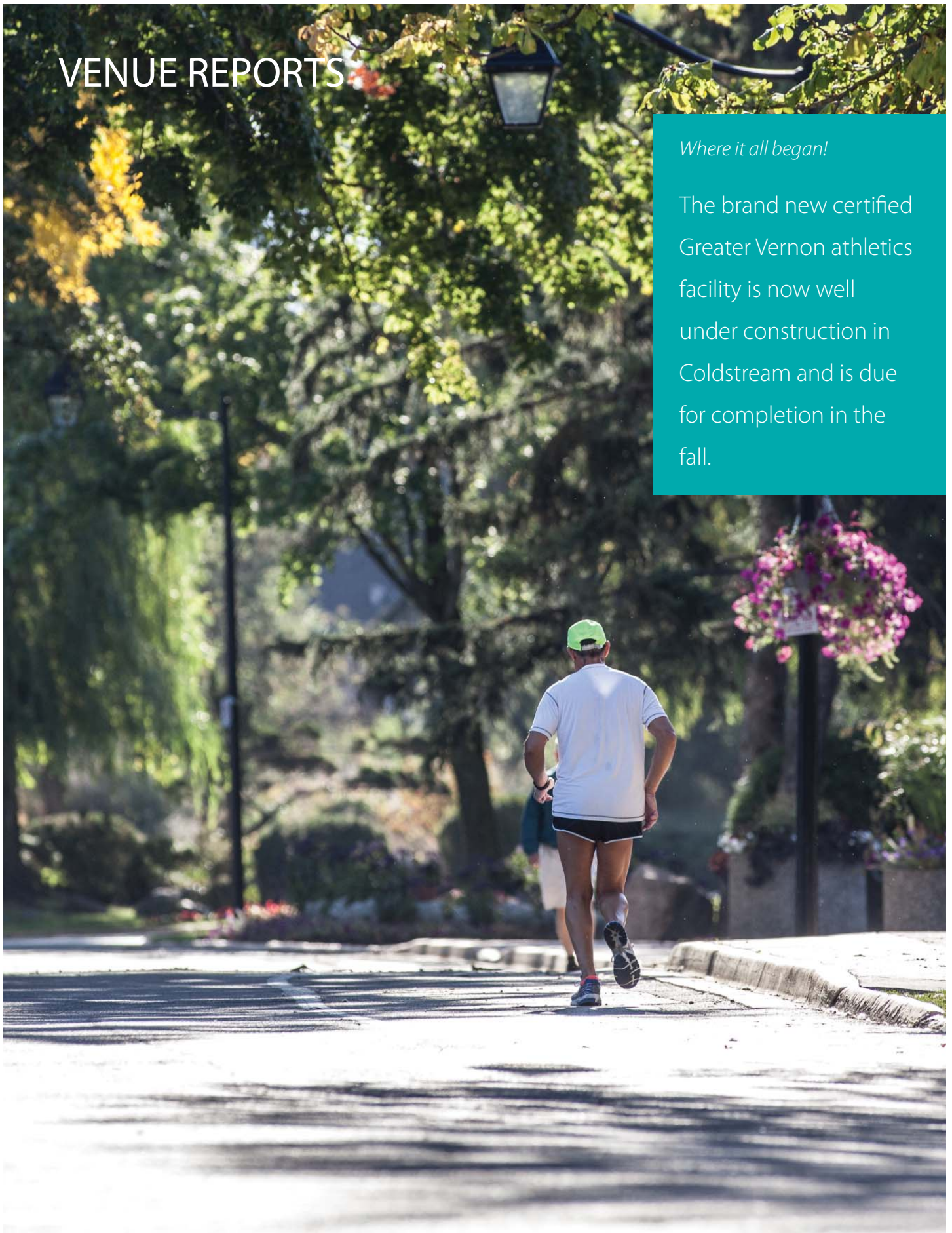
Shuttlebuses to and from the main hubs will make stops at regular intervals to enable participants to attend the dances without the need to drive.



# VENUE REPORTS

*Where it all began!*

The brand new certified Greater Vernon athletics facility is now well under construction in Coldstream and is due for completion in the fall.



# MINIMUM VENUE REQUIREMENTS

SPORTS	GIVEN VENUE NAME	Municipality	Meets Minimum Requirement Y/N	If NO List What is available
Archery	Armstrong District Fish and Game Club	Vernon	Y	
Badminton	Ellison Elementary School	Vernon		
	Clarence Fulton Secondary School	Vernon		
Bocce	Sovereign Park	Coldstream	Y	
Bridge – Duplicate	Halina Centre	Vernon	Y	
- Social	Halina Centre	Vernon	Y	
Carpet Bowling	Dogwood Gymnasium	Vernon	Y	
Cribbage	Schubert Centre	Vernon	Y	
Cricket	Not available	-	-	
Cycling	Nor Val Arena	Armstrong	Y	
Darts	Fraternal Order of Eagles 3557	Vernon	N	8'4" between 20 boards
	ANAF Vernon	Vernon	N	8'3" between 12 boards
Dragon Boat	Kalamalka Beach	Coldstream	Y	
Equestrian	IPE Showground	Armstrong	Y	
Fastpitch	Alexis Park	Vernon	Y	
	Grahame Park	Vernon	Y	
Five Pin Bowling	Lincoln Lanes	Vernon	Y	
Floor Curling	Vernon Secondary School (VSS)	Vernon	Y	
Golf	Spallumcheen Golf and Country Club	Spallumcheen	Y	
	Vernon Golf and Country Club	Vernon	Y	
Horseshoes	Alexis Park	Vernon	Y	
Ice Curling	Vernon Curling Club	Vernon	Y	

# MINIMUM VENUE REQUIREMENTS

SPORTS	GIVEN VENUE NAME	Municipality	Meets Minimum Requirement Y/N	If NO List What is available
Ice Hockey	Kal Tire Place	Vernon	Y	
	Priest Valley Arena	Vernon	Y	
	Nor Val Arena	Armstrong	Y	
Karate	Seaton Secondary Gymnasium	Vernon	Y	
Lawn Bowling	Vernon Lawn Bowling Club	Vernon	Y	
Mountain Bike	Not available	-	-	
Pickleball	MacDonald Park	Vernon	Y	
	Sawicki Park	Vernon	Y	
	Middleton Park	Coldstream	Y	
Slo-Pitch	DND Grounds	Vernon	Y	
Snooker	Not available	-	-	
Squash	Roster Sports Club	Vernon	N	1 x regulation court 3 x converted (racquetball)
Soccer	Marshall Fields	Vernon	Y	
Swimming	Vernon Aquatics Centre	Vernon	Y	
Table Tennis	Hassen Arena	Armstrong	Y	
Tennis	Kalamalka Secondary School	Coldstream	Y	
	Marshall Fields	Vernon	Y	
	Kalavista Park	Coldstream	Y	
	Paddlewheel Park	Vernon	Y	
	Polson Park	Vernon	Y	
Track and Field	Vernon Athletics Track	Vernon	Y	
Whist	Lakers Clubhouse	Vernon	Y	

# DISTANCE FROM VERNON ACCREDITATION CENTRE TO VENUE

VENUE	<10km	11-15km	16-20km	21-25km	26-30km	31-35km	>35km
Armstrong District F&G Club				x			
Ellison Elementary School	x						
Clarence Fulton Secondary School	x						
Sovereign Park	x						
Halina Centre	x						
Dogwood Gymnasium	x						
Schubert Centre	x						
Nor Val Arena (Armstrong)				x			
Kalamalka Beach	x						
IPE Showground (Armstrong)				x			
Alexis Park	x						
Grahame Park	x						
Lincoln Lanes	x						
Spallumcheen Golf and Country Club		x					
Vernon Golf and Country Club	x						
Vernon Curling Club	x						
Kal Tire Place	x						
Priest Valley Arena	x						
WL Seaton Secondary Gymnasium	x						
Vernon Lawn Bowling Club	x						



## DISTANCE FROM VERNON ACCREDITATION CENTRE TO VENUE

### Continued

VENUE	<10km	11-15km	16-20km	21-25km	26-30km	31-35km	>35km
MacDonald Park	x						
Sawicki Park	x						
Middleton Park	x						
DND Grounds	x						
Roster Sports Club	x						
Marshall Field	x						
Vernon Aquatics Centre	x						
Hassen Arena (Armstrong)			x				
Kalamalka Secondary School	x						
Kalavista Park	x						
Paddlewheel Park	x						
Polson Park	x						
Vernon Athletics Track	x						
Vernon Secondary School	x						
Lakers Clubhouse	x						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>4</b>			

# DISTANCE FROM ARMSTRONG HUB TO VENUE

VENUE	<10km	11-15km	16-20km	21-25km	26-30km	31-35km	>35km
Armstrong District F&G Club	x						
Ellison Elementary School					x		
Clarence Fulton Secondary School					x		
Sovereign Park					x		
Halina Centre				x			
Dogwood Gymnasium				x			
Schubert Centre				x			
Nor Val Arena (Armstrong)			x				
Kalamalka Beach					x		
IPE Showground (Armstrong)	x						
Alexis Park				x			
Grahame Park				x			
Lincoln Lanes				x			
Spallumcheen Golf and Country Club		x					
Vernon Golf and Country Club				x			
Vernon Curling Club				x			
Kal Tire Place				x			
Priest Valley Arena				x			

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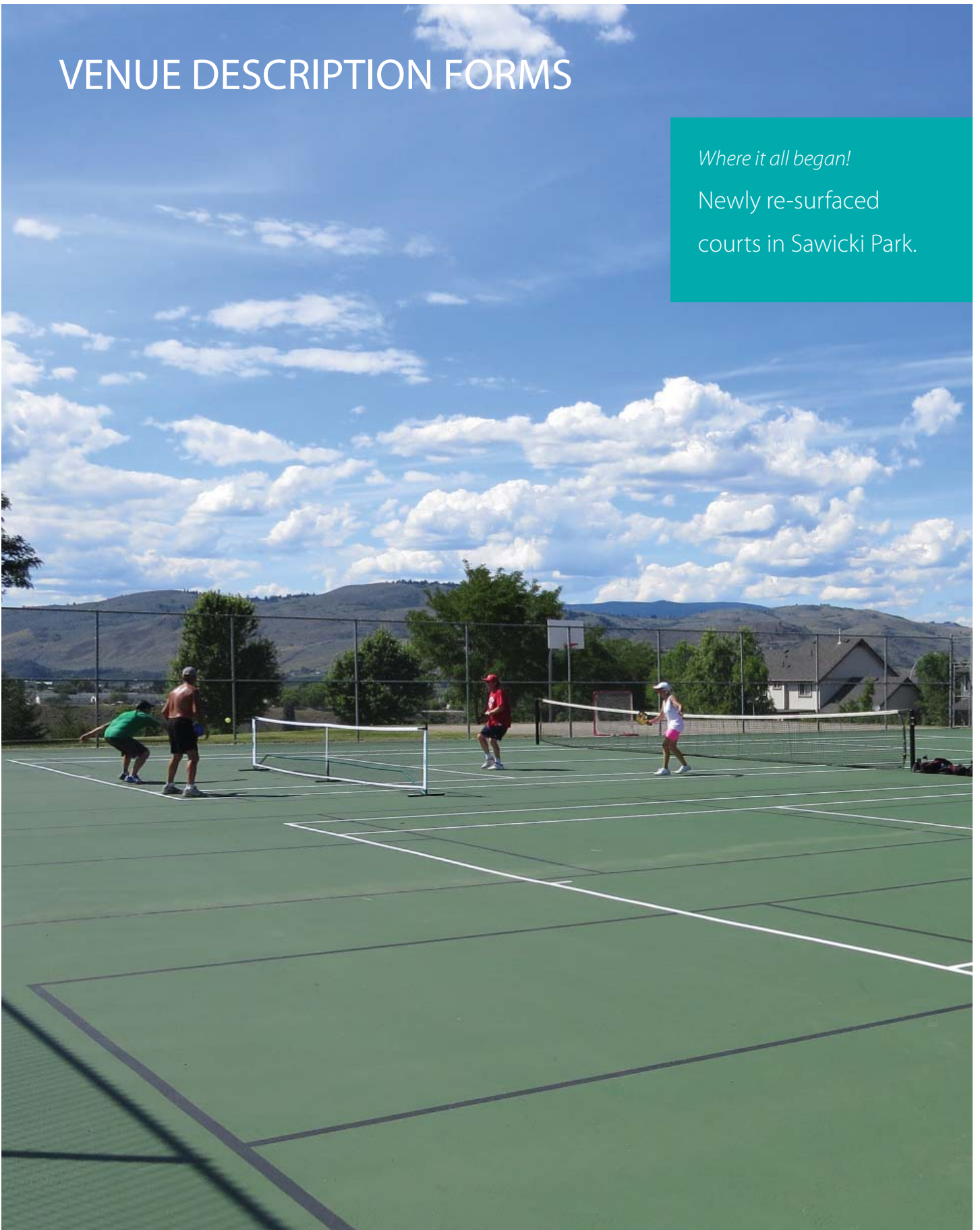
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VENUE	<10km	11-15km	16-20km	21-25km	26-30km	31-35km	>35km
WL Seaton Secondary Gymnasium				x			
Vernon Lawn Bowling Club				x			
MacDonald Park				x			
Sawicki Park					x		
Middleton Park					x		
DND Grounds				x			
Roster Sports Club				x			
Marshall Field					x		
Vernon Aquatics Centre				x			
Hassen Arena (Armstrong)	x						
Kalamalka Secondary School					x		
Kalavista Park					x		
Paddlewheel Park					x		
Polson Park				x			
Vernon Athletics Track					x		
Vernon Secondary School				x			
Lakers Clubhouse					x		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>12</b>			

# VENUE DESCRIPTION FORMS

*Where it all began!*

Newly re-surfaced  
courts in Sawicki Park.





## ARCHERY

Facility Name: Armstrong District Fish and Game Association

Facility Manager: Nora Ternier, President of the Armstrong District Fish and Game Association

Facility Location: 1428 Reservoir Road, Armstrong, BC, V0E 1B0

Field Dimensions:	100 m x 150 m		
Equipment Available:	Yes		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 2	Female: 3	Disabled: 1
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Existing Archery Program/Club in Community	Yes		
Contact Name:	Don Williams	250 308 6766	



### Armstrong District Fish & Game Association

Box 454 Armstrong, BC V0E 1B0 www.adfga.ca adfga2011@hotmail.com

June 1, 2015

Emma McGinty  
55+ BC Games Bid - City of Vernon  
Recreation Services 3310 37th Ave  
Vernon BC V1T 2Y5  
250.308.4677 emmamcginty1@gmail.com

Dear Emma

**Re: City of Vernon's Bid for the 55+ BC Games for 2017 & 2018**

We are very pleased to back the bid by the City of Vernon to host the 55+ Games.

The Armstrong District Fish & Game Association Incorporated in 1963 is a non-profit group of volunteers offering the community a safe and secure place to learn and practice pistol, rifle, black powder, trap and archery. The club is open to public several days a week and seven days a week to members. Family days, school training, and demonstrations are regular activities which promote game management and environmental conservation.

ADFGA puts on several Archery target & 3D shoots each year and has hosted the Senior Game Trails for Zone 5.

Our Club house has eating for 110, complete kitchen, and bathrooms, picnic & BBQ area, outdoor bathroom, limited Camping and Parking. All wheel chair friendly (on gravel).

We like to think that Vernon is second to none in Dining, lodging, recreation. Lets get this bid and make these Games one to remember.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Williams".

Donald Williams  
Treasurer ADFGA  
don\_p\_williams@hotmail.com  
(250) 308 6766

**BADMINTON****Facility One**

Facility Name: Clarence Fulton Secondary School

Facility Owner: School District #22 Manager: Joe Rogers, Superintendent

Facility Location: 2301 Fulton Rd, Vernon, BC V1H 1Y1, Canada

Size:	7,546 sq ft		
Floor Type:	Hardwood		
Ceiling Height:	26'	Colour:	White
Colour of Walls:	White		
Maximum Number of Courts:	6		
Number of Change Rooms:	Male:1	Female: 1	
Number of Washrooms:	Male:1	Female: 1	
Wheelchair Accessible Venue:	Yes		
Existing Badminton Program:	Yes		
Contact:	Mike Knights		250 550 3669

**BADMINTON****Facility Two**

Facility Name: Ellison Elementary

Facility Owner: School District #22 Manager: Joe Rogers, Superintendent

Facility Location: 2400 Fulton Rd, Vernon, BC, V1H 1S3, Canada

Size:	4050 sq ft		
Floor Type:	Hardwood		
Ceiling Height:	20'6"	Colour:	Beige
Colour of Walls:	Blue to 5' then white to ceiling		
Maximum Number of Courts:	2		
Number of Change Rooms:	Male:1	Female: 1	
Number of Washrooms:	Male:1	Female: 1	
Wheelchair Accessible Venue:	Yes		

## BADMINTON

### Facility Three

Facility Name: Mission Hill

Facility Owner: School District #22 Manager: Joe Rogers, Superintendent

Facility Location: 2400 Fulton Rd, Vernon, BC, V1H 1S3, Canada

Size:	6050 sq ft		
Floor Type:	Vinyl		
Ceiling Height:	20'6"	Colour:	Beige
Colour of Walls:	White to ceiling		
Maximum Number of Courts:	3		
Number of Change Rooms:	Male:1	Female: 1	
Number of Washrooms:	Male:1	Female: 1	
Wheelchair Accessible Venue:	Yes		

### SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 22 (VERNON)

BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
1401 - 15th STREET  
VERNON, BRITISH COLUMBIA  
V1T 8S8  
TELEPHONE 250-542-3331  
FAX 250-549-9200

June 15, 2015

Doug Ross  
Director of Recreation Services  
City of Vernon  
3400-30<sup>th</sup> Street  
Vernon, B.C. V1T 8S8

Dear Mr. Ross:

RE: Your letter, 55+ BC Games Support

At the May 27, 2015 public board meeting, the Board of Education passed the following motion:

*That the Board of Education support the City of Vernon's bid to host the 55+ BC Games in 2017, 2018, or 2019, with the preference being the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 55+ Games the week of September 12 – 16, 2017.*

Sincerely,



Joe Rogers  
Superintendent of Schools.

cc Trustees



... a great place to learn

## BOCCE

Facility Name: Sovereign Park

Facility Owner: District of Coldstream Manager: Trevor Seibel, Chief Administrative Officer

Facility Location: Kidston Road, Coldstream, BC

Number of Courts Available:	2		
Equipment Available:	Yes		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 1	Female: 1	Disabled: 1
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Existing Bocce Program in Community	Yes		
Contact Name:	Bill Trickey	250 542-0552	



## DISTRICT OF COLDSTREAM

9901 KALAMALKA ROAD, COLDSTREAM, BC V1B 1L6

Phone 250-545-5304 Fax 250-545-4733

Email: info@coldstream.ca Website: www.coldstream.ca

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

File: 0470-20

June 10, 2015

City of Vernon Mayor and Council  
3400 - 30 Street  
Vernon BC V1T 5E6

Dear Mayor Mund:

Re: **55+ BC Games**

Thank you for your letter dated, June 1, 2015. Council considered your proposal at their meeting held June 8, 2015 and passed the following resolution:

*THAT Council supports the bid committee in their application to host the 55+ BC Games in the Greater Vernon area and that the District of Coldstream will commit to providing some of the local parks and facilities in-kind for events related to the 55+ BC Games should the bid be successful.*

We are pleased to support this bid. As the resolution notes, the District is prepared to make facilities available on an in-kind basis with the understanding that specific facilities will be identified following a successful outcome in the bidding process.

With all of the sports amenities in our communities and natural beauty the Okanagan Valley has to offer, Greater Vernon is the perfect location for hosting the 55+BC Games. These games would also be a wonderful opportunity to showcase both of our communities and the surrounding areas. We wish the Bid Committee every success.

Yours truly,

Jim Garlick  
Mayor



## BRIDGE

Facility Name: Halina Seniors' Centre

Facility Manager: Rosemary O'Neal, Manager, Halina Seniors' Centre

Facility Location: 3310 37 Ave, Vernon, BC V1T 2Y5

Size of Room One:	Halina Room 42' x 54' with good lighting		
Size of Room Two:	Club Room 29' x 36' with good lighting		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 1	Female: 1	Disabled: 1
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Existing Bridge Program in Community	Yes		
Contact Name:	Rosemary O'Neal	250 542 2877	

**Vernon Senior Citizens' Recreational Society  
(a.k.a. Halina Seniors Centre)**

3310 - 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Vernon, BC Canada V1T 2Y5  
Phone: 250-542-2877  
Fax: 250-542-2614

May 13, 2015

Emma Mc Ginty  
Vernon Recreation Centre  
3310-37 Avenue  
Vernon, BC  
V1T 2T8

Dear Emma Ginty:

Re: **The "55+ BC GAMES FOR THE YEAR 2017"**

I am very pleased, on behalf of the Vernon Senior Citizens Recreational Society, a.k.a. Halina Seniors Centre, to back the bid by the City of Vernon to host the above games.

Our Club was incorporated as a British Columbia Society nearly 42 years ago, as a non-profit charity organization, offering different activities and events to seniors 50+, we are run by minimum staff and depend on volunteers and members to help with these events throughout the week and weekends. We are extremely active and run regular programs such as: floor curling, canasta, dancing, bingo, crafts, darts, table tennis, shuffleboard, billiards, carpet bowling, etc.

The Halina Seniors Centre tries to incorporate programs to meet the needs of the seniors today, as research shows that seniors are enjoying increased life expectancy and generally better health than ever before. Studies have shown that they are more physically active and more involved in groups and activities within their communities. It is all about healthy lifestyle, and staying active is the key. Recreational opportunities such as the ones offered at our Centre contribute towards living a healthy and active life.

Getting active and staying active benefits more than just our bodies. It helps us stay engaged in life, improves our mood and mental health, and gives us opportunities to meet new people. It also boosts our confidence and self-esteem and some studies show that physical activity can reduce the risk of health issues like dementia by keeping our minds in good condition.

Vernon is geographically well situated to host the 2017 55+ Seniors Games. These games first took place in Vernon in the year 1988 and the Halina Senior Centre would love to see them come back for their 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The Halina Senior Centre is pleased to support this application and will make our facilities available for this great prestigious event.

Sincerely,



Rosemary O'Neal, BSW  
Manager

The Fun Starts Here

## CARPET BOWLING

Facility Name: Dogwood Gymnasium

Facility Owner: City of Vernon Facility Manager: Doug Ross, Director, Recreation Services

Facility Location: 3310 37 Avenue, Vernon, BC V1T 2Y5

Dimensions:	42' x 84'		
Number of carpets that can be accommodated:	12		
Equipment Available:	Yes		
Floor Surface:	Hardwood		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 2	Female: 2	Disabled: 2
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Existing Carpet Bowling Program in Community	Yes		
Contact Name:	Rosemary O'Neal	250 542 2877	



### THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

File: 7700-04

May 27, 2015

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

**Re: 2017, 2018, 2019 55+ BC GAMES BID**

Council, at their April 13, 2015 Regular Open Meeting adopted the following resolution:

*"THAT Council authorize Administration to proceed with the application to host the 55+ BC Games in 2017, 2018 or 2019 with the preference being the 30th Anniversary Games in 2017;*

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**CARRIED."**

Should you have any questions, please contact Mr. Doug Ross, Director of Recreation Services at 250-550-3687 or via email at [dross@vernon.ca](mailto:dross@vernon.ca).

Yours truly,

Patricia Bridal, CMC  
Director Corporate Services

Copies: RDNO Board (GVAC)  
City of Armstrong

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Fire Department, Telephone (250) 542-5361 • Fax (250) 542-7271  
Planning & Engineering, Telephone (250) 550-3634 • Fax (250) 545-5309

## CYCLING

Facility Name: Nor Val Arena

Facility Owner: City of Armstrong Manager: Byron Sayer, Manager, Parks and Recreation Commission

Facility Location: 3351 Park Dr. Armstrong BC V0E 1B2

Room for Spectators	Yes	
Parking:	Yes	
Number of Change Rooms:	Male:3	Female: 3
Number of Washrooms:	Male:2	Female: 2
Wheelchair Accessible Venue:	Yes	
Existing Cycling Program in the Community	Yes	
Contact:	Gary Horsting email: ghorsting@gmail.com	



# City of Armstrong

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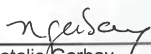
## RESOLUTION

**MOVED by Councillor Fowler, seconded by Councillor O'Sullivan that the Council of the City of Armstrong partners with the City of Vernon to submit a unified bid to host the 2017, 2018 or 2019 55+ BC Games with the preference being the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 55+ BC Games the week of September 12-16, 2017; AND that the bid be supported financially up to \$2,500 along with the gifts of in-kind donation of Parks & Recreation managed facilities.**

**CARRIED**

I hereby certify the above to be a true and correct copy of a resolution of the Council of the City of Armstrong as adopted on Monday, May 25, 2015.

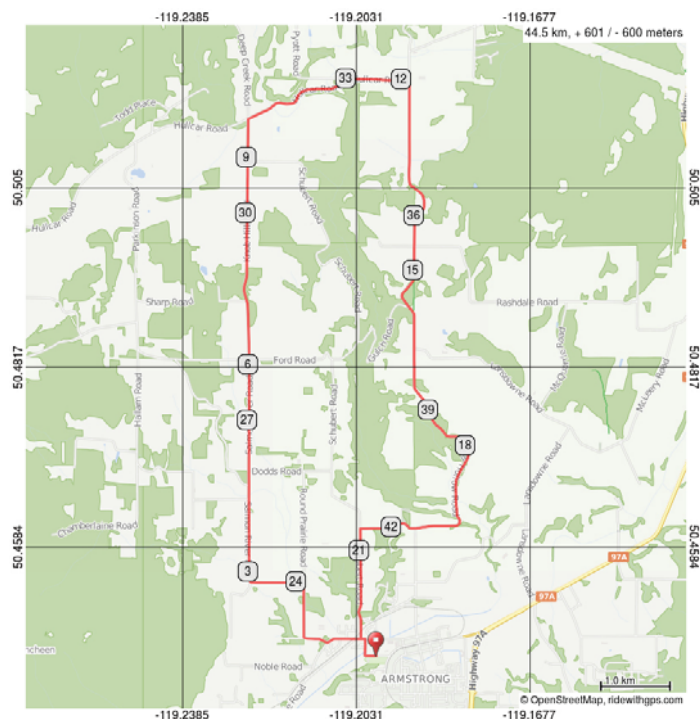
Dated at Armstrong, BC, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015.

  
Natalie Garbay  
Deputy Corporate Officer

cityofarmstrong.bc.ca

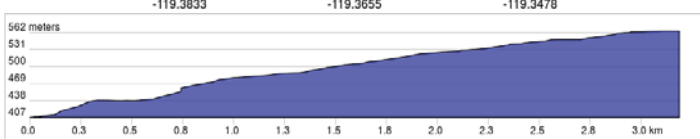
## BC 55+ Cycling Road Race Draft

This draft route could be mapped for 40/50/60 K distances from NORval Centre



## BC 55+ Yankee Flats Hill Climb

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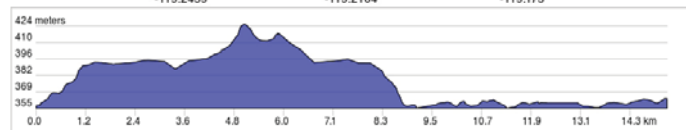


## BC 55+ Time Trial

Start/Finish Time Trial at Norval Centre



A. Norval Centre





## CRIBBAGE

Facility Name: Schubert Centre

Facility Manager: Jack Garab, Manager, Schubert Centre

Facility Location: 3505 30th Ave, Vernon, BC V1T 2E6

Size:	Large Hexagonal room 64' at points		
Maximum Number of Tables:	25		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 2	Female: 2	Disabled: 1
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Existing Bridge Program in Community	Yes		
Contact Name:	Jack Garab	250 549 4201	

*Schubert  
Centre Society*

3505 -30th Avenue, Vernon, B.C. Canada V1T 2E8 Ph: (250) 549-4201 Fax: (250) 549-2249

Emma McGinty  
55+ B.C. Games Bid

From: Schubert Centre Society  
3505 30<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
Vernon B.C.  
June 12, 2015

Dear Mrs. McGinty,


The Schubert Centre would be delighted to offer its support towards the Greater Vernon's, City of Armstrong's and the Township of Spallumcheen's bid to host the 55+ B.C. Games in 2017, 18 or 19. We will gladly make our facilities and equipment available for the duration of the games, should we be successful in the bid.

The Schubert Centre is primarily run by volunteers and is an independent organization, running activities and programs that help local seniors boost their quality of life. Our staff and volunteers strive to help seniors maintain a good quality of life by providing a variety of social and recreational programs and services which are based on the abilities and interests of our membership. We have been a social and recreational "hot spot" for seniors since 1984.

The centre is always a hive of activity. Amongst our many programs and clubs we also have table tennis, dancing and card games which include bridge, whist and cribbage.

Schubert Centre wishes our cities the very best of luck with the bid and are confident that if successful, we, as a community, will rise to the occasion to make the 55+ B.C. Games in Greater Vernon, the City of Armstrong and the Township of Spallumcheen, the best games yet!

Sincerely,



Jack Garab  
Manager of Schubert Centre

## DARTS

Facility Name: Fraternal Order of Eagles 3557

Facility Manager: Evelyn Torrance, Manager, FOE #3557

Facility Location: 5101 25th Avenue, Vernon

Dimensions:	Room 1: 47' x 37'    Room 2: 40' x 20'		
Number of Boards:	30		
Equipment Available:	Yes		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 2	Female: 2	Disabled: 2
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Existing Darts Program/Club in Community	Yes		
Contact Name:	Evelyn Torrance	250 542 3003	

## DARTS

Facility Name: ANAF Unit#5 Vernon

Facility Manager: Ralph Svenson

Facility Location: 2500 46 Avenue, Vernon

Dimensions:	Room 1: 47' x 40'		
Number of Boards:	12		
Equipment Available:	Yes		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 2	Female: 2	Disabled: 2
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		



**VERNON AERIE # 3557**  
**5101 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Vernon, BC V1T 1P5**  
Phone 250 542-3003 Fax 250 542-9332 e-mail [foe3557@shaw.ca](mailto:foe3557@shaw.ca)

Emma McGinty  
Re 55+ BC Games bid

Please find enclosed the Venue Requirement and Evaluation Form for the Darts competition of the 55+ BC Games. The Vernon Aerie of the Fraternal Order of Eagles strongly supports your bid to host the Games in Vernon in 2017/2018.

Vernon has an active Darts community and we are sure that you will find both competitors and volunteers among them. The Okanagan Valley has always been a destination spot for many BC residents and sport-minded competitors. Along with its great weather and friendly people, there are plenty of hotels, motels and campgrounds.

Vernon has hosted sporting events such as World Curling, RBC Junior Hockey Cup. The Fantastic Slow-hull Tourney brings in thousands of players every year in July. We, ourselves, have hosted numerous City, Regional and BC Darts tournaments.

With advance notice, the Eagles Hall can be made available on the dates that you have noted. Food and bar service is in place already. The FOE 3557 wishes you success in your bid.

John Mayrhofer- Secretary

Fraternal Order of Eagles 3557



## ARMY, NAVY & AIR FORCE VETERANS

Unit No. 5

2500 - 46th Avenue, Vernon, B.C. V1T 8S2 \* Telephone: 542-3277

Emma McGinty  
55 + BC Games Bid  
Recreation Services  
City of Vernon, B.C.

Dear Emma,

The Army, Navy, and Air Force Veterans Unit #5 acknowledges, and is in support of your bid to host the BC Seniors games for 2017. Vernon has experience hosting major events, one such event being the World's Women Curling in 2008.

Vernon has a lot to offer visitors to the North Okanagan, such as our beautiful lakes, Kalamalka and Okanagan, along with Kalamalka and Kekuli Bay Provincial Parks. Vernon is also home to world class skiing facilities, Silver Star downhill, and Sovereign Lake cross country ski hills.

In regard to your request for a venue to support the Dart Tournament associated to the Senior games, please be advised of the following;

1. As previously discussed our Unit #5 has twenty mounted Dart Boards which do not meet the minimum distance between boards as laid out by the BC Senior Games. Our distance between our boards is only just over four feet between center to center of adjacent boards.
2. If we were to reduce access to only 10 boards, the distance between our boards would be 8 feet 3 1/2 inches, which is still below the minimum required distance of 10 feet between center to center.

Our facility would be in a position to support 10 Dart Boards, subject to you receiving approval to utilize them with the distance at 8 Feet 3 1/2 inches between the center of adjacent boards.

Ralph Svenson  
Secretary  
ANAF Vets Unit #5  
Vernon, B.C.

## DRAGON BOAT RACING

Facility Name: Kal Beach

Facility Owner: District of Coldstream Manager: Trevor Seibel, Chief Administrative Officer

Facility Location 13904 Kalamalka Rd, Coldstream, BC V1B 1Y9

Parking Facilities:	Yes		
Number of Change Rooms:	Male:1	Female:1	
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 1	Female: 1	Disabled: 1
Power at Finish Line:	Yes		
Existing Dragon Boat Program/Club in Community	Yes		
Contact Name:	Lisa George	250 938 7769	



## DISTRICT OF COLDSTREAM

9901 KALAMALKA ROAD, COLDSTREAM, BC V1B 1L6  
Phone 250-545-5304 Fax 250-545-4733  
Email: info@coldstream.ca Website: www.coldstream.ca

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

File: 0470-20

June 10, 2015

City of Vernon Mayor and Council  
3400 – 30 Street  
Vernon BC V1T 5E6

Dear Mayor Mund:

Re: **55+ BC Games**

Thank you for your letter dated, June 1, 2015. Council considered your proposal at their meeting held June 8, 2015 and passed the following resolution:

*THAT Council supports the bid committee in their application to host the 55+ BC Games in the Greater Vernon area and that the District of Coldstream will commit to providing some of the local parks and facilities in-kind for events related to the 55+ BC Games should the bid be successful.*

We are pleased to support this bid. As the resolution notes, the District is prepared to make facilities available on an in-kind basis with the understanding that specific facilities will be identified following a successful outcome in the bidding process.

With all of the sports amenities in our communities and natural beauty the Okanagan Valley has to offer, Greater Vernon is the perfect location for hosting the 55+BC Games. These games would also be a wonderful opportunity to showcase both of our communities and the surrounding areas. We wish the Bid Committee every success.

Yours truly,

Jim Garlick  
Mayor



## FIVE PIN BOWLING

Facility Name: Lincoln Lanes

Facility Owner: Gord Wiffen, Owner, Lincoln Lanes

Facility Location: 3510 35 Avenue, Vernon, BC, V1T 1P3

Number of Lanes:	12		
Foul Lights Operational:	Yes		
Automatic Scoring:	Yes		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 1	Female: 1	Disabled: 1
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Existing Bowling Program/Club in Community	Yes		
Contact Name:	Gord Wiffen	250 542 9837	



## LINCOLN LANES

3510 25 AVENUE VERNON B.C. V1T 1P3  
PHONE 250-542-9837 FAX 250-542-9466  
[www.members.shaw.ca/lincolnlanes](http://www.members.shaw.ca/lincolnlanes)



To: Emma McGinty  
55+ Games Bid –City of Vernon

Dear Emma,

This letter is to inform you that the management, staff and Volunteer base at Lincoln Lanes are fully behind Vernon's bid to host either the 2017 or 2018 55+ Games. We have in past helped host this event when Vernon very successfully hosted the first annual "B.C. Seniors Games". We have over the years hosted numerous zone, regional, provincial and national bowling events at our facility, and have always run them flawlessly.

I will tentatively book the lanes for the dates required and once we receive specific times will narrow it down to the necessary bookings.

We look forward to helping Vernon host this prestigious event and know our city and it's volunteers will do us proud.

If you require any other information from me, please feel free to give me a call or drop me an email.

Sincerely,

Gord Wiffen  
W-250-542-9837 C-250-306-7746  
Email - [gwiffen222@shaw.ca](mailto:gwiffen222@shaw.ca)

## FLOOR CURLING

Facility Name: Vernon Secondary School

Facility Owner: School District #22 Manager: Joe Rogers, Superintendent

Facility Location: 2100 15 St, Vernon, BC V1T 9X7

Number of Rinks:	8		
Floor Surface:	Hardwood 102'6" x 103'4"		
Equipment Available:	Yes		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 2	Female: 3	Disabled: 1
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Existing Floor Curling Program/Club in Community	Yes		
Contact Name:	Rosemary O'Neal	250 542 2877	

### SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 22 (VERNON)

BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
1401 - 15th STREET  
VERNON, BRITISH COLUMBIA  
V1T 8S8  
TELEPHONE 250-542-3331  
FAX 250-549-9200

June 15, 2015

Doug Ross  
Director of Recreation Services  
City of Vernon  
3400-30<sup>th</sup> Street  
Vernon, B.C. V1T 8S8

Dear Mr. Ross:

RE: Your letter, 55+ BC Games Support

At the May 27, 2015 public board meeting, the Board of Education passed the following motion:

*That the Board of Education support the City of Vernon's bid to host the 55+ BC Games in 2017, 2018, or 2019, with the preference being the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 55+ Games the week of September 12 – 16, 2017.*

Sincerely,



Joe Rogers  
Superintendent of Schools.

cc Trustees



... a great place to learn

## EQUESTRIAN

Facility Name: IPE Grounds

Facility Owner: City of Armstrong Facility Manager: Byron Sayer, Manager, Parks and Recreation Commission

Facility Location: 3371 Pleasant Valley Rd, Armstrong, BC V0E 1B0

Facility Area:	Over 5 acres of showgrounds with stables for up to 200+ horses and 200 on-site RV camping sites.		
Number of Rings:	2 outside 1 inside and 1 warm up		
Number of Change Rooms:	Male: 2	Female: 2	
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 2	Female: 3	Disabled: 1
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Existing Equestrian Program/Club in Community	Yes		
Contact Name:	Byron Sayer	250 546 9456 ext: 203	



# City of Armstrong

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### OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

June 11, 2015

File No. 0940-09

Mayor Akbal Mund  
City of Vernon  
3400 30th Street  
Vernon, BC V1T 5E6

Dear Mayor Mund;

**Re: 55+ BC Games**


On behalf of Council, I am pleased to confirm that the City of Armstrong supports the City of Vernon's bid to host the 55+ BC Games in 2017, 2018 or 2019, with the preference being the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary games the week of September 12-16, 2017.

The cost to Armstrong will be proportionate to the population of the City of Vernon which equates to a \$5,000 cash contribution and in-kind contributions through the donation of facilities managed by the Armstrong-Spallumcheen Parks and Recreation Commission. The cash contribution will be shared 50/50 by the City of Armstrong and the Township of Spallumcheen.

Our City has much to offer to our guests during their stay as we are home to the oldest farmers' market in BC; we support a variety of artisans that produce hand crafted cheeses, gourmet chocolates, deluxe oils and vinegars to name a few; and for over 100 years, we have been host to BC's premiere agricultural tradition, the annual Interior Provincial Exhibition and Stampede.

It is with great enthusiasm that Armstrong prepares to welcome the athletes and their friends and families to our region.

Yours Truly,

  
Chris Pieper  
Mayor

CP/ng

Enclosure (1)

cc: Doug Ross, Director, Recreation Services, City of Vernon  
Janice Brown, Mayor, Township of Spallumcheen

cityofarmstrong.bc.ca

## FASTPITCH

FACILITY NAME: Grahame Park

Facility Owner: City of Vernon Facility Manager: Doug Ross, Director, Recreation Services

Facility Location: Okanagan Avenue, Vernon, BC

Number of diamonds:	3
Radius Distance:	280ft, 269ft, 238ft
Are Diamonds Fenced:	No
Infield Surface:	Shale
Is there an existing program in your area:	Yes
Contact:	Chris Topping president@vernonfastball.ca

## FASTPITCH

FACILITY NAME: Alexis Park

Facility Owner: City of Vernon Facility Manager: Doug Ross, Director, Recreation Services

Facility Location: 3951 Alexis Park Drive, Vernon, BC

Number of diamonds:	2
Radius Distance:	231ft, 241ft
Are Diamonds Fenced:	Yes
Infield Surface:	Shale
Is there an existing program in your area:	Yes
Contact:	Chris Topping president@vernonfastball.ca



### THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

File: 7700-04

May 27, 2015

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

**Re: 2017, 2018, 2019 55+ BC GAMES BID**

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**CARRIED."**

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Yours truly,

Patricia Bridal, CMC  
Director Corporate Services

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## GOLF – FACILITY ONE

FACILITY NAME: Vernon Golf & Country Club

Facility Manager: Julie Knobloch, General Manager, Vernon Golf and Country Club

Facility Location: 800 Kalamalka Lake Rd, Vernon, BC, V1T 6V2

Length of Course:	6,609 yds		
Par:	72		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 2	Female: 2	Disabled: 1
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Other Information:	Licenced facility with dining, concession on course, shower facilities and locker rooms		
Scorecard Attached:	Yes		

### VERNON GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

Emma McGinty  
City of Vernon  
Recreation Services  
3310 37<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Vernon, BC V1T 2Y5

June 5, 2015

Dear Emma,

On behalf of the Vernon Golf and Country Club, please accept this letter of support for the bid to host the 55+ BC Games in September 2017.

We feel Vernon would be an excellent venue for the games and specifically golf. We have most recently hosted the BCGA Senior Ladies Championship with rave reviews. Our championship 18 hole golf course is centrally located in the City of Vernon and we would be proud to be a host golf course for these games. We are steeped in history and have been in business since 1913, over 100 years old!

We boast a membership of over 600 and many of them would be honored to volunteer for such an event. Our members will support and will make our facilities available for the games.

Sincerely,



Julie Knobloch, General Manager  
On behalf of the Membership of the Vernon Golf & Country Club



GOLF SHOP 250.542.9126 OFFICE 250.542.0151 EMAIL [manager@vernongolf.com](mailto:manager@vernongolf.com) FAX 250.542.5468  
800 Kalamalka Lake Road, Vernon, BC V1T 6V2 [www.vernongolf.com](http://www.vernongolf.com)  
Our mission is to provide members & guests with a quality golf experience with amenities  
in support of an enjoyable social experience in a fiscally responsible manner.

## GOLF – FACILITY TWO

FACILITY NAME: Spallumcheen Golf and Country Club

Facility Manager: Myles Johnson, Head Professional, Spallumcheen Golf and Country Club

Facility Location: 9401 Highway 97N, Vernon, BC, V1T 6M2

Length of Course:	6453 yds		
Par:	71		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 2	Female: 2	Disabled: 1
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Other Information:	Full Clubhouse, F&B facilities. No shower or locker room		
Scorecard Attached:	Yes		



## Spallumcheen Golf and Country Club

9401 Highway 97N - Box 218 – Vernon BC – V1T 6M2

Phone: 250.545.5824 Fax: 250.549.7476

[www.spallumcheengolf.com](http://www.spallumcheengolf.com)

To whom it may concern:

This letter is to express our support for the City of Vernon hosting the BC 55+ games. Vernon has a long history of supporting large scale events, one of which was the 2013 Canadian Senior ladies Amateur Championship held at Spallumcheen.

During that event we had 90-100 participants coming from all over Canada as well as North America and beyond. This required us to have 130+ volunteers, all of which came from our membership and the Vernon and Armstrong communities. We also worked with local businesses including hotels, wineries, and others in order to make the event a success. It was with this support from the members of the community that we were able to host and execute a very successful national event.

Our Facility is well equipped to host events, having successfully held numerous provincial and the above mentioned national championship. We have full practice facilities, an 18 and 9 hole golf course as well as food and beverage facilities. Combining this with a great team of managers and employees as well as a proud and supportive membership, Spallumcheen is very well equipped to support BC's best Athletes.

Thank you for your consideration of our community in hosting this prestige's event.

Sincerely,

Myles Johnson  
PGA of Canada Head Professional  
Spallumcheen Golf and Country Club  
[myles@spallumcheengolf.com](mailto:myles@spallumcheengolf.com)

## Vernon Golf Scorecard

HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT	INITIALS	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	OUT	TOT	HCP	NET
<b>GOLD</b> GOLD / BLUE COMBO TEES	375	525	177	411	166	444	396	486	376	3356		340	300	350	543	194	528	460	185	353	3253	3356	6609	6339	
<b>BLUE</b> WHITE / GREEN COMBO TEES	349	496	153	372	146	410	371	452	339	3088		300	285	350	494	172	514	435	168	330	3048	3088	6136		
<b>WHITE</b> WHITE / GREEN COMBO TEES	295	454	138	348	120	345	308	432	322	2762		270	274	328	468	160	474	424	160	282	2840	2762	5602	5467	
<b>GREEN</b> WHITE / GREEN COMBO TEES	280	446	112	316	98	306	308	414	296	2576		270	274	328	408	160	474	415	152	282	2763	2576	5339		
<b>MEN'S HDCP</b>	9	1	15	5	11	3	7	17	13			16	14	6	2	18	10	4	12	8					
<b>PAR M/W</b>	4	5	3	4	3	4	4	5	4	36		4	4	4	5	3	5	4/5	3	4	36/37	36	72/73		
<b>WOMEN'S HDCP</b>	13	1	15	3	17	11	5	7	9			14	12	6	2	18	4	16	10	8					

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Blue Tees	351	345	226	386	517	358	164	542	437	3326	Blue Tees	324	558	177	412	397	193	338	131	567	3097	6423		
White Tees	345	330	190	359	497	325	144	514	391	3095	Wh. Tees	317	533	149	392	368	170	325	99/121	538	2913	6008		
Red Tees	317	305	160	330	411	287	111	471	340	2732	Red Tees	304	496	134	327	305	141	287	78	490	2562	5294		
Par.	4	4	3	4	5	4	3	5	4	36	Par.	4	5	3	4	4	3	4	3	5	35	71		
Mens' Handicap	7	3	17	9	11	1	15	13	5		Mens HCP	12	10	18	2	6	16	8	14	4				
Ladies' Handicap	13	3	17	9	1	7	15	5	11		Ladies HCP	12	6	14	8	10	16	2	18	4				

## HORSESHOES

FACILITY NAME: Alexis Park

Facility Owner: City of Vernon Manager: Doug Ross, Director, Recreation Services

Facility Location: 39th Ave and Alexis Park Dr, Vernon, BC

Number of Pitches:	16		
Shaded Area Available:	Yes		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 1	Female: 1	Disabled: 1
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Existing Horseshoes Program/Club in Community	Yes		
Contact Name:	Don Myrfield	250 545 2760	



### THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

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Yours truly,

Patricia Bridal, CMC  
Director Corporate Services

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## ICE CURLING

FACILITY NAME: Vernon Curling Club

Facility Owner / Manager: Guy Morazain, President / Dave Merklinger Manager

Facility Location: 3400-39th Ave. P.O. Box 595 Vernon, BC, V1T 6M4

Number of Sheets:	8		
Equipment Available:	Yes		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 2	Female: 2	Disabled: 1
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Existing Curling Program/Club in Community	Yes		
Contact Name:	Guy Morazain	250 307 0407	
	Dave Merklinger	250 542 6713	



**Get Rocked!**  
[www.vernoncurlingclub.com](http://www.vernoncurlingclub.com)

Emma McGinty  
55+ BC Games Bid  
City of Vernon  
Recreation Services,  
3310 37<sup>th</sup> Ave,  
Vernon BC V1T 2Y5

Tuesday, June 2, 2015

Dear Ms. McGinty,

On behalf of the Vernon Curling Club, please accept this letter of support for the bid to host the 55+ BC Games to be held 12-16 September 2017. These date fits perfectly with our schedule and can be easily accommodated.

The Vernon Curling Club is one of BC's premier curling venues and has hosted many Provincial, Canadian and World Championships and Bonspiels.

As you may know, we partnered with the City to bring the Ford World Women's Curling Championship to Vernon in 2008. This international event was successful in every regard. The Club also participated with the City, providing the Curling venue for the 2012 BC Winter Games. We have had the pleasure of hosting 3 of the last 6 BC Men's Curling Championships, 2010, 2011 and 2015.

We are fortunate to have one of the best Ice makers in the country, Dave Merklinger. He is regularly called upon to be the Head Ice Technician at the Briar, Scotties & the Continental Cup to name a few. We believe that BC's 55+ athletes will be delighted and impressed by the quality of our ice surface and the welcoming nature of our volunteers and members.

The Club and our members are excited about and looking forward to working with the City to make the 55+ Games truly great event.

Respectfully,

Guy Morazain,  
President  
Vernon Curling Club

250.542.6713

3400-39th Ave. P.O. Box 595 Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M4

[vernoncurlingclub@shaw.ca](mailto:vernoncurlingclub@shaw.ca)

### ICE HOCKEY - FACILITY ONE

Facility Name: Kal Tire Place

Facility Owner: City of Vernon Manager: Doug Ross, Director, Recreation Services

Facility Location: 3445 43rd Ave, Vernon, BC V1T 8P5, Canada

Rinks:	1		
Number of Changerooms:	6 and 2 Referee Rooms		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 3	Female: 3	Disabled: 1
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Existing Ice Hockey Program/Club in Community	Yes		
Contact Name:	Mike Knights	250 550 3669	

### ICE HOCKEY - FACILITY TWO

Facility Name: Priest Valley Arena

Facility Owner: City of Vernon Manager: Doug Ross, Director, Recreation Services

Facility Location: 3310 37 Avenue, Vernon BC V1T 2Y5

Rinks:	1		
Number of Changerooms:	6		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 1	Female: 1	Disabled: 1
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		

### ICE HOCKEY - FACILITY THREE

Facility Name: Nor Val Arena

Facility Owner: City of Armstrong Facility Manager: Byron Sayer, Manager, Parks and Recreation Commission

Facility Location: 3351 Park Dr. Armstrong BC V0E 1B0

Rinks:	1		
Number of Changerooms:	6		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 2	Female: 2	Disabled: 1
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		



## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

June 11, 2015

File No. 0940-09

Mayor Akbal Mund  
City of Vernon  
3400 30th Street  
Vernon, BC V1T 5E6

Dear Mayor Mund;

**Re: 55+ BC Games**

On behalf of Council, I am pleased to confirm that the City of Armstrong supports the City of Vernon's bid to host the 55+ BC Games in 2017, 2018 or 2019, with the preference being the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary games the week of September 12-16, 2017.

The cost to Armstrong will be proportionate to the population of the City of Vernon which equates to a \$5,000 cash contribution and in-kind contributions through the donation of facilities managed by the Armstrong-Spallumcheen Parks and Recreation Commission. The cash contribution will be shared 50/50 by the City of Armstrong and the Township of Spallumcheen.

Our City has much to offer to our guests during their stay as we are home to the oldest farmers' market in BC; we support a variety of artisans that produce hand crafted cheeses, gourmet chocolates, deluxe oils and vinegars to name a few; and for over 100 years, we have been host to BC's premiere agricultural tradition, the annual Interior Provincial Exhibition and Stampede.

It is with great enthusiasm that Armstrong prepares to welcome the athletes and their friends and families to our region.

Yours Truly,

Chris Pieper  
Mayor

CP/ng

Enclosure (1)

cc: Doug Ross, Director, Recreation Services, City of Vernon  
Janice Brown, Mayor, Township of Spallumcheen

cityofarmstrong.bc.ca



## THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

File: 7700-04

May 27, 2015

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

**Re: 2017, 2018, 2019 55+ BC GAMES BID**

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Yours truly,

Patricia Bridal, CMC  
Director Corporate Services

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City of Armstrong

## KARATE

Facility Name: W L Seaton Secondary School

Facility Owner: School District #22 Manager: Joe Rogers, Superintendent

Facility Location: 2701-41 Ave, Vernon, BC, V1T 6X3

Dimensions:	77' x 98'6"		
Number of Change Rooms:	2		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 2	Female: 3	Disabled: 1
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Existing Karate Program/Club in Community	Yes		
Contact Name:	Mike Cieurka	250-558-1403	

### SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 22 (VERNON)

BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
1401 - 15th STREET  
VERNON, BRITISH COLUMBIA  
V1T 8S8  
TELEPHONE 250-542-3331  
FAX 250-549-9200

June 15, 2015

Doug Ross  
Director of Recreation Services  
City of Vernon  
3400-30<sup>th</sup> Street  
Vernon, B.C. V1T 8S8

Dear Mr. Ross:

RE: Your letter , 55+ BC Games Support

At the May 27, 2015 public board meeting, the Board of Education passed the following motion:

*That the Board of Education support the City of Vernon's bid to host the 55+ BC Games in 2017, 2018, or 2019, with the preference being the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 55+ Games the week of September 12 – 16, 2017.*

Sincerely,



Joe Rogers  
Superintendent of Schools.

cc Trustees



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## LAWN BOWLING

Facility Name: Vernon Lawn Bowling Club

Facility Manager: Eric Gibson, Manager, Vernon Lawn Bowling Club

Facility Location: 2451 32 St, Vernon, BC V1T 6M2

Dimensions:	Full Size Regulation BC Bowls Greens		
Number of Greens:	8		
Equipment Available:	All tournament Equipment and Facilities		
Clubhouse:	Yes		
Changerooms:	Male: 1	Female: 1	
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 2	Female: 3	Disabled: 1
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Existing Lawn Bowling Club in Community:	Yes		
Contact Name:	Richard Prys-Jones	250 275 3160	

### **VERNON LAWN BOWLING CLUB**

**P.O. Box 254,**

**Vernon, B.C., V1T6M2**

E-mail: [vernonlbc@gmail.com](mailto:vernonlbc@gmail.com)

Phone#: 250- 549- 4100

### **TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**

The Board of Directors of Vernon Lawn Bowling Club hereby fully endorse and support the City of Vernon's bid to host the 55+ B.C. Games in 2017, particularly in the sport of Lawn Bowling.

Vernon L.B.C. feels that the City of Vernon would be an excellent venue for the 55+ B.C. Games in terms of its warm, sunny climate, its central geographical location within the B.C. Southern Interior in general and the Okanagan Valley in particular, and also in terms of the facilities available to support the hosting of the lawn bowling component within the club's beautiful location at Polson Park.

For many years, every July, the Funtastic Sports Society, associated with the City of Vernon has successfully organized a series of multi-sports tournaments which include participation by Vernon Lawn Bowling Club. Lawn bowlers from all regions of British Columbia regularly congregate at Vernon L.B.C. to compete in our annual Funtastic Lawn Bowling Mixed Triples Tournament. It is always highly popular and very well supported by lawn bowlers throughout both B.C. and other parts of Canada. It has become one of the most significant and successful events on our annual lawn bowling calendar.

In 2017, Vernon Lawn Bowling Club will be celebrating its centenary and to be able to host the 55+ B.C. Games Lawn Bowling tournament would be a tribute to 100 years of continuous lawn bowling in this city. It also coincides with the 30 years anniversary since the inception of the B.C. Senior Games which, coincidentally was also held in the City of Vernon.

The Board of Directors of Vernon L.B.C. affirm that as a member of both Bowls B.C. and Bowls Canada, the club would be honoured to provide volunteer officials, equipment, sports facilities and the use of our eight, high quality, regulation bowling greens for the duration of the 55+B.C. Games.

**Richard Prys-Jones,**  
**Past President,**  
**Vernon Lawn Bowling Club.**

June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015

Phone # 250-275-3160.

E-mail: [prysjones@shaw.ca](mailto:prysjones@shaw.ca)

PICKLEBALL		
<b>Facility One</b>		
Facility Name: MacDonald Park		
Facility Owner: City of Vernon Manager: Doug Ross, Director, Recreation Services		
Location: 4200 27 St, Vernon, BC, V1T 3L3		
Number of Courts	4	
Surface:	Asphalt	
Number of Change Rooms:	Male:1	Female: 1
Number of Washrooms:	Male:1	Female: 1
Lights:	No	
Wheelchair Accessible Venue:	Yes	
Existing Pickleball Club in your Community:	Yes	
Contact: Nancy Agassiz	250-503-3196	

PICKLEBALL		
<b>Facility Two</b>		
Facility Name: Sawicki Park		
Facility Owner: City of Vernon Manager: Doug Ross, Director, Recreation Services		
Location: 4200 27 St, Vernon, BC, V1T 3L3		
Number of Courts	4	
Surface:	Composite	
Number of Change Rooms: Portable	Male:1	Female: 1
Number of Washrooms: Portable	Male:1	Female: 1
Lights:	No	
Wheelchair Accessible Venue:	Yes	

PICKLEBALL		
<b>Facility Three</b>		
Facility Name: Middleton Park		
Facility Owner: District of Coldstream Manager: Trevor Seibel, Chief Administrative Officer		
Location: 600 Mount Ida, Vernon, BC, V1B 3Y6		
Number of Courts	4	
Surface:	Composite	
Number of Change Rooms: Portable	Male:1	Female: 1
Number of Washrooms: Portable	Male:1	Female: 1
Lights:	No	
Wheelchair Accessible Venue:	Yes	



THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

File: 7700-04

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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

File: 0470-20

June 10, 2015

City of Vernon Mayor and Council  
3400 - 30 Street  
Vernon BC V1T 5E6

Dear Mayor Mund:

Re: **55+ BC Games**

Thank you for your letter dated, June 1, 2015. Council considered your proposal at their meeting held June 8, 2015 and passed the following resolution:

*THAT Council supports the bid committee in their application to host the 55+ BC Games in the Greater Vernon area and that the District of Coldstream will commit to providing some of the local parks and facilities in-kind for events related to the 55+ BC Games should the bid be successful.*

We are pleased to support this bid. As the resolution notes, the District is prepared to make facilities available on an in-kind basis with the understanding that specific facilities will be identified following a successful outcome in the bidding process.

With all of the sports amenities in our communities and natural beauty the Okanagan Valley has to offer, Greater Vernon is the perfect location for hosting the 55+ BC Games. These games would also be a wonderful opportunity to showcase both of our communities and the surrounding areas. We wish the Bid Committee every success.

Yours truly,

Jim Garlick  
Mayor

## SLO-PITCH

Facility Name: DND

Facility Owner: RDNO Facility Manager: Keith Pinkoski, Manager Parks

Facility Location: 1444 Mission Rd, Vernon, V1T 1A2

Number of Diamonds:	8	
Radius Distance:	6 x 300ft and 2 x 275 ft	
Are Diamonds Fenced:	Yes	
Infield Surface:	Shale	
Existing Slo-Pitch Program in Community:	Yes	
Contact Name:	Wee Yee	250 558-7756



### REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NORTH OKANAGAN

#### MEMBER MUNICIPALITIES:

CITY OF ARMSTRONG  
DISTRICT OF COLDSTREAM  
CITY OF ENDERBY

VILLAGE OF LUMBY  
TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN  
CITY OF VERNON

#### ELECTORAL AREAS:

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\*F\* – ENDERBY (RURAL)

OFFICE OF: PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURE

OUR FILE No.: 8100.15 / BC 55+ Games

May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015

BC Seniors Games Society  
203 - 2453 Beacon Avenue, Sidney, BC V8L 1X7

#### RE: BC 55+ Games – Greater Vernon / Armstrong Bid

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I am pleased to provide the BC Seniors Games Society with a letter in support for the Greater Vernon and Armstrong Bid to host the BC 55+ Games in 2017, 2018 or 2019.

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The Regional District owns and operates a number of sports fields that would be involved in hosting the BC 55+ Games, including but not limited to:

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Yours truly,

Rick Fairbairn, Chair

Regional District of North Okanagan  
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## SOCCER

Facility Name: Marshall Field

Facility Owner: RDNO Facility Manager: Keith Pinkoski, Manager Parks

Facility Location: Vernon, BC V1H 1M2

Soccer Fields:	4 x Full Size		
Equipment Available:	Yes		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 1	Female: 1	Disabled: 1
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Change Rooms with Showers	No but we will arrange for use of Vantage One Centre (privately owned) on the same facility		
Existing Soccer Program/Club in Community	Yes		
Contact Name:	Marina Korberg	250 545 5808	



### REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NORTH OKANAGAN

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## SQUASH

FACILITY NAME: Roster Sports Club Bar and Grill

Facility Owner, Manager: Gus Morris

Facility Location: 2319 53 Ave, Vernon, BC, V1T 8K1

Courts:	1 x Regulation and 3 x converted racquetball 9.72m x 6.1m		
Equipment Available:	Yes		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 1	Female: 1	Disabled: 1
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Change Rooms with Showers	Male: 1	Female: 1	
Existing Squash Program/Club in Community	Yes		
Contact Name:	Gus Morris	250 549 0444	

## THE ROSTER SPORTS CLUB BAR & GRILL Ltd.



Dear Mrs. McGinty,

The Roster Sports Club and Bar are absolutely delighted to hear that Greater Vernon, the City of Armstrong and Township of Spallumcheen are putting in a joint bid to host the 55+BC games for 2017, 18 and 19. Roster has hosted many squash and racquetball events throughout the years, more recently the National Bank Financial Open where 120 players competed, including some of the top players in BC. For the last two years in a row we have also hosted the B.C. Racquetball Provincials. We have one regulation sized Squash court and three non-regulation sized courts (Length is regulation, width is only 12 inches short). As well, we have three racquetball courts.

The Roster Sports Club and Bar will make its facilities available for the duration of the Games should we be successful in winning the bid. We wish our cities the very best of luck and sincerely hope we can host the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary games here in Vernon!

Sincerely,

Gus Morris  
Owner/Operator  
The Roster Sports Club  
Bar & Grill

## SWIMMING

Facility Name: Vernon Aquatics Centre

Facility Owner: City of Vernon Manager: Doug Ross, Director, Recreation Services

Facility Location: 3310 37 Avenue, Vernon, V1T 2Y5

Pool Size and Number of Lanes:	25m 8 lanes		
Number of Change Rooms:	Male:3	Female:3	
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 4	Female: 4	Disabled: 4
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Electronic Timing Devices Available:	Yes		
Room for Officials:	Yes		
Public Address System:	Yes		
Existing Swimming Program/Club in Community	Yes		
Contact Name:	Teri Bracken	teri_bracken@cooperators.ca	



### THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

File: 7700-04

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## TABLE TENNIS

FACILITY NAME: Hassen Arena

Facility Owner: City of Armstrong Manager: Byron Sayer, Manager, Parks and Recreation Commission

Facility Location: 3315 Pleasant Valley Rd, Armstrong, BC

Size of Competition Area in sq meters:	4888		
Number of table tennis tables that can be accommodated:	12		
Lighting specifications:	Yes		
Ceiling Height meters:	8m		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 3	Female: 3	Disabled: 1
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Room for Officials:	Yes		
Existing Table Tennis Program/Club in Community	Yes		
Contact Name:	Brad Atkins	250 540 6496	



City of Armstrong

3570 Bridge Street | PO Box 40 | Armstrong, BC V0E 1B0  
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### OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

June 11, 2015

File No. 0940-09

Mayor Akbal Mund  
City of Vernon  
3400 30th Street  
Vernon, BC V1T 5E6

Dear Mayor Mund;

**Re: 55+ BC Games**

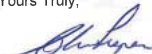
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Our City has much to offer to our guests during their stay as we are home to the oldest farmers' market in BC; we support a variety of artisans that produce hand crafted cheeses, gourmet chocolates, deluxe oils and vinegars to name a few; and for over 100 years, we have been host to BC's premiere agricultural tradition, the annual Interior Provincial Exhibition and Stampede.

It is with great enthusiasm that Armstrong prepares to welcome the athletes and their friends and families to our region.

Yours Truly,

  
Chris Pieper  
Mayor

CP/ng

Enclosure (1)

cc: Doug Ross, Director, Recreation Services, City of Vernon  
Janice Brown, Mayor, Township of Spallumcheen

cityofarmstrong.bc.ca



TENNIS		
<b>Facility One</b>		
Facility Name: Polson Park		
Facility Owner: City of Vernon Manager: Doug Ross, Director, Recreation Services		
Location: 3201 24 Ave, Vernon, BC		
Number of Courts:	2	
Surface:	Composite	
Number of Change Rooms:	Male:1	Female: 1
Number of Washrooms:	Male:1	Female: 1
Wheelchair Accessible Venue:	Yes	
Existing Tennis Club in your Community:	Yes	
Contact:	Marsha White	250 558 1555

TENNIS		
<b>Facility Two</b>		
Facility Name: Marshall Field		
Facility Owner: RDNO Facility Manager: Keith Pinkoski, Manager Parks		
Location: Okangan Landing Rd.Vernon, BC, V1H 1M2		
Number of Courts:	4	
Surface:	Composite	
Number of Change Rooms:	Male:1	Female: 1
Number of Washrooms:	Male:1	Female: 1
Wheelchair Accessible Venue:	Yes	

TENNIS		
<b>Facility Three</b>		
Facility Name: Paddlewheel Park		
Facility Owner: RDNO Facility Manager: Keith Pinkoski, Manager Parks		
Location: 7801 Okangan Landing Rd. Vernon, BC, V1H 1H2		
Number of Courts:	2	
Surface:	Composite	
Number of Change Rooms:	Male:1	Female: 1
Number of Washrooms:	Male:1	Female: 1
Wheelchair Accessible Venue:	Yes	

## TENNIS

### Facility Four

Facility Name: Kalavista Park

Facility Owner: District of Coldstream Manager: Trevor Seibel, Chief Administrative Officer

Location: 12300 Kalamalka Rd Coldstream, BC, V1B 1M3

Number of Courts:	2	
Surface:	Composite	
Number of Change Rooms:	Male:1	Female: 1
Number of Washrooms:	Male:1	Female: 1
Wheelchair Accessible Venue:	Yes	

## TENNIS

### Facility Five

Facility Name:Kalamalka Secondary School

Facility Owner: School District #22 Manager: Trevor Seibel, Chief Administrative Officer, District of Coldstream

Location: 7900 McClounie Rd Coldstream, BC V1B 1P8

Number of Courts:	3	
Surface:	Composite	
Number of Change Rooms:	Male:1	Female: 1
Number of Washrooms:	Male:1	Female: 1
Wheelchair Accessible Venue:	Yes	



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OFFICE OF: PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURE

OUR FILE NO.: 8100.15 / BC 55+ Games

May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015

BC Seniors Games Society  
203 - 2453 Beacon Avenue, Sidney, BC V8L 1X7

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Yours truly,

Rick Fairbairn, Chair

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#### THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

File: 7700-04

May 27, 2015

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

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Council, at their April 13, 2015 Regular Open Meeting adopted the following resolution:

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**"CARRIED."**

Should you have any questions, please contact Mr. Doug Ross, Director of Recreation Services at 250-550-3687 or via email at dross@vernon.ca.

Yours truly,

Patricia Bridal, CMC  
Director Corporate Services

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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

File: 0470-20

June 10, 2015

City of Vernon Mayor and Council  
3400 - 30 Street  
Vernon BC V1T 5E6

Dear Mayor Mund:

Re: **55+ BC Games**

Thank you for your letter dated, June 1, 2015. Council considered your proposal at their meeting held June 8, 2015 and passed the following resolution:

*THAT Council supports the bid committee in their application to host the 55+ BC Games in the Greater Vernon area and that the District of Coldstream will commit to providing some of the local parks and facilities in-kind for events related to the 55+ BC Games should the bid be successful.*

We are pleased to support this bid. As the resolution notes, the District is prepared to make facilities available on an in-kind basis with the understanding that specific facilities will be identified following a successful outcome in the bidding process.

With all of the sports amenities in our communities and natural beauty the Okanagan Valley has to offer, Greater Vernon is the perfect location for hosting the 55+ BC Games. These games would also be a wonderful opportunity to showcase both of our communities and the surrounding areas. We wish the Bid Committee every success.

Yours truly,

  
Jim Garlick  
Mayor

## SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 22 (VERNON)

BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
1401 - 15th STREET  
VERNON, BRITISH COLUMBIA  
V1T 8S8  
TELEPHONE 250-542-3331  
FAX 250-549-9200

June 15, 2015

Doug Ross  
Director of Recreation Services  
City of Vernon  
3400-30th Street  
Vernon, B.C. V1T 8S8


Dear Mr. Ross:

RE: Your letter, 55+ BC Games Support

At the May 27, 2015 public board meeting, the Board of Education passed the following motion:

*That the Board of Education support the City of Vernon's bid to host the 55+ BC Games in 2017, 2018, or 2019, with the preference being the 30th Anniversary of the 55+ Games the week of September 12 - 16, 2017.*

Sincerely,

  
Joe Rogers  
Superintendent of Schools.  
cc Trustees



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## TRACK AND FIELD

Facility Name: Greater Vernon Athletics Facility

Facility Owner: RDNO Facility Manager: Keith Pinkoski, Manager Parks

Facility Location: 7000 College Way, Coldstream, BC

Location of 10km Run/Walk Course:	Local Area Surrounding the Track		
Track Surface:	Rubberized surface, 8 lane certified 400 meter track		
Description of Area to be Used for Field Events:	2- Shot Put Area (caged) 1- Hammer / Discus throw area (caged) 1- Secured Javelin Area 2 - High Jump Pits 4 - Long Jump Pits		
Number of Change Rooms:	Male:2	Female:2	
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 1	Female: 1	Disabled: 1
Existing Track and Field Program/Club in Community	Yes		
Contact Name:	Ian Cameron	250 546 6067	



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## WHIST

Facility Name: Lakers Clubhouse

Facility Owner: City of Vernon Manager: Doug Ross, Director, Recreation Services

Facility Location: 7000 Cummins Road, Vernon, BC V1H 1M2

Dimensions:	60' x 30' Oval. With an area of 1,800 square feet, the club house can accommodate up to 130 banquet seating.		
Equipment Available:	Yes		
Number of Washrooms:	Male: 1	Female: 1	Disabled: 1
Wheelchair Accessible:	Yes		
Existing Whist Program in Community	Yes		
Contact Name:	Rosemary O'Neal	250 542 2877	



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Patricia Bridal, CMC  
Director Corporate Services

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