

Join us in celebrating an action-packed month of events

The coming weeks in Penticton will be a time of great eats, laughs, cheers, triumphs and adventures. We invite you to come out to these outdoor events, take in the atmosphere and entertainment, and cheer on the athletes as they encounter some challenging feats.

We're proud to host these events once again and welcome the economic benefits they bring to our community, supporting our local businesses and keeping our city vibrant.

Here is a sampling of some of the main events coming to Penticton this September. Note that details are subject to change and all events are subject to the current Provincial Health guidelines.

Dragon Boat Festival (Sept. 11-12): Watch the Millennium boats take to the water off Skaha Lake Park, where the festival will have a vendor's market, food trucks and beverage garden. pentictondragonboat.com.

Bighorn Bushwhack 8hr Adventure Race (Sept. 12): An adventure race that involves navigating to checkpoints using maps to complete the course. hoodoadventures.ca/events.

RibFest (Sept. 17-19): This festival features three days of good eats, entertainment, activities and a beverage garden at Skaha Lake Park, organized by the Rotary Club of Penticton. pentictonribfest.com.

Granfondo Axel Merckx Okanagan (Sept. 19): This cycling event attracts recreational, elite and pro cyclists for a weekend of road cycling through Okanagan wine country. granfondoaxelmerckx.com.

Kettle Mettle Dirty Fondo (Sept. 24-25): This scenic Gravel Fondo race attracts athletes for two days of events, including a 50K, 100K and 135K+ race. kettlemettle.ca.

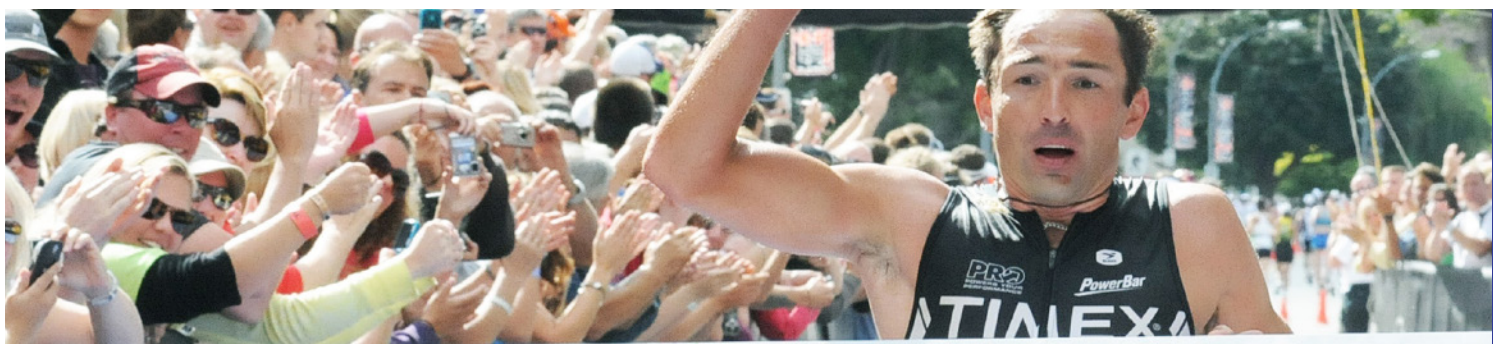
Subaru IRONMAN Canada (Sept. 26): This full-day event will take place across numerous locations, so get ready to cheer on the athletes and give them a strong welcome. ironman.com/im-canada.

BC Bike Race (BCBR) Gravel Explorer (Sept. 27-Oct. 1): This race is about the spirit of adventure, a gravel grind with grit, set up across a five-day stage race format. bcbikerace.com.

Expedition Canada (Sept. 29-Oct.3): Racers will tackle a 403km course on foot, bikes and canoes while using maps and compasses to make their way to the checkpoints. expeditionracecanada.ca.

BCBR Flagship Mountain Bike Race (Oct. 2-8): This mountain bike race is dubbed the ultimate singletrack experience, featuring a combination of natural and hand-built trails. bcbikerace.com.

For further details about all these events, or for details about possible road closures, go to penticton.com/events.



Bugaboo University: your community early learning centre

Bugaboo University (Bugaboo U) is your community early learning centre for 3-5 year olds, where children come to learn and explore through play and meaningful interactions.

This early learning program follows an emergent style curriculum where your child's natural interests are followed and extended through playful experiences



and experiments, allowing them to learn from the process and not the end product.

The Bugaboo University campus is located in the heart of the City of Penticton, at the Penticton Community Centre. We provide a safe, rich learning environment where our play-based approach encourages children to construct their own knowledge and develop into unique individuals. Our team will provide your child with experiences rich in learning opportunities through hands-on exploring, creating, and playing.

Bugaboo U runs September to June following the same holiday schedule as School District 67. Offering programming bundled on Mon/Wed/Fri or Tue/Thu, Bugaboo U has a learning schedule that can work for everyone.

To learn more about Bugaboo University and all it has to offer please visit our website at www.penticton.ca/bugaboo, email us at bugaboo.university@penticton.ca or call 250-490-2426.

Lifeguard App saving lives

In the wake of record breaking overdose deaths, "there's an app for that". The made-in-B.C. Lifeguard App connects a person to medical help in the event of an overdose.

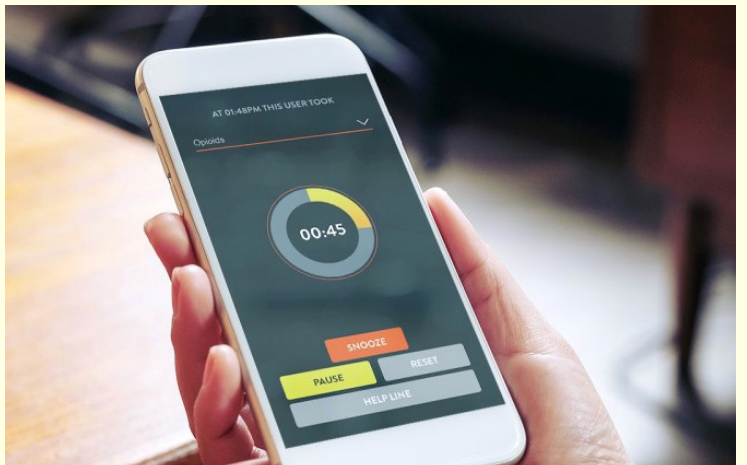
People who use drugs are encouraged to use with a buddy who can administer first aid and call 9-1-1 in the event of an overdose. However that isn't always possible. If people are using drugs alone, they can activate the app before they take their dose. After 50 seconds the app will sound an alarm. If the person doesn't hit a button to stop the alarm, indicating they are fine, the alarm grows louder. After 75 seconds a text-to-voice call will go straight to 9-1-1, alerting emergency medical dispatchers of a potential overdose.



The free, easy to use app also **Interior Health**

provides wellness tips, notifications of drug and overdose alerts and information about treatment options. It is available via the App store or Google Play.

Learn more about the Lifeguard App: lifeguarddh.com.



Council Highlights

Council highlights are intended to provide a brief summary of recent Council meetings. To view the official meeting minutes and other council related information, visit penticton.ca/council.

Community Opinion and Skaha Lake Marina Next Steps

Council reaffirmed their commitment to abide by the results of the Community Opinion Question that was successfully supported on the June 19, 2021 by-election ballot. Council also directed staff to proceed to develop a Request for Proposals for the development of a long-term Operating Management Agreement up to 25 years for the Skaha Marina lands and refer the proposal

to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee for review before returning to Council for approval.

2021 Local Government By-Election Summary

Council received into the record the 2021 Local Government By-Election summary. A total of 5060 people cast their votes in the by-election, representing 17% of eligible voters.

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