



# The Blackburn Press


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Blackburn Community Association, 2451 Blackburn Road, Prince George, BC V2N 6C1  
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## Upcoming Events !

- Jan 9 Program Registration
- Jan 21 Crib Tournament
- Jan 22 Spaghetti Dinner
- Feb 18 Crib Tournament
- Apr 15 Spring Breakfast

## Crib Tournaments

Blackburn Community Centre   
 Saturdays 11:00am to 3:00pm  
 Registration 10:30am (Singles)  
 Jan 21st Feb 18th Mar 17th  
 (Must be over 19 years of age)

## Family Spaghetti Supper



Join community families for dinner  
**Sunday, Jan. 22 5:00 pm**  
 Spaghetti dinner and dessert  
**Only \$5.00 per person**  
**Limited tickets available!**  
**Get yours in advance at the**  
**Community Centre**  
**Volunteers Needed!**

## Craft Fair A Huge Success! Thanks to Volunteers ☺

The Blackburn Craft Fair held Dec 3 & 4th hosted over 23 crafters and was well attended. We would like to thank Linda Weissenmeyer and Donna Nicholl for organizing the event, thanks to Sandra Goodkey and Glenda Nelson for organizing the community table and a big thank you to the many volunteers who helped with the set-up, in the concession, at the community table and helping with clean-up. We'd also like to thank those in the community who supported this event with their donations of baking and crafts and to those who shopped at the craft fair. See you at the next craft fair Dec. 8 & 9, 2012. Big thanks to Chris Weissenmeyer of Northland Dodge for the donations of 3 \$110 gas cards. Door prize winners are listed below:

Lorraine Isenor	\$200 Travel Voucher	Robin McGuire	\$110 Gas Card
Avis Gammel	\$110 Gas Card	Mellisa Hotvedt	\$110 Gas Card
Other winners were:		Edna Rouleau	Judy Klitch
Frances Nyeste		Lillian Mathews	Sam Isabelle
Cecil McCabe		Angie Goodkey	Yvonne Gaumont
Ed Seidlitz		Patricia Legary	

### Blackburn Community Centre

Office Hours: Mon Wed Fri Noon-6 pm email [blackbur@pgonline.com](mailto:blackbur@pgonline.com)

### Blackburn Community Association

meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month. All members welcome.

Next meeting Jan 11th 7pm

Please join us and be a part of your community.

# Blackburn Community Association NEEDS YOU!



The Association is looking for volunteers who have knowledge in Law, Finances, Maintenance, Gaming or Grant applications....etc. Please share your knowledge or experience with your community. Check out our website for more Information or attend our next meeting Wednesday, January 11th. All volunteers are welcome.

Do you have a high school student who needs to perform volunteer hours for graduation? Consider volunteering at the community centre for various upcoming events. Call the centre for more information.

## What Would You Like to See In Your Community?

*The Blackburn Community Association is dedicated to promoting the well-being of the residents of Blackburn through recreational programs, community events and by providing opportunities for our community to socialize and join in activities that are based on fun and quality leadership!*

Based on this action statement the Community Association plans events and provides programs throughout the year for the pleasure of the area residents. With the help of interested members there are so many more activities that could be possible. This is what we are asking you:

- Is there an event you would like to see happen?
- Are you willing to help make this happen?
- Is there a program you would like to see made available? (Snowshoeing, scrapbooking, cooking.....)
- Are you willing to help make this happen?
- Would you attend a family dance?
- Are you willing to help make this happen?
- Do you currently attend any of the programs or events being offered at this time?
- Is there a reason you don't take part in these community events?
- Are you interested in helping to develop a bike park for youth in our area?
- Do you see a need for Senior's Housing in the Blackburn area? Are you interested?
- Did you know the RJ Blackburn Heritage House is open on Saturday mornings for free visits? Have you visited the house? It's an amazing place to see.

We are interested in what you have to say. Please contact us by email, phone, a letter or drop into the hall and chat with Nancy. She's a great listener. Here's your opportunity to have your voice heard. Please take it.



## Have you renewed your Membership?

Membership in the Blackburn Community Association are valid from October 1 to September 30. Your membership and support make a difference when we apply for grants.

Fees are \$10.00 for a family \$ 5.00 for one person



## Community Ice Rink

The Community Association would like to welcome Rob Trevelyan as our new Ice Captain for the community rink. Rob has been certified by the City of Prince George for flooding. Please contact the community centre if you are interested in helping with the ice rink this year.



**Certificates are not required for volunteers wishing to help with shoveling.**

## DONATIONS GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED!

We are always accepting donations of new or handcrafted items to be used for fundraisers, door prizes, and volunteer appreciation. Items may be dropped off at the community centre during office hours or call 250-963-3292 for pick up. We appreciate your support.



## Registration for Winter Programs Monday, January 9, 2012 - 6 - 7 pm At the Blackburn Community Centre



### Youth

**Floor Hockey (5-9 yrs)**  
Blackburn Elementary School  
Mondays - 6 - 7 pm  
Jan 16-Mar 12  
\$15.00 for Members  
\$20.00 for Non-Member  
\$25 after registration

**Floor Hockey (9-13 yrs)**  
Blackburn Elementary School  
Mondays - 7- 8 pm  
Jan 16-Mar 12  
\$15.00 for Members  
\$20.00 for Non-Member  
\$25 after registration  
(Limited to 16 participants)

**Soccer (5 - 9 yrs)**  
Blackburn Elementary School  
Tuesdays 6 - 7 pm  
Jan 17-Mar 13  
\$15.00 for Members  
\$20.00 for Non-Members  
\$25 after registration  
(Limited to 16 participants)

**Badminton (9-12 yrs)**  
Blackburn Elementary School  
Wednesdays 7-8pm  
\$15.00 for Members  
\$20.00 for Non-Member  
\$25 after registration  
(Limited to 16 participants)

**Tots at Play (2-5 yrs)**  
Blackburn Community Centre  
Mondays 3-4 pm  
Blackburn Elementary School  
Wednesdays 6-7pm  
Parent participation required  
FREE for Members  
\$10.00 for Non-Member

### Babysitting Certificate

11 years + (proof of age required)  
RJ Blackburn House  
Saturday Jan 28 8:30am-12:30pm  
Sunday Jan 29 8:30am-12:30pm  
\$50.00 for Members  
\$55.00 for Non-Members  
After registration \$60.00  
Fee includes books and snacks.  
Limited to 15 participants.

### Home Alone

10+ years (Proof of age required)  
RJ Blackburn House  
Sunday Jan 22 9:00am to 1:00pm  
Teaches safety when home alone.  
\$30.00 for Members  
\$35.00 for Non-Members  
After registration \$40.00  
(Limited to 12 participants)

### Adult

**Adult Co-Ed Volleyball (18 + )**  
Blackburn Elementary School  
Tuesday & Thursdays 7 - 9 pm  
Jan 17-May 31

#### New players welcome!

\$25.00 for Members  
\$30.00 for Non-.Members  
Additional \$5.00 fee after  
registration date

#### 'Go Get Fit' (14+)

Blackburn Community Centre  
Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs  
5:45-6:45pm  
Jan 16-Mar 16

Fees	Member	Non-Mem
Drop In/day	\$10	\$12

#### Monthly Fees

1 day/wk	\$25/mo	\$30/mo
2 days/wk	\$45/mo	\$50/mo
3 days/wk	\$60/mo	\$75/mo
4 days/wk	\$75/mo	\$80/mo

**Fees paid at start of each month**

### Nia (16 yrs +)

Blackburn Community Centre  
Wednesdays, 7:00 - 8:30 pm  
Jan 18-Mar 14  
\$35.00 for Members  
\$40.00 for Non-Members  
Drop-In \$5.00  
Additional \$5.00 fee after  
registration date  
(Spaces Limited)

### Yoga (16+ yrs)

Blackburn Community Centre  
Tuesdays, 7:00 - 8:30 pm  
Jan 17-Mar 13  
\$55.00 for Members  
\$60.00 for Non-Member  
Drop-Ins \$10.00  
Additional \$5.00 fee after  
registration date

Programs at the school will not run on holidays, Pro-D days, school events or when the school or leaders are unavailable. Please be in contact with your child's leader at all times. Some programs are subject to change or cancellation due to lack of registration or program leaders.

**Would you like to volunteer your time with one of our programs? Do you have a program you would like to offer? Contact the office at 250-963-3292 .**

**Please bring your child's Care Card to register**



The Blackburn Community Association has made a commitment to the **Partners for Life at the Canadian Blood Services**. Our goal of **15 units** was surpassed. Our Partner ID is BLAC002215 and is used to link our donations to the Blackburn Community. Call 1-888-236-6283 to make an appointment.



### R.J. Blackburn House

Is open to the public every Saturday morning from 9 am to noon. Please drop by for a cup of coffee and have a look at what the ladies are up to. The R.J. Blackburn House is available for rentals, an excellent place for meetings, bridal or baby showers of family get-togethers. Call the office at 250-963-3292 for availability.

### Blackburn Li'l Rascals Preschool And Out of School Care

2455 Blackburn Road (basement of RJ Blackburn House)

**Preschool** Classes run from 8:30 - 11:00 am

2 days per week - Tuesday & Thursday or

3 days per week - Monday, Wednesday & Friday

**Out of School Care**

2:10 pm to 5:30 pm school days

Children are picked up at Blackburn School.

**Open full days during school breaks**

-Christmas -Spring Break -Summer

Call 250-963-6871 for more information.



#### Welcome to New Staff Members!

The Board of Directors would like to introduce two new staff members. Nancy Martin has joined us as Administrator in the office. Merrilynn Power is our Preschool Assistant at Li'l Rascals Preschool, assisting Alisha with the preschool program. Welcome to you both, we're pleased to be working with you.

Are you thinking of buying a vehicle? Chris Weissenmayer from Northland Dodge will donate \$500 to the Community Association when you purchase a vehicle from him. Stamped business cards are available from the office. Thanks Chris.



### PLANT A ROW GROW A ROW SPROUT IT EVENT

March 24<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m.

RJ Blackburn Heritage House

Participation is easy! Simply dedicate a row in your garden to be donated to the Prince George Native Friendship Centre Food Bank. Join us at the sprout it event to register for the 2012 growing season and receive your starter kit. There will be contests, prizes, and resources to encourage all ages. A weekly, local drop off point for the produce will be announced. We are excited to see what our community can accomplish. For more information on this project or the Blackburn Community Gardeners group please call Nancy 250-963-3292.

### TOPS MEET TUESDAYS!

Join the TOPS BC3626 group on Tuesday mornings 8am-10am at the RJ Blackburn House. New and Old members welcome.

### Piano to Give Away!

The Community Association would like to remove the piano in the Community Centre. It is a John F. Carle Company, Chicago Battle Creek and is approximately 90 to 100 years old. Call 250-963-3292 for more information.

Recipient responsible for moving piano!

Would you like to advertise in our newsletter? Call the community centre for more information. Space is limited.