



Access to Water

With the recent snow fall it is important to maintain clear access to your dugout for fire fighting. If a structure fire occurs on your property firefighters will need to get a vehicle to your dugout in order to pump the volume of water that may be required. Adequate room to turn vehicles around is also essential for fire fighting operations. And remember, dial 911 for emergencies.

Cooking Safety Tips

Most destructive home fires start in the kitchen - these tips can help you to prevent them. For more information, please call (780) 427-8392 or visit www.municipalaffairs.gov.ab.ca/fco.

General cooking safety

- Use a temperature-controlled deep-fat-fryer for frying. If you are using a pot, keep a proper fitting lid nearby. If a grease fire starts, carefully cover the pan with the lid to smother the flames.
- Never leave frying food or cooking oil unattended on a hot stove.
- Keep paper, curtains, dish cloths, paper towels, pot holders, cardboard containers and plastics well away from heat sources.
- Wear short and tight fitting sleeves when cooking. Loose sleeves can catch fire over the hot stove.
- Avoid cooking when sleepy or drowsy from medication or alcohol.
- Turn pot handles in to prevent children from pulling them down.
- Do not use defective electric appliances; have them checked and serviced.
- Keep the hood, filter, fan and duct above the stove clean. Grease buildup is a fire hazard.
- Keep a fire extinguisher within easy reach. Contact your fire department for advice on selection and operation of an extinguisher.

Putting out a cooking oil fire

- Never throw water onto a cooking oil fire. This will cause the fire to flare and spread.
- Always keep a lid nearby that fits the frying pan or pot. If overheated oil ignites turn off the heat and exhaust fan, then put the lid on the pot or pan to smother the flames.
- Never try to carry a pan of burning oil outside. The oil may splash over the edge and start new fires, or cause serious burns.
- Do not pour burning oil into the sink.
- If the fire cannot be put out with a lid, get everyone outside and call the fire department from a neighbour's phone.
- A BC rated extinguisher (suitable for flammable liquids and electrical equipment fires) may be used for small fires. If the fire gets worse, get out!

Putting out an oven fire

- Turn off the heat.
- Close the oven door and keep it closed.
- If necessary, use a fire extinguisher.

Setting a Profitable Price WORKSHOP

Learn Agri-Food Network presents "Setting a Profitable Price" on January 12, 2010; Provincial Building, Fairview, Alberta. Interested in practical instructions for costing and pricing your products? In this workshop, producers, small scale processors and agripreneurs will learn the basics of costing and pricing products and how to set a profitable price point for farm direct marketing their products.

The fee for the workshop is \$25 per person. For more information, call Elaine Stenbraaten at 780-835-7531 or toll-free at 310-0000. To register, call Linda at 780-538-6208

Direct Seeding Workshop

There will be a Direct Seeding workshop on January 12 from 9:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Dunvegan Motor Inn in Fairview, Alberta. The fee for the workshop is \$20 and includes lunch. Speakers include: Blair Burton on Direct Seeding in Canada and Australia, Jason Casselman on Yield Potential and Inputs, Linda Hall on Pre-harvest Dessicants and more. To register, call Jana or Nora at 780- 836-3354.

Woking Light-Up THANK YOU

Woking Communities in Bloom wishes to thank the supporters of the Community Christmas Tree light-up event. Thanks goes out to Case VanRootselaar for the sleigh rides, his helper Gerry Smyth as well as Dennis and Norm for installing the street lights. Another big thanks goes out to Gerry Goryniuk for the tree. We'd also like to thank Santa for taking the time out of his busy schedule to come and make our Christmas tree light-up even more special.

Thanks to everyone who made the light-up a successful and memorable event for our community.

Christmas Eve Service

St. John's Lutheran Church of Northmark is welcoming everyone to a Christmas Eve Service to be held Thursday December 24 at 2:30 p.m. at the Woking Community Hall. Come and celebrate Christmas Eve with us!

New Year's Eve Family Social WOKING HALL

On New Years Eve, Woking Willing Workers will be sponsoring a family social potluck supper to begin at 7:30 p.m. A cash bar will be available. Activities will include children's games, fireworks, and musical "Jam" sessions so bring your musical instruments! See you there!

Keep Your Tree Fire Free

Keep all candles away from the Christmas tree. Make sure the base of the tree is immersed in water at all times.

Age Verification Workshop

The Peace Country Beef & Forage Association is offering a workshop that will help local producers enter their livestock information into the Age Verification computer system. Producers are encouraged to bring their info (tag numbers, birth dates, legal land description) to the workshop where staff on hand will help them enter it into the database.

The service is free for all Peace region cattle producers.

Savanna School

Wednesday December 16 at 7:30 p.m.

Only 25 seats are available, so pre-register now!

To register and find out what information to bring along contact one of the following:

Akim Omokanye	Jaime Borduzak
780-835-6799	780-523-4033
780-835-1112	780-835-0381

Winter Transfer Station Hours

Transfer station winter hours of operation are now in effect as seen below:

Transfer	Location	Day	Hours
Woking	SW-18-76-5-W6	Tuesday	12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Blueberry	SE-3-80-8-W6	Wednesday	12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
		Saturday	1:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Bonanza	NW-33-79-12-W6	Friday	12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
		Saturday	8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Gundy	SW-32-76-13-W6	Saturday	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.