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44 YEARS OF PRESERVING PEMBERTON'S UNIQUE HISTORY

WE'RE KICKING OFF THE 2026 SEASON IN STYLE WITH EXCITING PROJECTS, NEW EXHIBITS, AND THE RETURN OF FAVOURITE COMMUNITY EVENTS.

This season marks an exciting chapter for the Pemberton Museum as construction begins on a new fully accessible washroom facility. This long-anticipated project will improve accessibility, comfort, and the overall visitor experience while supporting the museum's continued growth and ability to welcome residents and visitors alike.

Alongside this major development, work is underway on a new agricultural exhibit, exploring Pemberton's rich farming history. Visitors will also notice ongoing improvements throughout the site, refreshed exhibits, and the return of favourite programs and events, including Tuesday Toonie Teas and our annual Kick-Off Party and Hairfarmers concert on June 21, a beloved community tradition and a wonderful way to celebrate Father's Day.

The museum continues to grow as a community gathering place where people connect, learn, celebrate, and create memories surrounded by history. Thank you to our Board of Directors, staff, volunteers, members, donors, sponsors, performers, and community partners whose dedication and generosity help make the museum a welcoming and vibrant place for all. From research and exhibit development to gardening, baking, event support, fundraising, and countless hours behind the scenes, your contributions bring the museum to life.

As we begin another season, we look forward to welcoming visitors back to the site and sharing a summer filled with history, learning, connection, and celebration.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT THE MUSEUM SOON!

2026 KICK-OFF PARTY - FUNDRAISER & MEMBERSHIP DRIVE



Celebrate Father's Day at the Pemberton Museum on Sunday, June 21 with our 2026 Season Kick-Off Fundraiser and Membership Drive, featuring an afternoon of family fun with games, activities, crafts, and snacks from 1-4 pm, followed by an evening concert with the Hairfarmers from 6-9 pm as we kick off another exciting museum season.

More than a fundraiser, this event is a chance to bring the community together, connect with friends and neighbours, and support the museum's next chapter.

Many of you have helped shape the museum over the years. Your support brought projects like the John Arn Cabin relocation and the replica Schoolhouse to life—spaces that now host exhibits, school programs, workshops, meetings, celebrations, and community events. Our new washroom facility is the next step, helping create a more welcoming and accessible museum for everyone.

With the event just a few weeks away, we're hoping to showcase as many local businesses, artists, organizations, and community groups as possible.

- ♦ Donate a raffle, silent auction, door prize, gift certificate, artwork, or service
- ♦ Become a Museum Member
- ♦ Volunteer at the event
- ♦ Display an event poster in your business, office, staff room, or community space
- ♦ Share event information with your staff, customers, friends, and family
- ♦ Bring your team, family, or friends to the Kick-Off

As a thank you, donors of raffle, silent auction, and door prize items will receive two complimentary tickets to the Hairfarmers concert.

Not able to donate a prize this year? You can still make a big difference by volunteering, putting up a poster, sharing the event on social media, becoming a Museum Member, or bringing your family and friends to celebrate our 2026 season Kick-Off at the museum.

BE PART OF THE 2026 KICK-OFF

[Hairfarmers Concert Tickets](#)
[Washroom Rebuild Fundraiser](#)
[Museum Memberships](#)



Thank you for helping us celebrate Pemberton's history, support community gathering spaces, and build for the future.

IT TAKES A VILLAGE...



THANK YOU!

Our season has just begun, and we already have so many people to thank! Our dedicated Board of Directors continues to support the museum in countless ways, guiding the organization and its growth. A special thank you to Ola and Fran for planting the flower baskets throughout the site, and to Clara and Michelle, whose creativity and hard work over the winter have helped shape and evolve exhibits across the museum.

Thanks also to our hardworking staff. Laurel's enthusiasm carries from the archives in winter to the gardens in spring, helping bring both the museum's stories and grounds to life. Thank you as well to Josh, who is often the first to greet our rental guests and helps ensure the site is welcoming, well-maintained, and ready for visitors. This year, he has also taken on the role of Guest Services Lead, mentoring our team of summer students and leading by example with his strong work ethic and dedication to the museum.

Many thanks to Allen, who generously donated his time and expertise to building, repairing, and improving the site, while sharing his knack for problem-solving with Josh along the way.

A special thank you to the team at the Village of Pemberton for their ongoing support, and to the team at McLeod Building Works and their contractors, whose skill and dedication are helping bring the museum's new washroom facility to life. Construction is progressing steadily, with completion anticipated in early November 2026.

The museum is built by community, and we are grateful to everyone who contributes their time, talents, and support to help make it all possible.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & BOARD RECRUITMENT

The Pemberton & District Museum & Archives Society invites members and community members to attend our Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, July 8 at 7pm in the schoolhouse.

The AGM is an opportunity to learn more about the museum's activities, accomplishments, and plans for the future, while connecting with others who are passionate about preserving and sharing Pemberton's history.

The museum is also seeking community-minded individuals to join our Board of Directors. Serving on the Board is a meaningful way to support local heritage, contribute your skills and perspectives, and help guide the organization into the future. No museum background is required, just an interest in supporting the museum and the community it serves.

Whether you're a long-time supporter, a museum member, or simply curious about the work we do, we welcome you to attend. More details will be shared on our website and social media channels as the date approaches. You can also contact us at: info@pembertonmuseum.org



TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS – WASHROOM RENO UPDATE



Farewell to the Old Washroom



Hello to our New Foundation!

GROWING TOGETHER ~ WELCOMING EVERYONE: FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

OUR GOAL

We are working to raise \$50,000 in 2026 through community support to help bring this project to life!

BE A PART OF IT

Our museum has always been shaped by the people who believe in it. Your support, by becoming a member, making a donation, or spreading the word, helps ensure our space continues to grow and serve our community, with comfort and ease for all who visit.

♥ Thank you for being part of this next chapter ♥

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UNDER CONSTRUCTION, STILL OPEN FOR RENTALS

While construction is underway on our new washroom facility, the museum remains open and available for visitors, programs, and venue rentals. So if you're planning a workshop, meeting, art class, yoga session, or community gathering, think of us! The museum offers a unique setting to connect, create, and celebrate. We'd love to help bring your next event to life.

Email us about booking the museum: info@pembertonmuseum.org

