



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

No matter what the season, we love to celebrate and hold events in Vernon. There's always something happening here. The calendar is updated on a regular basis so pick a season, pick an event, and enjoy!

For more events, visit the [Vernon Morning Star's Community Calendar](#) or the [City of Vernon's Event Calendar](#).

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## **Thursday, September 16, 2021**

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### **Vernon Farmer's Market - Outdoor Market**

Date and Time: Thursday, September 16 08:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Join us every Monday and Thursday in the Kal Tire Place back parking lot from 8am-1pm until Oct 28th! Seasonally fresh, local fruit and vegetables, fresh-baked goods, honey, eggs, cheese meats liquor, plants and flowers plus craft and artisan vendors.

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We strongly suggest you also book in advance for Friday morning tours at 9 AM. Drop-ins will be available on Friday mornings, if space allows.

Numbers of tour participants are limited, so please register AT LEAST 24 hours in advance to reserve a space.

Meet on the front steps of the Vernon Museum, at 3009 32 Avenue, Vernon, BC.

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