



Market Newsletter

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Hello All,

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Market General Information

Provincial regulations regarding farmers markets in BC during the COVID 19 pandemic is available at <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/community-settings/farmers-markets>



First market of 2020

The first market of the 2020 season is behind us. 68 vendors had their first Invermere sales and visitors enjoyed the sunshine, even though rain was forecast.



COVID protocols

The market guys had quite a few signs out with COVID protocols and vendors were given information along with their invoices. Market volunteers welcomed visitors to the market and while spraying hands, informed them about the protocols. Many followed the protocols but unfortunately many did not. We might all be very tired of this virus but the virus is not! We appreciate vendors assistance in remind customers to social distance We welcome your emailed comments so that we can follow-up on them later (memories are not perfect).



Face masks

In areas within our province face masks are mandatory, eg public transport, some stores and quite a few markets. The Provincial Health Officer has not made face masks compulsory however are strongly recommended when social distancing is impossible. The Invermere Farmers and Artists Market does not wish to make masks mandatory, however we **strongly encourage** vendors and visitors to our market to wear a mask.



Some changes

As we continue through the season, some changes might have to be made. With the first market we have noticed a few things, among them some required stall changes that we have addressed. We will be changing the entrance setup a bit to simplify our task there. Further, the walkways are 15ft wide accommodating physical distancing, so we will no longer require one way traffic through the market. For stall changes please refer to the Stall allocation page on our website, <http://www.invermerfarmersmarket.com/stall-allocation.html>

Other change information will come verbally, by email or by Newsletter



A Bright Future

Although we have had to change in response to the COVID19 pandemic we continue to monitor the situation and look forward to another summer market season.



The Invermere Farmers and Artists Market is a partnership between the Royal Canadian Legion Windermere District Branch 71 and the District of Invermere.

