

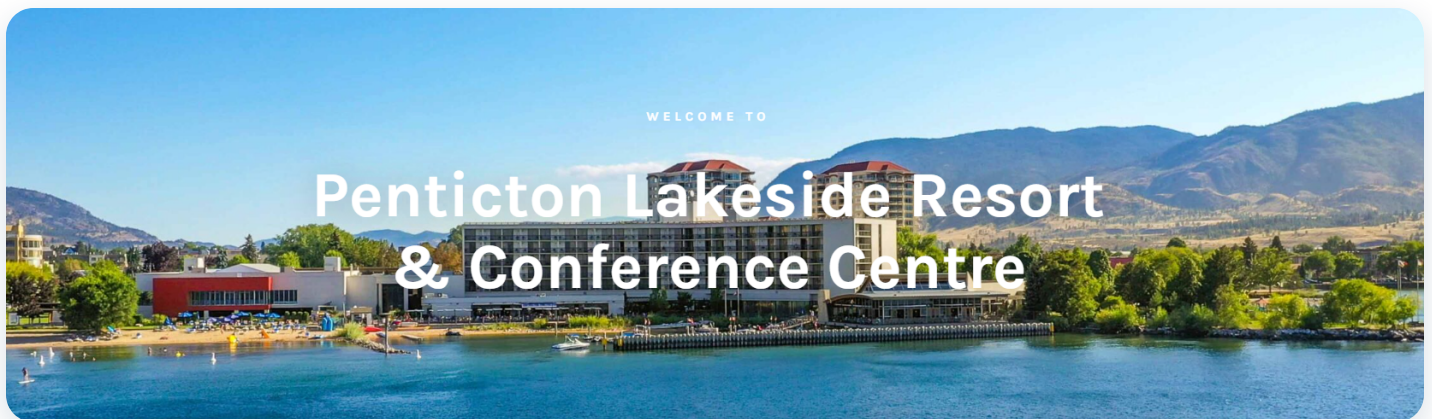
NWMVCA 2026 ANNUAL FALL MEETING · PENTICTON, BC

Come for the mosquitoes. Stay for the views.

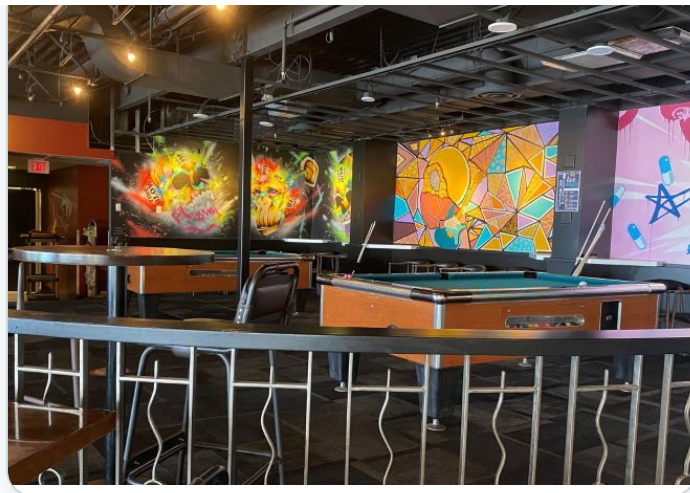
Your meeting badge may say vector control, but your off-hours can say lakefront dinner, local wine, live music and one very good sunset.

October 20–21, 2026

The Penticton Lakeside Resort puts you right on Okanagan Lake and steps from downtown. Here are a few ways to turn the 2026 Fall Meeting into a memorable South Okanagan getaway.



Our lakeside meeting location in downtown Penticton.



Unwind with a balcony view across Okanagan Lake.

Three restaurants. Zero need to leave the hotel.

Published resort hours checked September 19, 2026. Seasonal or event-related changes are possible.

Lakefront dinner**The Hooded Merganser**

Mediterranean-inspired dining in a glass-walled restaurant perched over Okanagan Lake.

Sunday–Thursday

4:00–10:00 p.m.

Friday–Saturday

4:00–11:00 p.m.

Reservations are a smart idea.

[**Menu and reservations**](#)**Coffee + casual bites****The Bufflehead Café**

A relaxed lobby-level café with lakeside views and indoor-outdoor seating.

Breakfast

7:00 a.m.–noon

Lunch

Noon–4:00 p.m.

The resort describes the café as open for breakfast, lunch and dinner, but its current page does not publish evening hours. Confirm dinner service with the hotel.

[**View café details**](#)**Pub + late night****The Barking Parrot**

Casual food, cocktails and lake views—plus the easiest post-session gathering spot possible.

Daily

Noon–2:00 a.m.

[**See pub details**](#)

Stretch your legs: fun near the hotel

Approximate walking times begin at the Penticton Lakeside Resort. Choose well-lit routes and check operating hours before heading out.

Right outside

Okanagan Lake promenade

Walk the shoreline, catch the sunset and get the classic Penticton lake-and-mountain view without moving your car.



Penticton Art Gallery and Ikeda Japanese Garden

A peaceful culture break near the east end of the lakefront. Check gallery hours before visiting.

[Penticton Art Gallery](#)

About 5–10 minutes

Downtown Penticton

Explore local shops, cafés, breweries and restaurants along Main, Martin and Westminster.

[Open the Visit Penticton map](#)



S.S. Sicamous Museum and Heritage Park

Walk west along the lakefront to see the landmark sternwheeler and waterfront park. Confirm the museum's fall hours.

[Visit the S.S. Sicamous website](#)

Have a free hour—or an extra day?

These South Okanagan favourites are generally within about an hour's drive of the resort, depending on traffic, weather and your exact stop.

10–15 minutes

Munson Mountain

A short uphill walk rewards you with broad views over Penticton, Okanagan Lake and the famous hillside “PENTICTON” sign.

15–25 minutes

Naramata Bench

Vineyard views, tasting rooms and lake panoramas. October schedules vary, so reserve tastings and designate a driver or book a tour.

[Plan a wine-country visit](#)

20–35 minutes

Kettle Valley Rail Trail

Choose an easy walk or bike ride through vineyard country. The Little Tunnel area near Naramata is a favourite for scenery.

[Explore the KVR Trail](#)

20–30 minutes

Okanagan Falls and Skaha Lake

Pair lakeside scenery with nearby wineries, trails and viewpoints south of Penticton.

40–50 minutes

Oliver wine country

Head toward Canada's Wine Capital for estate wineries, fall vineyard colour and destination dining.

[Visit Oliver tourism](#)

About 55–60 minutes

Osoyoos and the desert landscape

Explore Canada's warmest lake region and learn about the land and culture of the Osoyoos Indian Band at the Nk'Mip Desert Cultural Centre. Check fall hours.

[Nk'Mip Desert Cultural Centre](#)

What's happening while you're here

Confirmed listings available as of September 19, 2026. Events may sell out, move or change—use the links to recheck before going.

**Through
Saturday, Oct.
24
Gallery hours
vary**

Pop Up Prints: UBCO at the Penticton Art Gallery

Catch a current exhibition only a few minutes from the resort. The gallery lists Tuesday–Friday hours of 9:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. and Saturday hours of 10:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

[Check exhibitions and gallery hours](#)

**Tuesday, Oct.
20
7:00–11:45 p.m.**

Trivi-Okie Tuesday at The Hub on Martin

Trivia followed by karaoke at a downtown pub and live-music venue, approximately a short walk from the resort. The NWMVCA Welcome Reception begins at 6:30 p.m., so this is an optional late-evening stop.

[Check The Hub event listing](#)

**Thursday, Oct.
22
5:00–8:00 p.m.**

You Be the Judge: Pasta Edition

Stay an extra night and vote for a future feature pasta at Terrafina at Hester Creek in Oliver. The event listing includes unlimited pasta and a beverage; tickets are required. Allow roughly 45–50 minutes to drive each way.

[View event details](#)

**Thursday, Oct.
22
9:00 p.m.–1:00
a.m.**

The B34st! Surprise Show at The Hub on Martin

A late-night downtown show for attendees extending their Penticton stay.

[Check tickets and current details](#)

Friday, Oct. 23**7:30 p.m.****Brit Floyd: The Moon, The Wall and Beyond**

The Pink Floyd tribute production comes to the South Okanagan Events Centre—about a 5-minute drive or roughly a 25-minute walk from the resort.

[View SOEC event and ticket information](#)

The zero-planning evening

Walk the lakefront at sunset, have dinner over the water at the Hooded Merganser, then stop at the Barking Parrot—all without leaving the resort property. That is conference travel done correctly.

Plan responsibly: October weather and seasonal business hours can change. Reserve wine tastings where possible, never drink and drive, and confirm event tickets, hours and accessibility accommodations directly with each venue.

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