# Fort St. John



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for the
Alaska Highway
50th Anniversary Celebrations.



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## 1992 SPECIAL EVENTS

|                | <b>♥ FEBRUARY ♥</b>  |             | <b>♥ JUNE ♥</b>  |
|----------------|--|-------------|--|
| 7              | Fort St. John Opening Ceremonies                               | 5<br>10-13  | Ducks' Unlimited Dinner Auction<br>Annual Oilmen's Golf Tournament       |
| 8-9            | 1992 Junior Long Track Mass Start<br>Speedskating Championship | 11-12       | Army Motors Convoy - Overnight   |
| 9-14           | 1992 Labatts Canadian Firefighters                             |             | Doin's at the Derrick  |
| <i>)</i> -14   | B.C. Curling Playdowns   | 18-20       | Fort St. John Children's Festival  |
| 13-16          | Ladies Curling Bonspiel  | 20          | Museum Community Picnic and  |
| 16-17          | Alaska Challenge Snowmobile Safari                             |             | Yard Sale  |
|                | - Overnight  | 27          | Annual North Peace Horse Show  |
| 17-23          | Heritage Week  | 26-27       | Opening of the North Peace   |
| 20-23          | Bighorn Oil Totems Oldtimers                                   |             | Cultural Centre  |
|                | Hockey Tournament  |             | ¥ JULY ¥   |
| 21-23          | District 536 Annual Rotary Bonspiel                            |             | والمراسات والمرسوطية والكال المراسي والأراب المراس والمراس المراس والأرس |
| 22             | Missoula Children's Theatre                                    | 1           | Canada Day Celebrations  |
| 27-Mar1        | 1992 "Alberta Mixed" Provincials                               | 10-12       | Historical Society Canada Day Pie Sal<br>Fort St. John Rodeo             |
|                | <b>™</b> MARCH <b>™</b>  | 11-12       | Fort St. John Remote Control Club  |
| 7-8            | Ice Carnival   | 11-12       | War Bird Fun Fly   |
| 9-11           | Men's Curling Bonspiel   | 17-19       | Pomeroy Reunion  |
| 26-28          | Problems to Promise Conference                                 | 19          | Fort St. John International Airshow                                      |
| 27             | "Jest In Time"   | 31-Aug3     | Fort St. John RCMP Reunion   |
|                | #5 Partly Arts Entertainment Series                            | 31-Aug3     | Firefighters 50th Anniversary  |
| 28             | Special Olympic's Bowling                                      |             | Homecoming   |
|                | Tournament   | 31-Aug3     | Trapper's Rendezvous   |
|                | <b>ℰ APRIL ℰ</b>   |             | <b>ℰ AUGUST ℰ</b>  |
| 8              | Lorne Elliott  | 6-8         | Class of '62 Reunion   |
|                | #6 Partly Arts Entertainment Series                            | 8-9         | Antique Car Show   |
| 8-12           | Peace River Performing Arts Festival                           | 15          | Chamber of Commerce Community  |
| 9-12           | Cariboo Real Estate convention                                 |             | BBQ  |
| 24-25<br>24-26 | Northern Dance Extravaganza CKNL Radio Trade Show              |             | <b>♥ SEPTEMBER ♥</b>   |
|                | Billy Graham Evangelist  | 3-5         | Shrine Club Ceremonial   |
|                | Association Tour   | 8-9         | North Peace Fall Fair  |
|                | <b>™MAY</b>  | 19-22<br>20 | Rallye Alaska Highway '92<br>Motorcycle Club Toy Run                     |
| 1              | North Peace Art Auction  | 26          | Community Christmas Hamper   |
| 1              | RCMP Concert Band  | 20          | Kick-off   |
| 15-16          | I.O.F. Talk Out  |             | <b>♥</b> OCTOBER <b>♥</b>  |
| 16-18          | Annual Championship Dog Show                                   |             |  |
| 24             | Historical Society's Scavenger Hunt                            | 2-4         | Northline Credit Union Conference  |
| 28-30          | B.C. Cattleman's Convention                                    | 15-17       | Association of Oil Wives 36th  |
| 28-30          | Annual Art Show  |             | Annual Convention  |

#### International Events

Feb. 16-17 Alaska Challenge Snowmobile Safari '92

> June 11-12 Alcan Convoy

> > July 4-5

Alaska Highway Trailblazers

July 19

Fort St. John International Airshow

Sept. 19-22

Rallye Alaska Highway '92

# Happening in Fort St. John

June 15 - August 15

**Doin's at the Derrick**Daily Local Entertainment

**Legion Reunion Centre** 

Open daily. Located at 10103 - 105 Ave.

**Travel InfoCentre** 

Totally unique tent set-up. Conveniently located in the Museum Complex.

The History of Fort St. John

Fort St. John traces its roots back to the end of the 18th century, when in 1793 Alexander MacKenzie noted several spots that would make suitable fort sites. Simon Fraser was rumoured to have been involved in building the first "Fort St. John" in 1806. Over the years, the community has been located at a number of sites, moving from one side of the Peace River to the other. History records the present site as the fifth site. An appreciable settling of the area occurred during the late 20's and 30's as impoverished Prairie farmers were driven westward to the fertile agricultural lands of the Peace River area.

In 1942, the Alcan Military Road was completed in a mere nine months. Fort St. John's population swelled

to 2,000.

With the completion of the Alcan through to Fairbanks, Alaska, more than 1500 miles of road was completed in 1944. In 1944, the American troops left and the population dipped to some 700, only to rise less than a decade later to more than 2,000 again with the discovery of oil.

The Highway opened up the North for all kinds of industry and after the momentous discovery of oil at Leduc in 1947, the city became a base for oil exploration in Northern British Columbia.

A population of 10,000 was reached and incorporation as a city took place on July 1, 1975.

Fort St. John lays claim to the "Oldest Settlement in British Columbia", "Land of the New Totems", and "Energy Capital of British Columbia".





FORT ST. JOHN & DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Working to make Fort St. John a SUPERHOST CITY.

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#### Travel Planner

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Fort St. John '92 Committee is planning the exciting celebrations of 1992 in Fort St. John. The committee is dedicated to coordinating local '92 events and promoting Fort St. John as a welcoming tourist stop along the Alaska Highway.



#### Fort St. John '92 Committee

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