This morning Monet and Makai slept in; a relief to Grampa who stayed in the house and a bit of a break for Granni too. After breakfast we decided to take the wee grandchildren to the Abbotsford Agrifair, a wonderful old fashioned fair with all sorts of farm animals on display for an assortment of competitions as well as a full midway.

Once upon a time, in most agricultural communities, these types of fairs could be found all across Canada. However with the big cities encroaching on rural communities and farmland shrinking, most fairs these days have very few agricultural displays. Despite it's proximity to Vancouver, Abbotsford remains agricultural and we saw a really large assortment of livestock. There were calves, cows, steers, horses (from giant Clydesdales to Miniatures), donkeys (both standard and miniature), pigs, goats, llamas, alpacas and sheep. Monet and Makai were fascinated with all the animals as well as the 4H Club members there grooming them. We wanted to take them on some of the kiddie rides at the midway but unfortunately the rides didn't open until noon and having lunch and naps took precedence so we headed home.

This afternoon while Makai and Monet napped, Rick filled their pool so it would be warm when they got up. Sure enough, playing in the pool was a welcome treat for them and they played in and around it for over an hour. (I suspect they will sleep well tonight.) Karley and Ian returned from their mini-holiday while we were in the backyard and there was a lot of excitement; I think two little people missed their Mommy and Daddy more than they let on. And so life has returned to normal once again.

The picture is of a shy Makai getting up close and personal with a miniature horse with some help from Grampa and Monet splashing around in the pool.