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## August 8, 2023

## CYANOBACTERIA (BLUE-GREEN ALGAE) ADVISORY ISSUED FOR MATCHAYAW (DEVIL'S) LAKE

Submitted by Alberta Health Services

Cyanobacteria (bluegreen algae) has been identified in the waters of Matchayaw (Devil's) Lake. Residents living near the shores of this lake, as well as visitors to this lake, are advised to take the following precautions:

•Avoid all contact with cyanobacterial blooms. If

contact occurs, wash with tap water as soon as possible.

•Do not swim or wade or allow your pets to swim or wade in any areas where cyanobacteria is visible.

•Do not feed whole fish or fish trimmings from this lake to your pets.

•Consider limiting human consumption of whole fish and fish trimmings from this lake, as it is known that fish may store toxins in their liver. (People can safely consume fish fillets from this lake).

As always, visitors and residents are reminded to never drink or cook with untreated water directly from any recreational body of water, including Matchayaw (Devil's) Lake, at any time. Boiling of this water will not remove the

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Submitted by Onoway Legion

Pub Night at the Legion On Friday, Aug 18, it's our bi-weekly Pub Night from 5 to 7:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to drop in and enjoy an evening out. A full bar service, along with snacks and freshly-cooked hot dogs will be available for you to enjoy. We even offer some specialty cocktails now! Enjoy a friendly evening of cards, darts or pool with friends in a formal setting.

President's Message

On Saturday, July 29, 2023, our Legion hosted a concert by The Long Run, Canada's tribute to The Eagles. The event was the product of months of planning and anticipation by our event organizers, Anneliese Becht and Liane Wenckowski. Tickets were reasonably priced and sold out quickly. It was a perfect evening for the event. The audience included numerous veterans, other Legion members and Eagles fans from our entire community.

Everyone was welcomed at the door by Lou Hudon.

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# Cyanobacteria (Blue-Green Algae) Advisory Issued For Matchayaw (Devil's) Lake

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toxins produced by cyanobacteria. An alternate source of drinking water should also be provided for pets and livestock, while this advisory is active.

Cyanobacteria is naturally occurring, and often becomes visible when weather conditions are calm. Appearing like scum, grass clippings, fuzz, or globs on the surface of water, cyanobacteria can be blue-green, greenish-brown, brown, and/or pinkish-red, and often smell musty or grassy.

People who come in contact with visible cyanobacteria or who ingest water

SERENITY FUNERAL SERVICE NEW FACILITY Chapel & Reception Centre 600 Calahoo Road Spruce Grove, AB 780-962-2749 www.serenity.ca containing cyanobacteria may experience skin irritation, rash, sore throat, sore red eyes, swollen lips, fever, nausea and vomiting and/or diarrhea. Symptoms usually appear within one to three hours and resolve in one to two days. Symptoms in children are often more pronounced; however, all humans are at risk of these symptoms. Exposure to the bacteria may be fatal to pets.

Weather and wind conditions can cause algae blooms to move from one location in the lake to another. As such, this advisory will remain in effect for Matchayaw (Devil's) Lake, until further notice.

Please note that waters of Matchayaw (Devil's) *Continued on Page 3* 



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A very busy bar staff consisting of Sue Jeffs, Scott Sadler and Liane catered to our thirsty guests. Sales of 50/50s were done by Mandi Gillis and Anneliese and the lucky winner took away \$362.50.

The band played two sets, each of 12 songs. They really got the audience engaged, and the dance floor was busy! All in all, it was a night to remember. Big congratulations to Anneliese and Liane for staging such an impressive event.

Of course, once an event is concluded, there is more work to be done. Helping to clean up after the event were Jodi, Brian and Gabriel Shabada, Randy Wenckowski and Broley Huxley. My thanks to all of these volunteers for a job well done!

Remember, if you have any questions or concerns about our programs at the Onoway Legion, you can contact me, Ed Gallagher, your Legion Branch President, directly at 780-297-2203.

The Legion's a Happening Place on Wednesdays

Every Wednesday eve-

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### August 8, 2023 CommunityVOICE Page 5 PARKLAND RCMP SEEK PUBLIC'S ASSISTANCE IN IDENTIFYING ATTACK ON HOMELESS MAN

Submitted by Parkland RCMP

Parkland RCMP are investigating after receiving a report that on July 25, 2023, between 11:00 a.m. and

noon, unknown subject(s) walked up to the location of an unhoused man and threw paint all over him and his nearby belongings. The man was sleeping within some trees in a park area

within the City. This assault was an unprovoked attack on a vulnerable individual who was sleeping.

Parkland RCMP seek information from the public and would like to identify and speak with the suspect(s) involved in this incident.

### CANADIAN GRAIN COMMISSION REPEALS GRADING CHANGES

Submitted by MP Gerald Soroka

Gerald Soroka, Member of Parliament for Yellowhead wishes to advise that in response to stakeholder concerns the Canadian Grain Commission is repealing the alignment of primary and export tolerances for test weight and total foreign material for all grades of the following classes of wheat:

• Canada Western Red Spring (CWRS)

• Canada Western Hard White Spring (CWHWS)

• Canada Western Extra Strong (CWES)

• Canada Western Soft White Spring (CWSWS)

• Canada Northern Hard Red (CNHR)

The alignment of total foreign material tolerances for Canada Western Amber Durum (CWAD) is also being repealed.

Changes to the tolerances announced in the Canada Gazette, Part II on July 19, 2023, will be repealed as soon as possible. Keith 780-778-1270 Keith August 26 at 1pm

Located: (From the Center of the Town of Blue Ridge, Turn West on TWP 594 for Appx 1/4 mile.)(Blue Ridge is Appx 1/2 Way Between Mayerthorpe and Whitecourt. Take Hwy 658 North for 6 miles.)

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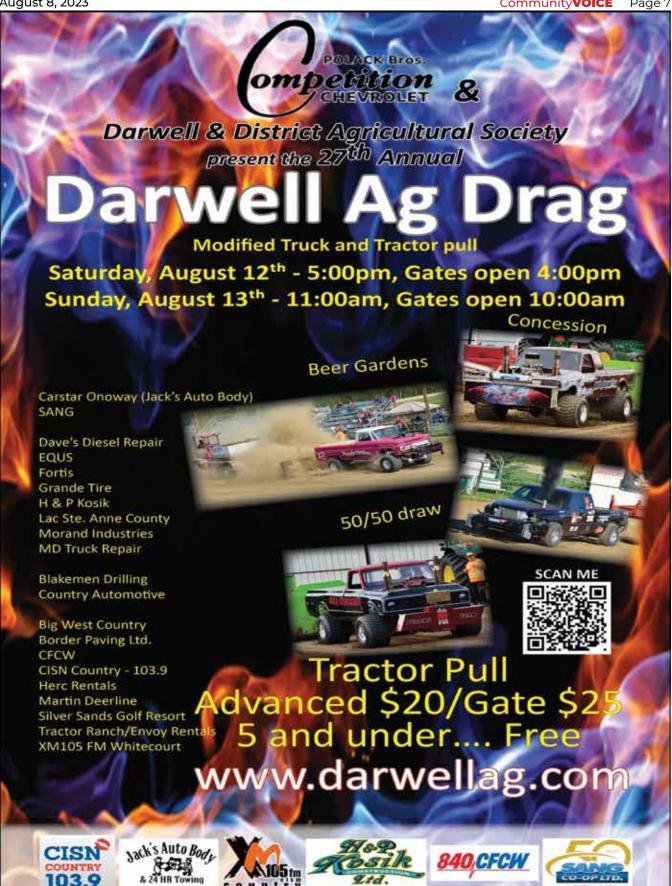
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### August 8, 2023 Community VOICE Page 11 HIGHER CIVIL CLAIMS LIMIT NOW IN EFFECT

Submitted by Government of Alberta

As of August 1, Albertans can represent themselves more effectively in civil claims court matters and save time and money on legal costs.

To make the civil claims process simpler and more cost effective, Albertans can now file civil claims of up to \$100,000 in the Alberta Court of Justice. This change is an increase from the previous limit of \$50,000 and the first time in nine years that Alberta's government has increased the civil claims limit. Albertans will continue to have the option to pursue their civil claim at the Court of King's Bench of Alberta.

This will make the civil claims process easier for Albertans to navigate compared to the Court of King's Bench of Alberta. The Alberta Court of Justice currently handles about 10,000 civil claims annually. It is highly accessible to Albertans, with 72 locations across the province.

"This increase to the civil claims limit will make the justice system more affordable and accessible for Albertans. Our government is committed to a more effective justice system in Alberta and this is another positive step in that direction."

Mickey Amery, Minister of Justice and Attorney General

The higher civil claims limit will free up time in the Court of King's Bench of Alberta, as it means more matters can be heard in the Alberta Court of Justice.

"The Alberta Court of Justice has grown and evolved to meet the changing needs of Albertans. This increase reflects that evolution and our increased capacity as a forum for resolving civil disputes. This change empowers the court to handle a broader range of civil cases, easing the burden on higher courts and reducing delays in the judicial process."

Derek G. Redman, chief justice, Alberta Court of Justice

LAC STEL ANNE COUNTY

PLANNING 6 DEVELOPMENT

of Bylaw 22-2017-03-2023

LOCATION OF HEARING

Lac Ste. Anne County Office 56521 Range Road 65 Pursuant to the provisions of Section 692 of the *Municipal Government Act*, the Council of Lac Ste. Anne County is considering an application for amendment to Land Use Bylaw 22-2017, by amending NW 15-54-01 W5M through proposed Bylaw 22-2017-03-2023.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

 Redistricting the lands legally described as Lot 7, Block 4, Plan 7821310, Eagle Ridge Estates within NW 15-54-01 W5M from County Land (CL) District to Existing Country Residential (CRX) District under Bylaw 22-2017;

 Amending Map 6 Region F to reflect the redistricting of the lands legally described in Schedule "A" to Existing Country Residential (CRX) District under Bylaw 22-2017;

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DATE OF HEARING August 17, 2023 TIME 10:00 am

LOCATION SKETCH Lac Ste. Anne County Eagle Ridge Estates Lot 7, Block 4 Plan 7821310

Written comments on the above proposed Bylaw may be provided prior to 4:30 pm, on August 10, 2023 to: Lac Ste. Anne County 56521 RGE RD 65, Box 219 Sangudo, AB T0E 2A0 Attn: Amy Roberts, Development Officer Or email at devassistant@LSAC.ca

Interested individuals may attend the Public Hearing to voice their comments. To schedule an appointment please contact Development Officer, Amy Roberts at 780.785.3411. To attend the meeting via zoom please use the link:

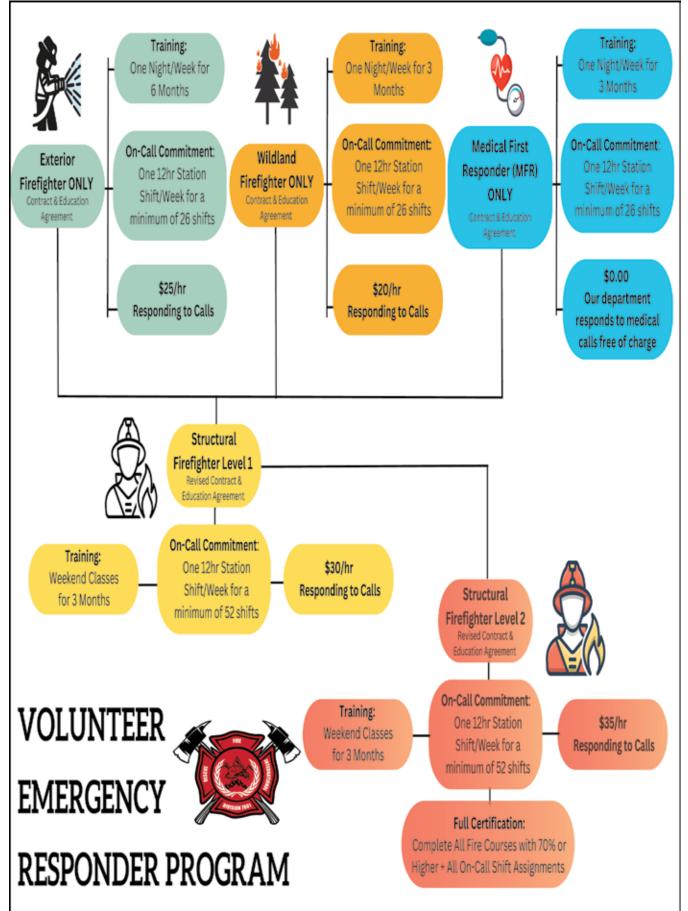
https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87299029471

The proposed amendment and/or application may be reviewed during regular business hours at the County Administration Office located at 56521 Range Road 65 or on the County website at LSAC.ca/Hearings.

> OK, so what all this fancy language means is that County owned lands have been identified and removed from municipal reserve designation and as a continuation in process now require redistricting to residential parcels in preparation for sale to the public.

In order to amend the Land Use Bylaw for redistricting, a bylaw must be drafted and a public hearing held first under the provisions of Part 17 of the *Municipal Government Act* (Sections 216.4, 606, 632, 640 and 692).

The above is to let folks know about when and where the Public Hearing will take place.





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Submitted by MLA Shane Getson

It has been a while since I have had time to put pen to paper for this weekly article, like many of you I'm sure, something always seems to come up. However, based on the feedback I've received from you the reader, out and about as it were in the various communities, I'm going to make sure I pencil in an hour so that I can indeed put pen to paper, and ensure this little article is a priority. It seems to be one of the sure-fire ways I can connect, rain or shine as it were.

As many whom have been following for the last few years, I've been going on and on about "Economic Corridors" pathways or conduits that can be formally identified, and that can be further developed to the benefit of not only the local area, but the region, province, and state as it were. I took the show on the road, with a fellow MLA recently as I was named the official "Albertan Delegate" to represent our province in an organization called the Pacific Northwest Economic Region. Alberta was a founding member of this group of provinces and states that represents the 11th largest economy in the world when you compare us on the global stage. I was allocated/elected to the overall organizational executive, and its newly formed Canadian chapter.

Visit LSAC.ca to explore the latest Lac Ste. Anne County news and events in greater detail.



## County News Highlights

August 17 Council Meeting

Council meetings are held the second and fourth Thursday of each month, however, this schedule is subject to change. County Council meetings begin at 9:30 am.

Visit LSAC.ca/agenda for meeting agendas. Please note: to address Council, appointments must be booked at least 8 working days prior.

#### CALLING ALL BUSINESS OWNERS Considering a Transition into

Retirement or Other Ventures The County has recently become

a participating community of the Alberta Advantage Immigration Program (AAIP) Rural Entrepreneur Stream. As such, LSAC will help connect business owners considering a transition into retirement or other ventures with qualified entrepreneurs looking to purchase existing businesses as successors.

If you are a business owner within the County interested in possible business succession through this steam, please email LSAC@LSAC.ca. Include the following information: your name, business, and telephone number. The County simply wants to connect like-minded entrepreneurs.

56521 RGE RD 65, BOX 219, SANGUDO AB TOE 2A0 OFFICE HOURS: 8:30AM TO 4:30PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY phone 780.785.3411 toll-free 1.866.880.5722 Isac@Isac.ca

#### SURPLUS ITEMS AVAILABLE AT PUBLIC AUCTION Including Fleet and Miscellaneous Items

The County has posted fleet and miscellaneous surplus items for sale via the **GovDeals** online auction platform. All items are sold on "as is, where is and with all faults" basis.

For more information and to view the items on offer, please use the following link:

#### https://www.GovDeals.com/ lacsteanneabfleetab

This online auction is open to the public. To register to bid please visit **GovDeals.ca**, click on register, and complete the required information.

Please note, when registering, you must enter a physical address, not post office box.

For questions please contact Operations Coordinator, Brad Parker by emailing bparker@LSAC.ca.

The most recent conference took place in Boise, Idaho. It had a major focus on several issues that the economic corridor model will address. There is a huge need for energy security, food security, logistics efficiency, access to mineral assets, energy transition, infrastructure resiliency, and of course security. I have stated before that when we show up in person at these events, fully assert ourselves, inform others what we have been working on, and extend a hand to work collaboratively with them, we can move mountains. There is an emergent need for urgency like never before to sort out, what quite honestly has become a quagmire or fed tale and politics getting in the way of practicality for us to remain competitive, and secure here in Canada and the USA. Not only that, but our allies and friendly like-minded trading partners depend on us to be there for them.

Here is a real kick in the shin for anyone who has one foot grounded in reality, while following along with what seems to be pushed in the mainstream papers and media. If we are going to meet the mandates for the zero emissions future---with excessively aggressive timelines-we are going to have a massive failure. A large number of that group are running around like chicken little and pointing the finger at all of those who supply them with the modern-day conveniences that they can't live without, and they want to shut down the industries and places that are the solution to their dream. I heard elected officials from the left coast regions going all in on "Green" while at the same time not wanting power lines and power generating facilities. They want to pull approvals for existing hydroelectric dams that have been in operation for years,

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#### Obituaries



It is with heartfelt sadness to announce Joan Madeline Stellmaker (née Morrison) passed away at the age of 71, January 17, 2023, after braving a shockingly short battle with a rare form of cancer. Joan was born on January 9, 1952, at St. Paul's hospital in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Daughter of Andrew and Rose Morrison (née Bauman). She is survived by the love of her life Richard Stellmaker, and her children, whom she adored, admired, and loved unconditionally: Triena husband Hoople, Jason, Jaime Stellmaker, and Johnathon Stellmaker, wife Trish. Her grandchildren, whom she helped raise, grow with, guided, and gave all of her heart to: Ryan Hoople, Alixandra Hoople,

and Auren Shabada. And her stepchildren and grandchild: Richard Stellmaker, Rebecca Stellmaker, and Brittany Stellmaker She will be missed dearly by her beloved siblings: Janet Faulkner, Debby Wilhauk, and Tim Morrison, wife Teresa. Joan was predeceased by her parents, Andrew and Rose Morrison, and her little brother, Donald, who are waiting with arms wide open to welcome her. She was loved and cherished by her cousins, family, and friends, and her memory lives on with her many nieces, nephews, great nieces, as well as her God Daughters, Jennifer Craig and Kaila Morrison. Joan was fearless, feisty, and independent, yet sensitive and incredibly compassionate. She was such a beautiful person inside and out. Her laughter was contagious, her smile lit up the room. She will forever be remembered for her passion and talent for music. She loved to entertain and be entertained. She cared so deeply for the people around her. She provided comfort and solace while asking nothing in return. She will be forever dearly missed. There will be a celebration of life for this amazing woman, wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, cousin, and friend on Saturday, August 19, 2023

3:00pm - 6:00pm Held at the Seba Beach Pavilion 140 - 3st South, Seba Beach, AB There will be snacks, refreshments, and many stories to share after the ceremony.

#### **Dog Caretaker**

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and stop most of the mines in production, let alone approve any new ones. Farming was not a desired industry as well on any sizable scale, depending on the regions, because land should be used in better ways, like putting up more windmills and solar panels to plug in electric vehicles.

It was an educational conference; I can assure you. I cannot tell you who I spoke with or what was said in a number of the executive meeting rooms, but let's just say your outspoken MLA had a few things to share with his new colleagues at the table about how and why he got into politics. The harsh realities that would be encountered with the proposition that was laid out before us if we didn't face some real word truths. I can share with you that a number of those that hail from the left coast regions were somewhat gob smacked, and the others from similar regions and backgrounds as ours were shaking my hand and thanking me for speaking up. We have reached a point where we need to stand up and say

the emperor has no clothes, and that chicken little is indeed overacting to the sky is falling.

I'm not suggesting that we need to stay static, but we need to really step up and play our part, be assertive, be respectful, and when the others are running around in circles, sidestep them and get on with addressing the real problems. Digging in and coming up with the solutions, and then executing the plan.

At the start of the conference, only a handful knew about our economic corridor model. When we left, there was a spot designated for me to present at the winter conference, and a panel that is going to be dedicated to the subject at the next annual conference. Included in the discussion will be the evolution of the fast tracking of projects within the corridors that meet the national and North American interest. Time to get back to the period where common sense and the common interest thrives.

So, what does this mean on the home front? Well simply put, it means leading by example. Looking at our own back yards and seeing what has become so cumbersome that it just does not make sense any longer. It means making a safe place again where folks can have good conversations and debates without being so darned hyper partisan or political polarized. We need to park the local politics, get back to getting things done for the good of others, and with that, the windfall for ourselves. It means identifying the elements which are dividing us, and parking them, so that we can work on the problems that are real. As one expert put it, rather than trying to change the weather, imagine how much more effective you would be if you simply planned for the weather.

On the home front we are going to be having some town halls to talk about where we are at regarding the fore season we just went through. We need to openly talk about what worked, what didn't, and how we can address some of the items that we need to. Not finger pointing, but problem solving. I honestly believe there are a number of process and procedural items that need to be addressed so that we are all in better shape the next time something like this happens.

Our office will be selling some "Made in Alberta, Strong and Free" flags as well as some artwork prints to help a number of folks who were impacted by the fires and had challenges with insurance. We also want to explore some options that may be out there through Habitat for Humanity, or any other such organizations so that we can help folks get back up on their feet sooner than later. It is community coming together to help one another that makes the most meaningful impact.

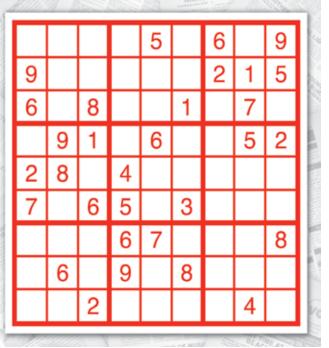
Keep safe, take care of one another, and when you can, take the time to work together to work the real problems that can be solved. Don't get bogged down in the minutia or distracted by the chicken little out there. We have work to do, and we need to keep moving our province forward together. Other jurisdictions are looking up to us for leadership, and its what we do at home that counts the most in making the biggest mark.

of the week

Here's How It Works: Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

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Submitted by Government of Alberta

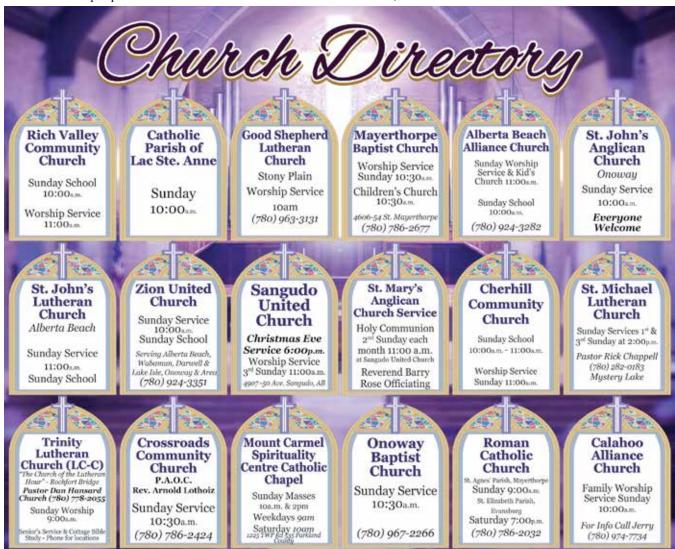
With the country experiencing an unprecedented wildfire season, the Government of Canada is urgently mobilizing to help support communities and the people who live in them. This includes help for Canadians and for people who are crucial to the rebuilding effort.

Today, the Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship, announced special measures for people who have been impacted and need to replace vital documents or to extend or restore their status in Canada.

Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) will issue free replacement documents for Canadians, permanent residents and temporary residents directly affected by the wildfires. These include permanent resident cards, Canadian citizenship certificates, Canadian passports and other travel documents that are lost, damaged, destroyed or inaccessible due to wildfires.

International students, temporary foreign workers and other visitors who have been directly affected by the wildfires and whose status will expire by September 30, 2023, will also be eligible to apply, restore or extend their status in Canada free of charge. This means that temporary workers who are unable to work because their workplace is closed due to the fires don't need to worry - they'll be able to extend their status and stay until their workplace reopens. In addition, international students can extend their study permits if their classes are delayed or cancelled and finish their studies without penalty.

These special measures will be in effect until September 30, 2023. They give Canadians, permanent residents and temporary residents time to sort out documents or temporary status issues, so they can focus on what matters most right now: their families, their homes and their communities.



# Barrhead Ag Society presents Blue Heron Fair 2023 August 12 &13

## All Weekend WILDROSE RODEO

Wildrose Rodeo kicks up the dust, showcasing talented cowboys and cowgirls as they compete in thrilling events that will leave you breathless. Hang on tight as you witness the heart-pounding Global FMX motocross show, where fearless riders defy gravity with jaw-dropping stunts and high-flying acrobatics GLOBAL FMX MOTOCROSS SHOW MINI CHUCKWAGON RACES SLO-PITCH TOURNAMENT BEER GARDENS CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

# Activities FREE with gate admission

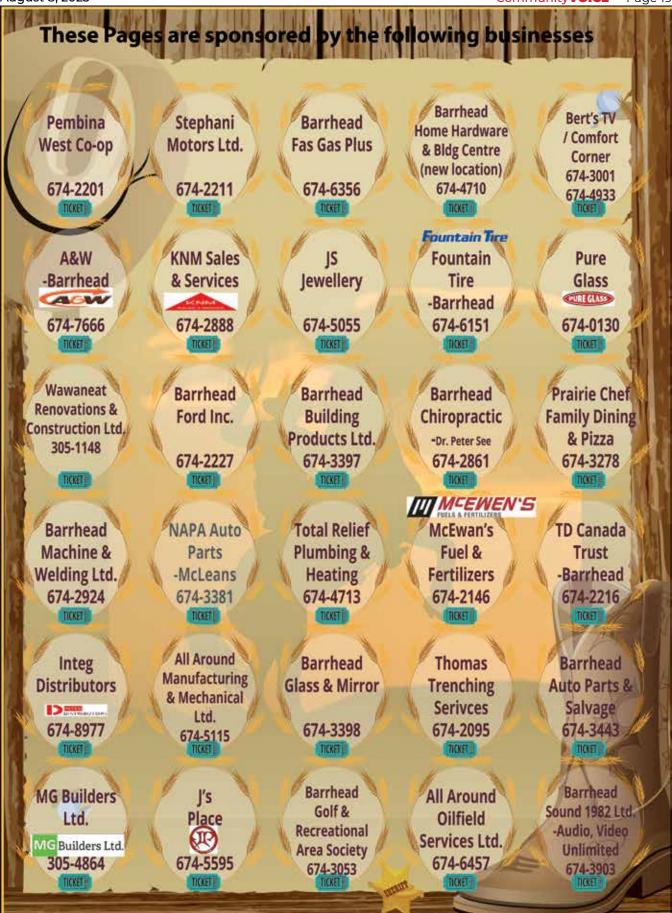
Saturday BLUE HERON PARADE 9:30 AM PUDDLE OF MUD PRODUCTIONS - CHILDREN'S STAGE SHOW AFTERNOON HORSE SHOW CABARET FEATURING DONNY LEE 9:30 PM SEPARATE TICKET REQUIRED

> Sunday MARKETPLACE GYMKHANA

Adult \$20 2 day pass \$30 Youth \$10 2 day pass \$15 5 & Under FREE

Barrhead Ag Grounds 4802 57 Ave Barrhead, AB.

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If you are a LICENSED, NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, you are welcome to submit your announcement FREE of charge, space permitting. You are required to submit your non-profit number. Call (780) 962-9228. Please note that all submitted event listings must be limited to 25 characters or less (including spaces). DEADLINE: 12 noon Friday prior to publication (Thursdays on long weekends).

#### **FARMERS MARKETS**

ALBERTA BEACH: Sundays, 11:30 - 3pm. Contact Hali 780-666-1604 \*May -September

BARRHEAD: Saturdays, 10AM-1PM at Barrhead Agrena. Sherry 780-674-6802 \*May - Dec.

EVANSBURG FARMERS MARKET: Every Saturday 10am - 2pm located right beside Evansburg Tipple Museum 780-505-0905

#### Mav-Sept

ONOWAY: Thursdays, 5-8PM at Onoway Community Hall. 780-667-6327 or onowayfarmersmarket@gmail.com. \*

Starts May I<sup>st</sup>. SPRUCE GROVE: at the Elevator, Sat 10:00-1:00PM, Info (780)288-6174 **\*April** 

- Dec. STONY PLAIN: Saturdays, 9AM-IPM, Community Centre Downtown, Stony Plain. Nancy 780-962-3993, \*April - Dec. WHITECOURT: Tuesdays 11AM-2PM, Whitecourt Legion Hall, 779-7002, \*May - Oct.

#### BINGO

RICH VALLEY COMMUNITY HALL BINGO: on August 2, 16 & 30 at. 7:30PM STONY PLAIN SENIOR'S DROP-IN CENTRE, public bingo every Tues, 7Pm. All ages welcome. Phone (780) 963-con

WHITECOURT SENIORS CIRCLE. Every Tuesday. Open @ 5PM, 1<sup>st</sup> call @ 6:45PM, Nevadas, Concession. 780-778-4950 **\*Sept - June** 

#### MEAT DRAWS

ALBERTA BEACH: Lac Ste Anne Community Choir & Museum Meat Draw/Prizes - Every Sundays, 3:00PM at Jungle's Bar & Grill. BARRHEAD ROYAL CANADIAN

Jungle's Bar & Grill. BARRHEAD ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION: Fridays 6:00PM. Queen Of Hearts draw & 50/50. C.A.N. COMMUNITIES OF ALBERTA NETWORKING FOR SENIORS, Spruce Grove At Pioneer Center. first market March 251 - 5:30pm

DARWELL MARKET & MEAT DRAW 4th Sat of the month. till 4:30 ( year round) All is welcome Lisa @ 780-233-

ONOWAY ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION:

Fridays, Ph. 780-967-5361 STONY PLAIN ROYAL CANADIAN LECION BR# 256: Saturdays @ 3:00PM-5:00 PMMeat Draw & 50/50.

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#### **MEALS ON WHEELS**

ONOWAY: LSAC Div 1 & 2, East of Hwy 43. Hazel Bourke: 780.967.2338 or bhbourke@icloud.com

WEST END: Sangudo, Mayerthorpe & west end of LSAC. Jill: 780.785.2924 or Donna: 780.785.3118 or email: westendmow@outlook.com

#### JAMBOREES

CARVEL: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of month. \$6 lunch served. Info 780-991-3001

SANCUDO: Sangudo Community Hall Jamborees are on hold until further notice 780-785-4105. SPRUCE CROYE: at Sandhills

Community Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, 1-5PM. Info Florence 780-962-3104 Margaret 780-962-3051 **\*September - June**.

Edmonton Northwest Senior's Center: 12963 - 120st NW, Every Wed From 1-3:30pm Aug & Sept Admin: \$5 non members \$2 members Yearly membership \$30

membersnip \$30 STONY PLAIN: Stony Plain Seniors Drop In Center, 5018 - 51 Ave, Every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs of month, 6:30PM, \$2. WHITECOURT SENIORS CIRCLE: 2<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month 1-5PM, \$5/Adm Door prizes & 50/50 draw. 780-778-4950 \*Nov - June

#### **TOPS** (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)

SANGUDO: Tues 5pm at Sangudo United Church. Toni (780)786-4612 STONY PLAIN: Thurs evening at 5:30 PM, Stony Plain Library. Susan (780) 

SPRUCE GROVE: Mon at 4:30pm at Anglican Church, 131 Church Road. Betty (780)962-3857

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Sharron (780)962-2722 SPRUCE GROVE: Wed at 8:45am at Anglican Church, 131 Church Road. Christiane (780)960-1109 WILDWOD: Thurs at 10am at Wildwood Hall, Bea (780)727-2129

#### YOUR COMMUNITY

MAYERTHORPE LEGION BR. #126: Seniors' Floor Curling – Thurs @ 1PM. Fun Darts – Thurs @ 7PM. Wings Night – Every Wed S-8PM. Steak & Fish Night – 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of month 5-8PM. Everyone welcome. For more info please call 780-796 - 270

ONOWAY ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION: Open Tuesdays 7PM to 10PM for "Games" (pool, shuffleboard, darts, cards, etc.) Fridays 3PM-10PM. Friday's Family Friendly Dinner, 5:30PM (open to the public). PROBLEMS WITH DRUG OR ALCOHOL

ADDICTION in a loved one? Contact Drug Rehab Resource free confidential consultation. 1-866-649-1594 or www. drugrehabresource.net

SPRUCE GROVE ELEVATOR TOURS, Tues-Sat, 9:00-3:00PM. Info 960-4600. UNITED CHURCH THRIFT SHOP: North end Curling Rink, Onoway. Open Fri & Sat. 104M-2PM

FREE TUTORING FOR ADULTS: Need help with reading, writing, math, English language (ESL) or basic digital skills? Free 1-on-1 and small group tutoring! Odette Lloyd 780-220-6460.

WATER SAMPLE DROP OFF: Tues Onoway Aspen Health Services. Drop off 1:00-2:30PM.

#### SOCIAL EVENTS

ALBERTA BEACH & DISTRICT ACTIVE 50+ CLUB ACTIVITIES: Mon 7PM Darts; Tues 7:30PM Crib; Wed 1PM Bridge. Thurs 7:30PM Euchre; Mon, Wed, Fri 8:30AM Aerobics/Fitness. Everyone Welcome

BADMINTON: Wed, 7-10PM, Barrhead High School Gym. Jamie (780)674-8974 or (780)674-6974.

от (760)674-6974. **СОМЕ PLAY CRIB:** Fridays, 7:00рм at Darwell Seniors Hall; lite lunch is served. All ages!

All ages! COUNTRY QUILTERS in Stony Plain house a "Sew in Tuesday", 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month, from 10-3pm. Drop in \$5/member, \$6/non-members. Contact Cindy 780-963-7170.

Darwell Public Skating 7-days weel 8am - 8pm. more details on Darwellag. com or Faceboook

SCRAPBOOKING Wed 4-6PM. ٦D

JR. SCRAPBOOKING Wed 4-6PM. Pre-register by Tues evg. Mayerthorpe Public Library www.mayerthorpelibrary. ab.ca (780)786-2404 "ME, YOU, & EVERYBODY" Fun new local program for people of all ages with disabilities. Thursdays @ Alberta Beach Agliplex from 10:00-11:00Am starting May, Funded Lac Ste Anne FCSS. ONOWAY & DISTRICT HISTORICAL GUILD: Every Wed, 9-4pm at Onoway Colden Club Onoway Museum. 967-4485

ONOWAY GOLDEN CLUB: Cards Tuesdays, IPM. 5023 49 Ave. 780-967-

ONOWAY HAVE FUN & CET FIT! Excercise Class with Video La Blast. Fridays 10:30AM at the Drop in Centre, 5023-49 Ave. PH: 780-967-2056.

PANCAKE/BREAKFAST SOCIAL: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday 9:00-11:30AM, Parkland Village Community Centre. **\*except June, July,** August

RIVER TALKERS TOAST MASTERS CLUB, Thursdays, 7-9PM. 32 Whitecourt Ave. Hilltop Community Church. Info Lorainne 286-5040. SANGUDO ART CLUB meets every Thursday morning at 9AM at the Sangudo Community School. New members welcome. For further

members welcome. For further information call Brenda at 780-785

2402. SPIRITUAL LIVING STONY PLAIN INSPERATIONAL CINEMA & DISCUSSIONS at PERC Building (5413-51 St). 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of month at 7PM. Popcorn provided, donations appreciated. Contact 780-940-3032 SPIRITUAL LIVING STONY PLAIN GATHERING at PERC Building (5413-51 St). Every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of month. Meditation 10AM, inspirational sharing 10:30AM. PH 780-940-3032 THE ALBERTA WILDLIFE

THE ALBERTA WILDLIFE WHITECOURT SENIORS CIRCLE DROP IN CRIB 1st & 3rd Sundays 1:00PM. 780-

WRITERS PROGRAM: Mayerthorpe Library, 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 1PM. MEETINGS

IST ONOWAY SCOUTS: Registration, Mondays 6:30-8PM. Beavers 5-7; Cubs 8-11; Scouts 12-14. Kim 967-4339.

CADETS, Wednesdays 6:30-9:00PM at Mayerthorpe Legion. Youths 12-18yrs, Call 780-515-1842

299 ROYAL CANADIAN SEA CADETS CORPS MACKENZIE: Stony Plair Comm Center, Wed 6:30PM. Youths 12-18.963-0843

IG, 905-0843 3053 (LAC STE ANNE) ROYAL CANADIAN ARMY CADET CORPS, Onoway Historical Centre, Wed. 6:45-9:30PM. FREE program for youths 12+, Contact 3053army@cadets.gc.ca or 780-886-1586\_

526 BARRHEAD AIR CADETS, Wed 6:30-9:30PM, High School. Ages 12-18. 780-305-7233

755 PARKLAND AIR CADETS Thurs 6:30-9:30PM Muir Lake School, ages 12-18. Info call 405-6585 or www.755aircadets.com. AA - MAYERTHORPE, Community

MAYERTHORPE, Community Service Bidg 4909-49Ave, Thurs BPM. (780) 648-3903 or (780) 779-0155
 SANGUDO GOLDEN CLUB, Tues Control Contro

8PM call 786-4402/785-9214/785-3599 AA - WHITECOURT, united church side door, Mon, Tues, Fri 8pm call 780-286-

AL-ANON Wednesdays, 8PM. Spruce Grove United Church, 1A Fieldstone Dr. 780-962-5205

Hope and Help for Family and Friends New Al-Anon meeting in Spruce Grove Wed @ 11am. 1A Fireldstone Dr Church

ALBERTA 55 PLUS: Villenvue Hall at 10AM. Meetings on 2<sup>nd</sup> Tues of month. Info: Donna 780-962-5933

ALBERTA BEACH & DIST LIONS CLUB meets every 4<sup>th</sup> Tues 7:00рм, Alberta Beach Agliplex.

Beach Agliplex. ALBERTA BEACH AG SOCIETY meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs of month, 7:00рм, Alberta Beach Agliplex. ALBERTA BEACH MUSEUM meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed, 7:00рм at Heritage House 024 716<sup>cd</sup>

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: The Journey of Hope Group, Mondays 8PM, Golden Club 5023-49Ave

Colden Club 5023-49Ave BARRHEAD & AREA CANCER SUPPORT GROUP: 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs. 6:30-8:00PM at Barrhead United Church. BARRHEAD ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION, meeting every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs, 7PM at the Legion Hall. CHERHILL COMMUNITY ASSOC. Monthly Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday, 8PM at the Hall. 785-2825 \*Except Jan, July, Aug, Sept.

Aug, Sept. CHERHILL SILVER & GOLD SENIORS CLUB Regular Meetings 1st Tuesday of month, Cherhill Seniors Hall. Call Rosamy 780-785-2625

CHERISHED MEMORIES, PARENTS & TOTS Wed & Fri 10-12PM Alberta Beach

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Agliplex. Info call 780-902-4879 or 780-999-7622. "Sept-June. DARWELL & DISTRICT AC SOCIETY MEETINGS, 7:00PM, 1<sup>st</sup> Monday, Darwell DDRA MEETING, 7:00PM, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mon, Darwell Centennial Hall 780-892-3099. "except Jul/Aug/Dec GriefShare: Experience the many benefits of a grief support group. Previous participants share, "the discussion time was encouraging and supportive", and "this gives me a sense of hope; that I am not going through this alone". GriefShare is held Tuesdays 6:30pm - 8:30 pm, starting Sept 19 at Crossroads Community Church, 4419 44 Ave, Mayerthorpe. \$35 for 12 sessions. Pre-register by calling 780-786-2095. GRL GUIDES, BROWNIES & SPARKS Thurs, 6:30PM, Onoway Heritage Centre On-line Registration www.griguides.ca GREENCOURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, monthly at 7:30PM at the hall. Info W. Jager (780) 786-4648. KINETTE CLUB OF MAYERTHORPE, 7:30PM at Kinsmen Hall, <sup>11</sup>Tuesofmonth. Contact: mayerthorpekinette@gmail. com, Tracy: 780-786-016I. LAC STE ANNE ARMY CADETS, Thurs, 6:30-9:30PM at Onoway Museum (780)

LAC STE ANNE ARMY CADETS, Thurs, 630-9:30PM at Onoway Museum (780) 967-0443 LAC STE ANNE COMMUNITY CHOIR,

LAC STE ANNE COMMUNITY CHOIR, Wednesdays 7PM at the Heritage Centre in Alberta Beach (50+ Club behind the hotel). Further info, call Sandra @ 780-966-5678 LAC STE. ANNE & LAKE ISLE WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT SOCIETY: 3<sup>rd</sup> Fri, 7PM, Alberta Beach Council Chambers.

Chambers

Chambers. LAKE ISLE HALL COMMUNITY HALL BOARD MEETINGS: 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed of each month @ 7:30PM at the Lake Isle Hall (Hwy 633 and RR55) Ph # 780-892-3121 MAYERTHORPE HOSPITAL AUXILIARY CCCO ASSOC, every 4<sup>th</sup> Mon, 5PM in Hospital Basement Education Room.

MAYERTHORPE LEGION BR. #126: Meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> Mon of month at 7:30PM. For more info please call 780-786-2470. MEN FOR SOBRETY: Wednesdays at 7:30PM, FCSS Building (#105, 505 Queen Street, Spruce Grove). Mike (780) 965-9991

9991. MS SOCIETY PARKLAND COMMUNITY SUPPORT GROUP Are you diagnosed with MS and have questions? Last Tues of month, 7-9PM, Westview Health Centre. Cassy 780-471-3034 "Sept-June NA MEETING, Tuesdays 7:00PM Poplar Valley Church (780)514-6011 ONDYAVA & DIST LEPTIACE SOCIETY

ONOWAY & DIST HERITAGE SOCIETY: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed of each month, 7:00PM, Onoway Legion ONOWAY & DISTRICT QUILT GUILD:

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs, 10AM-4PM, @ the Lac Ste. Anne Chateau Activity Room. Info, Ph Lyla @ 780-967-2629.

ONOWAY ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION General Meetings, 1st Mon, 7PM. \*Sept-June

June RICH VALLEY AC SOCIETY BOARD MEETINGS: at the Agriplex on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed of the month. 7:00PM. RIVER TALKERS TOASTMASTERS CLUB Build confidence, speaking, leadership & listening skills. Thursdays 7-9PM at Eagle River Casino. Call Melinda Tarcan, (780)778-1180. SANCUD PAINTING CROUP: Every Thurs, 9AM-12PM at Sangudo Community School. Info, call 780-785-2112.

SUNDOWNERS TOASTMASTER CLUB: Mon (excl. Holidays) 7:30-9:30PM. St. Matthew's Church, Spruce Grove. Judy

WESTLOCK & AREA CANCER SUPPORT GROUP: 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed. 6:30-8:00PM at Westlock Library.

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# **9 WAYS TO IMPROVE YOUR GOLF GAME**

Warmer weather sends scores of golfers to their favorite courses each and every day. Golf is a challenging pastime, but a few pointers can help golfers hone their short games, long games and everything in between.

Choose the right clubs. There is more to selecting clubs than pulling any old iron out of your golf bag and whacking away. Wind, hazards and obstructions in landing areas should influence your decision of which club to use. Novice golfers may want to rely on their caddies to make club recommendations, and as they become more confident in their abilities they can start to make their own choices.

• Anchor your feet. Anchor your foot behind the ball to drive the ball further. Right-handed players will keep the right foot anchored, and lefties will do the opposite. Do not lift your foot prematurely; otherwise, you can lose power and distance.

Identify your weak-

nesses. As with any hobby, identifying those areas that need the most work can help you become a better golfer. Keep track of each shot you take, and then look at the results to see which areas of your game need the most work.

• Fix your alignment. Align your shots by assessing the target from behind the ball. Then set the clubface behind the golf ball and align it with the target before you enter your stance.

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power. The torso is essential to a solid swing. Practice rotating from your core to control your backswing and then maintain the same spine angle and posture on the downswing.

Use the wind. Not every golf game will be played in perfect weather. A good player knows how to make adjustments for the wind depending on the shot. Use the wind to your advantage when you can, and adjust your swing when hitting into the wind.

Become a better chipper. Many players put so much emphasis on their backswings and putt shots that they fail to devote any practice to chips. All shots are important for golfers trying to shed strokes off of their scores.

• Keep fit. Maintaining or improving your physical strength and overall health can help your golf game. Exercise and eat right, and you will have more endurance on the links.