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**August 5, 2026**

## WATER QUALITY ADVISORY ISSUED FOR ALBERTA BEACH ON LAC STE. ANNE

Submitted by AHS

Due to elevated levels of bacteria, Alberta Health Services (AHS) is advising the public not to swim or wade at Alberta Beach on

Lac Ste. Anne, effective immediately.

Elevated levels of bacteria were detected via testing of the lake water at this beach location. At current levels, gastrointestinal illness may

result from ingestion of the water at Lac Ste. Anne. There is also the possibility of skin, ear and eye infections with water contact.

Recreational water

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## PARKLAND RCMP RESPOND TO FATAL COLLISION ON HIGHWAY 627 AND 779

Submitted by Parkland RCMP

On July 26, 2026, at 12:49 p.m., Parkland RCMP responded to a report of a two-vehicle collision at the intersection of Highway 627

and Highway 779 in Parkland County, Alta.

Parkland RCMP officers arrived and began life saving measures until Parkland County Fire and EMS arrived.

The collision involved two

S.U.V.'s, one heading east on Highway 627 and the other heading south on Highway 779. The eastbound SUV was occupied by a 42-year-old female, and two children, ages 4 and 6 years old.

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## GUILTY PLEAS REACHED IN ILLEGAL HUNTING INVESTIGATION

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Eight people have pleaded guilty to 13 offences under Alberta's Wildlife Act, following an investigation into illegal cougar

and Canada lynx hunts across the province.

The convictions resulted in \$135,500 in fines and a combined 18.5 years of hunting prohibitions and related court orders.

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## Water Quality Advisory Issued For Alberta Beach On Lac Ste. Anne

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quality can be influenced by several local environmental factors, such as the presence of wildlife, stormwater runoff, domestic animals, and/or weather conditions. Local com-

munity activities are not known contributors for this water quality advisory.

As always, visitors and residents are reminded to never drink or cook with untreated water directly from any body of water,

including Lac Ste. Anne, at any time. Water-borne organisms, including fecal bacteria, can cause vomiting and diarrhea.

This advisory will remain in effect until further notice.

## Parkland RCMP Respond To Fatal Collision On Highway 627 And 779

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All three occupants sustained serious injuries and were transported to hospital for treatment.

The 73-year-old female driver and lone occupant of the southbound S.U.V., sustained life-threatening injuries and was air-lifted by STARS air ambulance to hospital. On July 28, 2026, the driver succumbed to

her injuries.

The Parkland RCMP extends our condolences to

the family and friends of the injured and the deceased

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**JOKE of the week**

An employee goes to see his supervisor in the front office.

"Boss," he says, "we're doing some heavy house-cleaning at home tomorrow, and my wife needs me to help with the attic and the garage, moving and hauling stuff."

"We're short-handed," the boss replies.

"I can't give you the day off."

"Thanks, boss," says the employee

"I knew I could count on you!"

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# Guilty Pleas Reached In Illegal Hunting Investigation

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Most of the offences involved illegal hunts of cougars and Canada lynx across Alberta. Common offences included hunting cougars after the season had closed, possessing illegally harvested wildlife, using prohibited electronic calling devices during hunts and hunting without valid licences.

In January 2024, fish and wildlife officers began investigating an illegal closed-season cougar hunt involving Byron Stewart, owner of Tracks N Trails Outfitting in Drayton Valley. Investi-

gators confirmed that a resident hunter, guided by Tracks N Trails Outfitting, had killed a male cougar after the season had closed.

As the investigation progressed, officers uncovered evidence of 11 illegal guided hunts across Alberta, including eight involving non-resident hunters and three involving Alberta residents. Search warrants executed in Alberta and British Columbia resulted in the seizure of 11 cougar skins and skulls, along with five Canada lynx skins.

Following the investigation by Alberta Fish and Wildlife

Enforcement Services, Alberta residents Byron Stewart, Cindy Stewart and Devin Hyde of Drayton Valley; Jody Janzer of Kitscoty; Luke Viravec of DeBolt; and Garrett Patton of Worsley pleaded guilty to a variety of offences. Two non-residents, Joshua Owens of New Braunfels, Texas, and Arnold Compton of Excello, Missouri, also pleaded guilty.

Illegal hunting undermines wildlife conservation and management efforts in Alberta. It can contribute to overharvesting, negatively affect wildlife

populations and reduce hunting opportunities for law-abiding hunters through quotas and shorter hunting seasons.

Anyone with information about suspicious hunting or fishing activity is encouraged to contact the 24-hour Report A Poacher line at 1-800-642-3800 or by reporting online at [alberta.ca/report-poacher.aspx](https://alberta.ca/report-poacher.aspx). Reports can be made anonymously and may qualify for a reward.

## CYANOBACTERIAL (BLUE-GREEN ALGAL) BLOOM ADVISORY ISSUED FOR NAKAMUN LAKE

Submitted by AHS

A cyanobacterial (blue-green algal) bloom and/or toxins have been identified in the waters of Nakamun Lake. Residents living near the shores of this lake, as well as visitors, are advised to take the following precautions:

- Do not swim or wade in any areas where cyanobacterial blooms

are visible.

- Avoid all contact with cyanobacterial blooms in the water and washed up on shore. Wash with clean tap water as soon as possible if contact occurs.

- Do not drink or cook with water from this lake.

- Do not eat whole fish or fish trimmings from this lake as fish may store toxins in their liver. Fish

fillets contain less toxins and are safer to eat.

- Keep pets away from the water. Do not allow pets to swim in areas where cyanobacterial blooms are visible or to contact blooms in the water or on the shore.

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

As always, visitors and residents

are reminded to never drink or cook with untreated water directly from any body of water, including Nakamun Lake, at any time. Boiling of this water will not remove the toxins produced by cyanobacteria. An alternate source of drinking water should also be provided for pets and livestock while this advisory is active.

## HAPPENINGS AT THE RICH VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR AUGUST

Submitted by Rich Valley Public Library

August is almost here, hope everyone is enjoying their summer break. Summer Reading Program is

still on for August. Last day is the 19th. Parents and Tots will resume in September. Yoga is every Tuesday from 11am -12:15pm in the activity room. The fee is \$15.00 drop-in or \$72.00 for 6. All

levels of yoga experience are welcome. For all classes you can register by phone 780-967-3525 or email [rvpublib@yrl.ab.ca](mailto:rvpublib@yrl.ab.ca). Watch for all our events on our website or Facebook. The

Library is open on Wednesday from 9am-4:30pm and Thursday from 11:30am-7pm. We are located in the basement of the Rich Valley Community Hall.



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# ALBERTA SUMMER GAMES KICK OFF IN STRATHCONA COUNTY

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Strathcona County will welcome Alberta's top young athletes for the 2026 Alberta Summer Games.

From July 16 to 19, 2026, one of Alberta's largest amateur sporting events will bring more than 2,400 athletes, coaches and technical officials from across the province to Strathcona County for the 2026 Alberta Summer Games. The Games are an iconic event for Alberta's young athletes, providing the opportunity to compete at a high level, represent their communities, build life-long friendships, and showcase the next generation of talent.

The Games are being delivered in partnership with Strathcona County and with support from the provincial government. Alberta's government is investing \$1,275,000 to support the 2026 host society in delivering the Games, including, trans-

portation, food services, venues and promotion.

"The Alberta Summer Games give young athletes the chance to test themselves, represent their communities and build lasting connections. Hosting more than 2,400 participants is also a major moment for Strathcona County, with real benefits for local businesses and residents. We are proud to support an event that strengthens sport across the province and creates opportunities for the next generation."

Andrew Boitchenko, Minister of Tourism and Sport

The competition is expected to generate about \$3 million in direct economic activity to the Strathcona region, as athletes, families and spectators spend on local hotels, restaurants, retailers and attractions, providing a welcome boost for businesses throughout the region.

"The 2026 Alberta Summer Games are coming to Strathcona County, and I look forward to

seeing these athletes compete. They have put in the discipline and hard work and now will have the chance to show what they're made of. Alberta's government is proud to be a financial partner in giving them the stage to compete. Thank you to Strathcona County for hosting an event that supports young athletes across the province."

Nate Glubish, MLA for Strathcona-Sherwood Park

"The Alberta Summer Games celebrate the talent and dedication of young athletes while welcoming families from across the province. These games will showcase the spirit that makes our region so special and leave a lasting impact on our local businesses and communities."

Jackie Armstrong-Homeniuk, MLA for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville

The Games kick off July 16 at Emerald Hills Pavilion with an opening ceremony and the lighting of the cauldron. Athletes aged 11 to 16 will compete

over the next four days across 13 sports, including baseball, tennis, beach volleyball and golf.

"These Games give these young athletes an opportunity to showcase all the hard work they've put into their sport. We are all really proud of their dedication and can't wait to see them compete on a provincial stage."

Bonnie Hunka, chair, 2026 Strathcona County Alberta Summer Games Society

For more than 50 years, the Alberta Games have helped launch athletic careers while leaving lasting benefits in host communities and supporting local infrastructure. More than 50 alumni have gone on to represent Canada at the Olympic and Paralympic Games, demonstrating the important role the Alberta Games play in developing future champions.

## "MEAT" AND GREET SUMMER BBQ

**DATE:** Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup>

**TIME:** 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm

**NEW LOCATION:** St. Albert Legion  
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## TRL

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**20<sup>TH</sup> Annual General Meeting**

**Thursday, August 27, 2026**

**ANSELMO HALL**

**Dinner at 6:00PM**

**MEETING TO FOLLOW**



**Financial Statement Presentation**

**Election of Board Directors**



**Door Prizes including**

**3 - \$100 Gas Account Credit!**

**All TRL Members are invited and encouraged to attend**

# ALBERTA ADDS RECORD NUMBER OF PHYSICIANS

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Alberta has reached new records in physician recruitment and retention, with data showing the province now has more physicians than ever before.

According to newly released statistics by the College of Physicians & Surgeons of Alberta, Alberta now has 14,156 fully registered physicians, an increase of 1,226 physicians, or almost 10 per cent, compared with the same time last year. This represents the largest year-over-year increase in physician numbers on record and an all-time high for Alberta.

“More physicians than ever are choosing Alberta. These numbers show that our investments to attract and retain health professionals are delivering results and helping improve access to care for Albertans across the province.”

Adriana LaGrange, Minister of Hospital and Surgical Health Services

Every health zone in Alberta recorded physician growth over the past year, with increases in both family medicine and specialist care. This growth is occurring not only in Calgary and Edmonton but in communities across the North, Central and South zones as well, strengthening capacity across the province and helping im-

prove access to timely, high-quality care for Albertans.

This growth is translating into more options for accessing care than ever before. Physicians provide care through walk-in clinics, urgent care centres and other community-based practices, with many clinics in larger urban centres offering same-day appointments and some accepting new patients into ongoing care.

“More physicians are choosing Alberta, helping improve access to care in communities across the province. We’ll continue working with our partners to train, recruit and retain more physicians.”

Justin Wright, Minister

of Primary and Preventative Health Services

Alberta’s government is making sustained investments to recruit, retain and support physicians, including record funding in Budget 2026 and a physician compensation increase announced in June as part of the 2022-26 master agreement with the Alberta Medical Association. Together, Alberta’s growing physician workforce and expanding care options are helping build a stronger, more accessible health system for Albertans in every part of the province.

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# PARADE

*Theme: Year of the Horse*

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup>**

★ JUDGING AT 9:30 A.M. ★

★ SATURDAY AT DARWELL SCHOOL PARKING LOT

**STARTING TIME: SATURDAY 10:00 A.M.**

**PARADE MARSHAL – MARIA & ROBERT SMITH**

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THE PARADE ROUTE WILL BE CLEARLY MARKED.  
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WHAT OUR COMMUNITY SPIRIT LOOKS LIKE.

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**LET'S SHOW OUR COMMUNITY SPIRIT!**

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# BENCH SHOW

Interlake Golden Age Club

Bench show drop off

Friday, August 14 (5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.)

Saturday, August 15 (8:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.)

Judging for the Bench Show commences  
SATURDAY at 9:30 a.m. SHARP

Entry Fees:

Adults: \$2.00 for first entry + 50¢ for additional entries

Junior & Intermediate: 25¢ per entry

School Work: Free

HALL WILL BE OPEN FOR VIEWING AT 12:15 P.M.

EXHIBITS TO BE PICKED UP FROM THE HALL BETWEEN  
3:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Prize money for all bench show categories:

1st - \$4.00 2nd - \$3.00 3rd - \$2.00

Prize money will be paid out at the end of the show.

**HORTICULTURE - FLOWERS, VEGETABLES, FRUITS**

**Horticulture Only:** Exhibitor may enter up to two exhibits/class; however, each entry MUST be of a different cultivar and MUST be named. Failure to name all multiple entries in the class will disqualify all those multiple entries. Comply exactly with rules regarding the numbers or your exhibit will be disqualified. All plants must have been in the exhibitor's possession at least 60 days prior to the show.



# HORSE SHOW

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2026**

Horse Shows start at 9:00 a.m. (no exceptions)  
Classes may not be in the order presented.  
Please pay attention to the announcer!

**ENTRY FEE \$10/class/horse OR \$50/day/horse**  
**LATE ENTRY FEES - \$12/per class (no day rate)**

**PRIZES:** 1st place - \$15; 2nd place - \$10; 3rd place - \$5  
(Prize money must be claimed at end of day - any unclaimed money goes back to D.D.A.S.)

### HALTER CLASSES

- Current Year Foal
- Yearlings
- Two & Three Year Olds
- Four Years & Over - Gelding
- Four Years & Over - Mare
- Grand & Reserve Champion (see individual classes 1-10)
- Showmanship, 12 Years & Under\*
- Showmanship, 13-18 Years\*
- Showmanship, 19 Years & Older\*
- Showmanship, Nervous Novice\*
- Lead Line Class, children 3-6

No cross entry to other halter classes.

### PERFORMANCE CLASSES

- English Equitation, Walk & Trot
- English Pleasure, 12 Years & Under\*
- English Pleasure, 13-18 Years\*
- English Equitation, 17 Years & Under\*
- English Equitation, 13-18 Years\*
- English Pleasure, Nervous Novice\*
- English Pleasure, 19 Years & Over\*
- English Equitation, 19 Years & Over\*
- English Junior Horse, Open
- Rules & Cavaliers, Walk & Trot
- Jumper - 2' 0" & Under
- Western Equitation, Walk & Trot
- Western Pleasure, 12 Years & Under\*
- Western Equitation, 12 Years & Under\*
- Western Pleasure, 13-18 Years\*
- Western Equitation, 13-18 Years\*
- Western Pleasure, 19 Years & Over\*
- Western Equitation, 19 Years & Over\*
- Western Equitation, Nervous Novice\*
- Western Pleasure, Nervous Novice\*
- Western Junior Horse, Open
- Riding, Open
- Trail, 12 Years & Under\*
- Trail, 13-18 Years\*
- Trail, 19 Years & Over\*
- Trail, Nervous Novice\*
- Trail, In Hand

### FUN CLASSES

40. Water Race
41. Potato Race

### HIGH POINT AWARDS

Champion, 12 & Under, 13-18 Years, 19 Years & Over and Nervous Novice  
Riders must compete in 3 or more classes to be eligible for High Point. Award in any Division.

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# NEW! SHEEP SHOW

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2026**

Show Starts: 10:30 a.m.  
Entry Fee: \$5.00 per class

**PRIZE MONEY:** 1st - \$10 2nd - \$8 3rd - \$5  
★ Grand/Reserve - Rosettes ★

### COSTUME CLASS

1. OPEN

### OPEN SHEEP SHOW

1. Ram Lamb - Born in calendar year
2. Ewe Lamb - Born in calendar year
3. Yearling Ewe
4. Yearling Ram
5. Mature Ewe
6. Mature Ram
7. Ewe with Lamb at Foot
8. Market Lamb
9. Pen of 3 - Market Lambs
10. Haird Sheep
11. Grand Champion - All 1st & 2nd place winners from Classes 1-10

### SHOWMANSHIP

1. Showmanship - Over 18 years old
2. Showmanship - 14 to 18 years old
3. Showmanship - 10 to 13 years old
4. Showmanship - 9 years and under

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# CATTLE SHOW

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2026**

Judging Begins: 11:00 a.m.  
Entry Fee: \$8.00 per class

**PRIZE MONEY** 1st - \$20 2nd - \$15 3rd - \$10  
In all classes, 4 or more of any breed will form their own class for ribbons only. The top 3 animals of all split classes will advance to a final class.

### SHOWMANSHIP

1. Beef Showmanship - Over 18 years old
2. Beef Showmanship - 14 to 18 years old
3. Beef Showmanship - 10 to 13 years old
4. Beef Showmanship - 9 years and under

### JUNIOR FUTURITY (4H & JUNIOR) - 21 YEARS AND UNDER

5. Heifer Calf, born after Jan. 1, current year - commercial/bred
6. Bull Calf, commercial/bred
7. Yearling Heifer, commercial/bred
8. Cow with calf at foot, commercial/bred

### PUREBRED OPEN BEEF SHOW

9. Heifer Calf, born January 1st of the calendar year
10. Yearling Heifer
11. Female - 2 years female, with calf at foot
12. Female - 3 years old and older, with calf at foot
13. Grand Champion Female
14. Reserve Grand Champion Female
15. Bull Calf, born on or after January 1st of the calendar year
16. Yearling Bull
17. Two year old Bull
18. Heifer Sire 3 years old or over
19. Grand Champion Male
20. Sire and 2nd place winners of classes 14, 15, 16, 17 in composite
21. Breeder Award - 3 animals, both sexes represented, any age, bred and owned by exhibitor

### COMMERCIAL OPEN BEEF SHOW

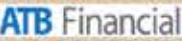
22. Heifer Calf, born on or after January 1st of the calendar year
23. Steer Calf, born on or after January 1st of the calendar year
24. Yearling Heifer
25. Female - 2 years old, with calf at foot
26. Female - 3 years old and older, with calf at foot

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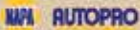
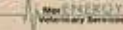
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# ELECTIONS ALBERTA: SPECIAL BALLOT

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Special Ballot requests now open for October 19 Referendum

Online applications to Vote by Mail are now open for the October 19, 2026, Referendum. Vote by Mail, also known as a Special Ballot, is available to all eligible Alberta electors. Electors do not need to provide a reason to apply.

"Vote by Mail gives Albertans the flexibility to choose a day and time that works for them to sit down and consider the referendum questions," said Gordon McClure, Chief Electoral Officer. "With 10 questions, some electors may want extra time to review the questions and voting by mail lets them do that on their own schedule."

Vote by Mail is a convenient option for electors who will not be available or are going to be away from their electoral division during advance voting days October 13 -17, or on Election Day, October 19. This includes students studying away

from home.

Applications to Vote by Mail close October 9, 2026, and all completed Special Ballot packages must be received by Elections Alberta by mail before 5:00pm on October 16, 2026. Returning Offices will not accept Special Ballot packages.

Apply to Vote by Mail

Electors can secure a Special Ballot by:

- Completing the online form at <https://specialballot.elections.ab.ca/>,
- Writing to [info@elections.ab.ca](mailto:info@elections.ab.ca), or
- Contacting the Returning Office for their electoral division starting September 21.

The last day to request a Special Ballot is October 9, 2026. Electors are encouraged to apply earlier enough to ensure they receive it and can return it by the deadline.

Once an application is received, a Vote by Mail package will be mailed to the address provided by the elector, which will include a prepaid return envelope. Special Ballot pack-

ages will begin mailing to electors on September 1, 2026.

Special ballots may also be picked up in person at:

- Elections Alberta's head office in Edmonton starting September 1, or
- The elector's electoral division Returning Office starting September 21.

A designate may pick up a package on the elector's behalf. A person may apply for a Special Ballot on behalf of an elector only when the elector requires assistance due to disability or illness.

If an elector does not wish to be added to the List of Electors, they can request a secure Special Ballot.

Completing your Vote by Mail  
Once electors receive their package, they can complete it at a time that suits them. Elections Alberta must receive completed packages by mail before 5 p.m. on October 16, 2026.

Electors voting by mail must sign a declaration and provide identification to prove their name and address. Please note:

electors are required to include copies of their accepted ID with their Special Ballot. Please do not send Elections Alberta original forms of ID.

Other voting options

Electors may vote during Advance Vote in their electoral division, October 13-17 at any advance voting location in their electoral division.

Election Day voting locations will be open 9:00am to 8:00pm on October 19, 2026. Electors must vote at their assigned voting location in their electoral division on Election Day.

Referendum information

Visit our website to learn more about Referendum 2026. Apply to work during the Referendum at our recruitment webpage. All positions and training are paid. Please see the Important Referendum Information Update for more information on ballots, voting, and voting requirements. Follow Elections Alberta on social media for more Referendum 2026 updates.

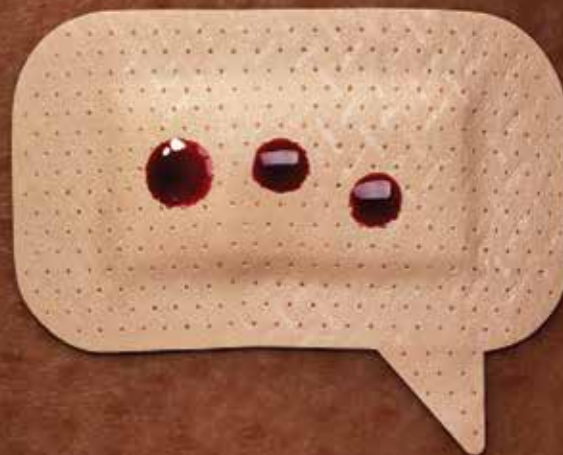
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## AUGUST 8<sup>TH</sup> & 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2026

Barrhead Grounds

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Under 5 FREE

### SAURDAY AUGUST 8

|         |                                                                                                                                             |                                     |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 9:00am  | Horse Show                                                                                                                                  | Barrhead Grounds                    |
| 11am    | Parade - Around the World in 80 Floats Mainstreet                                                                                           |                                     |
| 12pm    | Bouncy Castles, Face Painters, Balloon Artists, Mechanical Bull,<br>Human Powered Carnival Rides, Blue Heron Lotto Machine,<br>Puppet Stuff | Barrhead AG Grounds                 |
| 1pm     | Rodeo - Free Kids event                                                                                                                     | Barrhead AG Grounds                 |
| 4pm     | Log Competition                                                                                                                             | Barrhead Sports Grounds             |
| 9:30pm  | Cabaret - Live music & dancing with Travis Dolter                                                                                           | Bablitz<br>EXhibition Hall          |
| All Day | Knight Beach Volleyball Tournament                                                                                                          | Barrhead Outdoor Arena<br>East side |
| All Dat | Slo Pitch Tournament                                                                                                                        | Barrhead Sports Grounds             |

### SUNDAY AUGUST 9

|         |                                                                                                                                             |                                     |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 8:00am  | Rodeo Slack                                                                                                                                 | Barrhead Grounds                    |
| 11am    | Barrel & Pole Jackpot                                                                                                                       | Barrhead AG BARN                    |
| 12pm    | Bouncy Castles, Face Painters, Balloon Artists, Mechanical Bull,<br>Human Powered Carnival Rides, Blue Heron Lotto Machine,<br>Puppet Stuff | Barrhead AG Grounds                 |
| 1pm     | Rodeo - Free Kids event                                                                                                                     | Barrhead AG Grounds                 |
| 1pm     | Country Market                                                                                                                              | Barrhead EXhibition Hall            |
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# ALBERTA BEACH

# SHOW 'N SHINE

## Saturday, August 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2026

Alberta Beach Heritage Centre | 5012 - 40 Avenue, Alberta Beach

Registration for Entrants is 9:30am  
to 12:30pm  
Open to the public at 10:30am  
to 4:00pm

Come and take the opportunity to look at beautiful classic cars and VOTE for the one you like best. There will be a food kiosk where you can purchase hamburgers, hot dogs and pop. The Heritage Centre will be open once again for those that may want something a little stronger than pop. Heritage Centre has added an outside patio where you can sit, enjoy your drink and look at the stunning classic cars.

DJ 10:00AM  
TO 4:00PM



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| Academy Fabricators<br>967-3111                                                                                       | U.F.A. - Onoway<br><br>967-5340       | Onoway Veterinary Clinic<br>967-2967                                                                                              | 2K Small Engine Service<br>952-3956                                                                                                       | Onoway Bigway Foods<br>967-4291                 |
| Onoway Timber Mart<br><br>967-2274 | Onoway Health Care Pharmacy<br>967-2241                                                                                  | Grande Tire - Onoway<br>967-3432                                                                                                  | Check Mark Construction<br>619-4204                                                                                                       | Heatherdown RV Storage & Repair<br>967-2667     |
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Cable Handling & Miscellaneous Ring #1 Closes - August 17th, 2026 ~ Machinery & Miscellaneous Ring #2 Closes - August 18th, 2026 ~ Buildings & Car Ring Closes - August 18th, 2026



## TRACTORS

Vers 260 FWA Tractor  
Vers 2210 Genesis II FWA Tractor  
NH T6.145 FWA Tractor  
NH 7740 FWA Tractor  
Ford NH 8970 FWA Tractor  
JD 4955 FWA Tractor  
Deutz Allis 7085 FWA Tractor  
Valmet 8150 FWA Tractor  
JD 4440 2wd Tractor  
JD 2950 2wd Tractor  
JD 2130 2wd Tractor  
Case 2390 2wd Tractor  
Case 1390 2wd Tractor  
2 - AC WD 2wd Tractors  
MH 50 2wd Tractor

## HARVEST EQUIPMENT

2 - Case IH 1680 Sp Combines  
JD 8820 Sp Combine  
MF 9430 25' Swather  
Hesston 8100 Sp Swather  
2 - JD 635 35' Draper Header  
JD 630R Straight Cut Header w/ Transport  
JD 630F 30' Flex Header  
MacDon 960 25' P/U Header  
Westfield 13"x85' Swing Auger  
Westfield MK130 13"x70' Swing Auger  
Farmking 13"x70' Swing Auger  
Farmking 10"x80' Swing Auger  
Sakundiak 10"x72' Swing Auger  
Brandt 500EX Grain Vac  
Flaman 1210 Pro Grain Bagger  
Walinga Agri-Vac 7614 Grain Vac  
Revo Hauser Swath Roller  
Po Grain E1610 Grain Extractor

## CONSTRUCTION

Cut D6N LGP Crawler  
JD 555A Crawler Loader  
JD 410K Backhoe  
Hitachi 270LC Trackhoe  
Hitachi EX200 Tracked Excavator  
JD 326D Skid Steer  
2 - Kubota Light Track Machine UTVs  
2 - N/U Future FT-J1500 Crawler Dumper  
Vermeer R100 Sp Trencher  
N/U Future LM100Q Sp Flail Mower  
2012 Gemco 12.5'x60' Exec Suite/Shack  
N/U 10'x20' Mobile Office



## NEW & USED ATTACHMENTS

\*21 Kubota 72" Skid Steer Rotary Mower  
Auger Bucket Sander  
72" Side Dump Bucket  
Self Dumping Hoppers, Mixer, Rock, Smooth  
& Grapple Buckets, Log, Rock & Grass  
Grapple Bucket, Auger Drive & Bits, Post  
Pounders & Ground Rippers  
Box Scraper, Graders, Blades & Snow  
Pushers, Mulcher/Brush Cutter/Mowers  
Rototillers & Trenchers, 48" & 60" Pallet  
Forks & Much Much More

## HAYING EQUIPMENT

Claas Jaguar Silage Chopper  
Krone Comprima CV150XC Rd Baler  
2 - JD 567 Rd Balers  
JD 566 Silage Rd Baler  
Vermeer 605M Rd Baler  
NH 664 Rd Baler  
JD 347 Sq Baler  
Hesston 1150 12' Haybine  
Morris M881 Rd Bale Wagon  
Deering Giant 5.5' Sickle Mower  
MH 33 5.5' Sickle Mower

## TILLAGE EQUIPMENT

Ezee-On 7550 35' Air Drill  
w/ Ezee-On 2175 TBH 2 Comp. Tank  
Ezee-On 16' Offset HD Disc  
Ezee-On 1225 12' Disc  
JD 26' Field Disc  
Cockshutt 12' Disc  
Kello Bilt 156 10' Disc  
IHC 390 10' Field Disc  
JD 1650 58' DT Cult  
Morris 47' Field Cult  
Morris Magnum II SP731 Cultivator  
8'x12' 2 Comp Fert Hopper Truck Box  
16' 3 pth Pasture Harrows  
Assorted Plows

## TRUCKS

\*16 Freightliner M2 S/A Hi-Way Truck  
\*95 Western Star T/A Hi-Way Truck  
\*09 Kenworth T270 S/A Flat Deck Truck  
\*03 GMC 500 S/A Dually Tilt Tow Truck  
\*85 Ford F800 S/A Grain Truck  
Chev C50 S/A Grain Truck

Assorted N/U 5<sup>th</sup> Wheel Wrecker Attach.  
Pal Finger PK 3500 Knuckle Boom Crane

## TRAILERS

2019 Doepker Grain Trailer  
2020 PF 40' Tridem GN Dually FD Trailer  
2010 Loadmax 24' T/A GN FD Trailer  
Norbert 25' Tridem GN FD Trailer  
1992 Great Dane 48' T/A Dry Van Trailer  
42' T/A Dry Van Trailer  
Lodeking 48' T/A Step Deck Trailer  
2 - 48' to 53' Stretch Seacane Trailer  
2005 Norbert 20' T/A Stock Trailer  
2021 Cargomate 7' S/A BP Enc. Trailer  
2013 Mirage Xcel Extra BP Enc Trailer  
Featherlite S/A Enclosed ATV Trailer  
2004 Double A 16' T/A BP FD Trailer  
2010 Triton 14' S/A BP Flat Deck Trailer

## CATTLE HANDLING

Vortec Bale King 880 Bale Buster  
Haybuster 2564 Bale Buster  
JD 660 T/A Manure Spreader  
NH 791 T/A Manure Spreader  
NH 518 S/A Manure Spreader  
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Gates & Panels, Single, Double & Triple Bale  
Feeders, Cattle Squeezes, Alleys, Chutes,  
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Much More

## OTHER EQUIPMENT

Ezee-On Pull Type Post Pounder  
10' 3 pth Hyd. Angle Blade  
Landpride 7' 3 pth Manual Angle Blade  
Leon 330 6' 3 pth Blade  
Schulte FLX15 Flex Arm  
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'22 Ford F150 XLT 4x4 CC SB Truck  
'16 Chev 1500 4x4 EC SB Truck  
'13 Dodge Outdoorsman QC SB Truck  
'19 Dodge Durango RT 4x4 SUV  
'17 Chev Suburban LT 4x4 SUV  
'17 Infiniti QX60 AWD SUV  
'16 GMC Yukon Denali SUV  
'13 Cadillac SRX AWD SUV  
'13 Ford Explorer Sport AWD SUV  
'98 IHC 3000 Series School Bus

## RECREATIONAL - OVER 100 LOTS

'03 Ford F250 4x4 EC LB Truck & Camper  
'05 Newmar 38' Kountry Star Motorhome  
'95 Chev 21' Motorhome  
'00 Mackenzie 34' 5<sup>th</sup> Wheel Holiday Trailer  
'13 Rockwood 27' T/A BP Holiday Trailer  
'07 Cirrus 28' T/A BP Holiday Trailer  
'06 Dutchmen 27' T/A BP Holiday Trailer  
Reinell M170 17' Boat

Vanguard 16' Boat  
Can Venture 14' Boat  
Chapparel 18' Boat  
Sundoo Challenger 14' Jet Boat  
6 - N/U Future 6C42S Offroad Golf Cart  
N/U Future FT-D3 3 Wheel Electric Cart  
2023 CanAm Renegade 1000 CC Quad  
2015 Polaris RZR 170 S/S ATV  
2014 Polaris RZR 800S S/A ATV  
2009 Kawasaki 650 Quad  
Suzuki 750 King Quad

## LAWN & BUILDING - OVER 200 LOTS

N/U Bi-Parting Gates  
JD 54" Front Mount Riding Lawn Mower  
JD LT166 42" Riding Lawn Mower  
N/U 21" Remote Control Lawn Mowers  
N/U Carports, Sheds & Tents - Asst. Sizes  
N/U Bastone Portable Bathrooms  
8 - Single Use 9'6"x40' 4 Door Seacan

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5 - 9'6"x40' Single Entry Seacan  
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## MISCELLANEOUS

Vintage Case 59" Iron Eagle w/ Base  
Selling Over 2000+ Lots of Miscellaneous,  
Large Assort. of Lumber, Building Supplies  
& Much Much More



## Real Estate Auction in Windmill Harbor



Rural Lac Ste. Anne County, Alberta

Sale Starts August 14th & Closes August 18th, 2026  
Selling #209, 3410 Ste. Anne Trail, Rural Lac Ste. Anne County, Alberta

### A Superb Lot In The Gated Community Of Windmill Harbour On The Southwest Shore Of Lac Ste. Anne.

Build your dream home near the lake of just own a piece of Alberta. This is a very unique development with a canal from the lake to the sub-division. There is a marina, boat launch and RV parking/storage in the community. This is a bare land condominium Sub-division. Has community water/sewer. The monthly HOA fee is \$180 and includes water, sewer, garbage pick-up and snow removal on the main roads. A slip to store your boat at the marina can be purchased. Building restrictions by developer. A lovely opportunity to purchase and start those building plans!

### Maintenance Fees Include

Amenities w/ Condo Insurance for Common Areas, Reserve Fund Contribution, Water/Sewer, Land/Snow Removal

### Amenities

Flat Site, Gated Community, Lake Access Property, No Through Road, Not Fenced

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# County News Highlights

## MEETINGS & HEARINGS

### [LSAC.ca/meetings](https://lsac.ca/meetings)

Meetings and public hearings are held at the County Administration Office near Sangudo, they are open to the public and available remotely. Explore the County's online calendar for agendas, minutes, and meeting details.

### MPC Meeting

Wednesday, August 5, 2026 at 9:30 am

### Council Meeting

Thursday, August 20, 2026 at 9:30 am

## RECOVERY TAKES TIME – THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE

### [LSAC.ca/news](https://lsac.ca/news)

Since the overland flooding first impacted our communities, our crews have been working diligently to assess damage, restore access, and repair County infrastructure. While we've made significant progress, recovery is a long-term effort, and some repairs simply can't be completed overnight.

### Our Interactive Overland Flooding Recovery

**Map** reflects that progress. Green locations indicate repairs have been completed, while grey locations have been identified and are actively being assessed or repaired. Some of these sites involve significant damage and will require additional time, planning, and the right conditions to ensure repairs are completed safely and built to last.

We understand it's frustrating to see roads that remain under repair, but every location is being prioritized based on safety, severity of damage, and available resources. Our commitment is to do the work properly—not just quickly.

### The Interactive Overland Flooding Recovery

**Map** remains the best way to see where work has been completed and where crews continue to focus their efforts. Thank you for your patience, your understanding, and your support as we continue working toward a full recovery.

## DISCRETIONARY DEVELOPMENT PERMITS

### [LSAC.ca/permits](https://lsac.ca/permits)

The development permits below have been conditionally approved under the provisions of the Land Use Bylaw (LUB). This list does not include permitted uses. Please contact County Planning & Development to request additional information on permits listed.

Anyone who claims to be affected and who wishes to lodge an appeal against any of these developments must do so in writing, using the applicable form on or before 4:30 pm on the noted date(s) to the appropriate appeal body:

### Subdivision & Development Appeal Board (SDAB)

Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board

Box 219, Sangudo, AB T0E 2A0

Email: [appeals@LSAC.ca](mailto:appeals@LSAC.ca)

### 26-D0123

SW 02-57-05 W5M; 5124 TWP RD 570

Micro home as secondary residence: Main 14.0' x 30.0' (420.0 sq. ft.) 10.0' walls, deck 14.0' x 6.0' (84.00 sq. ft.)

**Appeal to SDAB by August 17, 2026**

### 26-D0125

Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 0821384

SE 10-58-08 W5M; 58104 RGE RD 82

New stick build home with deck and attached garage, Main 28.0' x 60.0' (1609.0 sq. ft.) 9.0' walls, deck 12.0' x 24.0' (288.0 sq. ft.) with Attached Garage 40.0' x 80.0' (3200.0 sq. ft.)

**Appeal to SDAB by August 17, 2026**

### 26-D0100

Lot 64, Block 4, Plan 0121251; Lakeview Place

RL21 26-54-03 W5M; 404, 54425 Ste. Anne Trail

Detached Garage, Main 40.0' x 60.0' (2400.0 sq. ft.) 16.0' Walls, with garage size variance request to section 10.1.29 of LUB regulation: 1200.0 sq. ft. requested: 2400.0 sq. ft. variance: 1200.0 sq. ft.

**Appeal to SDAB by August 24, 2026**

### 26-D0144

Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 7721213; Warwa Estates

SW 34-54-04 W5M; 31, 4224 TWP RD 545

Addition to existing staff housing; main 22.5' x 19.0' (427.5 sq. ft.), and deck 6.0' x 4.0' (24.0 sq. ft.)

**Appeal to SDAB by August 24, 2026**

## SUBMIT A COMMUNITY EVENT: Visit [LSAC.ca/events](https://lsac.ca/events)

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING of Bylaw 22-2017-06-2026****LOCATION OF HEARING**

Council Chambers  
Lac Ste. Anne County Office  
56521 Range Road 65

**DATE OF HEARING**

August 20, 2026

**TIME**

10:00 am

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 216.4, 606, 633, 640, and 692, as applicable 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:

- Redistrict SW 16-56-04 W5M, SE 17-56-04 W5M and Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 2420108 within SE 17-56-04 W5M from Agricultural "1" (AG1) District to Aggregate Resource Extraction & Processing (AR) District;
- Redistrict NW 16-56-04 W5M from Agricultural "2" (AG2) District to Aggregate Resource Extraction & Processing (AR) District;
- Amend Map 5 Region E to reflect the redistricting of the lands legally described and shown in Schedule "C" Aggregate Resource Extraction & Processing (AR) District

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](https://LSAC.ca/hearings).

Written comments on the above proposed bylaw may be provided prior to 4:30 p.m. on August 17, 2026, to:

Lac Ste. Anne County, 56521 RGE RD 65, Box 219, Sangudo, AB T0E 2A0  
Attn: Tanya Vanderwell, Senior Planner, or email at [devassistant@LSAC.ca](mailto:devassistant@LSAC.ca)

**Participate in the Public Hearing**

Anyone wishing to address Council at the Public Hearing is requested to contact Senior Planner, Tanya Vanderwell at 780.785.3411 to register as a speaker. Those intending to present remotely via Zoom must contact Tanya Vanderwell prior to the hearing to obtain the direct presenter link. Speaking times for all presenters, whether participating in person or online, shall be in accordance with the Meeting Procedures Bylaw #09-2026 which provides a maximum of five (5) minutes per speaker.

**In Plain Language:**

A landowner/developer has applied to the municipality to redistrict SW 16-56-04 W5M, SE 17-56-04 W5M and Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 2420108 within SE 17-56-04 W5M from Agricultural "1" (AG1) District to Aggregate Resource Extraction & Processing (AR) District and NW 16-56-04 W5M from Agricultural "2" (AG2) District to Aggregate Resource Extraction & Processing (AR) District. 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*.

**BLUE GREEN ALGAE ADVISORIES IN EFFECT: Visit [ahs.ca/eph](https://ahs.ca/eph)**

As of press time Alberta Health Services has issued BLUE-GREEN ALGAE ADVISORIES for the following four lakes in our region: Lac La Nonne, Nakamun Lake, Isle Lake, and Lac Ste. Anne. Advisories will remain in place for the remainder of the summer.



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# CONSTRUCTION SEASON IS UNDERWAY IN WHITECOURT

Submitted by Town of Whitecourt

Construction of Multi-Use Courts at Festival Park Site preparation for the new multi-use courts at Festival Park starts July 30. The area located south of the Jumbo Jumper will be barricaded and construction is expected to continue through to early September. The new courts will provide space for pickleball, basketball, badminton, tennis and ball hockey.

- Work is scheduled to take place from 7am to 7pm.

- Festival Way and the Jumbo Jumper will remain open to the public throughout the construction period. Park users are asked to obey all posted signs.

Intersection upgrades in the downtown area started August 4. Intersection upgrades at the 52 Avenue/47 Street and 49 Avenue/51 Street intersections will be completed as part of a larger initiative to enhance accessibility and connectivity of bus stops along the transit route. Traffic signal upgrades have already been completed at both intersections, and roadway upgrades will improve safety, traffic flow and overall functionality of the transportation network.

Work at the 52 Avenue and 47 Street intersection has started August 4, and is expected to be completed by August 16 (weather dependent)

- Intermittent lane closures will occur. Signs and barricades will be posted, and a 30 km/hour construction speed zone limit will also be posted.

- Motorists are asked to drive with caution, and obey all posted signs and speed limits. It is suggested alternate routes through downtown be used if possible.

- On occasion, sidewalk access may be closed. Signage will be installed, and members of the public are asked to follow all posted detour signs.

- Public Transit Stop #7 will be temporarily closed starting August 4 throughout the construction period. Public Transit riders are asked to use Stop #8 at 4 Street/55 Avenue or Stop #22 at 47 Street/51 Avenue during the stop closure.

Work at the 49 Avenue and 51 Street intersection is scheduled to start August 8 and will continue through August 28 (weather dependent)

- Intermittent lane closures will occur. Signs and barricades will be posted, and a 30 km/hour construction speed zone limit will also be posted.

Motorists are asked to drive with caution, and obey all posted signs and speed limits. It is suggested alternate routes through downtown be used if possible.

- On occasion, sidewalk access may be closed. Signage will be installed, and members of the public are asked to follow all posted detour signs.

Highway 43 Vitalization Project  
The Highway 43 Vitalization Project includes planting on both sides of the highway, between 53 Avenue and Riverboat Park Road, with raised planting beds. The project will improve the community's appearance and make the corridor more welcoming to visitors. The project is funded in part by the Green Municipal Fund's Growing Canada's Community Canopies initiative.

- Work on the project started July 29 and is expected to be complete by September 4.
- Work will be conducted from 7am to 7pm.
- The parking lane along Caxton Street W and Kepler Street W, from 53 Avenue to Riverboat Park Road, will be closed.
- Signage and barricades will be

installed for the duration of the work.

55 Avenue Concrete Project – From Atkinson Crescent to Mink Creek Road

Concrete work along a portion of 55 Avenue started last week and will continue into August. Crews are removing and replacing the sidewalk on the north side of 55 Avenue from Atkinson Crescent to Mink Creek Road.

- Construction crews will be notifying area residents, and at times parking and driveway access will be limited.

- Work is scheduled to take place from 7am to 7pm.

- Work is scheduled for completion by August 10, 2026,

- Sidewalks will be closed and signs will be posted.

- Please drive with caution and obey all posted signs and speed limits.

- Public Transit Stop #18 has been temporarily moved to accommodate the construction area. Please watch for a temporary sign that reads Stop #18A at the corner of 55 Avenue and Atkinson Crescent.

## WHITECOURT TOWN COUNCIL UPDATE

Submitted by Town of Whitecourt

A Special Meeting of Council was held to conduct a Public Hearing regarding Soaring Eagle Support Services' application to continue providing support to individuals who are homeless and hard to house at 3515 Caxton Street. The application requires amendments to both the Municipal Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw. The item will be forwarded for Council's discussion at the August 18 Regular Meeting of Council.

Playquest has been awarded a contract, valued at \$199,738 plus GST, to construct outdoor classrooms at Festival Park and the Forest Interpretive Centre. Funding support for the two outdoor classrooms has been approved through the Forest Resource Improvement Program, and the spaces will be available for schools, camps, and other groups to use to learn about forestry, wildlife, and other outdoor education topics.

Whitecourt's Sports Hosting Program supports local organizations to host sporting events that have a positive economic impact on our community. Events hosted by the sporting community increase visitors into Whitecourt, which has

a positive impact by generating overnight stays and stimulating the local economy. Whitecourt has awarded funding to the following groups:

- Whitecourt Taekwondo for the Whitecourt Welcomes the World Event - \$4,000

- Whitecourt Minor Ball U11AA Provincials Event - \$2,100

- Whitecourt Minor Ball U13AA Event - \$2,100

Whitecourt will be purchasing two John Deer 1585 Terrain-Cut Commercial Front Mowers from Horizon Ag & Turf Ltd. For \$163,115.02, plus GST.

Whitecourt has awarded \$7,740 in funding to Caines Jewellers as part of the Vitalization Grant Program. The Vitalization Grant Program was established to offer local businesses and organizations additional financial support to enhance the exterior appearance of their business or property.

Whitecourt Town Council has approved two requests from the Whitecourt Lions Club. Whitecourt will be working with the Club to add the organizations to Whitecourt's contract with the Alberta Municipal Services Corporation Energy Program. Whitecourt has also approved the Club's request for reimbursement of \$3,671.94

in costs incurred to correct issues with its sanitary sewer connection.

The pathway along the south side of 49 Street will be extended from 49 Street to 47 Street as part of the 2026 Street Improvement Program. The completion of the pathway along 49 Avenue will provide a continuous link on the south side of the road from 51 Street to Dahl Drive.

Whitecourt Town Council received a quarterly financial report that includes an operating report, and information on key accomplishments, innovations and efficiencies realized by the Town of Whitecourt up to the end of June 2026. Council also had the opportunity to review the 2026 Project List. Both reports are available for viewing on [www.whitecourt.ca](http://www.whitecourt.ca).

Whitecourt Transport is marking its 80th Anniversary and has invited Council Members to join in the celebration.

Whitecourt and Woodlands County Councils are meeting with Capital Power to discuss the company's plans in the region.

Whitecourt Town Council has approved the Royal Canadian Legion Branch No.44's request to host the 2026 Remembrance Day ceremony at the Canfor Culture & Events Centre. Further informa-

tion on the event will be posted closer to Remembrance Day.

The 2nd Annual Sirens & Swings (First Responders) Golf Tournament is scheduled for August 17, 2026.

The August Regular Meeting date has been rescheduled to Tuesday, August 18 at 4:00pm in Council Chambers at the Forest Interpretive Centre.

Whitecourt Town Council has proclaimed September 21 to 27, 2026 as Rail Safety Week in Whitecourt. The week is held in Canada, the US and Mexico to raise rail safety awareness.

Whitecourt Town Council has been authorized to attend the Pacific Northwest Economic Region Annual Summit July 19-23, 2026.

Whitecourt Town Council has been authorized to attend the Whitecourt Mountain Bike Park Grand Opening event on August 22.

At a Special Meeting scheduled on July 7, Whitecourt Town Council awarded the Canfor Culture & Events Centre Furniture Award to CDI Spaces Inc. in the amount of \$1,142,701.82, plus GST. Council also authorized the allocation of \$57,298.18 in the budget be allocated to future furniture-related contingencies.



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**ANSWER:  
Last Weeks**

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!

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**9AM— COWBOY  
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**11AM— PARADE**

**NOON— HORSE  
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**1PM— BENCH SHOW  
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ADULT SCRAMBLE**

**3:00 PM- LOG SAW-  
ING/ NAIL POUNDING  
CONTEST**



**SUPPER 6PM  
at WILDWOOD  
LEGION BR.149**

**Entertainment  
The Singing Sawyers  
& Friends**



**Bouncy House—Yellowhead County  
Choo-Choo The Clown, Scavenger Hunt, Kids  
Games,**

**Face Painters, Chicken Poop Bingo, Money Pit,  
Petting Zoo, Birdhouse Building— Wildwood Ladies  
Aid**

**Money Pit, Mechanical Bull— Wildwood Legion Br 149  
Climbing Wall, Basketball Throw, Axe Monkeys—  
UFA Wildwood & Wildwood Ladies Aid**