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**WESTMORELAND REOPENING COAL VALLEY MINE**  
**Restart to Begin with Hiring 300 Highly Skilled Local Employees**

Westmoreland Mining Holdings LLC and its wholly owned subsidiary Prairie Mines & Royalty ULC announced on August 9 the

resumption of operations at the Company's Coal Valley Mine near Edson. The mine has been in care and maintenance since June 2020 due to severe

constraints related to the COVID-19 pandemic that were placed on this unique operation.

The Company expects to

restart production in the fourth quarter of 2021 and to restore approximately 300 high-paying direct jobs and up to

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Kids were able to enjoy a variety of fun events at the FCSS Teddy Bear Picnic! Pictured are two of the event's guests building bat and birdhouses courtesy of the Edson Recycling Society (see story page 18). photo Shaylyn Thornton

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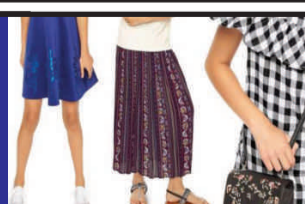
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# WESTMORELAND REOPENING COAL VALLEY MINE

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750 indirect jobs across Yellowhead County. Martin Purvis, CEO of Westmoreland, said, "Coal Valley has been a cornerstone of the community and economy in Edson for generations, so it's wonderful to be able to restart operations with most of the people who have already given years of dedicated service to the mine and borne the brunt of the pandemic crisis. We've had plans ready to go for quite some time but had to wait until all the vaccination goals had been reached and the major restrictions lifted.

With over 70% of the population in Canada now protected, we were finally able to give the decision the green light."

### Reopening to Provide Economic Boost to the Region

According to Steve Love, General Manager of Coal Valley, reopening the mine will also add approximately \$30 million a year to the local wage base, at least \$3 million in taxes and royalties to the Province, and \$60 million a year in economic activity dispersed within multiple sectors associated with the mine's purchases of supplies and services.

Westmoreland has also worked closely with the Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) to ensure that the mine's reopening not only adheres to regulatory requirements, in which lands are reclaimed to a state equal to or better than before the mine opened, but also fully meets Alberta's regulatory requirements for sustainability.

"Our plan carefully follows the robust legacy of responsible use and reclamation activity completed before the mine was placed in Care and Maintenance," added Love. "This will enable us to complete the reclamation process contemporaneously with mining operations, a practice that has always been central to our comprehensive business plan, but which was interrupted unexpectedly by COVID."

In terms of the return to work, Joe Micheletti, Chief Operating Officer added, "We will continue to put the safety of our employees first and foremost by applying all the additional protective measures we have successfully learned over the past year – including masks where and when appropriate as well as routine sanitization procedures.

"All in all, reopening Coal Valley is a win-win-

win for our employees, the community, and environmental stewardship," said Micheletti. "It will allow us to execute our mine plan, including our reclamation plan, to its fullest extent, providing a tremendous shot in the arm to Edson and the surrounding communities in the wake of the economic hardships created by COVID."

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61	11, 24	5
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58	19	5
57	18, 20	5
56	17, 18	5
55	18	5
52	14	5
51	14, 21	5
50	12, 13, 14	5

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# County gives first reading to new Land Use Bylaw

by Shaylyn Thornton

At the July 27 Yellowhead County Council Meeting, Planning & Public Engagement Officer Ostap Fedynets gave a presentation on the Land Use Bylaw's 2021 Rewrite. The new bylaw will be known as Bylaw 09.21.

Since 2013, the Yellowhead County Planning & Development department identified a series of structural and technical issues with the current Land Use Bylaw (LUB) document. With new best practices in land use regulation, as well as shifts in local economic and social conditions, the department decided to undergo a comprehensive rewrite instead of a more minor renewal of the document.

Over the last year and a half, the project team and a consultant thoroughly analyzed the strengths and weaknesses of the current LUB and overall planning framework in Yellowhead County. County Administration believes that the new regulations provided in the rewritten 2021 LUB create greater opportunities for development which will strengthen our local economy and respond to the needs of our changing population.

Land Use Bylaws limit negative land use

impacts, set the rules for development on private land, and help achieve the goals of the Municipal Development Plan. When writing a LUB, individual property rights, land use impact potential, and flexibility/certainty of development must be considered.

The 2013 LUB was long and complicated, with over 43 districts, 129 uses, and 251 pages of hard-to-read large text blocks and no diagrams. The regulations were fairly flexible, with mixed-use districts and broad use definitions, however they were too rigid for some low-impact uses.

The 2021 LUB was rewritten with the goal of being impact-focused (if development doesn't significantly and negatively affect nearby properties, it should be allowed), resilient (the Bylaw should allow innovative developments which respond to new social and economic conditions), and simple (the document itself should be readable, understandable and accessible to the general public).

After much public engagement including surveys, focus groups, and steering committee meetings, the 2021 LUB has been rewritten with a number of major changes and recommendations for structural and regulatory improvements.

Instead of 42 districts, the new LUB will have 9, while the number of uses has been lowered from 129 to 43. The language has been changed in the document to be more "plain language" and process oriented, providing rationale and intent for readers. The design is modern and includes diagrams to help define, inform, and regulate.

Some of the regulatory changes involve additional dwellings. The 2021 LUB will allow one more dwelling unit per parcel compared to 2013. Residents can earn an income with added dwellings or perhaps let aging family members have their own dwellings on the property.

The County's public engagement showed the demand for housing that meets personal needs, with one survey respondent writing, "Please change the bylaw to allow more families to live on one's own property, so families can work their farms together and help out our future generations."

The regulations for secondary suites saw some big changes. Current regulations are very restrictive and show a disconnect to Municipal Development Plan housing policy. The permitted size of a secondary suite has been raised from 600 sq ft in the 2013 LUB to 900 sq ft in the 2021 LUB.

The 2013 LUB didn't allow for any variance to the maximum square footage, however the 2021 LUB allows for potential variance as long as there is no additional impact. Zoning changes also list secondary suites as Permitted Use in the 2021 Bylaw as opposed to Discretionary Use in 2013.

The secondary suite changes also saw "very strong public engagement support," said Fedynets. One survey respondent wrote, "Change the rules to allow granny suites so I can live on my property until my death."

Other changes were less stringent, more consistent regulations on manufactured homes and changes to storage container rules. Another change involves accessory buildings, with the 2013 Bylaw prohibiting building a garage or shop before building a residence. The 2021 Bylaw will allow residents to build accessory buildings first, on all parcels over 9.88 acres.

One of the largest changes in the 2021 Bylaw involves Home-based Business (HBB). "Due to its rural nature and the uncommon skill and entrepreneurial spirit of its residents, Yellowhead County has the opportunity to be a leader in home-based business regulation in Alberta," explained Fedynets.

30% of residents in Yellowhead County identify as "self-employed" in the Stats Canada census.

Home-based businesses have a number of economic benefits to business owners, including minimized start-up costs, lowered commuting costs, and potentially lowered childcare costs.

Areas with home-based businesses also often see a reduction in crime, as business owners are home throughout the day and are able to keep an eye on things going on in the neighborhood.

During their public engagement, it was found that 87% of respondents agree that opportunities for HBBs should be increased by the County, and 83% agree that HBBs which create no impacts shouldn't require a permit. 70% agree that larger HBBs shouldn't need a permit on larger parcels of land, where neighbor's residences aren't located nearby.

"We should make [it] easier to setup rural county businesses," wrote one survey respondent. "The value added to the county far exceeds the inconveniences of local increased traffic or noise."

Small HBBs that are run out of a residence, with less than 2 employees, no outdoor storage, and no commercial vehicles would be permit-free across the County.

Recreational resorts, gravel pits, landfill & compost facilities, and telecommunication towers also saw some changes in the rewrite.

The presentation of the Bylaw was well-received. "In going through and reading through the majority of this very long document, I am so impressed with how you managed to capture all of Yellowhead County," said Councillor Penny Lowe. "You took into consideration the different sections, the different people in those sections, and what those people are trying to accomplish, and I think you did a fantastic job."

Councillor David Russell called the department's work "exceptional" and Councillor Wade Williams agreed with Russell's assessment. "I know this has been long overdue, and it has been quite a process for your department, and I think it's going to make your jobs a whole lot easier in the future and hopefully this will appease a very large majority of the public. I think you guys have nailed it with this," Williams said.

Williams also noted that, with the public hearing not being until mid-September, it would give Council a lot of time to "comb through" the document in its entirety.

Council gave first reading to Bylaw 09.21, which will now be forwarded to a public hearing on September 14. More information on the bylaw rewrite can be found on Yellowhead County's website.

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# Federal legislation allowing RCMP collective bargaining could leave Town on hook for over \$645,000

by Adrienne Tait

This past June the federal government announced it had reached a tentative agreement with the RCMP following collective bargaining agreement negotiations. The agreement came after the government passed legislation in 2017 which allowed the RCMP to unionize and bargain collectively.

Despite the Town of Edson being responsible for 70% of the local RCMP costs (the federal government is responsible for the remaining 30%) they were not included in, or updated on, either the negotiations or the tentative agreement. No municipalities were included in the negotiations and the details of the tentative agreement have not been made public.

However, it is possible that the Town would be responsible for their portion of up to five years of retroactive pay (since the 2017 legislation was passed) for the 17 RCMP officer positions employed at the local detachment. If the agreement determines that the retroactive pay be at the highest quoted rate the result could be an invoice for approximately

\$645,500.

Town Council discussed the matter at their Committee of the Whole meeting on August 10.

Council and Administration agreed with the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association position that, "Any retroactive pay increases which were negotiated by the federal government must be paid by the federal government."

Council further supported Administration's recommendation that the Town advocate for the federal government to take financial responsibility for the back pay.

Should advocacy efforts fail, the Town has three options with which they may fund the cost. Options include 1) a general tax increase, 2) consider the pay a "one off" expense and use funds from the Revenue Sharing reserve, or 3) use a reserve to cover the pay and then replenishing that reserve over the next several years via taxation. As a 1% tax increase equates out to approximately \$100,000 in revenue the Town would need to either a one-time tax increase of 6.5% or a 1% increase over 6 years in order to cover the cost should they choose either options 1 or 3.

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To view details of the application, please see: [www.edson.ca/bylaws](http://www.edson.ca/bylaws)

You may submit written comments by emailing:

[engineeringandplanning@edson.ca](mailto:engineeringandplanning@edson.ca); by mailing: Planning—Town of Edson, PO Box 6300, Edson AB T7E 1T7; or by hand delivering to the Civic Centre drop off box at the front door entrance.

Submissions must be received by the Town prior to the Zoom Public Hearing for Council's consideration.

Any person, group, or person acting on behalf of anyone who claims to be affected by the proposed bylaw, may make representation during a Public Hearing through Zoom online. Oral presentations are subject to a five (5) minute time limit and must be sent ONE WEEK PRIOR to the Zoom Public Hearing.

Registration will remain open until the beginning of the Public Hearing on August 17, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

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or contact [engineeringandplanning@edson.ca](mailto:engineeringandplanning@edson.ca) for meeting details.

Personal information contained in submissions are collected under the Alberta Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP Act). This meeting will be recorded and shared.

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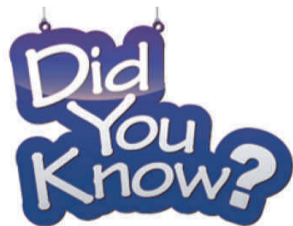


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# The Weekly ANCHOR

## Comment



**OpEd:**

### Greater transparency in creation of provincial police service

The Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) believes that the Government of Alberta has decided to create a provincial police service despite promising Albertans a referendum on the idea.

Justice Minister Kaycee Madu began a series of seven town hall meetings on July 20 to hear Albertans' concerns about crime prevention in their communities. AUMA, representing more than 260 communities of all sizes across the province, reviewed his presentation and determined that these town hall meetings have little to do with crime prevention. Instead, they appear to be selling the idea of creating a provincial police force.

The AUMA finds this development deeply troubling given that the government's feasibility study has not been made available to the public.

Until last week, we were patiently waiting for the provincial government to publicly release a \$2 million PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) feasibility report it commissioned in October 2020. The report was presented to the Government of Alberta on April 30, 2021. In mid-June, Minister Madu hinted the report would be released when "it's time to release the report." In mid-July, Premier Jason Kenney said the report would be "released at the appropriate time."

"Albertans have waited long enough to see what this feasibility report has to say," said AUMA President Barry Morishita. "We call on the Government of Alberta

to do the right thing and publicly release it as soon as possible."

The UCP government did not campaign on the issue of a provincial police service during the 2019 election. In November 2019, Premier Kenney assured Albertans that his government would not decide to establish an Alberta pension plan or provincial police service unless a majority of Albertans endorsed those proposals in a fair and democratic referendum. We expect him to honour this commitment with a provincial referendum or by including it as part of a provincial election platform.

Alberta would forfeit federal government funding of about \$160 million a year that is provided for police services through a contract with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) if a provincial police service were formed.

While policing is particularly challenging in rural Alberta, where the distances between RCMP detachments are great and police officers are in limited supply, all Albertans would be called upon to pay for a provincial police service. This means increased costs for those who live in rural areas, municipalities currently relying on the RCMP, and those who live in communities where residents fund a municipal police force.

"When it comes to how our hard-earned tax dollars are spent on policing, Albertans deserve a fair deal from their provincial government," said Morishita. "If all Albertans must pay for something, then all Albertans must have a say in the decision." -

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## Edson RCMP Occurrences for the week of Aug 2 - Aug 8, 2021

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advise that Western Economic Diversification Canada (WD) has announced a \$5 million investment under the Regional Innovation Ecosystem (RIE) program to increase access to supports and resources for Alberta-based small- and medium sized technology companies. This investment will enable Alberta Innovates to expand funds available to not-for-profit business accelerators participating in its Scale-Up and Growth Accelerator Program. Alberta Innovates is a provincial

technical expertise and applied research services to stimulate and grow research and innovation across Alberta. Approximately 300 Alberta technology firms across a range of economic sectors are expected to benefit from the initiative over the next three years. Western Economic Diversification Canada funding will complement an investment of up to \$25 million from Alberta Innovates, bringing total funding for the initiative to up to \$30 million.

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**A.** Families can register online for school on the website at any time. As of Monday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, school staff are also ready to assist.

**Q. How do I register my child for the bus?**

**A.** It is now mandatory that all new and returning students requiring transportation must register each year but we made it easy for you! Just go to our website at [www.gypsd.ca](http://www.gypsd.ca) and click on the school bus icon on the top right corner. Then click on the green box 'school bus registration'.

**Q. What special services are provided by GYPSD?**

**A.** GYPSD's inclusive education system builds upon students' strengths to achieve their fullest potential using targeted and specialized supports to meet their individual needs. Families should contact their school principal to learn more.

**Q. Does GYPSD offer Alternative Programming?**

**A.** Yes. Through Campus GYPSD, you can access Learn-at-Home Distance Education, Parent-led Home Education, or Hybrid programming options. Speak to your principal!

**Q. Do we need to still self-screen for health symptoms every day?**

**A.** Although it is not mandatory, we ask that all staff, children/students, visitors, and volunteers who will access the school for work or education, to self-screen for symptoms each day before they leave for school if they are not feeling well. This helps to keep everyone healthy and well! If they answer yes to any of the questions, they are asked to stay at home until they are feeling better.

**EARLY LEARNING OPTIONS AT GYPSD**

GYPSD is proud to offer a diverse range of play-based learning options for children to thrive and grow in a nurturing and welcoming environment. Each school offers unique programs for 3 1/2 to 5 year olds; from part-time to full-time options. Spaces are limited and available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

École Westhaven, Fulham, Niton, Wildwood and Evansview schools offer junior kindergarten and kindergarten; Mary Bergeron Elementary only offers kindergarten for the 2021/2022 school year.



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Like us on [facebook.com/gypsd](https://www.facebook.com/gypsd)



# Repsol wins Esri's Special Achievement in GIS award

Release: Repsol Oil and Gas Canada Inc. has been recognized with Esri's Special Achievement in geographic information system (GIS) award at the 2021 Esri User Conference.

Repsol was chosen from thousands of Esri customers worldwide for the successful implementation of GIS technology to deliver better operational services.

The Workforce mobile application is a field workforce optimization application that increases efficiencies using real-time operational data. It allows Repsol to track and map the GPS locations of staff and third-party contactors, as well as the status of facilities and assets. When combined with production data for each well, the application provides a comprehensive understanding of what is happening in our operating areas, improving Repsol's ability to respond with greater speed and accuracy.

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better operational services.

The Workforce mobile application is a field workforce optimization application that increases efficiencies using real-time operational data. It allows Repsol to track and map the GPS locations of our staff and third-party contactors, as well as the status of our facilities and assets, using Esri's ArcGIS Workforce (now part of ArcGIS Field Maps), ArcGIS Dashboards and ArcGIS GeoEvent Server. When combined with production data for each well, the application provides a comprehensive understanding of what is happening in our operating areas, improving Repsol's ability to respond with greater speed and accuracy to routine operations and potential emergency events. Implementation of the software began in 2019 and is currently being utilized in all Canadian operating areas.

Safety is the top priority in Repsol's activities and is key in all our processes and operations. This software assists in the safe operation of Repsol's assets by providing real-time data on employee and contractor locations, which allows for better travel route planning and improved response times. Location monitoring is also important in safe emergency responses by improving situational awareness during events such as wildfires, extreme weather, and other natural disasters.

"We needed to see real-time data like pressure, temperature, volume and flow, and pass it directly to connected dashboards. But also, we had to do that while maintaining the security of that information. We've been able to increase operational efficiencies with

situational awareness of our employees and contractors.

Integrated Operating Centre (IOC) managers also like the simple executive dashboard that provides key performance indicators for immediate feedback on daily operations goals and production variance," said Tenzin Rubling, senior GIS analyst for Repsol Oil & Gas Canada Inc.

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**KID'S CORNER**



This is 6-year old Piper Elzinga who hopes to be a future Farmer! Piper enjoys playing with her pets, playing outside, and camping. Her favorite toy is her white stuffed Bunny, and her favorite animal is her baby duck. If she could be any animal, she says she would be a cat because they are "fun and cuddly." Piper loves the color white and the Mighty Ducks Series are her favorite movies. Her favorite snack is pull-apart licorice. This summer, Piper got to enjoy some camping, going to a wedding, and playing with her new baby ducks.

Kid's Corner is sponsored by:  
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# Evansburg RCMP respond to fatal collision with a moose

Evansburg RCMP

On Aug 10, 2021, shortly before 6 a.m., Evansburg RCMP, AHS ground ambulance, Parkland County Fire Services and STARS air ambulance, all responded to report of a collision on Highway 16 West, at Range Road 55.

Preliminary investigation supports the vehicle collided with a moose.

The 21-year-old male driver and

sole occupant of the vehicle, sustained life threatening injuries in the collision. He was transported via STARS to an Edmonton-area hospital. The driver succumbed to the injuries and died in hospital.

A moose was found deceased a few hundred metres away from the collision.

Evansburg RCMP express their condolences to the family and friends impacted by this tragedy.

*'Behind the Counter'*

**SHOPPERS DRUG MART**  302 53 St Unit 100, Edson, AB  
Ph: 780-723-3514

## Asking your pharmacist embarrassing questions

by Shawna Whipple, Shoppers Drug Mart pharmacist/owner

For many, the pandemic has caused higher stress levels and decreased activity. In fact, 62 per cent of Canadians say their movement has decreased since the pandemic began and many attribute this change to an increase in stress. As a result, many Canadians may find they are developing unwanted physical consequences including weight gain, constipation, or even hemorrhoids. While some of us may find it easy to discuss other common ailments with their pharmacist, those experiencing uncomfortable conditions or embarrassing side effects may be less inclined to seeking help.

When you talk to a pharmacist like myself, you are getting sound advice from a highly trained medical professional, no appointment necessary. All questions are welcome and I have heard it all, including the questions you may feel embarrassed to ask! I'm sharing a few of the common "awkward" questions that I get so you can get back to feeling your best.

- Constipation – Can't seem to go? Constipation is unpleasant to say the least, but it's also a question pharmacists get asked about often. Your pharmacist can help identify why you're constipated and help you get things moving again. Depending on the cause, the solution could include a diet adjustment, medication change, or some over-the-counter support.

- Got hemorrhoids? – Pharmacists can help you find relief fast by

tailoring a treatment plan to your symptoms. Hemorrhoids aren't fun, but you don't need to suffer in silence. Whether you need a prescription, ointment, or require dietary support, we'll find the best approach for you.

- Maintaining a healthy weight – 74 per cent of Canadians say that the pandemic has affected their eating habits and 58 per cent have gained weight. You may be hesitant to talk to your pharmacist about maintaining a healthy weight, but we're here to offer the advice, tools and resources you need. Shoppers Drug Mart also offers virtual dietitian services; a registered dietitian works with you like a personal coach to build a plan that helps empower you to create life-long changes and healthier eating habits.

Pharmacists are here to help you navigate your health, that includes answering questions that might feel awkward or uncomfortable. Visit your local pharmacist with all your health and lifestyle questions so we can get you back to feeling your best this summer.

Shawna Whipple is the pharmacist and owner of your local Shoppers Drug Mart in Edson. Visit [ShoppersDrugMart.ca](https://ShoppersDrugMart.ca) to find a store near you.

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West Yellowhead MLA  
**Martin Long**



## "We need to learn to live with COVID without extraordinary measures"

Open letter by Dr. Deena Hinshaw

I am sorry that the way I communicated about the planned changes to our COVID-19 response has caused feelings of confusion, fear or anger for some people. I am hearing that the message people received from my words was that I think COVID is over, and that people are being left on their own to deal with it. That was not my intended message, so I want to share some of the rationale behind the changes and why I believe this course of action will support the whole health of Albertans.

Over the past year and a half we have faced an extraordinary threat together. COVID-19 has required extraordinary measures that have saved lives and prevented our health-care system from being overwhelmed. These extraordinary measures were necessary and effective, but they also came with unintended consequences that harmed the health of Albertans in other ways.

I care deeply about the health of all Albertans. This means I have to constantly consider not just COVID-19 but all the other threats to people's health. The majority of our public health resources have been directed at the COVID-19 response, as has been necessary. That has come at the cost of not fully working on other threats, like syphilis and opioid deaths. As vaccine coverage has changed the nature of the province-wide risk of COVID-19, it is time, in my opinion, to shift from province-wide extraordinary measures to more targeted and local measures. This allows us to start looking at other issues while still continuing COVID-19 protective measures in areas of high risk, and responding to local outbreaks where the health system is under threat.

We will not eliminate COVID, which means we need to learn how to live with it. Testing every person with a runny nose or sore throat is an extraordinary measure that we cannot sustain, particularly through the respiratory virus season. Legally mandating everyone to stay home for 10 days if they have any symptoms is also an extraordinary measure. It was necessary before vaccines, but it is also incredibly disruptive; it could only be justified when the risk was unchecked by vaccine protection. I know the vast majority of Albertans do not want to knowingly inflict harm on others. I believe that for those who test positive for COVID-19, knowing that staying home is the way to protect others, and is the right thing to do, will be enough for them to take that action.

When it comes to children, I understand the anxiety about kids under 12 for whom vaccine is not yet available. I have two children of my own in that age group, so it is a personal as well as a professional concern. For children, it is important to think about the much smaller risk of severe outcomes and the consequences of the public health measures we have had in place. We know these have led to problems with kids' mental health and impacts on learning and development.

We navigate risks for our children every day, and looking at how COVID-19 risks for kids compare with other risks is important to help inform the way forward. For example, for kids zero to nine, the risk of an ICU admission for seasonal influenza in the year before COVID was roughly equal to their risk of an ICU admission for COVID. In another example, kids aged five to 14 had a 140 times greater risk of an emergency department visit for a sports-related injury in 2019 than their risk of COVID-related hospital admission since March of 2020. This doesn't mean we should ignore the risk to kids from any of these things, but I believe it means we should consider COVID risk in context of all other risks that we face.

COVID-19 is a wicked problem; experts don't always agree on the exact nature of the problem, much less the best approach. But it is not the only wicked problem we are facing together. In addressing these complex issues, we are best served by trying to understand each other's perspectives, engaging in respectful dialogue, and continuing to assess our approach. We will be doing just that with the upcoming shifts in our COVID-19 plans. We will be relying on a robust surveillance system including wastewater surveillance, clinical testing, sentinel surveillance in primary care, and outbreak testing to monitor trends and impacts. We will respond to local threats and continue to communicate with Albertans.

I cannot stress enough that vaccines are our most powerful tool in the fight against this virus. While the coverage we have in this province minimizes the threat of overwhelming the health-care system, the virus remains a significant risk. Now is the best time to choose to be protected, both for yourself and those around you.

I commit to you that I will continue to do my best every day to serve Albertans, as I have always done, by considering all aspects of the health of all those in Alberta. —Dr. Deena Hinshaw is chief medical officer of health for Alberta





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Two \$500.00 bursaries for students residing in Yellowhead County and enrolled or accepted in a post-secondary program related to agriculture or environmental sciences.

Successful individuals may apply year after year however priority will be given to individuals that have NOT received the award in the past.

Please visit the link below for more details and to apply for this bursary!

**Deadline for applications is August 31, 2021.**

Details here: [www.yhcounty.ca/grants](http://www.yhcounty.ca/grants)

## Babysitter's Safety Course

The Babysitter's Safety Course is designed to provide graduated babysitters with the necessary information and skills to ensure safe and effective babysitting. Course will be held at the Tipple Park Museum.

August 24

9 AM - 3:00 PM

Ages 11+

\$10

Bring Lunch!



Registration required.  
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**Approved Development Permits have been issued authorizing the following:**

Permit No.	Location	Proposal	Date
D21-122	Plan 1021232, Blk 1, Lot 1 SE 19-53-16-W5 Edson Area	Single Detached Dwelling with Covered Veranda and Attached Garage and Accessory Building (Cold Storage/Barn)	Jul 28/21
D21-121	Plan 0326135, Blk 4, Lot 2A NE 15-49-21-W5 Robb	(Discretionary Use) – Home Occupation (Major) - Accommodation & Recreation Service	Jul 29/21
D21-124	Plan 7622234, Blk 2, Lot 7 NE 36-53-09-W5 Lobstick Resort	Existing Single Detached Dwelling with Covered Deck (Variance for Front & Side Yard Setbacks) & Existing Accessory Building (Garage) with Lean To	Jul 30/21
D21-125	Plan 9122295, Blk 2, Lot 4 NE 19-53-18-W5 Branch Corner Area	Manufactured Home with Addition – Variance for Age	Jul 30/21
D21-126	Plan 0222668, Blk 1, Lot 1 SE 19-53-09-W5 Chip Lake Area	Existing Single Detached Dwelling with Addition/ Covered Deck, Attached Carport & Existing Accessory Building (Shelter) – Variance for Side Yard Setback	Jul 30/21
D21-127	Plan 0020610, Blk 1, Lot 1 NW 27-53-18-W5 Edson Area	Single Detached Dwelling with Covered Entry, Covered Patio & Attached Garage	Jul 30/21
D21-130	Plan 1320417, Blk 1, Lot 6 SW 36-53-17-W5 Edson North Estates	Existing Accessory Building (Shed)	Jul 30/21
D21-131	Plan 0828903, Lot 18A NW 20-49-26-W5 Folding Mountain	Single Detached Dwelling with Two Covered Decks & Attached Garage	Aug 9/21
D21-118	SW 32-54-08-W5 Evansburg Area	Existing Manufactured Home	Aug 10/21
D21-123	Plan 2904MC, Lot 15 NW 10-55-15-W5 Bear Lake	Single Detached Dwelling with Attached Garage and Covered Deck – Variance for Top of Bank Setback	Aug 10/21
D21-129	SE 07-54-07-W5 Evansburg Area	Accessory Building (Garage)	Aug 10/21
D21-132	Plan 0122249, Blk 1, Lot 1 SW 22-55-12-W5 Hattonford Area	Storage Building – Residential – Discretionary & Storage Container – Discretionary & Variance to Rear yard Setback	Aug 10/21

Per the Public Notification Bylaw, the public is considered notified once approved development permits are posted online.

Any person claiming to be affected by an approved development permit may appeal the development by filing a written notice of appeal with the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board. The written notice must be filed within Twenty One (21) days after notice of the approval is given, and must be accompanied with a payment of \$300.00.

## FARM FAMILY CENTENNIAL AWARD



**YOUR FARM COULD BE RECOGNIZED WITH A FARM FAMILY CENTENNIAL AWARD AND SIGN!**

The Farm Family Centennial Award recognizes the families who continue to farm on the same location for a minimum of 100 years.

Are you a farm family that has continued to farm the same location for generations? Is your farm, home-stead, or ranch approximately 160 acres? And has it been continuously owned and active for 100+ years? If so, call today for more info and a chance to be recognized: 325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935.

## Clubroot Scouting

August 30 – September 30

**PREVENT THE SPREAD!**

Inspectors will be scouting for Clubroot in canola and other Brassicaceae fields in Yellowhead County from Aug 30 to Sep 30.

If you have any questions please contact the Yellowhead County Agriculture office at 1-800-814-3935.

Prevention Tips?

[www.yhcounty.ca](http://www.yhcounty.ca)

[www.clubroot.ca](http://www.clubroot.ca)





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## Yellowhead County ELECTION DAY

The next municipal general election will be held on **October 18, 2021.**

**Voting in the municipal election?**

- Voting stations will be in various locations across Yellowhead County on October 18.
- Mail-In Ballots will be available Fall 2021\*.
- Advance polling stations :
  - Oct. 2, 2021 Edson Administration Building
  - Oct. 7, 2021 Hinton (Location to be confirmed)
  - Oct. 9, 2021 Wildwood Administration Building
  - Oct. 16, 2021 Edson Administration Building

\*Mail-In Ballots may be requested from September 21 to October 18, 2021.



[www.yhcounty.ca/vote2021](http://www.yhcounty.ca/vote2021)

### THINKING OF RUNNING FOR COUNCIL?

Nominations for the general election are open between January 1, 2021 and September 20, 2021.\*

The municipal Council is the governing body of Yellowhead County. Council reflects the diversity of views and opinions that naturally reside within the municipality. As a council member, you have a chance to be a leader in your community.

For more information on running for Council and the nomination process, visit [www.yhcounty.ca/vote2021](http://www.yhcounty.ca/vote2021)



\*Nominations close at 12:00 noon on September 20, 2021.

## HAVE A NEIGHBOURLINK NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTY!

Small grants for community events!



### SUMMER IS HERE!

Now is the perfect time to hold a neighbourhood party to get to know the people in your area. Yellowhead County has small grants available to individuals to offset the costs of neighbourhood get-togethers.

- Host a Neighbourhood Party!
- Get reimbursed up to \$250!
- Promote safety and help prevent crime.
- Meet your new neighbours, make new friends and see old ones.
- Get a handy Party Kit with invitations, recipes and games to help you plan!



CALL YC FCSS at 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935 to apply.





# Community Welcome Project

Are you a newcomer to the Edson area? Or are you a new/expecting parent? If so, you are eligible for the Galloway Station Museum's new Community Welcome Project Bag!

In response to the closure of Welcome Wagon Canada in May 2020, the Edson & District Historical Society has decided to reintroduce this program to the community in their own capacity, with the 'Community Welcome Project' through the Galloway Station Museum.

Welcome Wagon was established in Canada in the 1930's with the intention of introducing new residents to their communities and congratulating new parents with locally-sourced gifts and useful information.

The Edson & District Historical Society received a Town of Edson Community Development Micro Grant, and donations contributed by local businesses, to make this program possible.

"We recognized a service gap in the community with the closure of the Welcome Wagon and were in a unique position to help. The EDHS was happy to partner with the Town of Edson to address that gap and provide this much-needed service to Edson and the surrounding area," said Doug Woodhouse, EDHS President.

Town of Edson Community Development Coordinator Ali Broda said, "Town of Edson FCSS granted the Galloway Station Museum with \$1560 toward the revamp of the Community Welcome Wagon program. The Community Welcome Project helps community members and newcomers to Edson to know what is going on in Edson and the surrounding area. It helps them to feel connected and engaged. This program also helps community members to feel a sense of belonging in Edson. Both

of these program outcomes are important to the FCSS mandate, as FCSS hopes to encourage organizations and agencies to provide programs and services to help to make individuals within the community feel connected and engaged."

Broda continues, "The goal of Family and Community Support Services is to help communities increase the social well-being of individuals, families and communities. The Special Project Grant gives agencies and organizations the opportunity to provide services like the Welcome Project to the community of Edson."

Under the Community Welcome Project, newcomers will be provided with a bag chock full of important information on Edson, as well as some goodies from various local businesses and the Galloway Station Museum, including samples, coupons and special freebies. In addition to these items, the baby bags will also include essential baby-related items, such as formula, soothers and diapers, as well as information on infant programs in Edson.

This program is completely free and is open to both Edson and Yellowhead County residents.

To be eligible for a Newcomer Bag, applicants must have moved to the area within one calendar year. Any parent who is expecting or has a child who is one year or younger is eligible for a Baby Bag. This does not only apply to first-time parents—parents can receive a Baby Bag for each newborn.

Eligible program recipients will set up an informal meeting with Galloway Station Museum staff, where they will be provided with a bag and an introduction to what is available to them in Edson and area. Due to COVID-19, this informal meeting will be in the form

of either a phone call or a Zoom call, and bags can be delivered or picked up at the Galloway Station Museum.

Anyone is welcome to reach out to the Community Welcome Project for information on services or to set up a meeting to discuss what programs and services are available locally.

To receive a Community Welcome Project bag, or to nominate someone for a bag, visit [gallowaystationmuseum.com/welcome-to-edson-project](http://gallowaystationmuseum.com/welcome-to-edson-project). For more information on the program, please phone the Galloway Station Museum at 780-723-5696, or email [info@gallowaystationmuseum.com](mailto:info@gallowaystationmuseum.com).

The Weekly ANCHOR a page for Kids and Kids at Heart

## Comics & Fun

# The Weekly ANCHOR Farm & Field News and Views

## Scouting Canola Fields in Yellowhead County for Clubroot

Yellowhead County

With fall approaching it is time once again to remember that clubroot has been detected in Yellowhead County. Clubroot is a soil-borne disease that reduces yields of cruciferous crops such as canola, mustards and some vegetables.

The disease causes galls or clubs to form on the root systems of infected plants which

then restricts the nutrient and water uptake of the plants reducing the yields of crops. The higher rate of the infection of clubroot in the soil, the more severe the yield loss in the crop will be. In 2015 new clubroot pathotypes were confirmed in the Edmonton region that are able to overcome resistant varieties of seed.

Please note that

Yellowhead County Pest Inspectors will be scouting for this disease in canola and other Brassicaceae fields throughout Yellowhead County from approximately August 30 to September 30. Scouts will be taking all possible preventative measures to limit the spread of the disease. The primary way this disease spreads is by soil movement from infected fields to non-infected fields. This may be done by soil falling off of farm machinery, vehicles, and off-highway vehicles. It may also be spread by wind and water erosion. Equipment sanitation is essential to preventing establishment of clubroot.

Rotation of crops is highly recommended to prevent the severity of clubroot in one's fields.

Continuous cropping of canola may increase the likelihood and severity of infection. There are no treatments currently available for clubroot infected fields/plants so prevention practices are highly recommended. Some things you can do to prevent establishment of clubroot as:

- Check fields regularly and look for

abnormalities such as galls and/or clubs on roots, premature ripening and/or wilting plants

- Sanitize machinery, vehicles and equipment before moving in to a new area with a solution of 1% bleach and 99% water
- Use clubroot resistant varieties of seed for planting

Please see:

[www.clubroot.ca](http://www.clubroot.ca) for more details or contact the Yellowhead County Agricultural



Department in the Wildwood County Office at: 53404 Rge Rd 92A or call toll free:

1-800-814-3935








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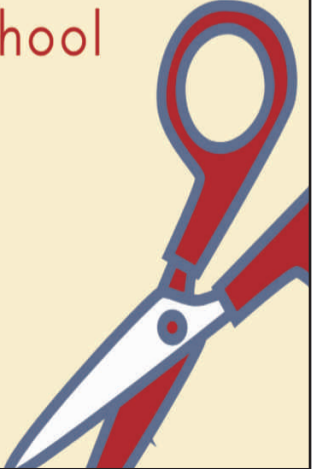


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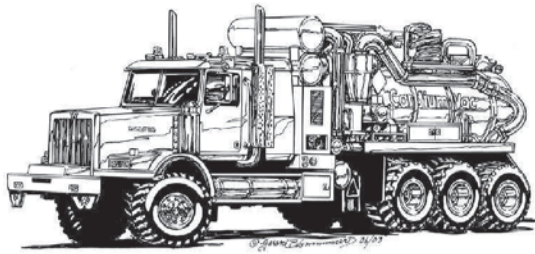


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# Why Canada's oil and gas sector gets so little respect despite the dramatic decrease in carbon emissions intensity

by Mark Milke  
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Canadian Energy Centre

Want to know why Canadian oil and gas gets so little respect from anti-oil and gas activists? It's not because Canada's main energy sector is somehow a miscreant on measures of carbon emissions or anything else. Instead, it is often due to three approaches: focusing only on absolute emissions and ignoring the effect of economic growth and per capita measurements; skipping over the reality of a cold northern country; and making the perfect (utopian end) the enemy of the good.

This might be why, despite considerable debate in the media and policy circles about the absolute greenhouse gas

(GHG) emissions arising from the activities of Canada's oil and gas sector, little attention has been paid to the reductions in GHG emissions intensity that have occurred within the sector over the past two decades.

Some background and a necessary definition: emissions "intensity" is the emissions rate of a given pollutant relative to the intensity of a specific activity or industrial production process. Examples include grams of carbon dioxide released per megajoule of energy produced, or the ratio of greenhouse gas emissions produced to gross domestic product (GDP).

In layman's terms, if an industry or an economy is growing, as are its emissions, is not immediate evidence of a negative trend. It would be akin

to looking at automobile manufacturing and asserting (if this were happening) that a 20 per cent rise in the use of steel in the last decade must mean that sector is less efficient in its use of steel.

But what if that same sector was manufacturing twice as many cars, trucks and SUVs as a decade ago? Then the rise in steel use would, in fact, be evidence of a sector doing more (100 per cent more production) with less (only 20 per cent more steel).

This trend on carbon emissions intensity is occurring within Canada generally and in the oil and gas sector specifically. (And again, we are measuring carbon emissions intensity, not absolute emissions.)

For example, pair Canada's economic growth from 2000 to 2019 with carbon emissions and here's the record: carbon emissions intensity is down dramatically.

Between 2000 and 2019, measured in what's known in technical terms as "megatonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent," the greenhouse gas emissions intensity in Canada fell by 30 per cent for every billion dollars in wealth created.

Or consider Canada up against other countries on a similar measurement, carbon emission intensity per millions of U.S. dollars of GDP. Between 2000 and 2018, Canada's GHG emissions intensity fell from 996 tonnes of CO2e per million dollars of

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GDP to 445 tonnes, a decline of over 55 per cent.

As of 2018, Canada's GHG emissions intensity on that measurement was lower than many other energy-producing and energy-consuming countries, such as Qatar (522 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>e per million dollars of GDP), the United Arab Emirates (623 tonnes), Saudi Arabia (811 tonnes), China (843 tonnes), Oman (1,038 tonnes), and Russia, at nearly three times Canada's "445 tonnes" intensity, at 1,193 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>e per million dollars of GDP.

Here is another comparison that belies the notion Canada is a laggard in carbon emissions reductions: per capita emissions.

Between 2000 and 2018, Canada's GHG emissions intensity on that measurement—per capita—fell by 14 per cent.

Selected other countries showed deeper reductions (with some others, increases). Carbon emissions expressed as tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>e per capita fell by 22 per cent in the United States, 24 per cent in the United Arab Emirates, 12 per cent in Qatar, and 28 per cent in Australia.

Meanwhile, over the same period, emissions per capita increased by 10 per cent in Russia, 34 per cent in Saudi

Arabia, and nearly 43 per cent in Oman.

Here are some relevant statistics specific to the oil sands, always a topic of commentary: between 2011 and 2019, oil sands emissions intensity fell by nearly 22 per cent.

Looking ahead, IHS Markit speculates that improved near-term technologies and efficiencies could result in a 17 to 27 per cent reduction in the GHG intensity of steam-assisted gravity drainage operations (which accounted for 45 per cent of oil sands supply in 2017) and a 15 to 20 per cent reduction in the GHG intensity of mined oil sands by 2030.

This is similar to a base-emissions forecast from BMO Capital Markets, implying that average oil sands emissions intensity could improve by at least another 17 per cent by 2030.

According to IHS Markit, such improvements on a full life-cycle basis (inclusive of emissions from production to combustion) mean these upstream intensities would place average steam-assisted gravity drainage operations within two to four per cent and mined oil sands within five to seven per cent of the average for crude oil refined in the United States by 2030.

Back to the automobile manufacturing example: Whether Canada and measured

by billions of dollars in new GDP, or per capita, or the oil sands, carbon emissions intensities are down. The entire country and the oil and gas sector is already doing much more with much less CO<sub>2</sub>. Recall that the next time someone compares a growing Canada to an economically stagnant country or one with a declining population.

Mark Milke and Lennie Kaplan are with the Canadian Energy Centre, an Alberta government corporation funded in part by carbon taxes. They are authors of the report Canada's GHG Emissions Intensity Record since 2000: An Updated 2021 Analysis. © Troy Media

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# Teddy Bear Picnic makes for a bear-y fun afternoon

by Shaylyn Thornton

The Repsol Place northern green space was full of smiling kids and adults alike on August 5 from 1-7pm as people gathered to enjoy the Edson Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) Teddy Bear Picnic.

Many local groups and organizations provided interactive information booths about their programs and what they offer the community of Edson.

Not only were they informative but many offered giveaways, draws, and games for eventgoers to participate in. Many of the organizations were members of the Early Childhood Matters Coalition (ECMC).

“FCSS had so much fun working with ECMC groups in Edson putting together the Teddy Bear Picnic,” said Town of Edson Community Development Coordinator Ali Broda.

The event also featured a variety of fun activities, such as inflatables, games, a petting zoo, and even the opportunity to build your own bat or birdhouse courtesy of the Edson Recycling Society.

Every hour, guests could enjoy a live performance, alternating between story time with the Edson & District Public Library and a puppet show. The Library also gave away free, brand-new books to kids throughout the event.

The puppet show was put on by The Imaginarium Puppet Company and was called “The Durlflings and the Book of Poops.” The comedic show was enjoyable for all, with laughter heard throughout.

Rachel’s Party Paint was also in attendance, offering either a free balloon animal or face painting to a constant line-up of kids at the event.

Ali estimates that, throughout the day, around 1,000 Edson residents as well as visitors from neighboring communities visited the Teddy Bear Picnic.

The FCSS was one of the organizations with a booth, and they were giving away free teddy bears to kids and, if you were willing to share on camera what you love most about Edson, you could get a free picnic blanket, too. They gave out over 300 teddy bears and 100 picnic blankets.

As always, with such a

large community event comes a lot of planning. But the Community Development Team always manages to pull it off. “Planning these events is very fun for us. Sarah and I, with help from our summer student Lexi, had a great time,” said Ali. “Sarah took care of organizing our partners and inviting them to join in on the event. I took on planning the other elements, building an event that I felt would be fun for the family.”

“The goal behind the event was to bring Edson families together,

provide them with an opportunity to connect with their families, engage with their children, and spend some time together having fun!” explained Ali. “Additionally, [it gave] the opportunity for Early Childhood Matters Coalition members to showcase programs that they provide for children and families in our community and surrounding area.”

Ali said that the event was “very successful” and that the team felt their “goal was achieved.” “[We] are very happy with both partner and commu-

nity participation,” she said. “Feedback has been very positive and people are looking forward to next year!”

Up next for Edson FCSS is their Community Pig Roast which will be held on September 18 from 12-4pm at Centennial Park. Guests can enjoy a free pig roast, balloon twisting, music, and inflatables. More information will be coming soon!

And FCSS is already looking forward to holding another picnic next year. Said Ali, “We can’t wait to get together again for the Teddy Bear Picnic.”



The pirate ship inflatable obstacle course was another guest favorite at the FCSS Teddy Bear Picnic. photo Shaylyn Thornton



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## Coal Mining Technologies

Surface mining of coal requires areas of land to be temporarily disturbed, which raises a number of environmental challenges. As coal mining is only a temporary use of land, a rehabilitation or reclamation plan is designed for each mine covering the period from the start of operations until well after mining has finished.

Land reclamation is an integral part of modern mining operations around the world. Reclaimed land can have many uses, including agriculture, forestry, wildlife habitation and recreation.

Steps are taken in modern mining operations to minimise the impact on

the environment by carefully planning projects and implementing pollution control measures.

### Land Disturbance

Under best practices, before a mining permit can be awarded, studies of the immediate environment are carried out to identify potential problems and review the existing conditions. The studies look at the impact of mining on surface and ground water, soils, local land use, and native vegetation and wildlife populations.

### Mine subsidence

The coal mining industry uses a range of engineering techniques to design the layout and dimensions of an underground mine workings so that surface subsidence can be anticipated and controlled.

### Water pollution

Mine operations work to improve their water management, aiming to reduce demand through efficiency, technology and the use of lower quality and recycled water. Water pollution is controlled by carefully

separating the water runoff from undisturbed areas from water which contains sediments or salt from mine workings. Clean runoff can be discharged into surrounding water courses, while other water is treated and can be reused in processes such as dust suppression and in coal preparation plants.

There are mine management methods that can minimise acid mine drainage (AMD) and effective mine design can keep water away from acid generating materials and help prevent AMD occurring. Measures have also been developed to treat AMD both actively and passively. (WCA)



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# Vision Park Stakeholder Delegation and Master Plan

by Adrienne Tait

With the TransMountain pipeline work now completed at Vision Park, a delegation of stakeholders and Revitalization Project Consultant John Buchko from EDS Group Inc, who was hired to oversee the project, both presented to Town Council at the August 10 Committee of the Whole meeting.

Maggie and Lee Loucks came before Council to express their wishes and concerns regarding the revitalization plan from a Slo-Pitch perspective.

Maggie, who is the Edson Mixed Slo-Pitch President, took point on the presentation and outlined what would be optimal for Slo-Pitch in order to host provincial and national competitions. However, she made it clear that she was not there in an official capacity, but rather as a facility user.

Requests included four diamonds of 300 feet, preferably in a quad style configuration, along with light stands, a lighted scoreboard, onsite camping, improved drainage, and a concession and washroom facility.

Concerns expressed included fence height, the chain link posts being placed inside rather than outside of the diamonds, the chain link protruding over top of the top fence bar, placement of the playground, and whether material from the old diamonds (such as the shale) would be reused.

Maggie also asked how much money was received from TransMountain and whether the cost of revamping the diamonds was considered in the negotiated price. Councillor Wilkinson said that the specific amount was not to be released to the public - a negotiated term with TransMountain - as it could impede future

negotiations for other municipalities and/or projects. Administration and Council all expressed satisfaction with the “extremely good value” deal.

Maggie said that some of their questions had been answered in a recently held stakeholders meeting. Council, Administration, and Buchko's presentation of the Master Plan were able to answer other questions, but some answers will have to wait until the project goes to tender.

Guy Latour, Manager of Parks and Facility Maintenance for Edson, said he would be contacting the contractor to address the concerns regarding the placement of the fencing posts. To mitigate concerns regarding a gap between the fence and the dugout, as the fence is now 6' tall, Latour said placing a board between the fence and dugout may address the issue. Latour also pointed out that the project is a revitalization project and not a redevelopment project.

Buchko acknowledged the shale concern, saying they would be harvesting any shale left over and in good condition from the previous diamonds.

Phase One of the revitalization project, as presented and if approved, would include the redevelopment of 7 diamonds. These include a 300' premium field with lights, a scoreboard, and warning track of gravel or shale, a second 300' diamond, batting cages, and five other diamonds.

Once Council gives the approval to move forward the first phase can go out to tender. Buchko said they will only award what is in the budget and the tenders will determine what gets built. Should Council approve the plan soon, some of the earth work could begin as early as this fall with most of the phase one work commencing in 2022.



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# Obituaries & In Memories

~ Obituary ~

## Brian John Evernden



With sadness it was announced earlier this year the passing of Brian John Evernden on Saturday, March 6, 2021 at the age of 60 years.

A Memorial Service to Celebrate Brian's Life will be held at the Rimbey Christian Reformed Church, 5506 – 51 Avenue, Rimbey on Thursday, August 19, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. with the Reverend David Holmes officiating. Interment will follow in the West Haven Cemetery, Rimbey. For further information, or to leave a message for the family, please visit: [www.ofc-ltd.ca](http://www.ofc-ltd.ca)

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## Catherine Lynn Hemphill (Bergeson)



Catherine Lynn Hemphill (Bergeson), previously of Whitecourt, Alberta, age 57, passed away August 5, 2021, surrounded by her family in Edson, Alberta.

Cathy is survived by her husband Joseph; her children Mandy Stephens (Ryan), Joseph Hemphill (Cari), Chris Hemphill (Terri), John Hemphill (Lisa) and Nicole Hemphill (Brett); grandchildren Aurora, Ashley, Xander, J-La, Hailey, Jahden, Davin, Russell, Katie, Kayleigh, Aubrey, Hadley; her siblings Gerald, Lorraine, Marty (Angie), Terry (Wendy), Sheila (Andy) and Doreen (Hank), as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Cathy was predeceased by her parents Arthur and Mary Bergeson.

A Loving wife, mother and grandmother, Cathy's greatest joy was watching her family grow. She will be greatly missed by her family and friends and all who knew her.

Cathy requested a private celebration of Life.

Cathy's Family would like to say a special Thank-You to Dr. Van Der Merwe for her compassionate care.

In lieu of flowers the family has requested that donations be made to The Alberta Cancer Foundation.

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## Morley Vincent Robinson



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It is with our deepest sorrow that we announce the sudden passing of Morley (Sonny) Robinson on August 5th, 2021, at his family home in Yellowhead County, AB. Morley was born on June 14th, 1944, in St. John New Brunswick to his parents Morley and Miriam. He leaves behind his wife Janie; children Robin (Kelly), Vincent (Teresa), and Tyler (Leanna); sisters Noni, Donna and Jeannie; grandchildren Jennifer (Richard), Kendra (David), Brittany, Garrett, Shelby and Tanner; great granddaughter Rylenn, as well as numerous other family members and friends. Morley had several career choices throughout his life ranging from Special Constable, Municipal Enforcement Officer and Security Services Manager to Milk Hauler and Bus Driver. Morley loved fishing, spending time with his family, and especially loved his wife of almost 49 years, Janie.

A private Celebration of his Life will be held for family and friends on Saturday, August 21st, 2021, at 1:00 pm at the Robinson Family Acreage, 53525 A&B, Range Road 175, Yellowhead County, AB T7E 3L7

Morley really did love flowers, so the family says bring them on!

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## David Bruce Best



David Bruce BEST, a long-time resident of Edson, passed away at the Edson Health Care Centre on Thursday, August 05, 2021 following a short illness. He was 74.

Bruce was born in Glace Bay, N.S. to Thomas and Verna BEST. There he honed his skills in hockey, baseball and fishing which he continued to enjoy later in life. He also found his love of horses at the small farm on the street he grew up on. He was a Queen Scout.

Following high school Bruce went to Corner Brook NFLD where he earned a certificate in paper making at the Bowater's Pulp and Paper mill. Not satisfied with that he went on to his true calling and enlisted in the R.C.M.P. in April 1968. Following his training he went on to postings in Ottawa, Three Hills, Provost, Ponoka, Foremost, Rocky Mountain House, Elk Point and finally Edson, where he retired with 35 years of Service retiring as a Staff Sergeant in charge of Edson Detachment in April 2003. He retired from the RCMP, but did not retire from work. Bruce started line locating in the oilfield servicing sector until 2021.

It was during his time in Ottawa where he met the love of his life Joanne WAINWRIGHT and married in 1970. Besides his parents he was predeceased by Joanne in 2014 and his brother Fred in April 2021. He is survived by his two loving daughters Trisha, of Revelstoke B.C. and Jodie (Matt), of Edson, a sister Judith and brother Terry.

In his many years in Alberta, he spent his time with Family and friends back country camping with the horses, particularly in the Cadomin area, continued playing hockey, baseball, fishing and took up golf and skiing. He supported both his girls in whatever sport they took up, any way he could.

What makes a man. The internet says it has to do with being there for someone, offering loyalty and support, being a good friend to both men and women, having a sense of humor and perspective on life are really important. He needs to be compassionate, unwaveringly loyal to family and a willingness to stand up for what is right, endure pain or hardships without showing his feelings or complaining. Bruce was all that and more. He had a warm smile and smart wit; he was tough but fair and a great mediator at home. He let his children make mistakes without telling them he told you so. Bruce was a great friend to many and a good friend to all. He loved all animals. He went hunting one time and encountered a deer caught in a fence. He put his rifle down and went and released the animal. Bruce loved his old cars but mostly Mopar products becoming good friends at the local Chrysler dealership. He was a Royal Canadian Legion member for 35 years and was an adherent to Anglican Church where he was a Lay-Reader.

The family would like to thank Dr. ZDRILL, Dr. KRUGER, Nurses and Staff at the Edson Health Care Centre for their care and support during his brief time in hospital.

Respecting Bruce's wishes there will be no service. A private family ceremony will be held at a later date. Those who wish to remember him can do so by making a donation to the Canadian Cancer Society, the SPCA, the Huntington's Society or a charity of one's choice.

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## Vivian Irene Valentine (Thompson)



Vivian Irene Valentine (Thompson) was born on February 15th, 1935 near Crooked River, Saskatchewan. She was the oldest of three girls born to James and Mary; her sisters were Ivy and Dorothy (Dot).

Vivian's mother passed away when she was only five years old. She quickly needed to grow up and soon learned what hard work was when she and Ivy were sent to live with an uncle, where at the age of six Vivian started milking cows morning and night. This was only one of the many chores that filled her days. In the winter Vivian and Ivy used homemade wooden skis to travel one and a half miles to and from school, if they were lucky they would catch a ride with one of their neighbours.

At the age of fifteen, Vivian was hired to work on another farm where she lived for nine years. It was there she met Gordon, who became the love of her life. They were married in Medicine Hat on March 31st, 1959.

Vivian and Gordon farmed near Pennant, Saskatchewan, where they raised Harold (Hal), Carolyn, and Gale. These were the happiest years of Vivian's life. She took pride in looking after the house, running the kids everywhere, chaperoning school events, keeping a huge garden, looking after the animals (cows, pigs, chickens, turkeys, ducks), working in the fields with Gordon, baling hay, and driving the grain truck. When the work was done, there were occasional water fights, football games, or trips to the river with the kids to cool off on hot summer days. Vivian took pride in running the Valentine Family Farm with Gordon, and her days living on the farm were always near and dear to her heart.

Even though Gordon passed away suddenly on December 9th, 1989 Vivian continued to live on the farm until January of 2001. The time was filled with frequent visits from Hal and Kim, Carolyn and Tim, Gale and Shaun and her grandkids Ryan, Blair, Ashley, Sam, Jordan, and Ally. Memories were made that will last a lifetime, including putting 100s of kilometers on the yellow trike, trips to the Cabri Pool for swim lessons, more water fights, digging holes in the snow banks, and threats with the wooden spoon.

In the winter of 2001 Vivian moved to Edson where Gale and Shaun were raising their family. She loved spending time with her two youngest granddaughters, and volunteering at both Westhaven and Evergreen elementary schools to help kids in their reading programs. She lived at Heritage Court in Edson making friends easily, and was always up for a game of cards with anyone who was willing to play. She moved into Parkland Lodge in 2016, where she enjoyed having other people to do her cooking and cleaning.

Due to declining health in January of 2020 Vivian moved back to Saskatchewan to be closer to more of her family - Carolyn and Tim, and Hal and Kim. This was just before the pandemic hit, but she made the best of it, even though she greatly missed seeing her family. For years she had been managing progressive health issues, which ended on the morning of July 13, 2021. She will always be remembered for her kind words, quick sense of humor, laugh and smile.

Vivian was a strong and kindhearted woman who will be fondly remembered, and is greatly missed by her family and friends.



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Taking pictures in my home as a family for Christmas cards or any other occasion is like herding cats.

I will fully confess that I am terrible at fake smiling and this does not help matters when we are trying to take a great picture. I like to smile but you

can clearly see when my smile is more about showing my teeth than smiling through my eyes. We often need to take many pictures before we capture the one that looks good.

Most of us are not professional photographers and we know people that are good at taking great pictures. It does take patience, you need a

certain amount of technical skill, and the right equipment helps.

Since the inception of smart phones and social media most of us take a lot of pictures. Some are instantly deleted, while others are kept.

Most of us, want something that will be a close and accurate representation of the moment.

Mug shots are good at this. You know who it is, but generally speaking no one is going to frame it on their wall at home.

Another type of picture is where someone will say, "Isn't that just typical of him?"

Mouth opened, eyes closed, not smiling properly." (Sound familiar?).

But occasionally you get one that is just about perfect.

People see it and say, "That's a great picture, it represents the person or family well.

Everything comes together in that picture, and

you might even consider framing it and hanging it on the wall.

Pictures are a way that we try to capture a moment that can represent what is happening.

The Bible gives a great picture of who Jesus is.

His actions, his grace, his patience, and his love. The list goes on about who Jesus is. Jesus came as God in the human flesh to offer hope. It's a picture worth more than a thousand words.

Often, we like to clean up our pictures and when they are good enough, we will post them on social media or frame them. The pictures that often catch our hearts are the ones that show the messiness of the moment. Jesus looks at us with our blemishes and our imperfections and offers a picture of hope and forgiveness. It's a picture that will never fade.

Is this a picture that your heart and soul need to capture? You can come as you are.

## What's happening, when and where in the community

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Family Fun Kits** Register to borrow a kit from FCSS Yellowhead County 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935

**Story Walk** now at Wildwood. Look at Yellowhead County's ad inside the paper for details.

**YELLOWHEAD-OPOLY:** An interactive twist to one of your favorites. Register at 780-325-3782 or email abarrett-hamilton@yellowheadcounty.ab.ca

**NEW Outdoor** activity challenge Pump Track Sticker Book: Pick up your free sticker book at County offices in Edson and Wildwood. Contact by phone 780-723-4800 or email jmateri@yellowheadcounty.ab.ca

**July 14-Sept 1:** Youth Interagency Wild Wednesday Ages 11-17 For mor info check out Edson.ca/yia Register online or in person at Repsol Place

**July 20, 27** August 3, 10, 17 Life Skills Bootcamp Peers (Multiplex) ages 14-18 to register call 780-325-3782 or email slabrie@yhcounty.ca

**July 21, 28** August 4, 11, 18 Life Skills Bootcamp Evansburg Camp (Museum) ages 14-18 to register contact 780-325-3782 or email slabrie@yhcounty.ca

**August 19:** Art on Main Main Street 2<sup>nd</sup> ave to 4<sup>th</sup> ave Shop Local for more info contact EDSON.CA/ARTINTHEPARK or email DIANAI@EDSON.CA

**August 24:** Babysitting Course Ages 11+

held at Tipple park Museum 9AM-3:00PM Register at 780-325-3782

**Poker Derby** and Pork Roast Supper on August 28, 2021. Registration starts at 11:00 am at the Beaver Meadow Hall (55518-RR 123 Yellowhead County). For more info contact Gladys at (780) 723-1435, Pat at (780) 712-0049 or Carolyn at (780) 706-4708.

**First Wednesday** of Every Month: Senior's Recycling Day. Between 10 am and 2 pm, senior citizens are welcome to visit the depot for snacks and refreshments while their staff unloads your sorted recyclables free of charge. See the Senior's Day Facebook Event for more details.

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Wheelchair accessible, kitchen facility, centrally located. 4725 9th Ave. They hold a meeting the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm. For more info and prices call Holt at 780-728-8973.  
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**Wildwood Community Hall** To book please contact: Marjorie Russell at 780-325-2180 or Mary Anderson at 780-514-6105.  
*\*Regional hall services may be temporarily limited. Please call ahead.*

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 Pastors John & Roberta Greiner: Heather & Daniel Greiner  
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**EDSON ALLIANCE CHURCH**  
 5525-2nd Ave., Edson Ph: 723-5776 Pastor Bryan Walter  
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship Service  
 Wednesday: 7 p.m. Prayer Meeting;  
**EDSON BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 4719 - 9th Ave., Ph: 723-3982  
 Pastor Mesh Hit  
 Sunday Services: 10:45 a.m.  
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 6212 - 13th Ave., Edson  
 Telephone: 723-4922. Sunday Worship 9:45 am. Sunday School 11a.m.  
**EDSON-PEERS CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH**  
 4633-7th Ave., Edson - Ph: 723-5242 Pastor Dan Meyer  
 Worship: 10:30 a.m. Edson - Nursery provided Sunday School  
**EDSON SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH**  
 1133-55 St. Edson - Ph: 723-5490.  
 Saturday Morning Service at 11:00 a.m. Sabbath School at 10:00 a.m.  
**EDSON UNITED CHURCH**  
 Sunday Worship & Sunday School: 10:30 a.m. Rev. Kimberly Roy  
 1214 Edson Drive, Edson, AB  
 Phone: 723-3418  
**FAMILY OF FAITH CHURCH**  
 463 72 St., Edson (formerly Glenwood Hall), Telephone: 780-517-7558  
 Sunday: 10:00 am - Coffee and Donuts; 10:30 am - Morning Service  
 Pastors: Pastors John and Ingrid Huizing vfm@shaw.ca  
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**SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
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 Telephone: 723-3661.  
 Pastor Father Thomas Basani (SAC)  
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**ENTWISTLE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
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 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.  
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**Notice to Creditors and Claimants**  
 Estate of Irene Isabel Stevens who died on July 18, 2021  
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 with SHARI L. BOISVERT  
 at Boisvert Law Group  
 P.O. Box 6568  
 324- 50 St.,  
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It will be held  
**September 11, 2021**  
 at the  
**Edson Legion**  
 from  
**11am to 2pm**

For more information contact  
 Louis Stupar at 250-765-5958

## Referendum to be held on October 18, 2021

Elections Alberta has received the Orders in Council to conduct a Referendum Vote in conjunction with the 2021 Alberta Municipal Elections and the Alberta Senate Election on October 18, 2021.

Both referendum questions allow for a 'yes' vote or a 'no' vote. The two questions are:

Should section 36(2) of the Constitution Act, 1982 – Parliament and the government of Canada's commitment to the principle of making equalization payments – be removed from the constitution?

Do you want Alberta to adopt year-round Daylight Saving Time, which is summer hours, eliminating the need to change our clocks twice a year?

### Conducting the Vote

All local jurisdictions holding elections on October 18, 2021, will facilitate the vote by also issuing the referendum ballot to electors. In addition to Election Day voting, local jurisdictions may also offer advance voting, institutional voting, and special ballot voting. At each voting opportunity, the referendum ballot will be provided to electors to vote in this election.

As not all communities hold elections on October 18, 2021, Elections Alberta and Alberta Municipal Affairs are working with First Nation communities, Métis Settlements, Lloydminster, Summer Villages, Improvement Districts, and Special Areas to provide voting opportunities for electors residing in these communities.

### Eligibility to Vote

Canadian citizens who reside in Alberta and are at least 18 years of age or older on Election Day are eligible to vote in the referendum. As the vote is being conducted by local jurisdictions, electors must vote in the municipality or local jurisdiction in which they reside.

### Third Party Advertisers

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### Announcement of Official Results

Following the close of voting on October 18, all local jurisdictions will complete the unofficial count of ballots. These counts are submitted to Elections Alberta for tabulation. The official announcement of the provincial referendum results will take place on October 26, 2021.

### Result of Vote

The referendum question regarding equalization is a constitutional question asked under the authority of section 1 of the Referendum Act.

The referendum question regarding Daylight Saving Time is a non-constitutional question asked under section 5.1 of the Referendum Act. The result of the vote on the Daylight Saving Time question is binding.

For more information about the Referendum, visit [www.elections.ab.ca](http://www.elections.ab.ca), call toll free at 1.877.422.VOTE (8683).

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- Grade 8 Locker – **Monday, Aug 30<sup>th</sup> 1:30 – 2:30 pm**
- Grade 9 Lockers – **Monday, Aug 30<sup>th</sup> 2:30 – 3:30 pm**
- School starts **September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 – 8:30 a.m.**

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