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Happy New Year 2022 from local businesses...

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Edson-County Recreation Multi-Use Facility groundbreaking potentially by fall 2022

Progress continues on the joint Edson and Yellowhead County Recreation Multi-Use Facility.

The Project Management Committee has been meeting virtually with three pre-

qualified bidders working on their proposal submissions for the project. Proposals will include a design of the facility, costing, and a construction timeline.

The goal is for proposals to be presented to the Town of Edson and Yellowhead County Councils in the spring, with potential ground-breaking at the Hillendale location in the late

fall of 2022. The build time will span two-and-a-half to three years, and the joint Council-based Steering Committee directing the project sees no

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Two young shoppers Claire and Alaina seen with a few of the special elves on December 10th at Santa's Little LEAP Gift Shop (see story page 3). photo Deanna Mitchener

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The Hillendale location for the future Edson and Yellowhead County Recreation Multi-Use Facility. The build time will span two-and-a-half to three years. submitted

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barriers to meeting that timeline. “The Town of Edson is very pleased to see this exciting project moving forward,” said Edson Mayor Zahara. “This type of facility will be a great benefit to the region, and we’re extremely pleased to work with our partners in Yellowhead County, as well as the provincial and federal governments to see it to fruition.”

County Mayor Wade Williams said, “The steering committee is eagerly awaiting the design options from the three bidders. The committee and administration have worked hard to ensure the input from our residents and stakeholder groups is reflected accurately in this new facility we want to get it right.”

This \$70 million project will provide a full range of ice, aquatic, walking track, and gymnasium based recreation and sport development opportunities for the residents of all ages in the

region, now and into the future. The project priorities that were set are function over form, maximized utilization, and operational efficiencies through design with a focus on flexible spaces.

Both municipalities remain committed to the project and to fostering their historic partnership, which is one of the strongest in the province.

To keep updated on the joint Edson and Yellowhead County Recreation Multi-Use Facility Project, please visit www.edson.ca/facility.

Peers and District Cultural and Agricultural Society
o/a Peers Area Community Group

AGM
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Monday, January 10, 2022

beginning at 7:00pm
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KID'S CORNER



Say hello to 8 year old **Neil Patel** who is in Grade 3 at MBE.

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What is the grossest thing you've eaten? A frog popsicle.

What food can you make by yourself? A sandwich.



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LEAP into shopping



by Deanna Mitchener

It was a great turn out for the Edson LEAP Centre and the LEAP Society for their first annual Santa's Little LEAP Gift Shop. A lot of hard work went into organizing and decorating for this event, and in the end it looked so good that it could have fit in at a festive mall in the city.

Anna Vander Haeghe with the LEAP Centre said, "The shopping went really well. The kids were so excited during the shopping process, many of them really taking their time in choosing something for their loved one."

The fundraiser saw 120 shoppers, ranging in age from two years old to people in their 20s. "We were happy to have some adults with differing abilities enjoy our event and hope to see more McMan and S.C.O.P.E. adults next year shop for their loved ones," said Anna.

The Gift Shop had 15-16 volunteers involved, with some acting as Elves and others helping with other aspects of the event. The fundraiser also received many donations in the weeks and days leading up to the event.

"Everything from wrapping paper, bows, gifts, and money to be used to purchase gifts," Anna explained. "We had a couple Society members volunteer hours of their time with the planning phase. Set up took a team of six Elves approximately six hours to set it up."

The group wanted the experience to "look inviting and very festive" so it was decorated with blow up Christmas decorations, child-sized shopping carts all done up in Christmas décor, and a fully decorated shopping area organized by gift type (such as young child, child, female loved one, male loved one, etc). "This way it made it a bit easier for the children to make decisions with less input from the Elves," Anna said.

"The Elves wished they kept a list of the things that the shoppers said because some were just priceless! We had one shopper exclaim, 'My Dad loves to clean his car and I love to help him' after he found a car cleaning kit! He was even more excited that the gift included the bucket the cleaning supplies were in," Anna said. "Another shopper was asked if his father liked tools and he replied, 'Yes he does, he has lots and doesn't use them!'"

"We had many families contact us after the event saying that their children could not stop talking about it all day. And other families message us and tell us that they had to open their gifts right away as their young children could just not wait!" said Anna. "We had amazing feedback from families and we ourselves enjoyed the event so much. We look forward to offering it again next year."

If any businesses or individual people are interested in donating gifts toward this event next year, they can get in touch with the Edson LEAP Society. If any businesses or individual people are interested in donating money to help families access private (non health covered) services in their community, please also contact the Edson LEAP Society at edsonleapsociety@gmail.com.

A couple of young shoppers had some help with their gift wrapping after doing some shopping at Santa's Little LEAP Gift Shop. photo Deanna Mitchener



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County departments give update to Council

by Shaylyn Thornton

At their December 14 G&P Committee Meeting, Yellowhead County Council heard highlights and updates from both the Infrastructure and Planning Department and the Community Services Department. This would be their last update before the new year.

Director of Infrastructure Services Don O'Quinn presented for his department first. He said that all construction projects have been shutdown for the winter, and that the Swanson Road reconstruction is 100% complete and any minor deficiencies will be corrected in 2022.

The girders on the CN Obed overpass have now been demolished, and demolition of the piers is set to be completed in 2022. The department has also completed work on RR92 (UFA) Wildwood, with minor deficiencies to be completed in 2022.

O'Quinn noted that the design of the Marlboro Lagoon discharge line is ongoing, as are winter maintenance operations.

The Planning section of the department is currently working on a number of projects, including implementing a performance monitoring program for the 2021 Land Use Bylaw (LUB), implementing an on-line and more user friendly LUB, and completing on-line mapping for the 2021 LUB.

They are also working on updating/amending the Town of Hinton and Edson Intermunicipal Development Plans to align with the 2021 LUB and updating/amending various Hamlet and other Area Structure Plans to align with the 2021 LUB. The team is also working on the creation/registration of road plans.

Council voted to accept the

Infrastructure and Planning Departmental Highlights as information.

Director of Community Services Deborah Juch also shared with Council a number of highlights and updates from her department.

Regarding Agricultural Services, a number of extension programs were held including a Working Well Virtual Program, a Farmers Advocate planning extension, and a Horticulture Series.

Juch noted that Incident Command System (ICS) Levels 100 and 200 Emergency Management Certification was achieved by all four permanent Ag Services staff. The team has also been working on creating Lake Health videos.

The Parks & Recreation Department worked on planning and carrying out a number of programs and events, including 12 days of Christmas Crafts (an online family program), World Snow Day plans, and a Rural Runathon which had approximately 75 residents participate in October.

In addition to seasonal updates such as hanging light fixtures and flooding skating rinks, the team has been working on winterizing equipment.

All staff completed their ICS100 and the Supervisor completed Emergency Social Services Facility Management training. Juch also noted that a Steering Committee Meeting has been arranged for the YCE Centre.

The FCSS Department onboarded their new Advisory Board and held their first meeting, and then staff and board members attended the FCSS Association of Alberta 2021 Conference on December 2-3.

They have also been helping facilitate Drive Happiness volunteers and offering support to a large number of Home Support clientele.

They also offered White Hatter

Internet Safety sessions, implemented the Comfort Boxes youth program, and distributed 116 Wellness Kits in Robb.

The Historical Services Department has been focusing on education, attending Tipple Park Museum's Luminaria event to help educate the public about the Heritage Program. They also activated Facebook pages for the Heritage Program.

The Department has been working with the creators of the Canadian

History Ehx podcast to develop an episode on the history of Yellowhead County.

The team also reformatted and updated the Evansburg Cemetery map, and they replaced two historical original maps of Junkins (Wildwood) with reproductions, moving the originals to archive storage.

Council voted to accept the Community Services Departmental Highlights as information.

TOWN OF EDSON

Public Information & Notices 2021

Town of Edson
Office Hours:
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(Closed Stat Holidays)

2022

Waste Collection Pickup Schedule

- Monday Organics
- Tuesday Organics
- Wednesday Organics
- Thursday Organics
- Household Waste A
- Household Waste B

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Waste Collection Routes/Schedule

Organics - Monday

Household Waste A - Friday

Organics - Tuesday

Household Waste A - Friday

Organics - Wednesday

Household Waste B - Friday

Organics - Thursday

Household Waste B - Friday

Organics pickup is every week during the summer months and every 2 weeks during the winter, based on the routes above. Household waste collection is every 2 weeks. See the schedule for your pickup dates. For more information, please call Public Works at 780-723-6461 or go to www.edson.ca/curbside.

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Edson Feedback is Welcome!

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Land Use Amending Bylaw No. 2269

Council will hold a Zoom Public Hearing to consider a proposed amendment to Land Use Bylaw No. 2070 on **Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 7:00 pm through Zoom Meeting online**

If approved, Land Use Bylaw No. 2070 will be amended to **add Staff Accommodation to the M-1A (Light Industrial—Serviced) District:**

To view details of the application, please see: www.edson.ca/bylaws

You may submit written comments by emailing: daniell@edson.ca; by mailing: Legislative Services—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 Councils 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 **January 11, 2022 at 7:00 pm.** Register here at https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_x5YiVszLQVSdSWjdOyI5hA or contact daniell@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.

Edson Feedback is Welcome!

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Land Use Amending Bylaw No. 2271

Council will hold a Zoom Public Hearing to consider a proposed amendment to Land Use Bylaw No. 2070 on **Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 7:00 pm through Zoom Meeting online**

If approved, Land Use Bylaw No. 2070 will be amended to **add a Direct Control District which includes Temporary Staff Accommodation. The Direct Control District applies to 351 26 Street (Plan 0620808, Block 4, Lot 3).**

To view details of the application, please see: www.edson.ca/bylaws

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NOTICE OF DEVELOPMENT

Notice is hereby given that the Development Authority has authorized the issuance of the following Development Permits in accordance with the Town of Edson Land Use Bylaw #2070 as amended:

Permit #	Address/Legal	Development Type	Use	Date Issued Online	Zoning
Week 2	107 50 Street/ Plan 1494 AC, Block 6, Lot 4to5	Change of Use to professional, office and business support service	Permitted	December 15, 2021	C-1

Any person who deems to be affected by the issuance of any one of these permits may appeal to the Subdivision and Development Authority by **4:00 p.m., on the 21st day after the date of issue as published on the Town’s website (www.edson.ca/development).** On Permitted Uses, grounds for appeal must relate only to interpretation, variance, or relaxation of Land Use Bylaw 2070. On Discretionary Uses, all aspects of the proposed development may be challenged upon appeal. Written notice of appeal, accompanied by the appeal fee as established by Town Council, must be filed through the Office of the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board at Box 6300, Edson, AB T7E 1T7. **Direct Control District Approvals cannot be appealed.**

The Weekly ANCHOR

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Happy New Year!

With the pandemic filling much of the headlines, 2021 is



**From the
Publisher's Desk**
Dana McArthur
Member Canadian Association of Journalists

a year where looking forward to 2022 would be a healthier approach than a retrospective look back on those stories.

Despite that, there was still a lot of good news. Grants and funding were put in place for the Multi-Use facility; students returned to classrooms in May; Edson Eagles Jr. A team opened a new season; as well as the return of Edson's Annual Santa Parade. These were just a few of the goods news stories of 2021.

As we look forward to ringing in the New Year, focussing on the positive news and coping as best we can with the rest, will help see us through to better days ahead.

What's important to remember, is to be kind to one another through the stressful times and seek the support of family and friends. Confidential help is also available for those needing support. Alberta's Mental Health Help Line operates 24/7 at 1-877-

303-2642. You can also contact Yellowhead County FCSS at 780-325-3782 and ask to speak with someone about the Emotional Safe Spot Program.

As glasses are raised, whether it's online or in person with family, it's important to recognize the special opportunities the New Year brings. 2022 offers us a new beginning, a fresh start, and the hope of returning to our more familiar 'normal'.

Whether your New Year's resolution consists of finding new ways to exercise, putting your hand in the cookie jar less often, or giving your heartfelt best in your relationships with loved ones —it's about doing the little things with great love that defines the year we will have.

As this year draws to a close, let's all look forward to a 2022 filled with the promise of a brighter, and better tomorrow.

Happy New Year from the staff and management at The Weekly Anchor.

THANK-YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2022

**FROM THE
WEEKLY ANCHOR**

**There will be
no issue for Jan 3, 2022
due to staff holiday break.
We'll be back to our
weekly schedule
with our January 10 issue.**

**Office will be closed Dec 25 reopening Jan 3.
*We will be checking emails and messages
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Edson RCMP Occurrences

For the week of Dec 13 to Dec 19, 2021

Traffic Collisions topped the list of Edson RCMP investigations at 28. Other investigations included: Alarms/False Alarms 3; Animal Calls 3; Assault 3; Assistance Calls 10; Causing a Disturbance 1; Fail to Comply with Conditions 2; Firearms Act 1; Harassment 1; Impaired Operation of Motor Vehicle 1; Mental Health Act 6; Mischief 7; Missing Person 1; Sudden Death 2; Suspicious Persons/Vehicles 15; Theft Complaints 6; Traffic Complaints 15; Trespassing 1; Unlawfully in Dwelling 2; Wellbeing Check 7; and Traffic Violations 9.

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County reviews Snow Removal Policy

by Shaylyn Thornton

At the December 14 Governance & Priorities Committee Meeting, County Director of Infrastructure and Planning Services Don O'Quinn presented Yellowhead County's Snow Removal Policy 3200.22 to Council for review.

O'Quinn explained that the policy was developed to provide a standard by which the County will maintain municipal roads to ensure reasonably safe and passable conditions during the winter season.

"During inclement weather there will be times when the demand for snow and ice control will exceed the available resources and the County will need to conduct operations according to approved priorities," said O'Quinn.

The policy outlines the order of priorities, the conditions by which operations would commence, as well as the timelines for operations to be completed.

The policy states that Grader snow removal operations will occur at the conclusion of a storm event or sooner if snow accumulations reach 10-15cm on the roadway, or if drifting conditions prevail, and will follow this order of priorities: 1.

Gravel collector roads, 2. Gravel local roads, 3. Hamlets, 4. Fire hall accesses, 5. Approaches to private driveways, 6. Community facilities (halls/arenas).

Plow truck snow removal operations should commence before snow becomes packed by traffic, or when snow accumulations exceed 3cm, in the following priority order: 1. Paved collector roads, 2. Paved local roads/subdivisions, 3. Hamlets.

Other policy principles include:

- The County will clear snow from all municipal roads in four days after the conclusion of a storm event.

- As part of regular snow plowing operations, plows will inevitably leave windrows across approaches into private properties. Although operators will try to mitigate the size of the windrows whenever possible, Yellowhead County will only remove the windrows or plow the approaches as time and equipment permit.

- Claims will not be considered by the County for property damage to vegetation on private property or to vehicles on County roads as a result of snow coming off the plow blade or sanding materials spread by the equipment during snow plowing or

sanding operations.

Councillor Dawn Mitchell commended O'Quinn and his team on their snow removal processes. "I have heard nothing but good things about our order of priorities and the service that we do provide our ratepayers so good job on that, thank you," she said.

Councillor Brigitte Lemieux asked what the difference between a collector road and a local road is. O'Quinn explained that a collector road is a road that collects traffic from lower volume roads (which are more local-type roads), making a collector road a higher volume road.

O'Quinn also noted that when it comes to complaints, those who don't receive service right away are most likely to call in, so the team puts in effort to ensure fairness to ratepayers. "What we try to do is not make everybody first or last every time. We try to get into an area and if you're first this time, you may be last the next time," O'Quinn said.

With the first big snow dump the area received, the County finished operations in about three days, which Mayor Wade Williams noted was done in a "very timely manner." Council voted unanimously to accept the policy review as information.

Knight Riders 4-H Multi Club update

by Tayla Plunkie, 4-H Club reporter

Our club is the Knight Riders 4-H Multi Club, and we have 15 members this year. Our club has equine, market beef, outdoors, poultry, k9, and forging. We started our year in October 2021 and our year ends June 2022.

On December 3, 2021 awards were handed out for the 2020-2021 club year participants. Everyone got an award for each of their projects that they participated in last year.

Tristan and Max receive a forging hammer and some outdoor equipment (whistle and compass).

Hayden and Dakota both received a wooden show box, a forging hammer, and bucket tie. Arthur got a bucket and horse and outdoor equipment.

Jasmine and Tayla both got wood show boxes, buckets, and horse equipment. Jasmine also got outdoor equipment.

Tayden got a bucket and horse equipment and a forging hammer. Joselyn got a bucket and horse stuff. Two members were not present to receive their awards.

We would like to thank the Coal Branch Hotel from Robb, AB for sponsoring our awards for the 2020-2021 year.



The Knight Riders 4-H Multi Club held their awards for the 2020-2021 club year. Each participant received an award for their project. submitted

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Sadly missed by your loving wife Cheryl, five children Jamie, Rob, Kimberly, Kyle and Blair and seven grandchildren Teagan, Brooke, Emma, Thomas, Ari, Josephine, Jaxon and Hayes.

Edson Legion gives out community donations



Larry Williams, Poppy Chairman of the Joe Wynne Branch 51 of the Royal Canadian Legion presents Poppy Fund Bursaries to Ashlynn Martin and Stephanie Corner. Each girl received \$2000 toward their educations. photo Dawn Olsvik



Jim Gomuwka, on behalf of the Edson Seniors Transportation, receives a donation of \$2500 from Ron Ronneseth of Edson Legion. photo Dawn Olsvik



Pat Pethick from the Edson Day Care Society accepts a \$1000 donation from Ron Ronneseth of the Edson Legion. photo Dawn Olsvik



Ron Ronneseth, representing the Royal Canadian Legion presents a donation of \$750 to Annette and Ian McGill of the Edson Pipe and Drums. photo Dawn Olsvik



Tennille Williams receives a \$3500 donation on behalf of the Edson Figure Skating Club from Legion representative Ron Ronneseth. submitted



Ron Ronneseth presents a \$1000 donation to Edson Kinnettes on behalf of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 51. submitted



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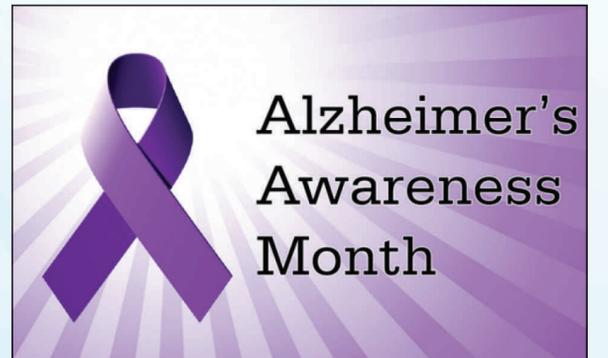
Registration deadline is January 25. Registration is limited!
Contact 780-325-3782 or wrobinson@yhcounty.ca to register.



Approved Development Permits have been issued authorizing the following:

Permit No.	Location	Proposal	Date
D21-174	Plan 9921805, Blk 1, Lot 2 Plan 1522367, Blk 3, Lot 2 SE 13-53-18-W5 Edson Area	Accessory Building – Chain Link Fence on North, East and South Property Boundaries – Variance for Fence Height on East and South Boundaries	Dec 14/21
D21-175	NE 22-54-14-W5 Peers Area	Home Business Small (Meat Processing), Carport with Addition to residence	Dec 15/21

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.



Alzheimer's Awareness Month

Are you or your family affected by dementia?
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January is Alzheimer's Awareness Month and a chance for individuals to learn more about dementia and its impact on the people living with dementia, their families, their caregivers and their communities.



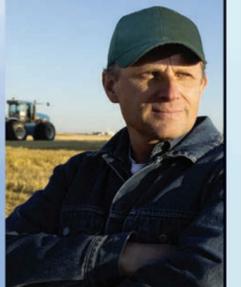
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- Property rights resources



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Yellowhead County would like to remind landowners that any taxes outstanding after December 31, 2021 will be subject to a 6% penalty.

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- Internet banking (Your Tax Roll Number is your Account number)
- Courier or Canada Post (postmarked on/or before December 31, 2021)

For more information please call 780-723-4800 Monday to Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm with the exception of December 24, 27, and 28, as the office will be closed.



Corporate & Planning Services

Red Brick hosts Christmas Craft Days

by Shaylyn Thornton

The Red Brick Arts Centre opened its doors to children in the community for three different Christmas Craft Days this December, where the kids would create Christmas crafts that would be used as gifts. The Red Brick also provided two gift bags and tissue paper to each participant.

The first two dates were on December 10 and 17 and kids ages 7-12 were invited to join the fun. Registration was required, and each event filled up right away.

12 children attended each event, where they painted signs on wood canvases that featured either a truck hauling a Christmas tree with the words 'Merry Christmas' or featured Santa's sleigh and the words 'Claus Express Mailing'.

The attendees at the first two events also created a mason jar snow globe and homemade Christmas cards.

The third event was held on December 18 and had 13 kids in attendance. Once again, the registration for the event filled up almost immediately.

The kids for the third event were ages 5-7 and they painted signs with either the word 'Merry' or 'Bright'. They started by painting over a stencil of the word, and then when that was dry they removed the stencil and finger painted lights and ornaments all around the word itself.

The instructors, Morgan Konchakowski (Cultural Liaison & Office Assistant) and Kaili Redlick (Fall Programming Coordinator) encouraged the children to be creative, allowing them to pick their own colors and design their crafts however they liked.

The kids also created snowman ornaments that they painted after filling transparent globes with mini marshmallows and two homemade Christmas cards.

Something that many of the children were excited for was when they made 'reindeer food' by filling up a small brown paper bag with oats, bird seed, etc that they would be allowed to leave outside Christmas Eve for the reindeer.

When the kids finished their crafts, they were allowed to color in coloring pages or write a letter to Santa. After Morgan finished helping everyone wrap their gifts in gift bags and tissue paper, the class played Heads-Up-7-Up and Christmas Charades until their parents arrived to pick them up.

The entire event had the kids eagerly working on their crafts, excited to be there and having a great time.

6-year-old Stevie said that she loved all of the crafts and was very excited to hang her snowman ornaments on the tree, while 5-year-old Aubrey said that she was excited to give her painted canvas to her Mommy and her snowman-hand Christmas card to her Daddy.

5-year-old Madison planned to spread out her homemade gifts to her Mommy, Daddy, and little sister, and 6-year-old William was excited to give his to his parents and Grandma.

7-year-old Henley said that she loved all of the crafts and that she just loves crafts in general, which is why she was so excited to take part in the event. She was excited to give some of her crafts to her Mom, and to share the reindeer food with the reindeer.

The events were very well-organized, with instructors having instructions ready to go on different parts of the crafts as kids finished and/or to give things time to dry.

Morgan and Kaili were ready to answer each and every question throughout the event, often going the extra mile to find a special color that a child was requesting or to help a kid out with a more challenging aspect of a project.

The Red Brick Arts Centre also had a local business that went the extra mile, as Bannister GM donated a "melted snowman" water bottle for each child to enjoy during the Craft Day.

Kaili said that the idea behind the Craft Days came from the desire to bring more people into the museum even with all of the COVID restrictions. "We thought we would start with kids craft days and hopefully find similar type events that adults would like to attend," she said.

Because of the holiday season they set up with a Christmas theme and hope to do other similar events for other holidays such as Valentine's Day in the future.

Their first attempt at the Craft Days "went really well" and with how quickly each of the days filled up, they should have no problem finding participants for future events as well.

Currently, no other craft days are planned, but the Red Brick is doing a project that features local authors.

"We think it is important to support local and what a wonderful way to support artists within the community," said Kaili. "If there is a local author who would be interested in participating, we want to invite them to send us an email at echored@telus.net."



5-7 age group at the December 18 Red Brick Christmas Craft Day stopped to take a quick photo with their newly-made gifts before being picked up by their parents. photo Shaylyn Thornton

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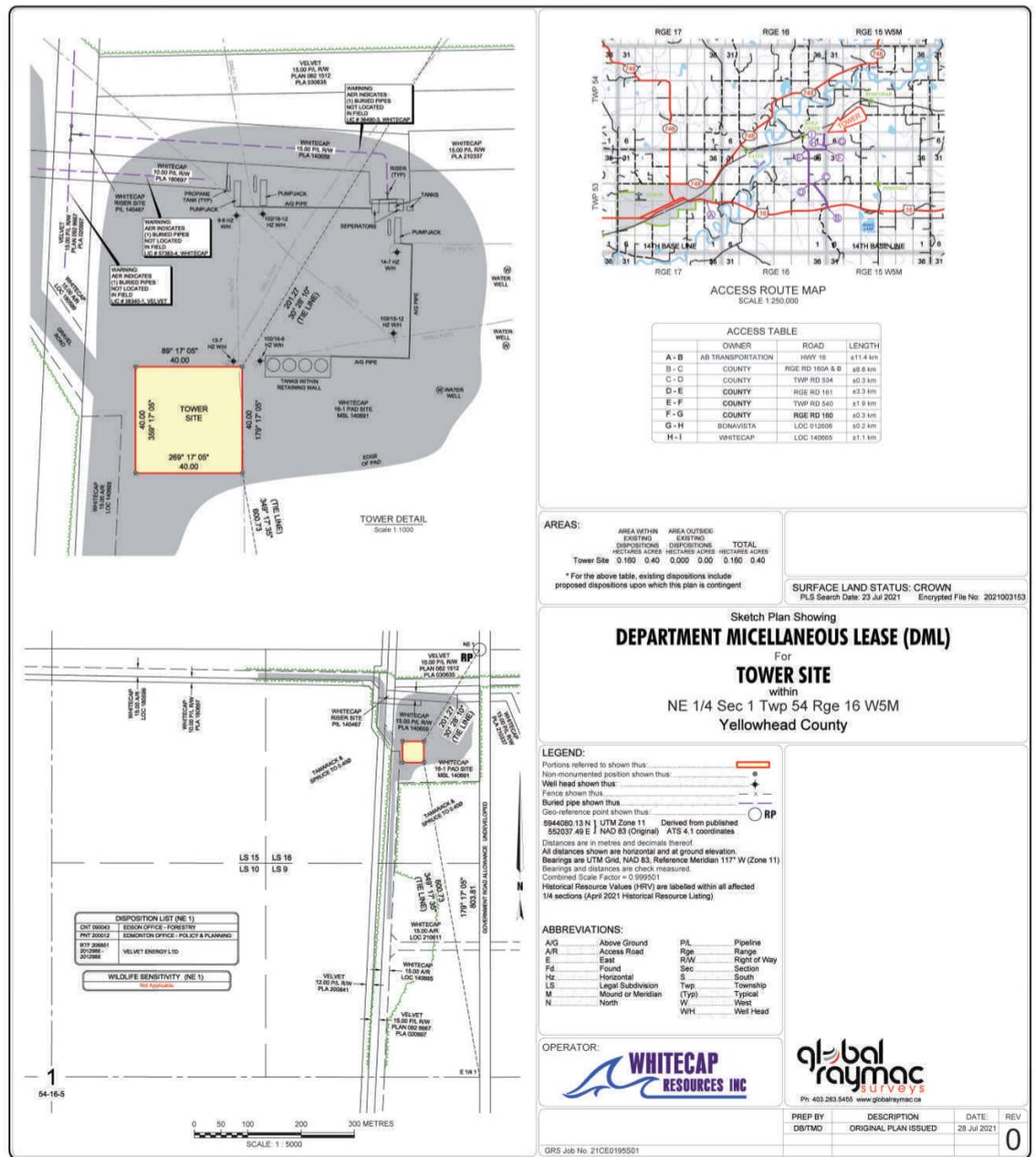
Whitecap Resources Inc. (Whitecap) is proposing to construct a 100m self-supporting Emergency Telecommunications Tower at their 16-1-54-16 W5M Wellsite (MSL 140691) and as shown on the attached Plan of Survey.

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Construction of the noted facility will commence as soon as permits and approvals are issued. Since the facility is contained entirely within existing dispositions, there will be no need for additional land to accommodate the build. The facility will be constructed using good engineering practices and standards of the National Building Code.

If you have questions or require more information regarding this project, please contact Kent O'Shea at (587) 390-7774 or email koshea@wcap.ca. Any inquiries that are received as a result of this notification will be logged and submitted to both Yellowhead County and Industry Canada, as part of the application requirements.

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Booster shots now available for all ages 18 and over

December 21, 2021: Alberta's government is taking further steps to strengthen vaccine protection and testing while bringing in new public health measures to reduce contact between Albertans as Omicron cases continue to grow.

All Albertans aged 18 and older can now book a booster shot, as long as at least five months have passed since their second dose, and Alberta has authorized the purchase of 10 million rapid tests.

New measures that will take effect on Dec. 24 will focus on avoiding super-spreader events by decreasing contacts in large capacity venues and limiting unrestricted activities where there is a high risk of transmission.

Albertans are also being asked to reduce their social contacts by 50 per cent during the holiday season.

"While these new measures will hopefully lower the risk at large events, our small everyday actions can have a big impact. This is why I appeal to all Albertans to reduce their number of contacts by half over the coming weeks, follow the guidelines already in place, and get the vaccine booster as soon as they are eligible. It's the single most important thing anybody can do right now to protect themselves from Omicron." —Jason Kenney, Premier

Omicron cases are currently doubling in a matter of days.

New public health measures

The new mandatory measures taking effect at 12:01 a.m. on Dec. 24 are:

- For venues in the Restrictions Exemption Program – 50 per cent capacity limit at venues that seat more than 1,000 people. For venues with capacity of between 500 and 1,000 occupants, 500 is the limit.
- No food or drink consumption in seated audience settings or during intermissions in the above-mentioned venues.
- There is no impact on venues under 500.
- Maximum table capacity of 10 people in restaurants, pubs and bars. No mingling between tables.
- No interactive activities at restaurants, pubs and bars (e.g., dancing, darts and billiards).
- Restaurants, pubs and bars must stop liquor service at 11 p.m., and close at 12:30 a.m.

Restrictions continue for both indoor and outdoor social gatherings, weddings, funerals, places of worship and businesses. Albertans should also refrain from workplace social gatherings.

Masking remains mandatory in all indoor public spaces, including in facilities participating in the Restrictions Exemption Program. Masks should fit well and be of high quality. Albertans with risk factors for severe outcomes should wear medical

masks in settings with those outside of their household.

COVID-19 boosters

All Albertans aged 18 and older who received their second COVID-19 vaccine at least five months ago can now book a third dose.

Albertans are encouraged to take the first mRNA vaccine available to them for a third dose. Both the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines offer a high level of protection against COVID-19, particularly against severe outcomes.

Pfizer will be offered to Albertans 18

to 29 years of age for booster purposes as a cautionary measure. While there is an increased risk of myocarditis in younger Albertans, especially in males, from Moderna, individuals are much more likely to experience myocarditis from COVID-19 infection than the vaccine.

All Albertans aged 18 and older can book appointments for third doses online with participating pharmacies or AHS by using the Alberta vaccine [booking system](#) or by calling AHS at 811.

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SWIM CLUB TEAM



Say hello to 14 year old Orca Hailee Johnston in intermediates. Hailee joined the club in 2015.

My favorite stroke? breast stroke

My favorite event to race? 50M breast stroke

My hobbies are: drawing, swimming, volleyball

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Ivermectin and COVID-19



Ivermectin is an anti-parasitic medicine developed to treat worms and parasites in animals. It has also been found useful in treating some human diseases related to worms and parasites.

But parasites are not the same as viruses, and COVID-19 is caused by a virus.

Neither the veterinary nor human drug versions of ivermectin have been deemed safe or effective for use in treating or preventing COVID-19.

Even the drug manufacturer has issued a statement that ivermectin should not be used for COVID-19.

There is no evidence that ivermectin benefits COVID-19 patients, but there are known harms. Ivermectin use has been associated with rash, nausea, vomiting, low blood pressure, abdominal pain, tremors, seizures and severe hepatitis (liver disease) requiring hospitalization.

The use of veterinary versions of ivermectin is especially risky because they may contain ingredients not used in medications for humans, and they are meant for use in much larger animals like horses and cattle. Consuming large amounts of veterinary ivermectin can cause poisoning and even lead to death.

Alberta Health Services' Scientific Advisory Group has reviewed the existing studies using ivermectin in the prevention and treatment of COVID-19. The Scientific Advisory Group agrees with expert groups that include Health Canada, the Food and Drug Administration, World Health Organization and professional regulatory groups such as

the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta and the Alberta College of Pharmacy. There is no high-quality evidence that ivermectin is effective against COVID-19.

Visit www.ahs.ca/covid to get the facts on ivermectin, and to view the full report from the Scientific Advisory Group.

Vaccination remains our best means of preventing COVID-19. Our COVID-19 vaccines are safe, fully approved and have been studied in high quality trials of tens of thousands of people. All Albertans who are eligible are encouraged to book their shot by calling 811, visiting a walk-in clinic, contacting a doctor's office or visiting bookvaccine.alberta.ca.



École Pine Grove Middle School Students Participate in Virtual Indigenous School Games



GNS: Good News Story

École Pine Grove staff and students had the amazing opportunity to participate in the Fall/Winter Virtual Indigenous School Games put on by [The Indigenous Sport Council of Alberta](#).

Students participated in traditional and modern games for the opportunity to win medals and a banner for the school. Students had a blast competing in games such as Big Hoop, Basketball Challenge, Foxtails and Targets, The Strong Person Carry, and Kneel Jump.

Congratulations ÉPGMS for making the first Indigenous Games Week a success!!



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Dense breasts are only one of many risk factors for breast cancer. Other factors, such as age and genetics, have a bigger impact on your overall risk. You can't tell how dense your breasts are by size, look or feel. The only way to find out is by having a

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Talk to your health-care provider about your breast density score and your personal risk of breast cancer. Learn more about breast density on screeningforlife.ca.

Is it safe to go for screening mammograms during COVID-19?

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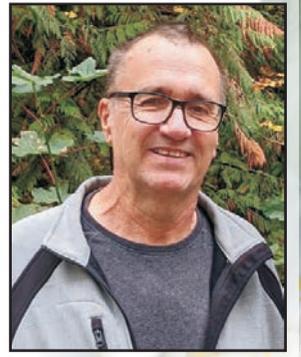
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~ Obituary ~

Garry Banack



Garry Banack passed away peacefully on December 13, 2021, at the University of Alberta hospital with his family by his side. He was 66 years old.

Garry was born in Camrose, Alberta to Dennis and Angela Banack and grew up in Edson, Alberta. After a brief move to Jasper and back to Camrose, he settled with his true love, Patty Banack, back in Edson. Garry had three siblings, Lorraine (Symes), David, and Marilyn (Beaupre).

Garry completed his schooling to become a master electrician and worked faithfully for many years around the Edson area. His career path included lengthy relationships with Koebel Electric, Edson Hospital, Dauble Electric, and finally Conoco Philips/Cenovus Energy. He was renowned through the industry for his exceptional work, meticulous attention to details, and his intuitive troubleshooting. He was a great resource for his colleagues and coworkers while consistently demonstrating patience, openness, and a willingness to support others. Garry retired in February 2018.

Garry was a private man, often preferring to spend time with his family and loved ones. His home was an enormous source of pride for him and represented both his modest nature and his desire to provide for his family. His focus was always on taking care of others. His selfless approach to life was appreciated by all those who knew him. As a parent and grandparent, he set an expectation of prioritizing family above all else. He was a man of few words, but lessons he shared have created a proud legacy that will live on for generations.

Left to cherish his memory are his devoted wife and lifelong partner of 49 years, Patty, his three sons, Cory (Erin), Scott (Stacy), and Matthew, and four grandchildren Ethan, Aiden, Adele, and Jacob. Also, his three siblings Lorraine (Bruce), David (Stacey), and Marilyn (Bert).

Garry was predeceased by his mother, Angela and father, Dennis.

We are grateful for the time and enormous influence Garry had on us. For those fortunate enough to know him well, you will appreciate the magnitude of this loss. Garry will be greatly missed.

Patty, Cory, Scott, Matt, and families.

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December 18-31: HOLLY JOLLY JOG. Hit the trails & complete the 3km or 5 km with family and friends for more info check out edson.ca/cdprograms on how to enter the draw.

December 29: Ski Marmot Basin 7Am-6:30 pm ages 12-17 for cost and more information please contact the Town of Edson Edson.ca

January 3: Youth Interagency presents an Acrylic Paint Workshop 1-3pm ages 13-17 Register in person at Repsol Place or Online at edson.ca

January 16: World Snow Day. Bear Lake Park for an afternoon of outdoor fun Skating Sleigh rides! Camp-Fire, Cross Country Skis and Snow shoes! 1:00pm to 3:00pm

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Wildwood Community Hall To book please contact: Marjorie Russell at 780-325-2180 or Mary Anderson at 780-514-6105.

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MLA update: Government of Alberta commits up to \$150 million for rural broadband



by *Martin Long, MLA for West Yellowhead; and Parliamentary Secretary of Small Business and Tourism*

As we move through the holiday season, and bid 2021 farewell, we have the opportunity to reflect on the successes of the past year, while looking forward to what lies ahead.

These past few months have been a juggling act, balancing constituency work and sessional duties, along with the various committees I serve on, but through it all I've been fortunate to be able to represent my constituents in West Yellowhead. Connecting with my communities is something I value the most about my position, and I am grateful to everyone who has given their time and energy to make that happen.

Through Alberta's Recovery Plan, we've been able to not only recover the 340,000 jobs lost due to the pandemic, but also create an additional 105,400 jobs

across our province. This is amazing news. These new jobs will bring new opportunities for people to provide for their families, build up the younger generations, and save for the future.

The government of Alberta has committed up to \$150 million for rural broadband and pleased recently when the federal government agreed to match these funds. With this investment more rural Albertans will be positioned to succeed on the online market.

With our sights focused on the future we are rapidly diversifying our economy while not turning away from what global demands require. Our clean natural resources are world-class, and this industry deserves a competitive place on the global market. Our programs have been promoting growth in hydrogen, petrochemicals, and rare earth minerals.

Furthermore, we've cut our deficit by a stunning \$12.4 billion, which is one of the most dramatic improvements to provincial finances in Alberta history. The Alberta advantage is real, and right now

there is so much potential for growth in our province.

Alberta is on a path to success, and I'm hopeful for the new year.

Right now, it's my hope that everyone stays safe and warm over the holidays. I know I can't wait to spend some time with my family making cookies and watching Christmas movies.

As always, it's my pleasure to serve as your MLA. Hoping everyone had a Merry Christmas

Alberta RCMP Major Crimes Unit ups charges to First Degree Murder in double homicide in Hinton

Hinton, Alta. – Alberta RCMP Major Crimes would like to advise that following a review of evidence in this case, replacement charges have been sworn in relation to the deaths of the 24-year-old female victim and her 16-month-old child, both of Hinton, on Sept. 16, 2021.

Robert Keith Major (age 53) from Hinton, is now facing the following replacement charges:

- First degree murder (x2)
- Indignity to human remains (x2)

Major's next scheduled court appearance is on Dec. 15, 2021, in Hinton Provincial Court via CCTV. No further updates are anticipated.

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