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# Edson hosts Renaissance Faire

by Niki Luymes

The Town Of Edson welcomed people from across the province to the first annual Edson Renaissance Faire.

The Faire ran from July 21 to 23, and was staged at the Yellowhead Agricultural Grounds west of Edson.

Friday night was an age 18 and over VIP Sneak Peek and Concert open from 5pm to

10:30pm. Saturday and Sunday were full days of fun and excitement for the whole family to enjoy.

There was no shortage of things to do at the faire. Friday night featured live music from

'Borch Brothers' from Edmonton alongside some vendors and food. The event was open Saturday 10am to 7pm, and Sunday 10am to 2pm.

This year boasted 26 different

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The Red Stags of Red Deer came out to run the Fight a King booth at the Edson Renaissance Faire held at the Yellowhead Ag Grounds. For a small fee anyone could take a 'stab' at the challenge. photo Niki Luymes

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# Edson hosts Renaissance Faire

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vendor booths selling everything from food and pottery to collectables and armor. Local sellers were joined by others from across the province, some from as far south as Calgary.

Edson Library was onsite offering many free crafts and tarot card readings. There were also other crafts and activities prepared by the town such as pool noodle pony making and bannock making. "It has been excellent and probably one of the best shows, especially for a first one," said Rod Lachmuth, an experienced Ren Faire Vendor and owner of Leather Work by Rod from Calgary.

Kids could enjoy the onsite bouncy castles, obstacle course, axe throwing, and Viking chess game. The 'Stags of Red Deer' offered Fight the Knight, a small activity where any person of any age could try their hand at mock sword fighting. There were also special one-off events such as dancing around the maypole going on throughout the day.

Most activities were free but some did require a small surcharge. There was also an onsite quest offered as a way to explore the event. Anyone was also welcome to take part in trinket trading and bartering their way through the event creating a great way to interact with others. Adults could take a break in the Edson Rotary Club's Grog Garden to enjoy drinks, raffles, and board games. There were also four vendors set up with food, drinks, and other treats. Local musicians from the Edson Pipes and Drums group played music around the event. There was no end to the fun that could be had and many families found themselves spending most of the day there.

The Renaissance Faire has been in development for some time. In 2022 the town had a renaissance themed 'Art in the Park' day that was well received by the community. However, that event was not long enough to merit bringing in some of the usual entertainment such as sword fighting and other demonstrations. So the Town of Edson Community and Events team began planning what eventually became this year's Edson Renaissance Faire. Volunteers helped create the decorations for the event as well as setting up and taking down everything. From roving entertainment to running admissions and crafts, they helped make the event enjoyable for the hundreds of people who made their way out during the weekend. "It went really well," said Diana Inscho, Community Coordinator for the Town of Edson. "We had a great turnout, especially for our first one, and everybody is just stoked to do it next year."

"We had an amazing group of volunteers. We couldn't have done it without them. We had about 50 volunteers for all age groups. It made it fun and split up the work," said Inscho. Edson Safety Logic volunteered all weekend as onsite first aid and Edson ESTS gave free bussing to and from the event. Enerflex brought and set up the tent used in the Grog Garden. Next year's event is already in the works. Many of this year's vendors were excited to come back.



Bannock baking was one of the many activities available at the Edson Renaissance Faire held at the Yellowhead Ag Grounds from July 21 to 23. photo submitted.



Members of the Edson Rotary Club dressed up to run the 'Grog Garden' at the Renaissance Faire from July 21 to 23. The club was also running a raffle to win a handmade paper dragon. photo Niki Luymes



A dance around the maypole was one of the many special events at the Edson Renaissance Faire held at the Yellowhead Ag Grounds. photo submitted.

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*It is with sorrow and regret that I announce the passing of my husband George Kuilboer at age 83 on Tuesday, July 18, 2023.*

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# Kids flock to Bear Chase Triathlon

by Niki Luymes

Families and kids flocked to Bear Lake Park on July 20 to take part in the annual Bear Chase Triathlon.

The event ran from 4pm to 8pm with the races starting at 5:30pm. The races went from youngest to oldest with a total of nine heats. The last race was finished at about 7:30pm.

This year saw 98 youth athletes participating in the different races.

Each race began in the water then moved up for a bike ride around the camping area, and ended with a final run to the finish. The heats were organized by age including 5 and under, 6 to 7, 8 to 9, 10 to 11 and 12 to 13.

"This year we brought back our 12-13 age category and made small adjustments to some of the race routes. This included revamping the swim for our 10-11 and 12-13 racers by designing an 'in and out' route that brought them into deeper water," said Nicole Tarves one of the event coordinators.

Racing was not the only activity available at the event. Racers and families could spend the time in between heats to enjoy the beach or jumping around in one of the bouncy castles.

Integra Tire came out to provide a free barbecue and sport drinks for families and racers. Saska the Sasquatch, the Yellowhead County Parks mascot, made an appearance as well to cheer on the young athletes.

Even the weather cooperated with a sunny warm atmosphere for people to enjoy. In total over 300 came out to enjoy the event. "Not only were the kids very enthusiastic, we also had several parents, grandparents, and other family members running alongside the kids or cheering them on from the sidelines," added Tarves.

The event boasts no specific winners as the goal of the race is completion not competition. "While we support some friendly competition, the focus of this event is on fun. By hosting this event we hope to encourage families to spend time outside and prioritize an active lifestyle together," said Tarves. However, race times are available on the Yellowhead Parks and Recreation social media page for those interested.

The Triathlon was open to people from all over the county. Brule, Evansburg, Edson, and Hinton were all well represented at the event.

The county would like to thank all the volunteers who came out to lend a hand. "We would like to send out a heartfelt thank you to the staff and volunteers that made this event possible. It takes a lot of work behind the scenes to make everything run smoothly!" said Tarves.

"Thanks to Sherry, Brigitte, Kerry, and Kenzie for volunteering at the event. Integra Tire Edson for their donation and time. Sandra with the Edson Photography Club for taking pictures. As well as staff from our Parks and Recreation, FCSS, and the Communications department."



Over 300 people, including families and kids, flocked to Bear Lake Park on July 20 to take part in the annual Bear Chase Triathlon hosted by Yellowhead County.

## PUBLIC NOTICE ROSSCO INVESTMENTS LTD. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND ENHANCEMENT ACT NOTICE OF APPLICATION

In accordance with the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act, Roscco Investments Ltd. has applied for renewing the approval No. 138233-01-00 for the construction, operation and reclamation of the Branch Corner Manufactured Home Park wastewater system. The Branch Corner Manufactured Home Park wastewater system includes wastewater collection pipes, a wastewater evaporation lagoon with no discharge, and groundwater monitoring wells. The Branch Corner Manufactured Home Park wastewater evaporation lagoon is located at SW ¼ of Section 15, Township 53, Range 18, West of the 5th Meridian.

A directly affected person may provide input into certain regulatory decisions, as allowed by the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act (section 73). Specifically, any person who is directly affected by this application may submit a written statement of concern within 30 days of the date of this notice to:

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E-mail: aep.epeapplications@gov.ab.ca

### The written statement of concern should include the following:

- the application number 005-138233
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- provide the legal land location of the land owned or used by the filer where the concerns described are believed to be applicable
- state the distance between the land owned or used by the filer and the site in the application
- contact information including the full name and mailing address of the filer. Please provide a telephone number and/or email address for ease of contact.

Environment and Protected Areas will review each written statement of concern, seek more information if needed, and notify each filer by letter of the decision to accept or reject their written submission as a valid statement of concern. The Public Notice of this application will also be posted on the Department's website at <https://avw.alberta.ca/PublicNoticesViewer.aspx>.

Statements of concern submitted regarding this application are public records which are accessible by the public and the applicant. Failure to file a statement of concern may affect the right to file a Notice of Appeal with the Environmental Appeals Board.

### Copies of the application and additional information can be obtained from:

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# Kids flock to Bear Chase Triathlon

# Town Council Highlights

July 18, 2023 meeting

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Bear Chase Triathlon heats were organized by age with more categories on July 20 this year.



This young athlete participated in the Bear Chase Triathlon on July 20 at Bear Lake Park.



This group was getting ready to start their race at the Bear Chase Triathlon on July 20 at Bear Lake Park.

**Delegation.** Youth Council gave a presentation about their efforts over the last year, including participating in the United Way's poverty simulation, running a successful Earth Day campaign, multiple garbage cleanups, a 50/50 for the food bank, and collecting winter coat donations for Wayfinding. On top of the volunteer work, they also collaborate monthly with Town Administration and Council on projects of concern. The Mayor for a Day winner, Hunter Stunzi, was also on hand and recognized at the meeting. She won the competition with a submission about improving pedestrian safety around Holy Redeemer School.

**User Group Relationship, Fees, & Services Review.** RC Strategies has been engaged to provide a review of the current state of recreation opportunities in the Town of Edson, fees and allocations, and current best practices. This will help set a practical direction on policy and procedures relating to recreation in Edson. A final report is anticipated this fall.

**Flood Damage Repairs.** Council has approved up to \$1,000,000 to cover repairs for Town infrastructure damaged by the recent flooding. This will be funded through the Infrastructure Projects Reserve.

**Assessment Review Board.** Three appointments have been approved under the West Yellowhead Regional Assessment Review Board. Michelle Deschene has been appointed as the Designated Clerk for a 1-year term. Leigh Beamish has been appointed as the Designated Chair for a 1-year term. Mark Fedorak has been appointed to both the Local Assessment Review Board (LARB) and the Composite Assessment Review Board (CARB) for a 3-year term.

**Next meeting - The next Council meeting is scheduled for August 15, 2023, at 7:00 pm.**

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All treatment locations are listed in the following townships:

### Legal Locations of planned Herbicide Treatments

Township	Range	Meridian
69	10,11	5
68	10	5
67	9	5
66	8,9,10,11,12	5
65	8,9,10,11	5
64	8,9,10,16,19	5
63	9,15,16,17,23,24	5
62	9,10,13,23,24	5
61	10,11,22,24	5
60	9,10,11,20,22	5
59	19,20,21	5
58	19	5
57	17,18,19	5
56	17,18,19	5
55	18	5
51	12,13,14,20,21	5
50	13,14	5

Access to all areas will be posted with signs and all applications will be conducted in accordance with Alberta Forestry and Parks regulations. For more information regarding our Vegetation Management Program, please contact us by email at [brl-woodlands-tending@westfraser.com](mailto:brl-woodlands-tending@westfraser.com) or call 780-648-6266.

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- Penalty Run - August 1st, 2023
- Penalty Run - September 1st, 2023
- Penalty Run - January 1st, 2024
- Appeal Deadline - August 18th, 2023

Please ensure payments are received by the Town of Edson prior to the deadlines. Late payments are subject to a 6% penalty.

\* All assessed property owners are deemed to have received their tax notice 7 days after it is mailed as per the Municipal Government Act. Tax notices are being mailed out June 9, 2023.

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Any person who is deemed 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 21<sup>st</sup> day after the date of issue as published on the Town's website**. 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.**





# Blocking of Canadian news

## Federal and local governments boycotting Meta

Meta has decided to block Canadian news content instead of following the requirements of Bill C-18.



by Dana McArthur  
publisher/Editor

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companies and they have been using journalism content created and paid for by newspapers,

without paying for it. The result has been devastating. Canadian newspapers big and small are closing at an unprecedented rate.

Even American newspaper publishers are planning to rally in Washington this September for a 'Support Journalism Parade' to push for legislation to compensate them for the use of their content.

Now, these massive internet companies are becoming news gatekeepers. This is what greets Instagram and Facebook users when they visit Canadian news sites.

"People in Canada can't see your content. This account is a news publication. Content from news publications can't be viewed in Canada in response to Canadian government legislation."

CHEK News (Vancouver Island), the Tye and CBC News are all advocating for consumers to find different routes to stories such as through the providers' own websites, apps, or different social media accounts that are not blocking Canadian content.

Meta's actions have led to the Canadian, B.C. and Quebec governments boycotting Meta and finding alternative ways to advertise and inform. Several companies have followed suit. At this point, it has cost Meta more than \$20 million in advertising.

(with files from NMC)

Several B.C. news outlets say their social media accounts with Meta, the company behind Facebook, Instagram and new offering Threads, have cordoned off their accounts.

It follows Meta's June announcement to end access to news on its social media sites for all Canadian users before Bill C-18, the federal Online News Act, comes into force.

The law will force tech giants like Meta and Google to pay news outlets for posting their journalism on their platforms.

News Media Canada reports that 24 AUNA member publications [including The Weekly Anchor] have joined the collective that will represent them in negotiations with tech companies - once regulations are drafted following the passage of Bill C-18.

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# Edson RCMP Occurrences

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Traffic violations topped the list of Edson RCMP occurrences at 22. Other investigations included: Abandoned Vehicles 0; Alarms/False Alarms 0; Animal Calls 1; Assault 2; Assistance 3; Cause Disturbance 9; Fail to Comply with Conditions 1; False/Abandoned 911 Call 7; Family Orders and Agreements 1; Fraud 2, Harassment/Criminal Harassment 1; Lost or found property; 5, Impaired Operation of Motor Vehicle 1; Information File 1; Mental Health Act 2; Mischief or Damage 9; Municipal Bylaws 0; Obstruct/Resist Peace Officer 0; Possess Stolen Property 7; Recovered Stolen Property 0; Sudden Death 0; Suspicious persons 6; Theft Complaints 7; Traffic Complaints 9; Trespassing 0; Unlawfully in Dwelling 0; and Wellbeing Check 1.

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Caroline Yakimovich with the Edson Bargain Boutique standing beside a few shelves of food they have available through partnering with the Edson Food Bank, for those in need. photo Deanna Mitchener

# Edson Bargain Boutique lends a helping hand

by Deanna Mitchener

The Edson Bargain Boutique, located inside the United Church, helps out in the community in many different ways.

Manager Caroline Yakimovich said, "We help a lot of different people in and around the community. We help individuals at Reflections, Womens' Shelters, EARS with some older blankets, fire victims, and more."

"We accept all gently used clothing, small housewares, toys, and more. We just don't have the room to store large items. Right now we have eight steady volunteers and a couple of part-time. The store has been very busy and has a huge turnover. We have all our seasonal clothing out all year. If you are getting away on a holiday in the winter and looking for some cooler summer outfits, this would be a great place to check out," said Yakimovich.

"We have partnered with the Food Bank so individuals needing a few extra items can come anytime we are open to grab them. United

Church Community Pantry offers a lot of dried supplies. We have about a dozen families that come pick a few items each week.

This is another great resource for our community. Thanks to the many volunteers that help each week with sorting items and packing them in from the shed. Also thanks to the volunteers that help during store hours. Our volunteers are greatly appreciated, you can never have enough good volunteers.

The boutique asks people to please drop items off during store hours when possible. There is a drop off shed in the parking lot of the church. But if for some reason you need to drop items off after hours, please carry them to the main door and put them beside bookshelves to protect from the weather.

The Edson Bargain Boutique is located inside the United Church at 1214 Edson Drive. Hours of operation are from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. If you have any questions on how to become involved you can ask to speak with any of the volunteers or call 780-725-0099.

# Reflections receives \$2,000 donation

by Deanna Mitchener

Nutrition Activity Coordinator with Reflections, Michele Hickie, accepted a cheque for \$2,000 on behalf of Reflections from Jennifer and Tony Mercer, owners of the Edson McDonalds restaurant. Also present was their restaurant manager Christina Kho. The money was raised during McHappy Day. "The money will go towards our nutrition program," said Hickie.

"We would like to say thank you and that we are very appreciative of the residents of Edson and area who helped participate in and support McHappy Day this year," said Mercer. "It has been a tough couple of years for everyone. So we are

glad to see we were able to raise another \$2,000 for Reflections here in Edson. Plus another \$2,000 to go to the Ronald McDonald House.

"We always choose to help support a local charity as well as the Ronald McDonald House. A lot of the McDonalds owners put 100% of the proceeds to the Ronald McDonald House, which is a very good organization helping parents have a place to stay while their child is in hospital receiving treatments. We choose to split between two. This year it was Reflections and in previous years, the Edson Food Bank. Over the past few years we have donated just over \$10,000 locally to organizations that also need the money," said Mercer.



Jennifer and Tony Mercer owners of the Edson McDonalds and Christina Kho their restaurant manager, presented Michele Hickie from Reflections a donation cheque for \$2,000. The money was raised during McHappy Day. photo Deanna Mitchener



Dan from the Edson Recycling Depot helping with glass jars during Seniors' Day recently. The first Wednesday of each month between 10 am and 1 pm, seniors are welcome to visit the depot for snacks and refreshments while staff unloads their recyclables free of charge. photo Deanna Mitchener

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8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Are you a Post-Secondary Ag or Enviro Student Living in Yellowhead County?  
**Apply for a \$500 bursary!**



Deadline to apply is August 31

TWO \$500.00 bursaries available for students residing in Yellowhead County that are enrolled or accepted into 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. Interested? Visit the link below for more details!

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Need a board or have questions?  
Instructor Contact: Renae  
780-728-5464  
\*Pay cash in person.



## Seniors Appreciation Events

Two Dates/Locations!



Events start at 10am  
**Marlboro Hall:**  
Tuesday, August 15  
**Wildwood Community Hall:**  
Thursday, August 17

Both events include lunch, entertainment from Brian Hopwood, presentations, info on programs, and time to socialize!

Full schedule at [www.yhcounty.ca](http://www.yhcounty.ca)

Every participant will receive a Seniors Wellness Kit provided by the Evansburg Library (Yellowhead Regional Libraries) and Lobstick Literacy and Learning Society.  
**REGISTRATION OPTIONS:**  
• call 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935  
• email [kschatz@yhcounty.ca](mailto:kschatz@yhcounty.ca)  
• register online: [www.yhcounty.ca/registration](http://www.yhcounty.ca/registration)



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Apply by August 11!

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## DO YOU NEED TO PURCHASE FALL DUST CONTROL?



Application Deadline July 31

To apply for Fall Dust Control (Calcium Chloride), submit payment and application before the deadline. The application form is available online at [www.yhcounty.ca](http://www.yhcounty.ca) or at the Wildwood or Edson office.

- Applications for Dust Control can be made at our Wildwood and Edson offices.
  - Each ratepayer is entitled to an application of Calcium Chloride, 200 metres in length, for a fee of \$233.00. (This fee represents approximately 33% of the total cost for the dust control application. Full application costs will apply for any requests over 200 metres.)
  - The fee must accompany the application.
  - Fall Applications must be received by July 31.
- If you have any questions, please contact our office at (780) 723-4800 or 1-800-665-6030.

## 2023 COMBINED ASSESSMENT & TAX NOTICES

Yellowhead County mailed the 2023 Combined Assessment and Tax Notices June 8, 2023. The deadline for paying taxes for Non-Residential properties is **July 31st, 2023**, and the deadline for paying taxes for Residential/Farm properties is **September 29, 2023**.

- Payment Options:**
- Edson or Wildwood Yellowhead County Offices (drop box available after hours at Edson location only)
  - At your Chartered Bank or Credit Union
  - Telephone Banking
  - Internet banking (Your Tax Roll Number is your Account number)
  - Courier or Canada Post (postmarked on/or before the 2023 due date)

A penalty will be applied to all 2023 tax levies that are outstanding after the due dates.

If you have not received a notice, or if you have further questions, call the Yellowhead County office at 780-723-4800 or toll free at 1-800-665-6030.

Office hours are 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday to Friday.

For more information, please call 1-800-665-6030 or 780-723-4800 or email [info@yhcounty.ca](mailto:info@yhcounty.ca)



Approved Development Permits have been issued authorizing the following:

Permit No.	Location	Proposal	Date
D23-083	Plan 7921035 Blk 2, Lot 5 NE-5-47-23-W5 Cadomin	Accessory Building (Garage)	July 11/23
D23-080	SW-36-53-11-W5 Chip Lake Area	Rural Business-RV Sales	July 13/23
D23-082	NE-36-56-20-W5 Edson West	Work Camp-Discretionary	July 13/23
D23-087	SW-1-53-19-W5 Edson West	Single Detached Dwelling with Covered Porch	July 17/23
D23-086	Plan 0226168 Blk 1, Lot 1 SW-32-53-17-W5	Manufactured Home	July 18/23
D23-091	SW-35-53-16-W5 Wolf Creek Area	Accessory Building (Storage Shed)	July 18/23
D23-085	NW-3-54-9-W5 Wildwood Area	Manufactured Home with Addition (Porch)	July 18/23
D23-088	NE-1-55-12-W5 Beta Lake Area	Accessory Building-Discretionary	July 18/23
D23-090	NW-15-55-12-W5 Sunset Lake Area	Accessory Building with Two Lean To's Discretionary	July 19/23
D23-093	SE-12-55-14-W5 Shiningbank Lake Area	Single Detached Dwelling with Attached Garage	July 20/23
D23-094	SE-29-55-14-W5 Shiningbank Lake Area	Accessory Building (Shop) with Lean-To	July 20/23

Yellowhead County Development Permits are also posted online at [www.yhcounty.ca](http://www.yhcounty.ca). The public is considered officially notified of approved development permits once posted online, in accordance with the Public Notification Bylaw.

The Yellowhead County Land Use Bylaw NO.09.21 provides that any person claiming to be affected by a decision of the Development Authority may appeal to the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board or Alberta's Land and Property Rights Tribunal dependent on jurisdiction of the appeal authority. Appeals under the jurisdiction of Yellowhead County's Subdivision and Development Appeal Board require a written notice of appeal and a payment of \$300.00 payable to Yellowhead County within 21 days of the publishing of the Notice of Decision. Requirements for appealing to the Alberta's Land and Property Rights Tribunal can be found here: <https://www.alberta.ca/subdivision-appeals.aspx> or by calling 780-421-2444.

## LANDFILL - HERITAGE DAY - CLOSURE

MONDAY, AUGUST 7, 2023  
The West Yellowhead Regional (WYR) Landfill in Hinton will be CLOSED on MONDAY, AUGUST 7, 2023  
Regular hours will resume on Tuesday, August 8, 2023.



For more information, please call the West Yellowhead Regional Landfill at 780-865-1414.

## Municipal offices CLOSED on Monday, August 7th.



The Yellowhead County offices in Edson and Wildwood will be closed for Heritage Day.





# Annual Ultra Marathon race proposed in Cadomin

by Dana McArthur

Edmontonian, Monty McNeice, who organizes the Klondike Ultra Marathon in Fort Assiniboine, is making plans to hold a 100 mile Ultra Marathon in Cadomin.

The annual event, beginning in 2024, is being proposed for the 3rd weekend in July. McNeice has support from the Cadomin Motel, the Cadomin Store, Folding Mountain Brewery, and Teck Resources.

McNeice has been reaching out to as many groups as possible in hopes of receiving emails in support of the event to submit to Teck Resources. A portion of the Cadomin Ultra race would most likely be on the Luscar reclaimed mine site to make the racecourse work.

The race idea was inspired by history. In the 1930's, coal miners used to race up to the summit of a nearby mountain. The winner got \$75 which was the equivalent to nearly 15 days of wages.

There are a few other old mining communities, McNeice stated, where Ultra Marathons were introduced and the community thrived. He is

aiming for the new race to launch in July 2024, noting that the new Community Hall could serve as the race's meeting point.

The group has applied for a \$20,000 grant from Teck Resources to support the race.

After a brief discussion regarding insurance/liability, Yellowhead County Council approved a Letter of Support to the Cadomin Ultra Marathon expressing support for their July 2024 event and their Teck Resources Grant application.

Letters of support can be emailed to: wildlandsports@klondikeultra.com

**Public Hearing** – A Public Hearing was held for proposed Bylaw 02.23 to rezone Plan 7622234 Block 4 Lot 1 from CRD (Country Residential District) to PD (Protection District). The purpose of the rezoning is to reduce the development options for the property and to keep it as a park. The proposed Bylaw will be brought back to an upcoming Council meeting.

**FRIAA Recreation Trail** – Council approved a Letter of Support to Weyerhaeuser for a Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta

(FRIAA) grant for a recreation development project in and adjacent to Willmore Park and within the Town of Edson. This proposal is a collaboration of the Edson Cycling Association and the Town of Edson to expand the existing multi-use trail networks.

**Hinton Jasper Air Lease** – Council directed Administration to process a renewed two (2) year lease with Jasper Hinton Air for a 12' x 12' office space with non-exclusive use of terminal facilities at the Hinton-Jasper Airport with a yearly value of \$12,660.00 for rent.

**Bridge Tender** – Council awarded the 2023 bridge rehabilitation and maintenance contract to Bridgemen Services Ltd in the amount of \$910,245.00. The tender includes one capital bridge project and maintenance on five other bridges. The funding falls under the Bridge Operating Budget.

**Hinton Fish & Game** – Council for Yellowhead County granted an exemption from taxation for a three-year period (2023/2024/2025) to the Hinton Fish & Game Association.

## \$80,000 in flood damage to McLeod Valley Recreation Area

by Dana McArthur

The recent flood event in Yellowhead County caused significant damage to the McLeod Valley Recreation Area. Much of the damage occurred on property owned/leased by Yellowhead County.

**Damage includes:**

- erosion and road wash outs of the access points to the main grounds, pavilion area, and group campground
- erosion around outhouses, cook shack, pavilion, and kitchen
- erosion of sand in the playground area
- erosion of both ball diamond infields
- ball diamond outfield fencing

The McLeod Valley Recreation Area is a popular location for ball tournaments, family reunions, weddings, and is home to the annual Peers Gold Dust Daze celebration every August long weekend. "This park space is a priority area for repair and redevelopment," stated Crystal McNernie, General Manager of Community Services, in her report.

Initial estimates to complete repairs are approximately 80,000 dollars.

If Yellowhead County's application is approved, these costs

would be submitted for reimbursement through the Provincial Disaster Relief Program (DRP) for flooding.

Funding through this program is based on a 90/10 cost share, with 90% of the expenses being covered by the Province and the remaining 10% by the municipality.

Administration is requesting approval outside of the 2023 Budget for the unbudgeted expenditure of \$80,000 to complete the above-noted repairs.

These expenditures would be submitted through the DRP for

reimbursement, if approved. If the DRP related to the flooding event is not approved, these expenditures will be funded through the Community Services Reserve Fund.

The program would only cover like-for-like replacement/repair and not for future mitigation upgrades, explained General Manager of Corporate Services Jeffrey Morrison.

Council voted to approve the unbudgeted expenditure of \$80,000 to complete repairs to the McLeod Valley Recreation Area resulting from the recent flood event.



Some beautiful vehicles were parked down by Tim Hortons in the Sobeys parking lot on July 20. Anyone who has a classic vehicle or hotrod is welcome to join in every Thursday night at Sobeys and Saturday nights at A&W. It's a chance to socialize with other enthusiasts and see some great vehicles. photo Deanna Mitchener



**Thank you to Gary & Dorothy Kowalchuk with Integra Tire**

For purchasing the Grand Champion steer at the 4-H sale and supporting me!



**Jillian Fossheim**





Many families had their kids at the Kinsmen Spray Park during the recent hot weather, making it a great place to cool off. photo Deanna Mitchener

~ Obituary ~

**Shandi Dawn Anderson**



Sadly, the family of Shandi Dawn Anderson announces her passing on June 5, 2023. Shandi was born on January 22, 2001, in Edson, Alberta to Cliff and Donna Anderson.

Shandi grew up in Edson, Alberta where she achieved her high school diploma at Parkland Composite High School as well as buying her own vehicle and buying her first house. Shandi loved to volunteer for the elderly and enjoyed hobbies such as slo-pitch, bowling, camping, quadding, boating, fishing, tubing and Disney movies with Marco.

Shandi is predeceased by her grandmother Florence Anderson. Shandi is survived and will be greatly missed by her fiancé Chase Williams and fur baby Marco, her parents Cliff and Donna Anderson, her older brother Taylor Anderson, grandparents Don and Jean Smith, and all her close friends.

A celebration of life for Shandi was held on July 2, 2023, at 2:00PM at the Royal Canadian Legion in Edson, Alberta.


Memorial donations in Shandi's name can be made to the Edson Run of Hope, 1432 54 St., Edson, Alberta T7E 1H4

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*We would like to extend heartfelt gratitude to Dr. Roder, the nursing staff, and lab staff at the Edson hospital. So many of you went above and beyond in your care and compassion for Shandi over the past two years.*

*Special thanks to Olivia, Kiana, Lyndon, Jamie, Riley, and Caleb for being part of the Celebration of Life service. And numerous friends for helping with setting up and making her memories well known to everyone in attendance.*

*Thank you to everyone for being by our side in these tough times and helping when needed.*

*Let's all remember Shandi's bubbly personality, her contagious smile, and her love of her friends and family.*

*Much Love and Appreciation from Donna, Cliff, Taylor, Chase and family.*

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**A** Monthly update on the Oil & Gas and Energy Industry

# ENERGY EDUCATION IN ACTION

## Minister of Energy and Minerals mandate letter

Premier Danielle Smith has issued a mandate letter to Minister of Energy and Minerals Brian Jean calling on him to continue to support further development of Alberta's energy resources.

In her letter, the Premier outlines her expectations that Alberta continues to be an environmentally responsible and innovative leader in the energy sector and asks Minister Jean to deliver on a platform commitment to develop and implement an investment incentive program similar to the Alberta Petrochemicals Incentive Program for additional capital-intensive technologies related to the reduction of emissions. This includes carbon capture, utilization and storage, ammonia, helium, lithium, liquefied natural gas, geothermal and mineral development.

The Premier also tasks Minister Jean with:

- In cooperation with the Minister of Intergovernmental Relations, defending Alberta's energy interests against federal overreach and developing strategic alliances with other provinces to deal with energy-related issues.

- Reviewing the findings of the Premier's panel on Alberta Energy Futures and recommending which recommendations of the panel should be implemented to

strengthen Alberta's global competitiveness in the conventional, non-conventional and emerging energy sectors.

- Continuing to facilitate and promote industry and provincial partnerships with Indigenous communities in the development and transport of Alberta's energy resources.

- Reviewing the policies, operations and mission of the Alberta Energy Regulator and making recommendations to streamline approvals and align policies with the government's goals of increased natural resource production, carbon neutrality by 2050, investment in emissions-reduction technologies and increased energy export.

- Developing and improving regulatory regimes to incentivize investment in hydrogen, ammonia, helium, lithium, liquefied natural gas, small modular reactor, geothermal and mineral development in our province.

- Coordinating with other provinces and the federal government to further explore and promote small and micro modular reactor technologies and pave the way for their use in oil sands operations and petrochemical production.

- Working with the Alberta Energy Regulator to improve and

modernize processes around the new Liability Management Framework, project approvals and transfer of well sites in a timely fashion.

- Developing a strategy to effectively incentivize reclamation of inactive legacy oil and natural gas sites, and to enable future drilling while respecting the principle of polluter pay.

- Coordinating with Environment and Protected Areas to implement the Emissions Reduction and Energy Development Plan.

- Working with industry and relevant ministries to develop a pathway for implementing carbon-reducing technologies and liquefied natural gas export and credits to achieve carbon neutrality in Alberta's energy sector by 2050.

- As lead, and working with the Minister of Environment and Protected Areas, to develop and implement a regulatory framework for small modular reactor technology use in Alberta.

- As lead, and working with the Ministers of Justice and Environment and Protected Areas, to review the mission, policies and operations of the Canadian Energy Centre and make recommendations to align

its work with the government's goals of 1) informing Canadians about the importance of the energy industry and its efforts to protect both Canadian prosperity and Canada's environment; and 2) informing the world about the Alberta energy sector's world-class environmental standards.

- Working with the Minister of Environment and Protected Areas, who is the lead, to develop a plan to improve reclamation certificate issuance.

- Working with the Minister of Jobs, Economy and Trade, assist in designing a ministry-specific job-attraction strategy to raise the awareness of young Albertans (aged 16 to 24) and adults changing careers, of the skilled trades and professions available in each economic sector, including pathways for education, apprenticeship and training.

"I feel honoured and privileged to serve Albertans as the first energy minister from Fort McMurray. We have a tremendous opportunity to set the trajectory for the future – through continued innovation and technology. I look forward to working with Premier Danielle Smith, my caucus colleagues and our industry players to best serve the people of Alberta. Let's get to work!"

Brian Jean, Minister of Energy and Minerals

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**A** Monthly Update on the Coal Industry

# ENERGY EDUCATION IN ACTION

## Reducing CO2 emissions from coal

An important first step in reducing CO2 emissions from coal is improving the thermal efficiencies of coal fired power stations. The higher the pressure and temperature of steam used, the higher the efficiency and the lower the CO2 emissions. Higher efficiencies allow a greater amount of energy to be produced from a single unit of coal.

A one percentage point improvement in the efficiency of a conventional pulverised coal combustion plant results in a 2-3% reduction in CO2 emissions. These technologies are in existence, widely available and financially viable.

HELE technologies have been developed to increase the efficiency of coal fired plants, therefore reducing CO2 and other greenhouse gas emissions and pollutants. Efficiency in electricity generation means

that less fuel is used to produce the same amount of electricity.

Efficiency improvements can be made through the use of:

- Supercritical, Ultra-Supercritical and Advanced Ultra-Supercritical Technologies
- Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle
- Fluidised Bed Combustion

### Supercritical, Ultra-Supercritical and Advanced Ultra-Supercritical Technologies

Pulverised coal combustion systems using Supercritical, Ultra-Supercritical and Advanced Ultra-Supercritical technology operate at higher steam temperatures and pressures than conventional plants, meaning they have higher efficiency levels and lower CO2 emissions.

### Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle

Integrated gasification combined cycle (IGCC) systems produce a gas from coal, by reacting coal with oxygen and steam to form a "syngas". This gas – composed mainly of hydrogen and carbon monoxide – is cleaned of

impurities and then burnt in a turbine to generate electricity and to produce steam for a steam power cycle. IGCC can achieve high thermal efficiencies of up to 48% – IGCC power plants use less coal and produce lower emissions as improvements in efficiency reduce carbon dioxide emission.

### Fluidised Bed Combustion

Fluidised Bed Combustion (FBC) is a flexible method of electricity production – most combustible material can be burnt including coal, biomass and general waste. FBC systems improve the environmental impact of coal-based electricity, reducing SOx and NOx emissions considerably.

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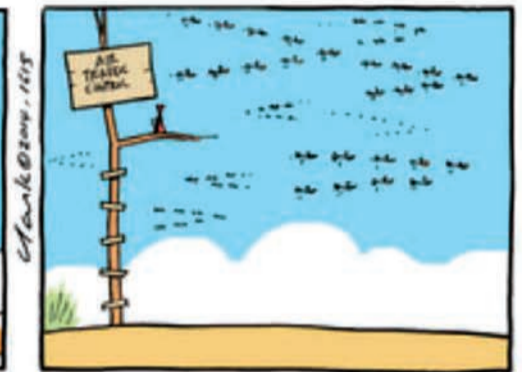
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### HELP WANTED

**Wildwood RCL Branch** 149 is looking for a cook to cater supper's on the 2nd Friday of every month. Please drop Resume off at the Legion Thursday - Saturday from 1:30 - 5:00 pm or email: rcl149@gmail.com phone: Coleen Young 780-515-1954 Tammy Pelkey 780-325-2411

**EYAEYO Cleaning Services Ltd.** Looking for 2 Cleaning Supervisor with NOC62024. Wages \$27.00 hourly. Resumes: eyaevo.cs@yahoo.com

**Wildwood Legion Bottle Depot** is hiring bottle sorters. Forklift experience would be an asset. Please drop resume

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Ph: 723-5776 Pastor Bryan Walter  
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Pastor Mesh Hit

Sunday Services: 10:00 a.m.  
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6212 - 13 Ave, Edson

Office hrs: Tues 9am-1pm  
Office phone: 780-723-4992  
Pastor Tyson Moerike  
(Call or text 403-966-4705)

Sunday worship - 9:45  
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Sunday Services

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### Community Events

**August 1,15,29:** Paddle Board Yoga. Millers Lake 7pm. Instructor contact Renae 780-728-5464 pay cash in person.

**August 2:** Adventure play camps ages 3-5 Peers Multi plex 10am-1pm registration opens June 12 [www.yhcounty.ca/registation](http://www.yhcounty.ca/registation)

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**September 2:** Wop May Day, RCMP Centennial Park [www.edson.ca/CulturDays](http://www.edson.ca/CulturDays)

**September 14:** Downtown Music & Art Walk and Pig Roast, Main Street [www.edson.ca/CultureDays](http://www.edson.ca/CultureDays)

**Every Tuesday:** Winter Walking Group @ 5:15 pm. 60 min guided walk through the Town of Edson exploring the beautiful trails. Drop In no registration. Dogs & kids welcome. See facebook @edsoncomserv for updates and muster locations.

**Every Thursday:** Seniors Chair Yoga Free. 10-11am Leisure Centre Hospitality Room.

**First Wednesday of Every Month:** Senior's Recycling Day.

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# Farm & Field

## News and Views

### Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation mandate letter

Premier Danielle Smith has issued a mandate letter to Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation RJ Sigurdson tasking him with supporting Alberta's vital agriculture and agri-food sectors.

In her letter, the Premier outlines her expectations that Alberta continues to be the economic and job creation engine of Canada and asks Minister Sigurdson to deliver on a platform commitment to expand the Feeder Assistance Loan Guarantee to \$3 million to support Alberta producers as they feed the country and compete in the global economy.

The Premier also tasks Minister Sigurdson with:

- Advocating on behalf of Alberta farmers and ranchers by promoting Alberta agriculture and pushing back against policies passed by other jurisdictions that hinder the sector.
- Promoting the newly passed agrifood tax credit with a view to accelerating international and domestic business attraction and investment.
- Working to reduce barriers to interprovincial trade of meat products.
- Continuing work towards a customs pre-clearance process for the export of Alberta agricultural products.
- Completing ongoing irrigation modernization commitments and exploring options for additional investment in the optimization and expansion of irrigation and water storage infrastructure in the province.
- Exploring ways to encourage increased nitrogen production in our petrochemical sector to reduce costs and improve availability of fertilizer for Alberta farmers.
- Exploring options to address opportunities identified in the Beef Competitiveness Study to improve Alberta beef-producer competitiveness; and
- Exploring options to support entry and succession in our primary agriculture sector.

"It is the greatest honour to accept this role as Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation. I appreciate Premier Danielle Smith entrusting me with this position. Agriculture is a vital part of this province and plays an essential part of the everyday life of Albertans. I am beyond thrilled to hit the ground running and keep moving Alberta forward with the help of my Cabinet and Caucus colleagues."

RJ Sigurdson, Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation

## Evansburg RCMP investigate residential break and enters

(RCMP release) On July 15, 2023, at approximately 11:30 p.m., Evansburg RCMP responded to a report of a male breaking into a house in Southview area of Lac Saint Anne, AB. The male was reported to have a weapon and he was making threats to all those around him.

Evansburg RCMP, along with the assistance of Mayerthorpe RCMP, attended the residence immediately and located the male still at the scene. The male was subsequently arrested. Police located a large machete knife, and noted that tens of thousands of dollars in damage had been done to the house.

A 48-year-old man from the area was arrested and charged with the following Criminal Code offences in relation to the event: Break and Enter; Mischief (X4); Possession of a weapon dangerous to the public; Uttering threats (X6).

The accused remains in custody and his next

court date is set for August 14, 2023, at the Alberta Court of Justice in Evansburg.

On July 17, 2023, RCMP received a report that the suspect's home was broken into and damage done therein. Initial investigation indicates that the suspect's home was damaged as retaliation to the earlier events.

While RCMP investigate this newest report, we caution individuals about vigilantism. This information is only being shared to raise awareness about violent occurrences in your community. This information is not to be used to carry out unlawful and harmful acts against a person.

*NOTE: A charge should not be considered as evidence of guilt. In Canada, all persons are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.*

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