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"It doesn't matter how old you are, when you put on your skates ...you're 12 years old again."

by Niki Luymes
 Hockey Tournament. The Edson Leisure Centre was bustling with activity during the annual Wilson's Men's Hockey Tournament. The tournament, which consisted of approximately 50 games per day, ran from the morning of March 15 to the finals on the 17th. This year there were four different divisions organized by skill level. The Wilson Hockey Tournament is a local event that's open to teams of all skill levels from across the province. This is the 15th year that the event has run

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Congratulations went to 'The Falling Stars' winners and returning champions of the A Division at the annual Wilson's Men's Hockey Tournament March 15 to 17th at the Edson Leisure Centre. photo submitted.

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27 teams battle at Wilson's Men's Hockey Tourney

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and included 27 teams, organized into A, B, C, and 45+ divisions. The A division is high level, faster hockey. B division is a little less intense, but still quite fast. Then C is more recreational, and 45+ is more relaxed.

This year saw a good number of returning teams, plus a few new entries. By the end of the weekend each team had played at least three games with the whole weekend consisting of 103 games. The games consisted of two 25 minute periods, as opposed to professional hockey game which have three. Each division crowned their winners after the playoff games on Sunday.

This year's winners are as follows: the 45+ division winners were the 'Av's'. The C division winners were the 'Combine Pilots' out of Saskatchewan. The 'B' Division Winners were local team the 'Corn Nuts'. This year was a little different regarding prizes. While the 45+, C, and B divisions all took home a trophy, the A division winners received a \$1000 cash prize. This was done to draw more teams for the A level. This year's winners for the 'A' division were returning champions 'The Falling Stars'.

"A lot of guys, when it comes right down to it, just want to play," said Kevin Wilson, Event Founder and Organizer. "I've been told that it's nice for them to just get out and try to win. It doesn't matter how old you

are, when you put on your skates and hit the ice, and you're 12 years old again."

As always, the tournament was completely free for spectators. Alongside the ongoing hockey games was a ticket raffle. Visitors paid for a bundle of tickets which they could use to enter any number of raffle draws for a variety of items. This year the group raised over \$16,000, all of which was then donated to two local charities; the Edson Run of Hope and the Community Care Foundation. "We want the money to stay local," added Wilson. "We want to see it help people that we see on the street everyday. If I can make their lives a little bit better, if we can help them out somehow, that's all that matters."

The tournament has become a fixture in the Edson community and serves as a farewell to the winter hockey season and a fundraiser for the community.

Local volunteers, businesses, and non-for-profits all come together to make the event possible. "This was one of the best weekends I think we've ever had," said Wilson. "This town is amazing. The last few years haven't been great; we've all been struggling back and forth with the economy being the way it is. But people and business are just amazing in this town. It's amazing to see how many people show up."



Local Edson team the 'Corn Nuts' brought home the win at the Wilson's Men's Hockey Tournament at the Edson Leisure Centre March 15 to 17th. photo submitted.



The Wilson's Men's Hockey Tournament took place March 15 to 17th, at the Edson Leisure Centre. Alongside the many hockey games was a raffle table featuring an impressive variety of prizes to be won. photo Niki Luymes



The Rutabagas faced off against the Combine Pilots during one of the many 'C' division games at the annual Wilson's Men's Hockey Tournament on March 15 to 17th. photo Niki Luymes.



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ESTS re-branding as ME: Moving Edson & Area

.by Niki Luymes

At the March 19 Edson Town Council Meeting, Dawn Mitchell, Executive Director of the Edson Senior's Transportation Society (ESTS) came to give an update of their activities over the past year.

Some highlights from this report was the changing of the Society's name, an overview of their updated clientele, and their work during the wildfires.

The Edson Senior's Transportation Society has been operating under that name for the past 39 years. In 2023 the decision was made to expand the society to reach other clients throughout Edson. While they will continue to offer their services to Edson residents 55 year and over, they have expanded to also serve Edson residents under 54 who have cognitive or mobility challenges. In correlation, they also changed their name to ME (Moving Edson). "This re-branding is meant to be more inclusive," explained Mitchell.

Moving Edson & Area now has one full time driver and three part time drivers working for them throughout the week. The group is run by a volunteer governance board, with an Executive Director. Moving Edson & Area has one wheelchair accessible bus, which now runs from 8:30am to 4pm, Monday thru Friday, with the exception of Thursdays when it runs until 9pm, and on weekends from 9am to 3pm. This adds up to 54.5 operational hours per week.

When summarizing the past year Mitchell highlighted the Society's actions during the 2023 wildfires. Throughout the emergency the buses were running to evacuate and then transport all their clientele. "So I need to say thank you to all our drivers. They went night and day for months." However, the wildfires did have a negative effect on the year's statistics.

Invitation to online info session on new Continuing Care Legislative Framework

The new Continuing Care Act (the Act) and legislative framework comes into effect on April 1, 2024, bringing important changes that may be of interest to residents of continuing care homes (formerly nursing homes, auxiliary hospitals, designated supportive living, and publicly funded hospices), supportive living accommodation residents, clients of home and community care providers, families and caregivers of Albertans who receive continuing care services, and the general public.

Alberta Health, working with Ernst & Young (EY), is inviting Albertans who receive continuing care as well as others who may be interested to attend an information session that will provide an overview of the new legislative framework. This will include a review of the new Act, regulations, changed terminology, requirements and other topics.

The session will take place online, from 6 pm to 7:15 pm on April 3, 2024.

To register for this session, follow this link: <https://4823132-1376.events.kaltura.com/register>

Overall ridership looks like it has dropped, but in actuality if you factor in the fires, it has remained the same.

Also in 2023, Moving Edson & Area received a grant from Healthy Aging Alberta. This, coupled with fundraising and other donations, allowed them to purchase a new mobility van. This new vehicle has been ordered and hopefully will be in Edson soon to begin operations.

Mitchell explained their priorities going into 2024 include: further development of policies & procedures; re-branding from ESTS to Moving Edson & Area; the implementation of modern technology like the new van; Increasing revenue by raising community awareness; and promoting their charter service. As well, a the return of their Annual Trivia Night Fundraiser on May 4.

Councillor Gean Chouinard, asked about the expanded hours. "Saturday and Sunday you started in December. Have you seen ridership increasing?" Mitchell answered that they have seen increased usage on Saturdays and Sundays. As words spread, the weekends are getting busier. They have consistent clients that get rides to Sunday worship services.

"My question is regarding the mobility van," said Councillor Krystal Cacka, "I'm curious about when will it arrive and if it will have air conditioning?" Mitchell replied that the van should get here by the end of March or beginning of April. "I promise you it will have air conditioning, it will be a comfortable ride, and it will have heat. This new van is going to be fabulous."

Councillor Ed Moore then asked if they complete many out of town trips. Mitchell explained that when you charter the bus it will take you everywhere and anywhere. Mitchell also explained that with the new van they plan to greatly enhancing their services. "We will be offering subsidized medical service trips to Edmonton, that is really exciting."

Mitchell explained that it's a big challenge for some seniors to make it to the city for specialized medical appointments. ESTS used to offer a limited service where they would drop clients at Tim Hortons to then ride the


SunDog bus to the city. However, those busses only go to West Edmonton Mall. From there the client would need to arrange rides to the actual medical appointment. The stress of this whole procedure would often stop them from going. With the new grant and the new van, Moving Edson will be able to offer door to door service. "We will pick seniors up where they live or wherever is most appropriate for them. We will drive them straight to their appointment, wait for them, and take them straight back home." Mitchell also added that if the client requires a support person for their appointment, that person will

be able to ride with them at no extra cost. This new program is very exciting as it fills an incredible need in the Edson community.

Mayor Zahara voiced his approval for this program. He noted that Council has often looked into fixing this problem and is excited to have a solution with a partner that has done such good work in the community. Moving Edson and Area is filling the need in Edson for public transportation without the high overhead that comes with a municipal bus system. "I thank you for taking on that work. We all appreciate that, and I think taxpayers should appreciate that as well."

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Edson RCMP gives priorities update to Town Council

by Niki Luymes

The Edson RCMP detachment sent Staff Sergeant Christian Delisle to the March 19 Edson Town Council meeting to give an update on the new 2024-2025 Policing Priorities. Delisle also presented some crime statistics from the past year to back up the new priorities.

The current policing priorities were to decreasing Property Theft and general Crime Reduction; bettering Police community relations through community interaction; and an internal goal to keep up to date with officer training.

Sergeant Delisle then presented the tangible goals for each of these priorities along side the actually results from the past year.

The first goal was to reduce property crime by 5% by completing 1,200 proactive patrols in Edson and surrounding area throughout the year. The result was a 14% reduction in property crime. There were 369 propriety crimes this year, which is down from 427 in 2022. The detachment managed to complete 1,399 patrols, 831 of which were in Edson. These patrols included 26 schools visits, multiple arrest warrants, multiple curfew checks, and traffic enforcement.

The second goal was to complete 45 points of community contact. Points of contact are where RCMP officers are able to interact with the community members beyond calls and law enforcement. By the end of the year they had completed 42 community contacts. Members of the detachment attended the RCMP Bike Rodeo, the Summer Festival, LEAP's Touch a Truck event, the Edson Car Show, Canada Day, and the Remembrance Day. This also includes many completed ride-alongs with RCMP applicants.

The internal priority of training had a very tangible goal of 10 courses taken by members. This

priority was very successful with detachment members taking 18 courses over the past year. This was a mix of online courses and in-person courses. Some course examples are ATV operator, surveillance, search warrant drafting, Immediate Action Rapid Deployment (IARD) training, and more.

Sergeant Delisle then presented a summary of last year's crime rates. A quick overview of the crime statistics comparing 2023 with 2022 includes: the Town of Edson and area saw an overall 23% decrease in persons crimes, a 14% decrease in property crime, and a 38% decrease in other criminal code violations. Delisle also wanted to highlight that there has been a 48% decrease in property crime since 2019. "A great improvement in that category," said Delisle

The Edson RCMP then sought input from Council on the policing priorities for 2024. They have already received feedback from the public and the community through a Town Hall on February 22. "We are your police service. So we want to respond and answer your demands and your needs for policing."

The floor was then open for council to give their suggestions for the 2024 priorities. Councillor Greg Pasychny said, "I personally think I would like to see us focus on drugs. I know as a volunteer firefighter how often we are called to assist with overdoses and such. Another area too, are the fire bugs that we have in the community. Hopefully they don't start up again, but I don't believe we've nabbed they guys who like to start fires yet."

Delisle responded, "Our effort on drugs in the past few years haven't been where I wanted it to be for a few reasons. Staffing is one of them, and

drugs are for the most part, proactive. There's not a lot of drug dealers that call and say, 'hey, I just sold drugs' so we have to find them. So it's tedious work, for staffing reasons we probably did not put in the time I would have liked. But defiantly I heard that from other forums, and I think it should be on our policing priorities this year, I agree." Councillor Krystal Cacka asked if Delisle was aware of any prolific re-offenders who may be returning to the community and consequently may increase these stats. Also is there any way to get on them before they are released and return. "Off the top of my head, I am not aware of who would be returning to the community that could have an affect on the stats," replied Delisle. "We are warned by corrections services and probations as to when they will come back into the community. So we are proactively doing exactly what your are saying. It is part of our patrol and part of our proactive policing."

Mayor Kevin Zahara asked, "What is the staffing situation currently? How many officers are we paying for currently? I know that staffing has been a challenge across the province." Delisle replied, "We are in a good situation, considering. Currently out of the 23 available positions in Edson, both those controlled by the detachment and those controlled by the province, there are 19 filled. There are a couple key positions that need to be filled and a couple members on or going on MAT leave in the near future. And two members on either light work or slowly returning work."

Delisle added that the Edson detachment has been recognized as a hub by the provincial level RCMP and that staffing needs are filled quite quickly because the province recognizes the need.



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Monday, April 8, 2024



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Guest Editorial/Column

Some inconvenient questions for Trudeau about his emissions cap

Trudeau is targeting Alberta with his emissions cap while sparing other polluting industries

by Cosmos Voutsinos

The Trudeau government's recent announcement regarding the implementation of Net Zero measures to cap oil and gas emissions has sparked significant debate and scrutiny. The plan sets a milestone for 2030, with further milestones anticipated until 2050. However, this decision raises several pressing questions and concerns that warrant careful examination.

Among them:

Why is the Trudeau government targeting Alberta? The decision to impose production caps specifically on Alberta's oil and gas industry begs the question: why Alberta? Given the province's substantial contribution to Canada's GDP, federal finances, and Transfer Payments to other provinces, what justification exists for singling out Alberta for such stringent measures?

Why have other industries been spared? While the oil and gas sector faces production caps, no such measures have been announced for other heavy-emitting industries. This lack of consistency raises concerns about fairness and economic repercussions. Why has Alberta been uniquely targeted, and what considerations have been made regarding potential economic impacts?

How feasible are the milestone goals? The proposed plan outlines a series of gradual milestone goals for emissions reduction, culminating in a continuous decline until 2050. However, is this approach realistic? Transitioning to a new energy infrastructure involves monumental challenges, including planning, material sourcing, construction, and the commissioning of giant projects. Can these milestones be achieved within the proposed timelines, and what are the associated time, cost, and energy requirements? Where will we get the extra energy required if we shut down the oil sands?

Are the government's hand-picked advisory groups exerting undue influence? The Minister of Environment, Steven Guilbeault, relies on various advisory groups for guidance on climate policies. However, many of these groups comprise non-elected and non-accountable individuals, primarily from NGOs and government-funded charities. What qualifies them to advise on complex energy policies?

How is NGO influence affecting

policy development? Evidence suggests NGOs' significant influence on energy policy development, particularly in advocating for renewable energy options. How transparent and balanced are these policy-making processes, and to what extent do they consider alternative energy technologies beyond renewables? Why does Canada need six NGO-influenced groups such as (ECCC, CCI, NZAB, NZAC, MAC and CEDAC) to offer the government advice? Shouldn't the quality of advice be preferred over quantity?

What can we learn from past renewable energy initiatives? Past initiatives in provinces like Ontario and Alberta have faced criticism for their exclusive focus on renewables, resulting in costly ventures that were later cancelled or paused. What lessons have been learned from these experiences, and how are they being applied to current federal policy decisions?

Is Canada's approach aligning with global trends and realities? Global trends show a massive resurgence in coal-fired electricity production and delays in Net Zero implementation across most countries; how does Canada's approach align with these developments? Are adjustments needed to ensure Canada's climate policies remain effective and relevant in the face of evolving global realities? These questions underscore the need to thoroughly scrutinize and evaluate Canada's Net Zero measures. Failure to address these concerns risks undermining the effectiveness and credibility of Canada's climate policies. The scientific proof and potential costs of Net Zero delusion are emerging worldwide, bringing Canada increasingly out of synch with the world.

What actions is the Trudeau government taking prior to tabling Net Zero policies? When it comes to energy, any policy error implemented now will not only need several years to correct and change course but also raise the spectre of life and death for people if the grid were to collapse. As a result, before tabling Net Zero policies, the government must demonstrate:

1. full transparency of the policy-making process
2. that all available energy technologies have been considered, with valid justifications for inclusions or exclusions
3. that a progress monitoring and goals achieved system is in place, and
4. that all non-elected and non-accountable NGOs, marketers, lobbyists, and charities have been excluded from the offices of the

decision-making Minister.

Why is the Trudeau government relying on the same lobbyists who failed before? The energy lobbying failures started with the McGuinty/Wynne governments in Ontario when several contracts for renewables had to be cancelled. The same lobbyists resurfaced in Alberta during the NDP era, which resulted in another renewables boondoggle that ended last summer when the Smith imposed a moratorium on new construction for renewables. Interestingly, the same actors have resurfaced again, spread among the various advisory committees in Guilbeault's office. Isn't it past time to clean house?

When these questions are considered together, one can

justifiably believe there is a set of "marching orders" for guiding advisors and NGOs, and an extreme lack of due diligence by the federal and provincial politicians involved.

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with ISA Certified Arborist, Toso Bozic
Tuesday, April 9, 2024
6:00pm - 9:00pm
Peers Multiplex
\$10

Tree expert and ISA Certified Arborist, Toso Bozic, will be giving a hands-on lesson on how to properly plant your trees and best management practices.

Topics include planting, site selection and preparation, pruning, and much more!

Dress for the weather!
Workshop is outdoors.
Snacks and refreshments provided.

Registration is limited and required to attend. Register at www.yhcounty.ca
Registration closes April 5!

For more information, call Yellowhead County's Agricultural Services Department at 780-325-3782.

ASK OUR RESIDENT EXPERT!

DO YOU HAVE TREE & GARDEN QUESTIONS?

Yellowhead County has a new seasonal Horticultural Technician to answer your tree and garden questions and concerns.

TREE & PLANT IDENTIFICATION

TREE PRUNING ADVICE

GARDEN SOIL TESTING

- Testing for the upcoming season:
- Garden Soil sampling provides a basic range result for pH, Nitrogen, Phosphorus and Potassium.
 - Limit of 1 garden soil sampling per household.
 - Testing is on a First come, first serve basis and is subject to availability of testing supplies. *Priority is given to gardens that are exhibiting growth concerns.

TREE & PLANT DISEASE ID

Disease or pest identification and recommendations or referrals

Contact Yellowhead County Agricultural Services Department at 1-800-814-3935 or 780-325-3782 for inquiries or to set up an appointment with our Horticultural Technician.

Yellowhead County

Approved Development Permits have been issued authorizing the following:

Permit No.	Location	Proposal	Date	Appeal Deadline
D24-027	Plan 5923MC Blk 10, Lot 5 SE-30-53-7-W5 Evansburg	Restaurant (Catering Services)	Mar 7/24	Permitted Use
D24-028	Plan 1220486 Blk 1, Lot 2 SW-28-54-16-W5 North of Two River Estates	Single Detached Dwelling with Accessory Building (Shop)	Mar 7/24	Permitted Use
D24-029	Plan 152126 Blk 1, Lot 4 NE-23-53-14-W5 Carrot Creek Area	Accessory Building (Shop)	Mar 7/24	Permitted Use
D24-025	Plan 1622577 Blk 2, Lot 1 SE-17-53-9-W5 South of Wildwood	Existing Single Detached Dwelling with Attached Garage & Accessory Building (Garage)	Mar 7/24	Permitted Use
D24-031	Plan 0424020 Blk 1, Lot 3 SW-18-54-14-W5 Peers Area	Existing Addition (Covered Deck) to Manufactured Home	Mar 7/24	Permitted Use
D24-032	NE-27-53-10-W5 Wildwood Area	Addition to Existing Accessory Building (Staff Accommodation)	Mar 7/24	Permitted Use
D24-026	Plan 2221249 Blk 7, Lot 2A NE-25-53-9-W5 Lobstick Resort	Single Detached Dwelling	Mar 8/24	Permitted Use
D24-034	NE-32-54-9-W5 Chip Lake Area	Addition to Manufactured Home	Mar 8/24	Permitted Use
D24-020	Plan 1920988 Blk 2, Lot 3A NE-12-53-18-W5 Edson West	Staff Accommodations (Surveillance Suite) Discretionary	Mar 11/24	April 1/24
D24-033	SE-21-56-14-W5 Shinningbank Lake Area	Single Detached Dwelling-Additional	Mar 12/24	Permitted Use
D24-036	Plan 1321189 Blk 2, Lot 2 SW-19-52-7-W5 South of Evansburg	Single Detached Dwelling	Mar 12/24	Permitted Use
D24-037	Plan 1320417 Blk 1, Lot 8 SW-36-53-17-W5 Edson North Estates	Manufactured Home	Mar 12/24	Permitted Use
D24-030	Plan 8221400 Lot 1 SE-12-53-18-W5 West of Edson	Medium Industrial (Oilfield Trucking & Equipment)	Mar 13/24	Permitted Use
D24-038	NW-24-50-26-W5 Seabolt Estates	Bed & Breakfast	Mar 15/24	Permitted Use

Yellowhead County Development Permits are also posted online at 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 day of the publishing of the Notice of Decision. Requirements for appealing the development to the Alberta's Land and Property Rights Tribunal can be found here: <https://www.alberta.ca/subdivision-appeals.aspx> or by calling 780-427-2444.



Phone: 780-723-4800 Toll Free 1-800-665-6030 Fax: 780-723-5066
8:00 AM - 4:30 PM



REQUEST FOR QUOTE 2024 HERBICIDE SUPPLY For Yellowhead County

Full details can be found at: www.yhcounty.ca or www.purchasingconnection.ca
Will be received until: April 19, 2024, 4:00 p.m. MST

General Description:

Yellowhead County invites suppliers of herbicide products to provide a quote for products listed on the below "Quote Sheet". The list of specific herbicide products and the approximate volumes that Yellowhead County will purchase in 2024 is a guideline only and no guarantee of purchase is implied by this invitation or by acceptance of any supplier's quote. Herbicide products are interchangeable and the price quote submitted by the preferred supplier will be used by Yellowhead County to analyse cost-benefits of purchasing specific herbicides to address needs as they emerge.

Quote Requirements:

1. Respondents may submit price quotes on any one or all of the products listed in the Sheet.
2. Prices should be expressed on the basis of per case as noted in the Quote Sheet, excluding GST.
3. Respondents should note all other supply costs including shipping/delivery charges, as well as all available discounts such as "early order" discounts with the applicable date ranges, on page 2 of the Quote Sheet.
4. Respondents must sign the acknowledgement on the Quote Sheet page 2 prior to submission.

Completed Quote Sheets may be submitted via email, mail, hand delivery, or fax to:

Jennifer Benson, Agricultural Services Supervisor
Yellowhead County
2716 1st Avenue
Edson, Alberta T7E 1N9
Phone: 780-325-3782
Fax: 780-325-3783
Email: jbenson@yhcounty.ca

If you have any questions regarding this Request for Quotes, please contact the above Yellowhead County representative.



REQUEST FOR BID WILDWOOD CLEANING, CARETAKING & BOOKING SERVICES

Yellowhead County is requesting bids for the cleaning, caretaking and booking services for the Wildwood Recreation Complex and Gunner Rehn Park. Contract specifications may be obtained from the Yellowhead County Offices at:

2716-1st Avenue, Edson, AB or 53404 Range Rge 92A, Wildwood, AB

Yellowhead County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all quotations and to waive irregularities or formalities at their discretion. The lowest bid will not necessarily be accepted.

All bids must be sealed and clearly marked "Cleaning/Caretaking Bid" and submitted to the

Yellowhead County Administration Office
2716-1st Avenue, Edson, Alberta
by 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 24, 2024.

Successful proponents must provide proof of WCB coverage as well as liability insurance with Yellowhead County listed as an additional insured.

For further information, please contact Derek Starnes, Parks & Recreation Supervisor at (780) 723-4800 or 1-800-665-6030.

COPING WITH WILDFIRE ANXIETY

FREE INFORMATION SESSION

Info Session
APRIL 3, 2024
Wildwood Community Hall 1-3pm

Please join Alberta Health Services for a community information session! They will be providing a community information session in Wildwood to provide support related to the upcoming wildfire season.

- One-hour presentation.
- Hands-on tools to cope and manage your anxiety, fear and/or panic.
- Presenters will teach some stress management tools during the session.
- Tools for parents for helping children cope with the anxiety.
- AHS therapists will answer questions and meet individually with attendees.

Sign up and join us to learn how to manage your fear and anxiety about the coming fire season! Please call 780-725-6110 to register.

Presented by the Edson Addiction & Mental Health Team from Alberta Health Services.



BRAIN INJURY INFORMATION SESSION

April 5 : Wildwood Community Hall : 1:00 p.m.

For families, caregivers, and service providers.
• Tips to help manage struggles with a brain injury
• Tips those supporting people who have a brain injury.

Facilitated by Danielle Morgan from the Brain Care Centre in Edson/Edmonton.
Please register online or 780-325-3785 or email kschatz@yhcounty.ca
Snacks and refreshments will be available.



ROAD BANS

Coming Soon.

Road Bans will be here soon. Make sure you're ready and prepared before they start.

1. Get all trucking done that you can before they start.
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2024 SEASONAL EMPLOYMENT
Approx. May 2 to August 30, 2024

Yellowhead County

Municipal offices CLOSED
FRIDAY, March 29
MONDAY, April 1

The Yellowhead County offices (Edson and Wildwood) will be closed for Good Friday and Easter Monday.

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in
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Mondays

Apr. 8* - May. 6 • 9:30 -10:00 AM
Cost: \$5/Class
or \$20 for the session
*FREE first class on April 8!

Join Chelsea at the Marlboro Hall for Chair Yoga!

There will be a FREE Try-It class on April 8th to see if this is the right fit for you!

These classes use the support of a chair to move through various yoga poses while working on breath work and building mobility.

Register online at yhcounty.ca/registration or by phoning Jina at 780-723-4800

[WYR] West Yellowhead Regional Landfill in Hinton

- LANDFILL CLOSURE -
GOOD FRIDAY
FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 2024
REGULAR HOURS WILL RESUME SATURDAY, MARCH 30

SPRING HOURS START APRIL 1:
Monday to Saturday
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Closed on Sundays & Holidays.
Please ensure all loads are secure.

Yellowhead County

Join us for
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at the Robb Multiplex!
March 28 - April 4, 11 & 25
(Thursdays) 10:00am - 10:45am
\$40 for four week session
or \$12/class drop in

Please bring a mat and a water bottle.
Open to all ages and abilities.

Register online at
yhcounty.ca/registration
or phone the Recreation Coordinator at 780-723-4800

Yellowhead County

DO YOU NEED TO PURCHASE SPRING DUST CONTROL?

Application Deadline May 15

To apply for Spring Dust Control (Calcium Chloride), submit payment and application before the deadline.

The application form is available online at www.yhcounty.ca or at the Wildwood or Edson office.

(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.)*

1. Applications for Dust Control can be made at our Wildwood and Edson offices.
2. Each ratepayer is entitled to an application of Calcium Chloride, 200 metres in length, for a fee of \$242.00.
3. The fee must accompany the application.
4. Spring Applications must be received by May 15, 2024.

If you have any questions, please contact our office at (780) 723-4800 or 1-800-665-6030.

*Dust Control Policy #3200.02

Op/Ed

Rising Taxes, Falling Services: Time for Change in Canada

Gerald Soroka
MP Yellowhead



As tax season arrives, Canadians are bracing for more than just the usual paperwork. Thanks to the Liberal government, this April 1st marks significant tax increases: a 2% excise tax on alcohol (increasing to an annual 4.7% in 2026) and a 23% increase in the carbon tax. These hikes are not just numbers on a page; they are real burdens on every Canadian household.

I wish to extend my deepest thanks to the many individuals across Yellowhead who responded to my previous OP-ED by sharing their heating bills. Your contributions have highlighted the outrageous cost of the carbon tax, underscoring the real-life impact of government policies on the cost of living.

These tax increases are part of an escalator tax mechanism, a strategy deployed by the Liberals that ensures annual tax hikes without parliamentary debate or vote. This automatic increase mechanism strips away any semblance of accountability or transparency in how we are taxed, essentially bypassing democratic processes.

The irony of these tax hikes is not lost on me; as Canadians pay more, the quality of government services does not improve—in fact, in many cases, it worsens. Since Trudeau was elected, the government bureaucracy has increased by over 100,000 employees, with spending on public services up by more than \$151 billion in that same period. Yet, Canadians are left asking: where is the value for our hard-earned taxpayer dollars?

Furthermore, ample evidence points to wasteful spending and mismanagement of taxpayer dollars, from the failed safe supply drug experiment that has tragically failed to address addiction, to scandals and corruption like ArriveCAN, which has seen taxpayer money funneled into the pockets of corrupt individuals within the government. These examples are not just fiscal missteps; they are betrayals of the public trust.

As we navigate this tax season, it's crucial to reflect on the broader implications of the NDP-Liberal government's financial policies. It's evident that Canadians deserve better. We deserve a government that respects taxpayer dollars, invests wisely in public services, and ensures accountability for every dollar spent.

The Conservative vision is clear: a Canada where taxes are fair, government is accountable, and public services are efficient. I pledge to continue to fight for these ideals, ensuring that the voices of Yellowhead residents are heard loud and clear, and working towards a future where your hard-earned money is respected and well-utilized.



During the GYPSD's recent board meeting, the drama students from Parkland Composition High School, led by teacher Danette Dickson, performed a song from their production of *The Lightning Thief - The Percy Jackson Musical*, which they performed at the Red Brick in mid-February.



The GYPSD Board of Trustees and division staff received recognition from RCMP Staff Sergeant Chris Murphy. S/Sgt. Murphy shared his appreciation to the Board, staff, and Superintendent Lewis for participating in a training exercise and review process that took an entire year to prepare and complete. Principal Kurt Scobie and school staff in Hinton, Assistant Principal Ryan Hall in Edson, and staff at Central Office - including Division bus drivers - contributed to a comprehensive learning experience - the first of its kind in the area. From left: S/Sgt. Murphy with Board Chair Dale Karpluk; Assistant Principal Ryan Hall; and GYPSD Superintendent Lewis.

Edson Forest Area Wildfire Update

March 11, 2024: The wildfire danger in the Edson Forest Area is LOW. The recent snow is melting quickly which is increasing the risk of new wildfires. Keep watch of your surroundings when working outside. Sparks, hot exhaust or friction can ignite a wildfire in the exposed dry grass and vegetation. Now is the time to check your winter burns and make sure they're fully extinguished. A burn can smoulder beneath the ground for days or weeks, and resurface when conditions are favorable to start a wildfire.

Wildland firefighters are on standby and ready to respond if a wildfire does start. We ask that if you see smoke or flame in the forest, report it to 310-FIRE.

Since January 1, 2024, there have been six wildfires in the Edson Forest Area burning a total of 8.09 ha. EWF004 was detected on February 23 and was turned over to the responsible stakeholder to extinguish. EWF006 was detected on March 4 and is currently under control at 0.01 ha.

WILDFIRE STATUS - CARRY OVER WILDFIRES

There are six "carry over" wildfires from the previous year still listed in our forest area. They are all classified as under control. Of these wildfires, one is human-caused, four are caused by lightning and two remain under investigation. These wildfires may not be active at the moment but will stay listed until forest officers are certain they are fully extinguished.

It may take several weeks or months before these carryover wildfires are classified as extinguished. A high level heat scan will be conducted with an aircraft when specific ground and moisture conditions are met. Too much snow or rain can cover hotspots which won't be picked up by the scanner.

The wildfires will continue to be monitored for activity and responded to by local wildland firefighting crews when needed.

None of these wildfires pose a threat to any communities or properties, including the Town of Edson.

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Youth Drop in Nights begin at Griffiths Park Centre

by Niki Luymes

The Town of Edson kicked off their Youth Drop in Nights with an inaugural Open House at Griffiths Park Centre March 14 from 3:30pm to 6:30pm. The event served as a way to show the new amenities and to allow parents to meet the team who will be running the program.

The Edson's Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) has been putting on Youth Drop In Nights since 2022. The group used to meet in the Kinsmen Shack, but moved after the grand opening of the Griffiths Park Centre. Now with a bigger facility, the program has shifted to make use of the added space. This open house event welcomed families to the new facility, and displayed some of the activities planned for the coming year.

Youths and family could come and go and take as much time as they wanted to converse with staff. "It was a really good event. We had a couple little things

to try out, some quick little activities to get a little taste of what they might see. But it was more about the communication part of it. They could ask any questions they wanted and then we get a feel for what the kids are interested in," said Sarah McDonald, FCSS Program Supervisor. There were also snacks and refreshments for everyone to enjoy.

Due to the drastic differences in interests and energy levels between the different ages, the choice was made to split the program into two age groups. The Youth Drop In for ages 11 to 14 will happen each Thursday from 3:30pm to 6:30pm. The Teen Drop In for ages 15 to 18 will happen the last Thursday of each month from 7pm to 9pm.

The FCSS team has plans to combine this program over the summer and into the fall. They are more than open to adapting and bringing in new things as the program evolves. If you have any feedback to offer or questions to ask you can contact the team at the Griffiths Park Centre.



The Youth Drop in Nights Open House at Griffiths Park Centre on March 14 featured a variety of activities and allowed kids and parents to ask questions and get to know the Edson FCSS team. photo submitted.

MacKay Hall hosts St Patrick's Day Family Dinner and Dance

by Niki Luymes

MacKay Community Association welcomed families from the surrounding area out for a night of fun with the return of the Annual St Patrick's Day Family Dinner and Dance.

The event took place on March 17 at the MacKay Community Hall. Doors to the event opened at 5pm, dinner was at 6pm, with a dance that followed.

The whole event started with the supper. Afterwards the live band 'Wise Moves' jumped on stage and played so people could dance the night away. While they were performing, attendees could also enjoy snacks and conversation. The kids in attendance could take a guess at the candy jar booth or just enjoy dancing and running around outside before the sun set. "All kids danced the night away. They absolutely loved the live music," said Keli Setzer, director with the MacKay Community Association.

Alongside all the activity was a silent auction.

The auction and admission fees were part of the fundraising for the night. There were 50 items up for bid, all donated by local businesses and supporters.

All the money raised goes directly back into the upkeep of the hall. "It's a big fundraiser for our hall and we want to thank everyone who came out and also those who sponsored and donated to make this event a huge success. Without people attending the events the viability of these little halls is going to disappear. It's important for the community to support their little halls," said Setzer

The St Patrick's Day Dance used to be a staple of the MacKay community. The event was put on hold during the COVID pandemic years. So, the MacKay Community Association was very excited to bring it back this year. A choice that proved to be very popular. The event ran late into the evening, all the way to last call. The group was able to serve a full midnight lunch to all in attendance. "It was a long evening, but a fun evening," added Setzer



Dallas Arcand shared his incredible talent with the Mary Bergeron School recently. Being an accomplished singer, flutist, and recording artist, he started by sharing a sampling of his musical talent. Then, he mesmerized the audience with a traditional Indigenous hoop dance that used 13 hoops, each hoop represented one of the 13 moons that pass within in a year. photo submitted by Deanna Mitchener

HRH KD Challenge



This year marked the Third Annual KD Challenge sponsored by CEAT where Holy Redeemer was pitted against their friends at Parkland to donate the largest number of boxes of Kraft Dinner to the Edson Food Bank. It was another spirited challenge with HRH taking the KD Cup for the second year in a row raising a whopping 704 boxes! "Friendly schools can have friendly competitions," says Phys-Ed Teacher Mike Bachinsky. "At the end of the day, the biggest winner is the Edson Food Bank." Here, the grade 7 class at HRH were the class that donated the most with 458 boxes. That's a lot of KD! submitted

Investing in High-Speed Internet **Are You Being Bullied?**

Investments from the Governments of Canada and Alberta to Bring High-Speed Internet to Over 22,500

Gerald Soroka
MP Yellowhead



<https://ised-isde.canada.ca/site/high-speed-internet-canada/en>

Households in Alberta, Including Yellowhead County
OTTAWA, ON – Gerald Soroka, Member of Parliament for Yellowhead wishes to advise that the Government of Canada and the Government of Alberta have jointly announced an investment exceeding \$112 million to extend high-speed internet access to over 22,500 households across Alberta, with Yellowhead County benefitting from an allocation of more than \$12 million of this investment. This initiative is part of a broader effort to ensure all Canadians have access to high-speed internet, enhancing opportunities for education, healthcare, and economic participation throughout the region. More information can be found at:

Library of Parliament Accepting Applications for the 25th Edition of the Teachers Institute on Canadian Parliamentary Democracy

Gerald Soroka, Member of Parliament for Yellowhead wishes to advise that the Library of Parliament is now accepting applications for the 25th edition of the 'Teachers Institute on Canadian Parliamentary Democracy', taking place in Ottawa from November 3rd to 8th of this year. The deadline to apply is May 5, 2024. More information can be found at: learn.parl.ca/teachers



Views & News
by Deanna Mitchener

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We all know that bullying needs to stop, but how? Well let's look at ourselves first.

Ask yourself, "Am I a bully?" or "Do I stand by and do nothing if I witness someone being bullied?" Just watching and doing nothing shows the perpetrator that you approve of their actions.

If you have children of any age, ask yourself, do I teach them how hurtful bullying can be? Or do I just let them figure things out on their own.

From a very young age a child can pick up on bullying. It could be because they just have always gotten away with it and don't really understand the harm. The reasons behind bullying behaviour are endless.

Bullying is when someone or a group is singled out and picked on by another person or group. Bullies might make fun of, be mean to, or exclude others for many reasons. These may include physical appearance, behavior, race or religion, orientation, gender or whatever the bully sees as an opportunity.

Bullying comes in many different forms. Physical bullying is when bullies hurt their target physically. This might be shoving, tripping, punching, or hitting. Any form of touching that a person does not want can be bullying.

There is verbal bullying, where someone is taunting or teasing. Psychological bullying is gossiping about or excluding people to make them feel bad about themselves.

The rise of cyberbullying, is where bullies hide behind a screen and use the internet or social media to say things that they might not say in person. They feel in control over sending mean texts, posting insults, or making rude comments. Many seem to take pleasure in the negative feedback they get when posting personal information, pictures, or videos designed to hurt or embarrass someone else.

Effects of bullying can be short-lived or they could have a long term effect on an individual. Emotional effects include feeling afraid, stress, anxiety, depression, and isolation. Being to afraid to share these feelings may have an impact on school work

or the job site. This can affect a person's energy level, sleep pattern, appetite, and mood.

If you think your child may be bullying others, reach out to provide positive structure and role modelling. Talk to them and ask questions.

There are many things that you can do if you're being bullied or know someone who is. Tell a trusted adult. Adults in positions of authority like parents, teachers, or coaches, often can deal with bullying without the bully ever learning how they found out about it.

It's vital to report bullying if it threatens to lead to physical danger and harm. Stalking, making threats, and physical attacks are very serious, and when they're not reported, they give the bully license to become more aggressive.

Ignore the bully and walk away may help. Bullies like getting a reaction. If you walk away or ignore them, you're telling them that you don't care.

Walk tall and hold your head high. Using this type of body language sends a message that you're not vulnerable.

Don't get physical. You're more likely to be hurt and get into trouble if you try to fight a bully. Try to talk to the bully. Try to point out that their behaviour is serious and harmful. This can also work well if you notice that a member of your own group has started to pick on or shun another member.

Talk about it. It helps to talk to a guidance counsellor, teacher, or friend — anyone who can give you the support you need.

Find your true friends. If you've been bullied with rumours or gossip, tell your friends so that they can help you feel safe and secure. Avoid being alone, especially when the bullying is happening a lot. Stand up for friends and others you see being bullied. Your actions help the victim feel supported and may stop the bullying.

It's important to treat everyone with respect. If you come across a bully let them know it is not right. If you are a parent, teach your child not to become a bully or help them learn how to speak up against a bully. It takes a community to raise our children and we can all benefit from more positive role models.



Some students from Mrs. Bilaway's Grade 2 class at the Mary Bergeron School. Their class ventured to the Edson and District Leisure Centre for their final skating session recently. photo submitted by Deanna Mitchener



This young Lynx was spotted in Edson near 13th Ave the morning of March 18. Young Lynx have spots like mature Bobcats (which are typically more southern). Lynx are elusive night-time hunters that are rarely seen in the wild. They usually mate in March and give birth to a litter of 3 - 4 kittens in May. They rely heavily on the wild hares for their main food source. When its main food source is scarce, they will travel far to find alternative food sources including birds, rodents, carrion, and maybe outdoor pets. photo submitted by Deanna Mitchener

Local Smile Cookies Campaign to support Edson Food Bank

by Deanna Mitchener

The Edson Food Bank has been chosen as the recipient of the upcoming Tim Horton's Smile Cookie Campaign. The Spring campaign runs from April 29 to May 5. Get ready to smile eating a cookie and knowing it is making a difference in this community.

Amy Pillage, Program Coordinator for the Edson Food Bank said, "There will be pre-order forms that

businesses, groups, and people can fill out and return to the store of their choice to fill. We're hoping to even get a few groups of our volunteers into the stores to help decorate the cookies. We have such a generous community."

If you are a local business or corporate business this is a great time to purchase some cookies for the staff. Not only do you get to enjoy a cookie, you are also helping to support the Edson Food Bank.



Mr. Bachinsky, a coach at Holy Redeemer High School, recently won the Alberta Coach of the Year Award for Six-A-Side and Nine-A-Side Football. He received the award at a coaches' clinic at the U of A. photo submitted by Deanna Mitchener



The community of Edson celebrated the season with the St Patrick's Day Special market. Vendors from the area and around the province came out to sell their wares while wearing bright green for the occasion. photo Niki Luymes

United Trinity Community Lunches

by Deanna Mitchener

The United Trinity Community Kitchen is back up and serving meals the 1st and 3rd Thursday each month now until November.

Jean Linklater said, "The next free community meal is happening on March 21. Please

join us at the United Church from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m."

"Upcoming dates will be April 4 and April 18. Deliveries will also resume. If you need any more information, please call the Edson United Church at 780-723-3418," said Linklater.



A bus load of seniors from Parkland Lodge enjoyed a day trip over to Whitecourt for lunch recently along with a few spins on the slot machines. 'Cha-Ching' is the sound some were looking for! Parkland Lodge's Activity Coordinator Amanda Wills keeps the seniors very active. photo submitted by Deanna Mitchener



Musician and singer Gary Thomas was playing some good shoe-tapping tunes for the residents at Parkland Lodge recently. photos submitted by Deanna Mitchener



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April 10-May 29: Family Time. Join us on Wednesdays for some indoor fun! Program runs from 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM Marlboro Community Hall (April 10,24& May 8,22). Peers Multiplex (April 17 & May 1,15&29). Registration is required. www.yhcounty.ca/registration

March 8, April 12: Join Trail Hall for potluck suppers for more information call 780-728-5641.

March 10-31: Yoga in Peers, Sundays 6pm-7pm Peers Multiplex ages 12+ register at yhcounty.ca/registration

March 26: Family Wellness Day. 11:00am-1:30pm at Marlboro Community Hall. Register at yhcounty.ca/registration

March 26: From Stress to Success. Tools to manage stress and anxiety in relation to the upcoming wildfire season. Register or drop in. call 780-725-0582 6pm-8pm at Griffiths Park Centre (5414 6 Ave)

March 27: Family Wellness Day. 11:00am-1:30pm at Brule Community Hall. Register at yhcounty.ca/registration

March 29: Free Pancake Breakfast starts at 9AM. Followed by a Community wide Good Friday Rally at 10:30AM Yellowhead Koinonia Christian School 430-72 St Edson

March 30: Free Fire Extinguisher Demonstration. Learn and practice extinguishing a stove top fire. 2pm Bethel Pentecostal Church (6350-13 ave)

April 3: Coping with Wildfire Anxiety Free info session at Wildwood Community Hall. AHS therapists will answer questions and meet individually with attendees. 1-3pm (see page 9).

April 5: Brain Injury Information Session at Wildwood Community Hall 1:00pm. Please register online or 780-325-3785 or email kschatz@yhcounty.ca

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

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Knight Riders 4-H bring home 'Reserve Champion' win at Regionals

by Katie Sydor, Knight Riders 4H Club

Members from Knight Riders 4-H Club along with other local 4-H Clubs represented Yellowhead District in Tiger Lily, AB on March 9 at the North West Regional Communication event.

Knight Riders members first competed against each other to represent their club.

On February 10, the selected Knight Riders members went on to compete

against the other clubs in our district to determine who would represent the Yellowhead District at the Regionals.

In Public Speaking, Edson 4-H Multi-Club's Hudson Hodgins spoke on 'What a Hero is' in the Junior Member group. Knight Riders' Katie Sydor gave her speech on 'The Importance of Newspapers' in the Intermediate group, and Carrot Creek 4-H's Hanna Dickson spoke on 'Foley Timber' in the Senior group.

In Presentations, Knight Riders'



Public Speaking entrants at the Alberta 4-H North West Communication Regionals.



Presentation entrants at the Alberta 4-H North West Communication Regionals.

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Evangeline Elzinga earned Reserve Champion in the Junior group with her presentation 'Giants: Fact or Fable'. Edson 4-H Multi-Club's April and August Hurren presented 'Moose' in

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