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New Town Council sworn in; meeting schedule changes

by Adrienne Tait

The new Town of Edson Council was officially sworn in on Tuesday and with it a shake up of meeting schedules and

who sits on municipal boards and advisory committees.

Newly elected Councillor Ed Moore will take former Councillor Jacqui Currie's spot on the Edson and District

Historical Society board and will take over from Councillor Chouinard as town representative on the FCSSAA Regional Board.

Moore will sit with

Councillor Greg Pasychny on the Subdivision and Development Appeals Board.

There will no longer be representation from Town Council on the Athabasca

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The Edson Eagles and the Gibbons Pioneers played against each other at Repsol Place on October 22 (see story page 13) photo Shaylyn Thornton

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Watershed Council or the West Central Airshed Society both of which were previously attended by Councillor Wilkinson as the former Town Council determined presentations from each would be sufficient.

New Councillor Peter Taylor will sit on both the Edson Public Library and Yellowhead Regional Library Boards. Both spots were previously held by Councillor Baier. Taylor will also sit on the Homelessness, Mental Health & Addictions Task Force alongside Mayor Zahara and Councillor Baier.

Mayor Zahara along with Councillors Baier and Pasychny will sit on the Regional Multi-plex Steering Committee.

The newly elected Council agreed to amend their meeting schedule for the coming year -reducing the

Committee of the Whole meetings to one per month from two. The move is in line with other municipalities of similar size including neighbouring Town of Hinton and Yellowhead County. Council was told by administration that the move reflects “industry best practices” and is intended, in part, to redirect discussion to Council meetings.

CAO Beveridge said this change will allow discussion for larger scale plans, more thoughtful reports and strategies, and administration to better plan in advance.

Beveridge noted that the same issues discussed at Committee of the Whole were being brought the next week to council resulting in redundancies.

Councillors Taylor, Bevan and Baier along with Mayor Zahara spoke in favour of the change believing that the public would benefit from seeing more

discussion in regular council meetings and encourage better time management for staff, administration, and council.

Councillor Chouinard was the lone dissenting vote.

Council Meeting Highlights:

ATCO Franchise Fee: Council has maintained the ATCO Franchise Fee at 20%. With an increase in ATCO's projected Delivery Tariff Revenue, the Town of Edson is able to maintain the current rate, while increasing the projected revenue to approximately \$641,000.

Fortis Franchise Fee: Council has maintained the Fortis Alberta Franchise Fee at 4.75%. It's anticipated that keeping the rate the same for 2021 will result in an increase in funding of approximately \$28,000 from last year. The money collected from this levy goes directly into an Energy Reserve.



Kevin Zahara being sworn in as the Mayor of Edson on Nov. 9. Incumbent councillors also sworn included Gear Chouinard, Krystal Baier, and Trevor Bevan.



Greg Pasychny being sworn in as one of Edson's three new town councillors on Nov. 9.



Ed Moore being sworn in as one of Edson's three new town councillors on Nov. 9.



Peter Taylor being sworn in as one of Edson's three new town councillors on Nov. 9.

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Love from All the Family

YES and Options HIV West Yellowhead start new venture

by Shaylyn Thornton

The Yellowhead Emergency Shelter for Women and Options HIV West Yellowhead have partnered to open an exciting new store.

'Then and Now' opened on Monday, October 26 at 121 Athabasca Avenue in Hinton. The idea for the store came about when the groups realized that there were gaps in services being provided, due largely to a lack of funding.

The clothing store, which is filled through donations, will have each item individually priced. YES Executive Director Marjorie Luger said that most items will be priced from \$1.00-\$3.00, with some "higher ticket items" going for more. Luger also noted that clients of the two organizations will be able to shop for free.

"The shelter's part in this venture is to share donations that we receive, and cannot use in-

house, with Then and Now. As well, we will continue to give to the Share Shop," Luger said. "We will get a share of the proceeds from Now and Then, once store expenses are covered."

"Should we make this venture successful, it will be a great fundraiser for YES and help us supplement our current annual fundraising goal of \$85,000.00," Luger added.

Store Manager Linda Lundrigan has brought on some part-time staff, and now that the store is open, they have already experienced "amazing support" and "positive feedback".

You can find out more about Then and Now on their social media page. They ask that you consider donating your gently used clothing (women's, men's, youth and children's) as well as household items, and encourage your friends to do so, too! Donations can be made at the store during regular hours.

"In addition, shop there often!" Luger said. "Make it your first choice when shopping, as there will be many great, ever-changing finds or must haves!"

And whether you donate, shop, or both, you can know that you'll be helping out two very important organizations in our region. Call 780-865-1455 for more info.

Letter to the Editor:

Please get the Covid vaccine

This letter is written by a loving and heartbroken sister. My 74 year old brother Cary tested positive for Covid on Oct 12 and was admitted to the Merritt B.C. hospital on Oct 17.

Early morning on the 18th he passed. He hadn't had the vaccine, only he knows and God knows why he chose not to. He had been a paraplegic for over 50 years so he was accustomed to health issues, bladder, kidney, diabetes and extremely overweight, high risk all around.

Whatever side effects may come with the vaccine, it's supposed to prevent death. That's all I need to know. I had all the childhood vaccines, polio, measles, mumps, etc. I avoided all diseases... was it the vaccines?

If this letter can prevent the same heartbreak our family is feeling, I will feel some hope of beating this terrible disease. God bless all, stay safe!

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changing their clocks." - Nate Glubish, Minister of Service Alberta.

Equalization Results show 61.7 per cent of Albertans are in favour of removing the principle of equalization from the Constitution.

"A clear majority of Albertans have sent a powerful, democratic message: They want a fair deal in the federation. Our message is clear: Ottawa must respect Alberta and the huge role we play in Canada's economic prosperity." - Jason Kenney, Premier.

Senate elections Albertans also had the opportunity to choose three nominees for the Senate. The Government of Alberta will introduce a motion in the legislature calling on Prime Minister Justin Trudeau to fill the two vacant Alberta Senate seats with elected nominees.

More than 1,118,000 Albertans cast their ballot for Senate nominees, with Pam Davidson (382,243), Erika Barootes (358,002) and Mykhailo Martyniuk (237,228) earning the most votes.

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Wildwood Legion will not hold Remembrance Day Service this year due to Covid concerns

by Charlotte Winters

Royal Canadian Legion Wildwood has regretfully made the decision to

not hold a Remembrance Day Ceremony this year.

The past eighteen months have been heartbreaking for many

families with the loss of family members to the Covid virus. We have had several Covid cases in our immediate area recently.

With the current situation in Alberta the Legion Executive feels, that even an outdoor ceremony is not safe.

This was a difficult decision and not taken lightly.

We will place a wreath at the Cenotaph in Remembrance of our Veterans past and present.

On November 11 at the eleventh hour please take two minutes to remember our Veterans.

Remembrance Day is a day to

come together to remember and to honour veterans who have given so much. Think of them and please remember them not only on this day, but every day.

If anyone wishes to purchase a wreath we will post Roll of Honor on the door of the legion to acknowledge your contribution. For those of you who wish to pick up your wreath to place on a Veteran's grave, please call President Charlotte Winters at 780-325-3787 to make arrangements.

(See our Nov.8 issue for Wildwood's Honour Roll of Dead)

RCMP Federal Policing warns buy-and-sell users of ongoing payment fraud

The Alberta RCMP Federal Serious and Organized Crime Unit warns online buy-and-sell users of an ongoing payment scam in which sellers using platforms like Kijiji or Facebook Marketplace are unknowingly receiving money requests rather

than money transfers. As a result, sellers are being cheated out of their money instead of receiving payment for their listed items.

Scammers will show interest in a listed item on a buy-and-sell platform, contacting the seller to coordinate

payment. They then ask to send an online money transfer as a deposit to hold an item. In some cases, the scammer will even explain to the seller that the payment will be coming from a special company account, laying cover for why the supposed e-transfer will be received in a different language. A money request instead of a transfer is then sent in French to the seller. The victim, unable to translate the request or decipher the scam, accepts the transaction and the funds are pulled from their account.

There has been no specific trend in the type of listings or sellers being targeted by this scam. The Alberta RCMP cautions individuals listing items online to avoid interactions with potential buyers that involve money transfers in French or languages they are unable to translate.

"Online scams such as these are becoming more and more common. It is important that individuals using buy-and-sell platforms do their due diligence to ensure transactions are legitimate. We encourage Albertans to be cautious of these types of fraud trends and to question online interactions that seem unusual or out of the ordinary." -Cpl. Sean Milne, Alberta RCMP, Federal Serious and Organized Crime.

If you believe yourself to be a victim of this type of fraud, please report it to your local law enforcement and to the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre online at www.antifraudcentre.ca, or by calling 1-888-495-8501.

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Permit #	Address/Legal	Development Type	Use	Date Issued Online	Zoning
Week 1					
086-2021	5123 7 Avenue/ Plan 1494 AC, Block 32, Lot 15	Covered Deck	Discretionary	October 22, 2021	R-1B
083-2021	1905 25 Street/ NW-24-53-17-W5M	Storage of natural resources, x2 Accessory Building	Permitted	October 26, 2021	M-2
Week 2					
087-2021	5508 4 Ave Unit 2/ Plan 461 AJ, Block 162, Lot 1-4	Change of Use to Minor Eating and Drinking Establishment	Permitted	October 19, 2021	C-3

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

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Impact of surgical delays...

It was in March of 2020 that the coronavirus began its impact on Alberta. Hospitals filled up quickly, and by the time the first wave subsided, many scheduled surgeries had to be postponed.

Then came the second and third waves which increased the backlog even more.

Just as surgery appointments began to open up again, the fourth wave overwhelmed Alberta hospitals once more, driven by the Delta variant and lower vaccine rates.

Adding to the clinical impact of surgical delays, is the looming mental health impact of living with afflictions while surgeries are put on indefinite hold.

With the ongoing announcements of lives tragically lost to Covid-19, the suffering



From the Publisher's Desk
Dana McArthur
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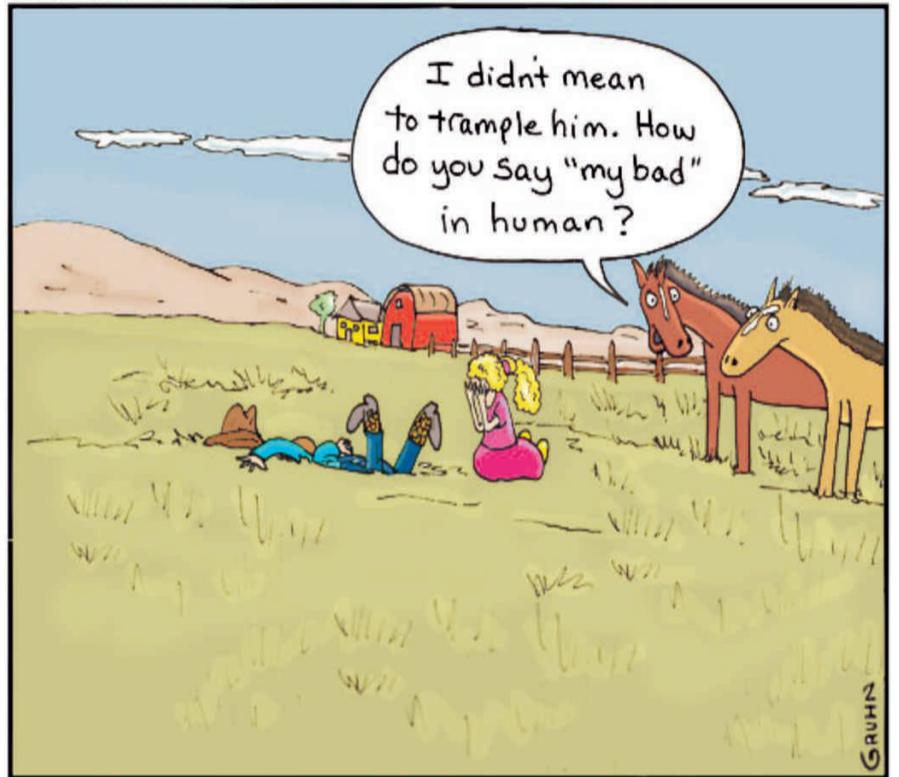
caused by delayed surgeries has been nearly impossible to calculate.

Although it may not be an immediate life-or-death situation, the anguish of postponed surgeries cannot be ignored. Living with severe, chronic pain is strongly associated with substance abuse and impaired mental health.

Covid-19 has caused many deaths and suffering of its own, including long-Covid. But there are other physical costs including heightened stress, ongoing pain, and perhaps in some cases, accelerated deaths of those with serious conditions who were denied timely access health care.

It will undoubtedly take many years to grasp the total consequences that this pandemic has so terribly wrought on people's lives.

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Edson RCMP Occurrences

For the week of Oct 11 - Oct 17, 2021

Between October 18 and October 24, 2021, theft complaints topped the list of Edson RCMP investigations at 16.

Other investigations included: Assault 4; Assistance Calls 12; Cause Disturbance 3; False/ Abandoned 911 call 3; Fire Prevention Act 1; Firearms Act 1; Fraud 2; Harassment/Criminal Harassment 2; Health Act 2; Information File 1; Lost/Found Property 4; Mental Health Act 3; Mischief or Damage 8; Possess Stolen Property 1; Sudden Death 2; Suspicious Persons or Vehicles 4; Theft Complaints 16; Traffic Collisions 4; Traffic complaints 9; Trespassing 7; Uttering Threats Against Person 2; and Traffic Violations 21.

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New County Council holds first meeting; new mayor sworn in

by Shaylyn Thornton

On October 26, the newly elected Yellowhead County Council met up for their first Organizational Meeting. Councillors Patrick Soroka and David Russell were not able to be present for the meeting, although Russell appeared virtually via Zoom.

The Organizational Meeting is held annually, typically in the last week of October, and deals with items such as filling roles and board positions.

The first Organizational Meeting of each new term also involves swearing in the members of Council. Starting with Mayor Wade Williams, followed by each Councillor, each member made the official oath of office, swearing to “diligently, faithfully, and to the best of [their] ability” fulfill the duties of the office to which they were elected.

Since they were unable to attend, Councillor Russell had been sworn in the day prior, and Councillor Soroka would be sworn in at a later date.

Up next was nominations for the role of Deputy Mayor. Deputy Mayor is the individual who will act as the Chief Elected Official (Mayor) when the Mayor is unavailable or unable to perform their duties, or if the office of Chief Elected Official is vacant.

Section 152 of the Municipal Government Act states that only one Councillor will hold the office of Deputy Mayor at any one time, and that the office must be filled at all times. Until the recent election, Mayor Williams was the Deputy Mayor.

Williams called for nominations, and Councillor Anthony Giezen nominated Councillor Dawn Mitchell for the role. Williams proceeded to make two more calls for nominations, but no other names were put forward. Williams then named Mitchell as

Deputy Mayor by acclamation.

Council then voted to plan their regularly scheduled meetings for the coming year. For the most part, Yellowhead County will hold a regular Council meeting on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, and a Governance & Priorities Committee meeting on the third Tuesday of each month.

Some variances were involved, including a reduced summer schedule, some cancellations due to RMA meetings, and an adjustment as to which Tuesdays meetings will be held on this December to accommodate the holiday season. The Council also planned next year's Organizational Meeting for October 25.

Council also voted to approve committee and board appointments. The boards each Councillor will sit on are as follows:

- Yellowhead County Boards:**
 Agricultural Services Board – Berry and Russell
 Assessment Review Board – Composite – Mitchell and Russell
 Assessment Review Board – Local – Russell and Lowe
 Emergency Advisory Committee – All of Council (by bylaw)
 Family and Community Support Services Board – Lemieux
 Heritage Advisory Board – Giezen
 Subdivision and Development Appeal Board – Russell and Lemieux and Berry
 Yellowhead County Library Board – Lowe
 Yellowhead County Recreation Board – Russell
Joint Boards with Other Authorities:
 Edson and District Historical Society – Lowe
 Evergreens Foundation Management Board – Giezen



Wade Williams was sworn in as Mayor during Yellowhead County's 2021 Organizational Meeting. photo submitted

- Pembina Lobstick Historical Society – Soroka
 West Yellowhead Community Futures (WYCF) – Mitchell and Groat
 WYCF Investment Review Committee – Mitchell
 West Yellowhead Regional Waste Management Authority – Mitchell and Berry
 YCE Multiplex Committee – Giezen and Mitchell
 Yellowhead Regional Library Board – Lowe
External Boards/Committees:
 Athabasca Watershed – Lemieux
 Inter-Municipal Committee – Edson – Berry and Lemieux

- Inter-Municipal Committee – Hinton – Groat and Mitchell
 Mary Reimer Regional Park Board – Groat
 Pembina Agricultural and Recreation Society – Giezen
 Yellowhead Synergy Group Board – Russell
 Council also considered naming members to join the Forestry Advisory Committees for Sundance, West Fraser, and Weyerhaeuser, however they decided to wait until an invitation was extended if the committees wish to have Council input.

The next regular Council meeting will be held on November 9, 2021.



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Please contact Infrastructure Services Department at (780) 723-4800 or 1-800-665-6030 for a form or more information. Forms also available at www.yhcounty.ca

Black Knot | Info & Pruning Guideline



Black Knot - What Is It?

Yellowhead County's Agricultural Services Department has received numerous calls regarding black growths on residents' fruit trees.

These tar-like black swellings are a sign of Black Knot and will distort and stunt any tree species within the *Prunus* genus.

Black Knot reduces the aesthetic value of affected trees and, if left long enough, may result in eventual death of the tree.

The disease spreads in the spring, attacking new growth on branches. The spores released by the fungi can be carried by wind and splashing rain.

The only reliable method of controlling Black Knot is pruning.

Black Knot - Pruning

1. Only prune between November and March.
2. Cleanly cut off at least 6 - 8 inches below the knot, better to prune back to a healthy collar, then leaving a stub.
3. For knots on branches or trunks that can't be removed, use a knife to cut away diseased tissue down to good wood and then 1/2 inch beyond the edge of the knot.
4. Cleaning your equipment properly is another good way to prevent the spread. Pruning shears should be dipped in a 1% bleach/water solution between cuts and once you are finished pruning ensure you run your tools under water for 10 minutes and dry thoroughly.
5. Treat pruned branches like hazardous waste, they can release spores for up to 4 months. Burn, bury, or wrap them in plastic and throw them in the trash. Do not compost.

Questions? Call 1-800-814-3935 or 780-325-3782.

Yellowhead County
Request for Tender
WOLF LAKE ROAD GRADER BEAT

Yellowhead County is accepting tenders from interested contractors for the supply and operation of a motor grader for the Wolf Lake Road Grader Beat. Potential contractors can obtain a detailed information package commencing November 1, 2021 from the office of Yellowhead County, 2716 - 1st Avenue, Edson, Alberta.

Tender submissions must be received no later than 2:00 p.m., **Thursday, November 25, 2021.** The tenders must be in a sealed envelope and clearly marked and addressed as follows:

Yellowhead County
2716 - 1st Avenue
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WOLF LAKE ROAD GRADER BEAT

This is a "Request for Tender." Potential contractors are therefore advised that Yellowhead County reserves the right to:

1. Accept a tender without negotiation.
2. Reject a tender without negotiation.
3. Reject a tender from a bidder that has had a previous contract terminated by the County.
4. Negotiate changes in the financial or operational content of the successful tender.

A pre-tender submission meeting will be held in the Edson Office of Yellowhead County on Wednesday, November 10, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. Potential contractors are strongly advised to attend. Contractors are also advised that the average of their hourly rates, company name, and final rating will be made public when being presented to Council.

For further information regarding this request, please contact Matt MacDonald, Manager of Transportation at (780) 723-4800.

Yellowhead County
Approved Development Permits have been issued authorizing the following:

Permit No.	Location	Proposal	Date
D21-159	Plan 0620386, Blk 4, Lot 21 NE 36-53-09-W5 Lobstick Resort	Five Existing Accessory Buildings - (Sheds & Covered Wood Pad)	Oct 15/21
D21-160	Plan 0122782, Blk 1, Lot 3 SE 15-53-17-W5 Edson Area	Accessory Building (Shop)	Oct 15/21
D21-086	Plan 0622637, Blk 2, Lot 3 NE 30-51-24-W5 East River Road	Addition to Single Detached Dwelling with Covered Porch and Covered Deck (Pergola)	Oct 20/21
D21-161	SE 01-54-11-W5 Chip Lake Area	Additional Ten Non-Serviced Campground Sites - Discretionary	Oct 21/21
D21-163	Plan 8122322, Blk 3, Lot 19 SE 08-53-19-W5 Millers Lake	Fence - Variance for Height	Oct 21/21
D21-165	NE 36-54-16-W5 Drostan Area	Manufactured Home	Oct 22/21
D21-164	NW 19-53-12-W5 Niton Junction Area	Manufactured Home with Two Additions (Porch & Laundry) & Two Covered Decks - Variance for Age of Manufactured Home	Oct 25/21

Per the Public Notification Bylaw, the public is considered notified once approved development permits are posted online. Any person claiming to be affected by an approved development permit may appeal the development by filing a written notice of appeal with the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board. The written notice must be filed within Twenty One (21) days after notice of the approval is given, and must be accompanied with a payment of \$300.00.



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Online Zoom Sessions
Time: 8:30 - 10:00 AM
When: October 14, November 4, December 9
Call 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935 for details.

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Caregiver Support Group
Online Virtual Sessions

This is a valuable opportunity for caregivers to get together and talk about their caregiving journey in a safe and confidential environment. Caregivers can be caring for their parents, their spouses, an elderly friend, a family member or their children.

Join us for these online Zoom confidential sessions:

- September 21
- October 19
- November 16
- January 18
- February 15
- March 15
- April 19
- May 17
- June 21

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Please join us for online Zoom sessions from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm on:

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- October 26, 2021
- November 23, 2021
- January 25, 2022
- February 22, 2022
- March 22, 2022
- April 26, 2022
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- Be prudent with medications.
- Avoid tripping hazards - the leading cause of injury among seniors.

Finding Balance is hosting webinars in November to help keep older adults and seniors safe in their homes. Go to www.findingbalancealberta.ca/2021-webinars

Edson Chamber 2021 Business Awards



2021 Small Business Award winner Rhapsody River Rides with GFL sponsor Gean Chouinard. photo submitted

2021 Medium Business Award winner Bembe & AO Cleaning with sponsor Nova Inn Edson manager Bogusha Pomeranke. photo submitted

by Shaylyn Thornton

The 2021 Edson & District Chamber of Commerce Business Awards have now been handed out to all of the winners!

The eight awards include Employer of Choice, Taste of the Community, the Pioneer Award, Beautification Award, the Service Superstar Award, as well as Small, Medium, and Large Business Awards.

The 2021 Small Business Award, which was sponsored by GFL, went to Rhapsody River Rides. Owner Robert Wilkinson explained that he opened the new business in May of 2021, utilizing a 2005 21-passenger cut away van that he got at an auction in March.

The business began as a bus ride service for water sports including tubing, kayaking,

canoeing, and paddleboarding, and offers transportation for both you and your gear.

Rhapsody River Rides has also expanded into other offerings, such as transport for weddings, funerals, bachelor parties, and Christmas parties. Wilkinson has also recently outfitted the van with a video game system “in an attempt to lure those young at heart to request rides to ski hills in the winter.”

Wilkinson mentioned friends and businesses who helped get the business up and running and up to code, including Micheal Bauman, Wilden's Mechanical Services, Vern Hansen, and Bill Anstee.

“Rhapsody River Rides bus can go anywhere in the province of Alberta. So whether you plan a month long journey from Jasper to Fort McMurray, or from the Old Ferry to the Peers

bridge, we would love to help you on both ends, or anywhere in-between should disaster strike,” said Wilkinson. “(780)725-3594 is the number to call, open all the time to anything you can dream of.”

The 2021 Medium Business Award, which was sponsored by Nova Inn and Suites, went to Bembe & AO Cleaning Company. Owner Alex Calicoy established the business in Edson in August of 2017.

Bembe & AO serves a variety of businesses around Edson and area, including commercial, retail, bank, public sectors, and pipeline facilities. They consider themselves “a full-service cleaning maintenance company and a one stop solution for all your cleaning requirements.”

“Service is provided seven days a week at the hours that correspond your needs,” said Calicoy.

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Edson Operation Christmas Child

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Edson Chamber 2021 Business Awards

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"We have the best and trustworthy employees in town."

The 2021 Large Business Award, which was sponsored by Weyerhaeuser, went to Braund's Independent Grocers. Tim and Angela Braund, along with their son Joshua, said that they "are proud to be part of the Edson community" where they have now owned Braund's Independent Grocer for four-and-a-half years.

"Contributing to the community through various organizations such as the Food Bank, Kinette's, breakfast and snack school programs, and many team sports... It is our way of giving back to the community we call home," the Braunds said. "We are very grateful to our incredible staff and management for their continued support for making all this possible. Thank you Edson!"



2021 Large Business Award winner Braund's Independent Grocers with sponsor Weyerhaeuser Natalie Peace. photo submitted

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Small Business
Rhapsody River Rides
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Medium Business
Bembe and AO Cleaning Company
(sponsored by Nova Inn and Suites)

Large Business
Braund's Independent Grocers
(sponsored by Weyerhaeuser)

Employer of Choice
Castle Rentals
(sponsored by Braund's Independent Grocers)

Service Superstar
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Taste of the Community
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We would like to send a big thank you to our sponsors for this event. We are very proud of our local businesses and your sponsorship makes this all possible. The Chamber would also like to thank JCD Web design, Thymes Two Unique Gifts, and the announcers of the awards, Mayor Kevin Zahara, Mayor Wade Williams and Gerald Soroka MP, along with everyone who nominated and voted to give much deserved recognition to all our local businesses.

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Edson Eagles sweep weekend at home



Edson Eagles player #20 Tyson Ward looks to skate the puck around the opposing Gibbons Pioneers on October 22. photo Shaylyn Thornton

by Shaylyn Thornton

The Edson Eagles are gaining momentum this season, and they showed off their stuff to a large crowd at their home games at Repsol Place on October 22 and 23.

The Eagles took on the Gibbons Pioneers on October 22 and played against the Northern Alberta Tomahawks on October 23.

Against the Pioneers, the Eagles opened with a strong first period, potting six goals thanks to Ilias Okemow (2), Ethan Ermineskin, Reilly Fraynn, and Alex Kronewitt (2).

In the second period, Fraynn and Okemow each added another to the tally, while Tyson Ward scored his first of the game, and Levi Williams contributed with a hat trick.

The third period saw Ward and Fraynn each get another goal, and Taiven Makokis scored his first of the game. The game ended in a score of 15-0 in favor of the Eagles.

The Eagles named their Most Valuable Eagle of the October 22 game to be #18 Levi Williams, who scored his first GMHL Junior A Hat Trick.

The Eagles also recognized three other stars from the game on their social media as #17 Reilly Fraynn with his first goal of the season and first Junior A Hat Trick, #77 Taiven Makokis with his first goal, and #30 Jaden Dzeylion, their goalie, who recorded his first win and shut out.

At their October 23 game against the Tomahawks, the Eagles scored three in the first period. Two of those goals came from Okemow as well as a goal from Tyson Mitchell. The Tomahawks scored a goal as well, bringing the score to 3-1 at the end of the first.

In the second period, the Eagles doubled their score thanks to goals from Ward, Kronewitt, and Tyron Josie. The Tomahawks added two to their tally as well,

making it a 6-3 game going into the third.

Both teams battled hard in the third period, and despite three powerplays for the Tomahawks the Eagles goalie stood strong and didn't allow in any goals in the third. The game finished with a 6-3 win for the home team.

The Edson Eagles named their Most Valuable Eagle for the October 23 game to be their goalie, #31 Colby Meguinis.

The wins bring the Eagles record so far this season to four wins and two losses. "I am happy with how the boys are playing and how everything is coming together," said Eagles Head Coach Ryder Prue. "I believe we just scratched the surface of the potential we have with these boys here. Exciting days to come."

The Eagles team has also been enjoying playing in Edson so far, noting that, "The community has welcomed us with open arms and supported us all the way."

In turn, the Eagles have been supporting the community as well with their home game 50/50s. On October 9, the 50/50 benefited Noah's Law, raising \$440 for the cause. The game was worked by Edson Eagles community volunteers. And at the Eagles' October 22 game against Gibbons, local volunteers from Scope worked the game and took home \$445 for their organization. The Eagles are still on the lookout for more local non-profit groups in the community that may be interesting in coming out and working a game and taking home the 50/50 proceeds for their cause in return.

The Eagles next home game is Saturday

October 30 against the currently undefeated High Prairie Red Wings. The game promises to be a "tough one" as the Eagles will be looking to

get redemption from a loss to the Red Wings earlier this season. The October 30 game will feature Halloween festivities at the rink,

including candy being handed out at the door, as well as a costume contest. The Top 3 Best Dressed will receive prizes.



A large crowd turned out for the Edson Eagles vs Gibbons Pioneers game at Repsol Place on October 22. photo Shaylyn Thornton

Obituaries

~ Obituary ~

Mary Burns

April 21, 1924 – October 22, 2021



On October 22, 2021, Mary Burns, well loved, passed away peacefully in Calgary, Alberta. Mary was 97 years old. Mary leaves behind many to treasure her memory; her children, Jennifer Barchard (Barry) of Edmonton, David Burns of Calgary and Elizabeth Pasek of Edmonton and their children, Robert, Kelli, Marissa, Michael, Anne, Geoffrey and Sean, and her great granddaughter, Elora. Mary is also survived by her siblings Robert, Elizabeth and Linda. Mary was predeceased by her husband, Bob, her mother, Elizabeth, her father, John, and her siblings John, Leonard, Fred, and Joan.

Funeral Services for Mary were held on Saturday, October 30, 2021, at St. Catherine's Anglican Church, Edson, Alberta at 1:00 P.M. with Reverend Johnny Pooten presiding.

Interment took place at the McLeod Valley Cemetery, north of Peers, followed by a reception at the Burns farm.

In lieu of floral tributes the family would appreciate donations, in Mary's memory, to the Cross Cancer Institute, c/o Alberta Cancer Foundation 11560 University Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta, T6G 1Z2.

Mary worked at the Cross Cancer Institute as a physiotherapist for many years. She and her husband, Bob, enjoyed supporting the community of St. Columba Church in years past. Mary loved her family, nature, gardening, travel, painting, adventures, and a good party!

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Faith

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I heard it said once that if you want to form more meaningful connections with people, one strategy is to be intentional about avoiding “small-talk.”

The way this was worded was, “you have to refuse to talk about the weather.” This made a lot of sense to me, and I even tried it for awhile; but ultimately, it just didn’t work. I think whoever came up with this idea had never lived in Alberta, because in Alberta, the weather isn’t small talk! With the way conditions change around here, from season

to season, and even moment to moment, the weather has a huge impact on our everyday lives. Refusing to talk about it would just be weird.

The reason I bring this up is because every time I have sat down to write one of these articles for the last year and a half, I’ve tried to avoid talking about the pandemic.

I really try to write articles that can meet us at any point in our lives and encourage us to consider spiritual things -and the pandemic, I hope, will one day be old news.

I just can’t avoid it though! It’s so all consuming! It isn’t small-talk, it has a huge impact on our everyday lives.

I wonder if people felt this way during the

Second World War? This scary thing was going on, they had no firm understanding of when it might be over, and they needed to keep living some version of their lives in the midst of it. Did they learn to cope? or were they also constantly trying to change the subject?

The Bible says that there is a season for everything (Ecclesiastes 3:1), and like seasons, things will eventually change.

Perhaps there is something for us to learn in embracing reality rather than trying to avoid it? Talking things through, rather than keeping them in; and then I suppose, how we do this might make all the difference.

What’s happening, when and where in the community**Community Events**

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

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

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

Good Neighbor: Snow Shoveling Program. Nominate a Volunteer forms available at Yellowhead County office in Wildwood or Edson office or call 780-325-3782 or Email Karen at kschatz@yhcounty.ca

November 4, December 9: Mental Health Discussion Group. Online Virtual Sessions call Yellowhead County at 780-325-3782 or

1-800-814-3935

November 4, December 9: Farmers Mental Health Support Group. Online Virtual Session. Call 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935 for details.

November 15: Airplay Park in Hinton. Ages 11-17 12-4pm register online at Edson.ca or in person at Repsol Place

November 17: Internet Safety online event for parents and caregivers 7-9pm. Families need to register prior to the event. Call 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935. Or email showe@yhcounty.ca

November 18: Calling for Carolers Light up Festival 6-8pm to sign up email dianai@edson.ca or call or text 780-723-8107

November 23 - June 28: Bereavement Support Group. Online Virtual Sessions. Call

Yellowhead County office for exact dates each month. 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935 or email Karen at kschatz@yhcounty.ca

November 23 - June 28: Caregiver Support Group. Online Virtual Session. Online Virtual Sessions. Call Yellowhead County office for exact dates each month. 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935 or email Karen at kschatz@yhcounty.ca

November 29: Talk.Ask.Listen Mental Health session for Ag producers 6-10pm. Register with Yellowhead County FCSS at 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935

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

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Rivervalley Produce Inc. 54218 Rge Rd 161, Yellowhead County, AB requires (3) Seasonal Vegetable Farm Labourers (NOC) 8431 from January 3, 2022 to May 26, 2022. Duties include -

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Pine Grove Hall Association is now taking bookings for the hall. Capacity is 180 people. Full kitchen with annual health inspection. Camping available. Horseshoe pits, grassy baseball field with backstop and a covered outdoor pavilion. Call 780-723-2818 and leave msg.

Edson Masonic Lodge #68. Plan your next event at the historic Masonic Hall. Seats up to 80, perfect for weddings, showers, birthday parties, and meetings. Wheelchair accessible, kitchen facility, centrally located. 4725 9th Ave. They hold a meeting the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm. For more info and prices call Holt at 780-728-8973.

Edson Lions Club Hall is taking bookings for meetings, weddings, gatherings and reunions. Upstairs holds 145, downstairs hold 104. Catering available by the Elks. Camping available. Edson Lions is a non-profit society. Phone 780-723-3169.

Entwistle Hall Rentals contact Cheryl at 780-515-1755 or Tracey at 780-898-2317.

Edson Legion Hall seats 350 for dinner and dance, and 400 for convention style seating for birthdays, funerals, meetings and special events. Wheelchair accessible, catering available and ample parking. The Edson Legion is a non-profit organization. Call the office at 780-723-3455 to book events.

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

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Alberta crops 37% down, but quality tops five-year average

Alberta's crop producers have shown resiliency and determination despite extremely dry conditions as a result of recording-setting heat throughout the summer months.

A farmer harvests barley near Hays, Alberta.

Alberta's final Crop Report of the 2021 growing season indicated significantly lower yields – about 37 per cent below the five-year averages.

Despite these lower yields, overall quality for all crops was above the five-year averages, with the exception of malting

barley and oats.

In addition, farmers across the province were three to four weeks ahead in harvesting this fall due to favourable harvest conditions.

“The drought this year hurt our farmers and ranchers but their hard work and hope for a 'better year next year' is what built up our world-class agriculture sector.” —Devin Dreeshen, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry.

Supports for producers

Agriculture Financial Services Corporation (AFSC) continues to provide much-needed business risk management tools to producers facing adverse conditions.

The AgriInsurance program offered a 20 per cent discount for the 2021 crop year. As the growing season progressed, it became clear this discount would help ease some of the financial burden on producers facing adverse conditions.

Seeking producer input

AFSC is holding virtual Input Advisory Group meetings Nov. 1-10 to gather feedback on potential changes to Moisture Deficiency Insurance.

The virtual meetings will focus on how to account for extreme heat events and changing weather patterns and how to make the program more reflective of what happens on the insured fields. The deadline to sign up is Oct. 27.

Quick facts

- As of Oct. 12, harvest progress was 99 per cent complete provincially, well ahead of the five-year average of 71 per cent and the 10-year average of 81 per cent.
- The northwest region had the highest yields (20 per cent below the five-year averages).
- The south region had the lowest yields (56 per cent below the five-year averages).
- The Alberta Crop Reporting Program has delivered timely information on crop production since 1940.
- AFSC's current suite of business risk management programs serves producers faced by adverse conditions, providing needed financial support.
- In January 2021, Alberta's government announced a 20 per cent reduction in insurance premiums, which has saved farmers and ranchers \$70 million.



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