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**Wop May Day and Alberta Day celebrations**

by Deanna Mitchener

The Edson and District Historical Society (EDHS) and the Galloway Station Museum hosted Wop May Day and

Alberta Day together at the RCMP Centennial Park in Edson on September 2.

The EDHS was founded in 1975 to preserve and protect the artifacts and history of Edson

and area. Included in the history being preserved and celebrated is Wop May Day.

Diana Inscho with the Town of Edson made introductions for Elder Jackie Whitford,

MLA Martin Long, Yellowhead County Mayor Wade Williams, Town of Edson Mayor Kevin Zahara, Wop May's great grandson David, and Town Councillor Peter Taylor,

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Maddison was all decked out in historical clothing and encouraged youngsters while they tossed coal into different holes during the Coal Toss game at Wop May Day on September 2, at the RCMP Centennial Park in Edson. photo Deanna Mitchener.

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## Wop May Day celebrations

*continued from front*

who was the M.C. for the day.

It was a beautiful day to be outside enjoying the great weather along with all the activities that were offered free of charge. The band 4-Way Street from Hinton played throughout the afternoon.

Inside the museum there was an artisan market, David and wife Kimberly May were on hand to answer questions and sign books. David is the great grandson to Wop May. Wop May was an aviator who served as a fighter pilot in the First World War. May finished the war as a flying ace credited with 13 victories and was part of the dogfight in which the infamous Red Baron was gunned down.

September 2, 1919 was the date of the historic Edmonton Police Service manhunt for a suspected murderer. Wilfred May nick-name "Wop" was the pilot hired to fly Detective Campbell from Edmonton to Edson to apprehend the murder suspect in the coal branch area. Wop landed on 1st Ave in Edson and took off up Main Street clipping the water pump on the way. It is the first recorded air chase in Canadian history.

Taking you back in time, Wop May Day included some old fashioned carnival games like "Knock Em Down, Pound a Nail, Plinko, Toilet Toss, Lucky Duck Dip, Coal Toss, a Fortune Teller, Three Legged Races, and Tug of War. Tokens could be won that could later be exchanged for prizes inside the museum.

Food vendors were available to purchase food, drinks, and snacks. Free bannock and jam was freshly fried to enjoy. A messy pie eating contest had both youth and adults shoving their faces into blueberry pies with whipped cream to see who could eat the most pie in a timed event. The winner of each category won two passes to the movies.

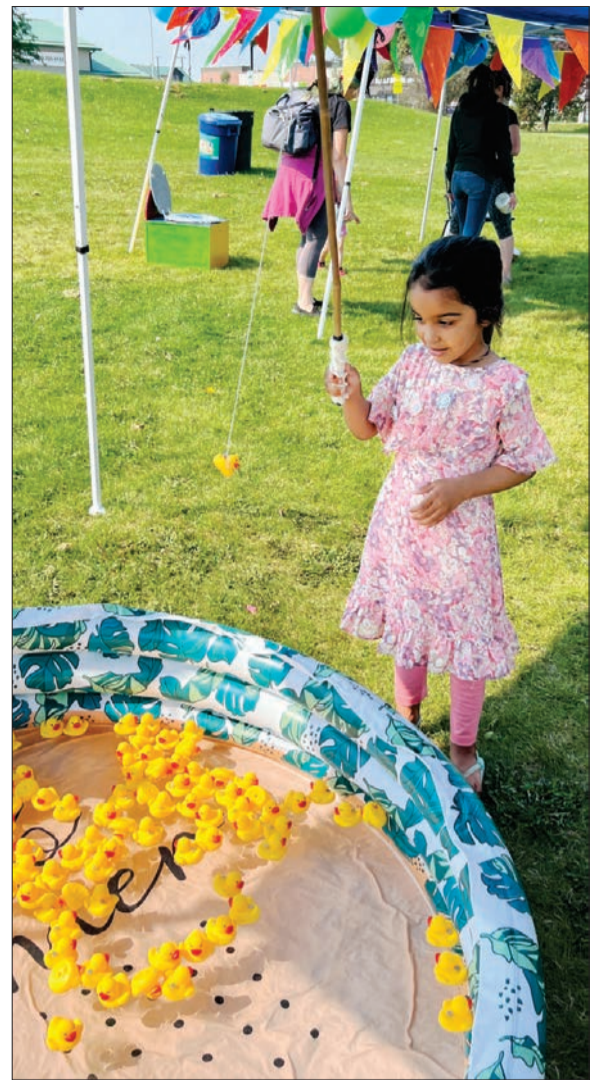
The provincial government designated September 1 as Alberta Day. It was enjoyable for the crowd to be able to combine both Alberta Day and Wop May Day together in this long weekend event.



Fresh bannock being made by Laura Kemp and Jackie Whitford in Edson's RCMP Centennial Park during Wop May Day. photo Deanna Mitchener



The Edson Fire Department was at Wop May Day letting kids get a close look at the fire trucks. Kids could even try on some of the firefighters' gear. Pictured are Colton Thomas (4) with firefighter Duane Woodhouse. photo Deanna Mitchener



Amber Brar (4) excited to be catching some ducks at one of the many free games that were provided during the annual Wop May and Alberta Day event on September 2 in Edson. photo Deanna Mitchener



### PROPOSAL CALL FOR SNOW REMOVAL

Grande Yellowhead Public School Division invites all interested contractors to submit a proposal for the removal of snow, grading and the sanding of all Division owned parking lots within the Town of Edson including the Education Services Office and Fulham School.

The successful contractor must demonstrate that all of the areas bid on will be cleaned and sanded within a 12 hour period after any significant snowfall.

The proposal call should therefore include the type and number of pieces of equipment available to clean, grade, sand and remove the snow from all parking lots and the hourly rates charged including travel time. Include WCB clearance letter and proof of \$2 million liability insurance in proposal.

When submitting a proposal bear in mind the distance between the sites and restrictions on a single operator for a number of sites.

Preference will be given to those contractors that submit their company safety program including safe work practices and up to date equipment maintenance records.

Sealed quotes will be received by Grande Yellowhead Public School Division attention:

**Director of Facilities**  
3656 - 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue  
Edson, Alberta T7E 1S8  
Telephone: (780) 723-4471  
Toll Free: 1-800-723-2564  
Fax: (780) 723-2414

**Closing Date:**  
Friday, September 22, 2023  
2:00 p.m.

*Grande Yellowhead Public School Division reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications.*



**Niton Rural Electrification Association Ltd.**

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**September 13 @ 7pm  
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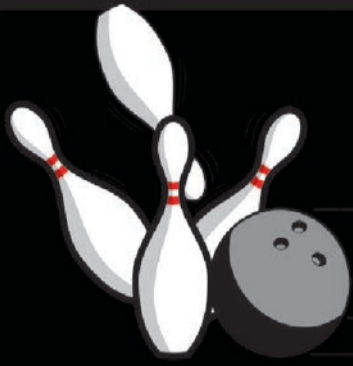
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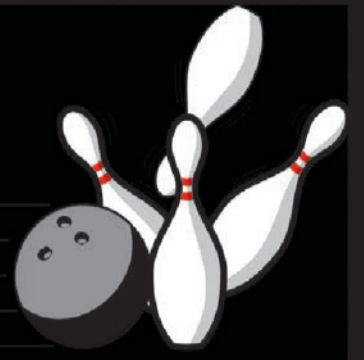
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# Motorcycle Club organizes School Backpack giveaway



Shayne Whitnack with Kingz RC Motorcycle Club handing out free backpacks filled with school supplies on September 4. photo Deanna Mitchener

by Deanna Mitchener

On September 4, Kingz RC Motorcycle Club and JRF Oilfield partnered to provide backpacks and school supplies for youngsters that are in grades one through five.

32 backpacks were supplied with crayons, pencils, pencil crayons, pencil cases, water bottles, paper, lunch bags, note books, erasers, markers, scissors, glue and more.

There was a free barbecue that was sponsored by Kingz RC and the Edson Fire Department came out to allow the children to look inside one of their fire trucks.

Bil Teskey with the Kingz RC said, "With the costs of living going up we wanted to do a little bit more to help

out our community, and together with JRF Oilfield, we were able to do that and more. Providing a free BBQ for those in our community along with free school supplies for children in grades one through five, was exactly what the community needed."

"Kingz RC thanked JRF Oilfield for their donation, the Edson Fire Department, and the Galloway Station Museum for allowing them the use of their parking lot for this giveaway and BBQ. And lastly, the citizens of Edson for being so supportive towards them and for coming together when a call for help is made. "Kingz RC wishes all students a safe and enjoyable school year," said Bil.

## Ranch Rodeo & Fundraiser Dance

Yellowhead Ag. Society, Edson, Ab.

**Saturday Sept 16- Starts @ 1pm**

- Ranch Rodeo
- Youth Rancher Competition
- Kids Instant Rancher
- Dance Featuring *tiffany dowhan*

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**TOWN OF EDSON**  
Public Information & Notices 2023

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### THE EDMONTON SCHOOLBOYS ALUMNI BAND

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7:00PM  
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# TOWN OF EDSON

## Public Information & Notices 2023

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Office Hours:  
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### PHOTO ENFORCEMENT LOCATIONS FOR JULY 2023



#### UPDATED LIST - Revised Sept 5, 2023

For more information on photo enforcement, including a list of frequently asked questions and stats, visit [www.edson.ca/photo-enforcement](http://www.edson.ca/photo-enforcement).

- Sept 1 - 46 STREET AT OR NEAR MARY BERGERON SCHOOL
- Sept 2 - HWY 16 NEAR 25 STREET
- Sept 3 - 2 AVENUE NEAR RAILWAY OVERPASS HIGHWAY 16
- Sept 4 - 4 AVENUE NEAR 59 STREET
- Sept 5 - 2 AVENUE NEAR 58 STREET
- Sept 6 - 2 AVENUE NEAR 48 STREET
- Sept 7 - 56 STREET NEAR VANIER SCHOOL
- Sept 8 - 12 AVENUE NEAR 49 STREET
- Sept 9 - HWY 16 NEAR 25 STREET
- Sept 10 - 2 AVENUE NEAR RAILWAY OVERPASS HIGHWAY 16
- Sept 11 - 4 AVENUE NEAR 59 STREET 2
- Sept 12 - 2 AVENUE NEAR 58 STREET
- Sept 13 - 49 STREET NEAR 12 AVENUE
- Sept 14 - 56 STREET NEAR VANIER SCHOOL
- Sept 15 - 2 AVENUE NEAR 48 STREET
- Sept 16 - 4 AVENUE NEAR 59 STREET
- Sept 17 - 4 AVENUE NEAR 43 STREET
- Sept 18 - 2 AVENUE NEAR RAILWAY OVERPASS HIGHWAY 16
- Sept 19 - 13 AVENUE NEAR POPLAR PLACE
- Sept 20 - 48 STREET NEAR PARKLAND SCHOOL
- Sept 21 - 2 AVENUE NEAR 48 STREET
- Sept 22 - HWY 16 NEAR 25 STREET
- Sept 23 - 4 AVENUE NEAR 59 STREET
- Sept 24 - 2 AVENUE AT 58 STREET
- Sept 25 - 2 AVENUE NEAR RAILWAY OVERPASS HIGHWAY 16
- Sept 26 - 46 STREET NEAR MARY BERGERON SCHOOL
- Sept 27 - 56 STREET NEAR VANIER SCHOOL
- Sept 28 - 4 AVENUE NEAR 59 STREET
- Sept 29 - 2 AVENUE NEAR RAILWAY OVERPASS HIGHWAY 16
- Sept 30 - HWY 16 NEAR 25 STREET

- Additional locations may be photo enforced on the above dates.
- Photo enforcement may not operate on all dates above.

### Playground Zone Regulations In Effect



We're only a few weeks away from the start of another school year. With that, the Town of Edson would like to remind all residents about the playground zone regulations in effect. To keep students safe, and to simplify the rules for motorists, all school zones were changed to playground zones in 2022. Those playground zones are in effect from 7:30am to 9pm every day, year-round. For more details and a background on these changes, visit [www.edson.ca/zones](http://www.edson.ca/zones). Please slow down, watch for signage, and keep everyone safe!

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**FRIDAYS**

**5:45 – 6:30PM**

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### NOTICE OF DEVELOPMENT

Recent Development Permits approved by the Development Authority, under the Town of Edson Land Use Bylaw 2070 as amended, can be found at [www.edson.ca/departments/planning/development-permit-applications](http://www.edson.ca/departments/planning/development-permit-applications). Additional information can be requested from the Planning Department at 780-723-4402 or [engineeringandplanning@edson.ca](mailto:engineeringandplanning@edson.ca).

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



# Edson hosts annual Community Information Night

by Deanna Mitchener

The Town of Edson held their annual Community Information Night on August 29, at the Royal Canadian Legion.

Lexi Abbott said, "We have 20 organizations here tonight. I believe the Town took over this event three years ago. Businesses could register on our survey website and their table is free to help spread awareness about what is available in our community. It makes it easier for families to come in and see what's happening. It's a good way to bring everyone together under one roof. We are pleased with all the organizations who sign up and join us to help strengthen our community."

The information night went from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and there was a steady flow of families coming in to ask questions and see what is available.

Sarah Wells with Kopar said, "We have a few free employment programs we offer including our KEYS employment for youth between the ages of 16-30. We also have Transition to Employment Services for anyone over the ages of 18. As well, we have the Skills Quest + Program that is geared for individuals that may have a disability and needs some assistance with their employment search. All our programs are free and people can call 780-723-7221 for more information."

Samantha Jones with Songbird Music School for Kids had a table set up to offer information on piano, ukulele, and voice lessons. "I offer a mobile music studio, so I go to peoples' houses if they live within the town limits to teach their kids. For those families living out of town I have some time dedicated to teach out of my home," said Samantha. Jones teaches students ages five and up, offering 30, 45, or 60 minute durations weekly. She can be reached at 780-517-3073.

Edson Tumblers Gymnastics instructors Brielle Unger and Andrea Longman offered information on their programs. Longman said, "We offer gymnastics programs for children aged 16 months to age 12. We



Samantha Jones with Songbird Music School offers personalized lessons in piano, ukulele, and voice in the comfort of your own home. photo Deanna Mitchener

also offer drop in programs for tots and families, we offer camps on non school days, a Ninjas program which is freestyle gymnastics that teaches traditional gymnastics skills in a non-traditional way." If you would like more information you can contact Andrea at 780-728-6121

Tae-kwon-do Head Instructor Jamie Hobbins said, "We are a fitness club that gets together to build on our strengths. Through fitness and our code of conduct we live our life through courtesy, integrity, perseverance, self control, and indomitable spirit. Our

Little Ninjas is a fun filled session where we engage in a variety of martial arts activities and games to develop cardio, strength, balance, and coordination. Ages for this class are three to five years old." You can email [edsontaekwondoclub@gmail.com](mailto:edsontaekwondoclub@gmail.com) for more information.

There are many fun and interesting things to become involved within the community. The Fall Explore Edson booklet is available where you can find more information or visit the town's website.

## CONSIGNMENT SALE

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**Location:** Tipple Park Museum or online via Zoom  
**Time:** 4:00 PM every third Wednesday  
The group meets in a safe and confidential environment once a month on a free, drop-in basis.

**2023:** September 20, October 18, November 15, December 20  
**2024:** January 17, February 21, March 20, April 17, May 15, June 19  
Call the County Wildwood Office at 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935 for details, or email Karen at kschatz@yhcounty.ca



### Caregiver Support Group In-Person & Online Group Sessions

Join us for these free in-person & online confidential group sessions at the Yellowhead County Wildwood Office or online via Zoom at 4pm.



Take this opportunity to learn from others who are experiencing the same challenges and stresses.

**2023 Dates:** Sept 19, Oct 17, Nov 21, Dec 19  
**2024 Dates:** Jan 16, Feb 20, Mar 19, Apr 16, May 21, June 18

Call the Yellowhead County Wildwood Office at 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935 for details or email Karen at kschatz@yhcounty.ca



Approved Development Permits have been issued authorizing the following:

Permit No.	Location	Proposal	Date	Appeal Deadline
D23-098	SW-19-52-08-W5 Wildwood Area	Addition to Single Detached Dwelling (Secondary Suite Internal) & Addition To Single Detached Dwelling (Garage)	Aug 23/23	Permitted Use
D23-100	Plan 0929853 Blk 1, Lot 1 SW-22-53-15-W5 Pinedale Area	Manufactured Home	Aug 24/23	Permitted Use
D23-108	Plan 1223178 Blk 1, Lot 1 SW-14-55-15-W5 Bear Lake Area	Accessory Building (Solar Panels)	Aug 24/23	Permitted Use
D23-107	NE-12-53-14-W5 Carrot Creek Area	Manufactured Home	Aug 24/23	Permitted Use
D23-112	SW-23-53-10-W5 Wildwood Area	Single Detached Dwelling with Attached Garage-Additional Residence	Aug 24/23	Permitted Use
D23-110	NW-26-53-17-W5 Edson Area	Single Detached Dwelling with Attached Garage	Aug 25/23	Permitted Use
D23-111	SW-1-54-16-W5 Pinedale Estates Area	Accessory Building (Pole Shed)	Aug 25/23	Permitted Use
D23-089	NW-15-54-18-W5 Edson West Area	Single Detached Dwelling	Aug 28/23	Permitted Use
D23-105	SE-8-53-19-W5 Millers Lake Area	Rural Business (General Store)	Aug 31/23	Permitted Use
D23-114	SW-1-53-19-W5 Edson West Area	Single Detached Dwelling with Covered Porch	Aug 31/23	Permitted Use
D23-109	Plan 1722021 Blk 1, Lot 1 SE-32-53-10-W5 Chip Lake Area	Accessory Building (Cold Storage)	Aug 31/23	Permitted Use
D23-115	Plan 802089 Lot C NW-31-50-25-W5 Seabolt Estates Area	Accessory Building (Hay Shed)	Aug 31/23	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.

### Yellowhead County Community BOARD MEMBERS WANTED!



CAN YOU SPARE A FEW HOURS? It doesn't take much to VOLUNTEER and MAKE A DIFFERENCE in your community...

Are you a Yellowhead County resident looking to volunteer for a good cause centered around your community? Look no further!

Apply to become a Yellowhead County Board Member and serve your community.

#### Now Recruiting for:

- Library Board [1 position, 3-year term]**  
This five member management board is responsible for the provision of library services to county residents. The board provides for the library services in the three rural libraries of Evansburg, Wildwood, and Green Grove (Niton) as well as providing funding to the libraries in Edson and Hinton. Board members develop the annual budget, develop library policies and ensure provision of library services as per the Libraries Act of Alberta. The Board meets on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 9:30 AM at the Wildwood Library.
- Recreation Board [1 position, 3-year term]**  
This nine member advisory board provides advice to council regarding the provision of recreation and parks services. The board reviews grant applications from community groups and determines funding within certain limits. It provides recommendations to council and administration regarding recreation facilities, programs and support to groups providing recreational activities. Board meetings will occur quarterly on Mondays at 9:30 AM at the county office in Edson.
- Agricultural Services Appeal Committee [3 positions, 1-year term]**  
This committee adjudicates property owner appeals of orders and penalties issued by the County's Agricultural Services pursuant to the provincial acts the County enforces. This committee will meet as required. Training required, costs for training will be covered. Term will be January 1, 2024 - December 31, 2024.

Note: Board Members MUST be residents of Yellowhead County.

**APPLY ONLINE BY OCTOBER 10TH!**

Questions? Call us at 780-723-4800 or 1-800-665-6030



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8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

### Senior Benefits Workshop



#### DID YOU KNOW?

There have been changes to the income thresholds to the Seniors Benefits program this year.

Come out and find out more!

Good planning will help maximize your benefits!

**September 20:** Niton Community Hall 1 PM to 3 PM  
**September 21:** Entwistle Seniors Centre 1 PM to 3 PM  
**September 22:** Marlboro Community Hall 1 PM to 3 PM

Each workshop includes an Alberta senior's benefits presentation. Join us at the September 20th session for an additional presentation on Federal senior's benefits.

Please register at [www.yhcounty.ca/registration](http://www.yhcounty.ca/registration) or by contacting Karen at 780-325-3782 or kschatz@yhcounty.ca



### Yellowhead County FAMILY TIME

Join us on Wednesdays for some indoor fun!  
Program runs from 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

This is a free program for caregivers with children ages 0-5.

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# Town adopts Land Acknowledgement Policy

by Niki Luymes

During the September 5 Edson Town Council meeting, council took the time to review and discuss the new Land Acknowledgement Policy. They invited members of the Edson Friendship Centre along with local Elder Freda Maynard to attend the meeting to give feedback on the acknowledgment.

This new acknowledgment is a part of the Town of Edson's desire to create and strengthen relationships with the local Indigenous peoples. "In 2022, Council adopted the Town of Edson Strategic Plan 2022-2025, which included a commitment to enacting relevant Calls to Action from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission report. The Plan also emphasized the need to build strong relationships with Indigenous people and organizations by working with local partners to learn of Indigenous matters and adapting Town initiatives to meet common interests, and by reviewing all decisions through the lens of the Calls to Action," in a statement from the Town's Administration.

A territorial or land acknowledgment is an act of truth telling and reconciliation that involves making a statement recognizing the territory of Indigenous Peoples who are present and have thrived in the area since time immemorial, as outlined in the Land Acknowledgment Guidance Document.

The acknowledgment was created after many meetings with members of the Edson Friendship Centre. Town Administration relied on their guidance throughout the process. According to the Municipal Guide to the Truth and Reconciliation, a land acknowledgment statement is to be used when appropriate at the beginning of each public council or committee meeting. This also includes boards, committees, and town communications. The new acknowledgment is as follows:

"In the spirit of truth and reconciliation, we acknowledge the Town of Edson is located on Treaty 6 territory, the traditional and ancestral lands of the Nehiyawak, Saukteaux, Siksika, Piikuni, Kainai, Dene, Nakota Sioux, and the Otipemisiwak (Metis) Nations. We honour the knowledge of this land, the Elders and youth which gather here, and our ancestors who have gathered here for centuries."

The motion presented was that Council adopt Land Acknowledgment Policy L-M-5 as presented. It is important to note that the Land Acknowledgment may not be required at all gatherings of the Town of Edson, but should be used wherever meaningful and appropriate. The statement will also be printed on, meeting agendas, the Town website and other Town communications where appropriate.

Elder Maynard took a moment to introduce herself and give a brief history. "I am an Indian residential school survivor. I decided rather than let that experience make me bitter, that I would become a better person," she said. "I decided that I would help other Indian residential school survivors. Once I learned why I was so messed up, unhealthy, I stopped being so hard on myself and started helping other people."

Mayor Kevin Zahara then asked Maynard how important Land Acknowledgment Policy is to her. "I believe it's very important because native people were booted off their own land, and I believe it's important to acknowledge that," she said.

Councillor Greg Pasychny requested Elder Maynard's opinion on whether it would be a good idea to open every meeting with the acknowledgment. He expressed concern that overusing it would lessen its impact and whether it would be better for them to save it for special occasions. "I guess I'm just looking for an opinion and I will support whatever option you think would be the best way to do this."

Elder Maynard replied that she thinks it would be important to do the land acknowledgment, but have other natives members of the community come in to talk about their experience. After answering questions Elder Maynard presented a survivor's flag to council to display as they choose.

Tanya Byers, Senior Manager for Community Services, presented the new Land Acknowledgment Policy on behalf of the Administration. "I want to acknowledge Elder Maynard joining us this evening and also the time we have been spending with our



A special moment at Edson's Town Council Meeting last night as Council passed a new Land Acknowledgement Policy with Elder Frieda Maynard and members of the Edson Friendship Centre in attendance. submitted

friends at the Friendship Centre working through these documents so that they were representative of our Indigenous community."

Councillor Peter Taylor thanked everyone for their work. "To have you here tonight, to have you show your support for this policy, it means a lot that you are willing to come to the table and discuss and move forward in reconciliation with us."

Councillor Krystal Baier said, "Truth and Reconciliation isn't just a one way thing, we are very happy that you're here to work with us as well. Because that's a very important process to go through."

The motion was carried unanimously to accept the policy.

"This is an important step forward in the Town of Edson's commitment to Truth and Reconciliation.

We are grateful to be able to work with Elder Freida Maynard and organizations such as the Edson Friendship Centre to further our efforts. Council looks forward to further collaboration with the Indigenous community in the spirit of Truth & Reconciliation," said Edson Mayor Kevin Zahara in a release.

**RCMP Multi-Year Financial Plan:** Council authorized the execution of the Edson RCMP Multi-Year Financial Plan and referred the Edson RCMP Level of Service to the 2024 Budget meetings for further deliberation. The financial plan considers inflationary costs, some changes within the RCMP following the new collective agreement ratification, as well as the replacement of older equipment and introduction of new technologies.



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# Annual Hillbilly Demolition Derby and Mud Bog

by Niki Luymes

Cars and drivers from across Alberta gathered this past weekend for the annual Hillbilly Demolition Derby and Mud Bog. From September 2 to 3, all were welcome to come out and enjoy the fun. This event has been running for over 10 years, but this is the 4th year at the Township Road 542 location.

The weekend actually features three different events. There was, of course, the mud bog races. These races feature five different categories organized by engine power, plus a category for Jr Drivers. Jr drivers can be from ages 10 to 15, but can only drive a 4 cylinder car with average tires and must be accompanied by a licensed adult.

The event was kicked off by the E category races, which are the strongest and loudest of the bunch. These cars ran the bog three times, then the winner is calculated by averaging out the best times.

The other events running throughout the weekend were the demolition derby and tough truck race track. The demolition derby ran in a series of heats organized by car size and power. This year's categories included full sized cars and trucks and mini cars (only 4 cylinder). The winner of each category, was the last car standing. The qualifiers ran on Saturday with the finals happening Sunday. All of the winners from all events receive a trophy to mark their success.

There were also a lot of activities set up for spectators to enjoy in between the races. Three different local concessions and food trucks came out to enjoy the business. A 50/50 raffle and multiple doors prizes were being offered all weekend-long. Melissa's Bouncy Castles set up a 'kids zone' with multiple castles for families to enjoy. The event was created with fun for the whole family. "With us, our big thing is that the fans were happy and the people were happy. [the locals] like it and they keep coming out. They're the ones that support us, and by their numbers it shows that we're doing something right," said Kevin Wilson, President of the Hillbilly Demolition Derby and Mud Bog Association.

This year was slightly lighter on entered vehicles. "Our fan support was phenomenal. Saturday we were packed and on Sunday with the rain we were just hoping to see some people, but they filled the stands again. We were very happy with what happened this year," said Wilson.

The association who puts on the event every year also treats this event as a way to give back to the community. This year the Parkland Pacers football team and the Edson Snow Seekers helped run security and clean up.

"Every year we try to improve and make this a little better for everybody. Our biggest goal is to keep the stands full and keep the people entertained," said Wilson.



One of the E class heavy duty trucks charges its way through the bog at the annual Hillbilly Demolition Derby and Mud Bog. Photo Niki Luymes



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- Review and comment on all MOC's.
- Create and track OPEX AFE's including capital eligible projects driven by the Production group.

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# Youth Interagency Outdoor Movie Night



Youth Interagency's Outdoor Movie Night was plagued with technical difficulties that brought an early end to the event. photo Deanna Mitchener

by Deanna Mitchener.

The Youth Interagency held their annual outdoor movie night on August 30. It offered a chance for youth to have their own free time to engage with peers.

Lexi Abbott with YI said, "We try to hold events every Wednesday over the summer. The outdoor movie is a good wind down to the summer. The movie is free and we have a toonie concession where they can get a bag of popcorn, a candy, and a bottle of water. Victim Services will be joining us tonight as well, offering free hot chocolate."

"We have a lot of upcoming activities for youth such as nerf wars in September, Halloween events in October, and a free skate and swim in December," added Abbott.

The night set out to be very promising with the free movie 'Mean Girls' in which a 16 year old home-schooled girl and her parents return home after residing in Africa for 12 years. Cady is unprepared for her first day of public high school. She learns that high school life can and will be tough.

During the movie night, however, some issues arose with the equipment. The movie would play for about 10 minutes then crash. Around 10:45 p.m. the movie had to be cancelled after numerous repair attempts. Everyone was very understanding.

Thanks went to Lexi Abbott Andrea Longman and Krysta Hawboldt for trying so hard to keep the movie playing. Unfortunately technical difficulties had other plans for the night.

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# 100 Women Who Care Edson seeks new members

by Deanna Mitchener

A group of volunteer women started a local chapter of 100 Women Who Care Edson, which is part of an international organization. The 100 Women Who Care concept is simple. It is a unique opportunity to encourage women of all ages and interests to contribute to a unified effort of substantial financial support.

"We are not a registered charity, a non-profit organization, or a club. We are simply facilitators for awareness, support, and local impact," says Jackie Mitchell.

"The goal for 100 Women Who Care Edson is to support the charities, non-profit organizations, and service clubs in Edson and the Edson area of Yellowhead County. There are so many groups that are working to make our communities better, healthier, and stronger places to live that don't get all the funding they need to achieve their organizational goals," said Mitchell.

"Collective giving is a way for members to pool their resources in order to achieve a greater impact. Our mission is to be 100+ women strong. In one hour, 100 women x \$100 = \$10,000 which makes a collective, positive, and impactful donation for a local organization. It doesn't get better than that," Mitchell said.

Five women form the Organizing Committee including Robin Corser, Dawn Mitchell, Arlene Vanderwell, Linda Browne, and Jackie Mitchell. There are no administration fees so 100% of all donations go to the organization that the members choose

at each meeting.

"The members meet for one hour, three times a year. Any woman can join our group by registering and committing to a donation of \$100 per meeting. At each meeting, three local charities, non-profit organizations, or service clubs, previously nominated by a member, are drawn from a hat. The member then gives a pitch to the whole group. The members vote, and the organization with the most votes receives 100% of the meeting's donations," Mitchell explained.

"We have had four meetings since our first meeting in June of 2022 and have raised a phenomenal \$25,800 for four local organizations," said Mitchell. These organizations include: Edson LEAP Society \$5,100; Edson & District Public Library \$6,600; Edson & District Oldtimers Recreation Society \$6,700; and the Edson Seniors Transportation Society \$7,400.

We are amazed at the support and generosity of the women in our community. We are all committed to helping our community thrive and prosper, especially as we recover from the effects of the pandemic, wildfires, and flooding," said Mitchell.

"The next meeting date is September 19, at the Edson Seniors Pioneer Cabin. All women who are interested in giving back to the community are invited to attend.

"One of the best parts of having our meetings is the shared camaraderie of the women who attend. We open the doors at 6:15 p.m. so there are 45 minutes to relax, have a cup of coffee

or tea, and re-connect with our neighbours and friends," Mitchell said.

For more information you can email [wwc.edson@gmail.com](mailto:wwc.edson@gmail.com)

## ESTS received donation towards new busses

by Deanna Mitchener

The Edson Seniors Transportation Society (ESTS) was established in 1984. They have been providing safe, reliable, and affordable transportation for Edson Seniors and persons with mobility issues for almost 40 years.

Dawn Mitchell with the ESTS said, "We own two 18 passenger lift buses capable of transporting up to four wheelchair clients at a time, according to Kristie Gowmuka, ESTS Board Chair. There is no other public lift transportation in Edson, making our services essential. Five days per week we transport individuals to doctors appointments, support services, downtown to do their banking or shopping, to the Pioneer Cabin or Library, wherever they would like to go we will take them."

Each one-way trip costs members \$3.00. Most of their clients are on fixed incomes. To keep costs down, they need to offset the true costs of operating the buses by seeking out funding. 100% of their funding comes from grants, fundraising events, and offering bussing services for private or corporate charter events. Some of you may have participated in their most

recent fundraising event, the ESTS April Fools Trivia Night.

"In the recent Yellowhead County wildfire evacuation, we assisted in transporting Evansburg and Wildwood evacuees with mobility issues to Edson. Our services were required again when the town of Edson was evacuated. We assisted The Evergreens Foundation by transporting Parkland Lodge Seniors with mobility issues to Hinton and Grande Cache. Our bussing services were also required to transport patients in the Edson Hospital to the Hinton Hospital. We continued to support evacuees in both Hinton and Edson by providing daily shuttle services, and we were honoured to transport evacuees back to their homes in Evansburg and Wildwood once the evacuation orders had been lifted," said Mitchell.

Their two buses (2014 and 2016) are due for replacement. They have been diligently saving money to replace the oldest bus.

To go towards their goal, the ESTS recently received a \$7400 donation from 100 Women Who Care Edson. Mitchell thanked the group, and said, "100% of the donation money will go towards the purchase of a new bus. Thank you."

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## Congratulations to The Edson Seniors Transportation Society



ESTS Board Chair, Kristie Gowmuka (center) accepted the donation on behalf of the Board.

**100 Women Who Care – Edson members raised a whopping \$7,400.00 for the Edson Seniors Transportation Society at our May 16, 2023 meeting!**

**We would like to send out a huge 'Thank You' to the 74 wonderful ladies who participated and made this happen!**

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**Our next meeting is September 19, 2023. If you would like to receive more information about 100 Women Who Care – Edson, or become a member, please email [wwc.edson@gmail.com](mailto:wwc.edson@gmail.com).**

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## Suicide shouldn't be an uncomfortable topic

World Suicide Prevention Day is held annually in September. However, it's a topic that's far



by Dana McArthur  
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Rather, suicide typically results from the interaction of many factors. For example: relationship breakdowns, financial

too important to simply encompass one day, or even one month.

It does, nevertheless, provide an opportunity to focus public attention on the issues and impacts of suicidal behaviours, as well as promote understanding about suicide, and suicide prevention.

Sadly, when suicide is discussed it is often only after a tragedy has occurred. Not so long ago it was even taboo to talk about it at all, often attaching it with a stigma of shame.

Today, suicide education is on the rise. Former misconceptions are being replaced with far more insightful and compassionate discussions on the causes of suicide and how to prevent it from happening. One of these misconceptions is that suicides increase during the holiday season, when in fact the rate is fairly constant throughout the year.

Suicide can and does happen in all cultures, economic groups, genders, religions, and levels of education. Among those aged 15 to 34, suicide is typically the second leading cause of death, preceded only by accidents. Particular groups in Alberta, and across the country, are often disproportionately affected by suicide including people with mental illness or addictions, people who are socio-economically disadvantaged, Indigenous communities, men and boys, and members of the LGBTQ+ community.

However, no single determinant is enough on its own to cause suicide.

hardship, deteriorating physical health, a major loss, mental illness, or a lack of social support.

The Centre for Suicide Prevention describes a suicidal person as, "feeling so much pain that they can see no other option. They feel that they are a burden to others, and in desperation see death as a way to escape their overwhelming pain and anguish. The suicidal state of mind has been described as constricted, filled with a sense of self-hatred, rejection, and hopelessness."

Suicide is preventable, and according to Alberta Health, talking or asking about suicide will not make someone suicidal. Talking about suicide is the first step to prevention. Warning signs of suicide could include giving away possessions, saying goodbye, researching suicide methods, or talking about being a burden to others.

Don't be afraid to ask someone directly if they are thinking about suicide. It can be a relief for them to be honest and feel understood. If you're worried about someone, one of the best things you can do is allow them to talk openly without judgment.

Attempting to get information about someone's state of mind is not intruding; it's the loving and appropriate thing to do.

There is still a lot of work to be done, but thankfully, we are becoming more enlightened and open to talk to others about this very important topic.

## Repsol selling its Alberta assets to Peyto

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The agreement encompasses all mineral rights, related facilities, and infrastructure in Repsol's Canadian upstream oil and gas business.

This includes the assets in the Greater Edson area, Edson Heritage, Bigstone, and Wild River with a net production of 23,000 barrels of oil equivalent per day, the majority of which is gas.

The assets also include five operated gas processing plants that are only 35% utilized currently and approximately 2200 kilometres of pipeline infrastructure, including the Central Foothills gas gathering system.

Repsol has been focusing new development in key areas such as the US and Brazil as well as carrying out targeted acquisitions in US shale and offshore plays, it said.

The Alberta asset deal is expected to close in mid-October, subject to customary closing conditions, including the receipt of necessary regulatory approvals.

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### Edson RCMP Occurrences

For the week of Aug 28 to Sept 3, 2023

Traffic complaints topped the list of Edson RCMP investigations at 19. Other investigations included: Abandoned Vehicles 2; Alarms/False Alarms 3; Animal Calls 1; Assault 6; Assistance Calls 7; Cause Disturbance 8; Drugs 2; Fail to stop or remain collision 1; False/Abandoned 911 Calls 7; Fraud 1; Harassment 2; Information File 1; Lost/Found Property 4; Mental Health Act 3; Mischief or Damage 3; Sudden Death 3; Suspicious Person or Vehicle 7; Theft Complaints 6; Traffic Collisions 15; Trespassing 4; Uttering Threats Against Person 2; Wellbeing Check 7; and Traffic Violations 6.

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**September 14:** Downtown Music & Art Walk and Pig Roast, Main Street [www.edson.ca/CultureDays](http://www.edson.ca/CultureDays)  
**September 16:** Community Sharing Table [www.edson.ca/CultureDays](http://www.edson.ca/CultureDays)  
**September 16-17:** Ranch Rodeo & Fundraiser Dance. Starts at 1pm on 16 and 12pm on 17 at Yellowhead Ag Society grounds Edson. Gate admission is by donation to HAYIN 'IN THE 30'S CANCER SUPPORT SOCIETY.  
**September 21:** Edmonton Schoolboys Alumni Band concert, Edson RCL #51 [www.edson.ca/CultureDays](http://www.edson.ca/CultureDays)  
**September 22:** Wine Night Out. Galloway Station Museum 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm  
**September 23:** Arts on Fire Edson & Area Arts Awards, Galloway Station Museum [www.edson.ca/CultureDays](http://www.edson.ca/CultureDays)  
**October 13:** Ladies' Night Out - Wild Women of the West Yellowhead, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm, Galloway Station Museum.

**October 13:** Sacred Heart Catholic Church Garage sale Fri. 7pm-9pm & Sat. 9am-2pm at the Catholic Church Basement  
**November 4:** CWL Bazaar 11am-3pm in the basement of the Catholic Church  
**November 17:** RCMP Centennial Park Light Up, 5:30pm - 7:30pm  
**Every Thursday:** Seniors Chair Yoga Free. 10-11am Leisure Centre Hospitality Room.  
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 Pastor - Micah Brookhart Office: 780-727-2829  
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## Pioneer Cabin's soup and sandwich program returns



A few of the familiar faces were happy to welcome guests back for soup and sandwiches on September 5, at the Pioneer Cabin. photo Deanna Mitchener.

by Deanna Mitchener

The Pioneer Cabin started their soup and sandwich program again on September 5. They shut down over the summer months so families can enjoy the weather.

Every Tuesday the cabin offers homemade soup with three different kinds of sandwiches to choose from, a homemade dessert, and a hot beverage. Everyone is welcome to join for some homemade goodness.

September 5 was a cool rainy day, so homemade soup really hit the spot. Either egg salad, salmon, or ham and cheese sandwiches were available, along with homemade apple crisp and ice cream for dessert, and a beverage.

They also have a 50/50 draw during the lunch hour. Today's pot was \$40 which was good for the first day of hosting again.

A special thanks went to all the volunteers at the Pioneer Cabin who make it a welcoming place for people to come. There are many valued behind the scenes volunteers (who never want their photo taken) as well as amazing volunteers who look after the maintenance of the building and grounds.

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