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#### **COUNTY**

Mayor Wade Williams: 56 Days of Turmoil in our Region...

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## **42nd Annual Medicine Lodge Rodeo**

by Deanna Mitchener

Rodeo fans, sponsors, and June 23rd weekend.

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President Earl Anderson three doors to open up. Edson Lodge Rodeo underway over the we took entries for the just five days before the rodeo commitments and could no longer rescheduled date we needed event we got alerts for flooding."

Thankfully, the rodeo grounds (Squirrelly Early Clown) said, had to be no longer evacuated, were a 'go' for the rescheduled "We had to reschedule from the Highway 16 had to be opened up event. A few things had to change contestants were thrilled to see May Mother's Day weekend to for travel, and the evacuation due to the rescheduling as some the 42nd Annual Medicine June, due to the wildfires. When notice lifted from the area. Then individuals had pre-existing

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#### **GRADS**

Parkland grad classes of 2023...

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Parkland GSA students gather for June Pride month ...

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Wynnies Minnies taking the lead in the Mini Chuckwagon Races Friday night June 23rd at the Medicine Lodge Rodeo. photo Deanna Mitchener





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## 42nd Medicine Lodge Rodeo goes ahead

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be a part of this year's event. But, with some last minute improvising, the rodeo went on!

Anderson said, "This rodeo was started by our mom [Alma Anderson]. She was a widow with six kids that could not go to many places due to the cost. Our goal is to keep families coming back year after year and saying they had a good time. Rodeos are Alberta's heritage sport and have been happening for years."

Speaking of heritage, Susan (Anderson) Longmore compiled an Anderson Family History and Memories Book. A lot of time and effort went into gathering old articles, photos, and recollections to fill this 92 page Anderson Family History Book. It's a great book to have for future generations as well those that have been attending the rodeo all these years. There will be copies of her book available at the Galloway Station Museum and Travel Centre.

Friday, June 23 the All Girls Rodeo started at 4:00 p.m. As Mother Nature seems to be having an attitude this season, it started to rain just 15 minutes into the events, but the show went on. Events included the Senior Pole Bending, Junior Pole Bending, Senior

and Junior Potato Race, Mutton Bustin, Senior and Junior Barrel Racing, Rescue Race, Wheel Barrel Race, and Cow Riding. It finished off with the Mini Chuckwagon Races. Despite the rain it was a great performance by all. These cowgirls are just as tough as the cowboys, and they gave it their all.

On Saturday and Sunday the Rodeo had a lot more sunshine. Saturday was an extra-special day of celebration as Squirrelly Early Anderson turned 61 years young. Happy Birthday from all your rodeo fans.

Ron Pederson (Mullet Man) was booked for the Saturday Family Bonfire Dance. Ernie Smith usually plays during intermission, but due to the rescheduling of dates was unable to attend this year. Ron stepped up to also play songs during all the intermissions. He has been singing and playing professionally for 37 years with a wide variety of music. He had the crowds singing along, and up dancing all night.

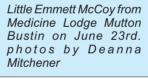
When asked about upgrades and behind the scenes of the event, Susan Longmore said, "Improvements had been done on the chute gates, welding rollers, and new piping on the chute gates. Kelsey Anderson built a wooden horse for the playground and Gering Gravel Sales donated sand for the new sandbox. Madison Sharman painted a gorgeous mural for us on the back of one of the grandstands, depicting the background history of the Anderson family. We have received some piping as a sponsorship to build more grandstands. Welders have done a lot of work as sponsorship to improve the chute area and back pens."

So much needs to be done before, during, and after a rodeo that goes unnoticed. Without a team of dedicated volunteers these types of events couldn't happen.

"We have so many great volunteers. Earl and friends work on early morning and late cleanup with help this year by some Holy Redeemer grads and parents. Security is done by family members and friends who are available.

A volunteer supper is put on Sunday night after the rodeo. "It is a way of saying thank you to our many volunteers and those that worked so hard to make the Medicine Lodge Rodeo a success," said Longmore.



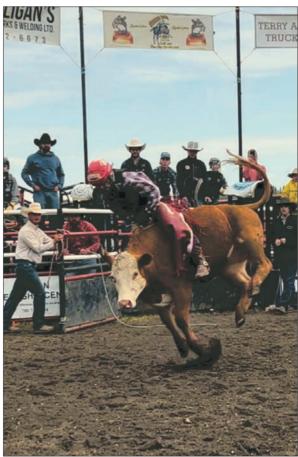




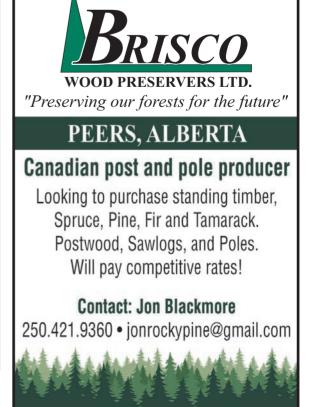
Meet Jack Armour (2) digging into his plate at the pancake breakfast at the Medicine Lodge Rodeo on



Jackson Lunn loses his hat on a horse called Ace, during the Bareback competition at the Medicine Lodge Rodeo on June 24.



Jarrett Rand from Yellowhead County during Steer Riding Sunday afternoon at the 42nd Annual Medicine Lodge Rodeo.





The Medicine Lodge Rodeo committee has a "hats off" salute for the following sponsors. Sponsors continued support and those that love this special brand of western entertainment enable us in providing an action-packed rodeo family weekend, (Sorry if any sponsors were missed.) Our motto is: 'We don't want to be the Biggest, we just want to be the BEST!!'

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**Thank You Volunteers** 

Volunteers are an important thread in the rope we use to combine all the elements together to make a much talked about and much-loved western family weekend. Behind the success of the Medicine Lodge Rodeo are many hard-working volunteers. I know that our volunteers don't ask to be in the spotlight, but I hope our appreciation for their remarkable efforts to help bring smiles to many young and old faces lets them know they do make a difference. See you all next year at the place where 'Family Roots, Dreams and Spurs' come together.

#### RESULTS FOR THE MEDICINE LODGE RODEO JUNE 23-25, 2023

**WRA Event Winners:** 

Bareback - Chase Siemens, Chetwynd B.C. with a score of 78. Chase will receive a Lifetime Membership to the Canadian Pro-Rodeo Hall of Fame. Saddle Bronc - Cache Schellenberg of Cochrane AB with a score of 79; Bull Riding - No qualified ride

Steer Wrestling - Jerry Stojan of Sexsmith AB with a time of 3.8 seconds; Tie Down Roping - Murdock Keith with a time of 10.1 seconds Ladies Barrels - Cariann Breton with a time of 14.033 seconds; Team Roping - Owen Pratt and Dawson Pratt of Enilda with a time of 5.8 seconds Novice Horse Riding - Quaide Skjonsbert of Blufton AB with a score of 73; Jr Bulls - Holden Atkinson with a score of 74.5 Jr Steer Riding – Jax Torkelson of Warburg AB with a score of 75; Jr Barrels – Hayden Harpe with a time of 14.557 seconds

Jr Breakaway - Wiley Cumming with a time of 2.6 seconds

**All Girls Event Winners:** 

Sr Pole Bending – Tea Hataley of Edson AB with a time of 22.79 seconds; Jr Pole Bending – Hayden LaValley of Mayerthorpe AB with a time of 23.41 seconds Sr. Barrel Racing - Monica Kippers of Barrhead AB with a time of 15.45 seconds; Jr. Barrel Racing - Cheyenne Grahame of Entwistle AB with a time of 16.60 seconds

Sr Potato Race - Monica Kippers of Barrhead AB; Jr Potato Race - Hope Lueders of Edson AB tied with Temperance Verch of Hinton AB

Rescue Race – Brittany Mosicki Team; Wheel Barrow Race – Ashley & Clayton Brewster Team

Cow Riding - Courtney Lavalley of Mayerthorpe AB

**Local Event Winners:** 

Calcutta Cow Riding - Keely Bowman of Edson AB

All 30 of our Mutton Bustin' contestants received a trophy and \$10.00. For a framed buckle plus a Medicine Lodge Rodeo Jacket the winning bid was by Elk Mountain Contracting Inc for \$1,100.00. With \$1,100.00 to be given to the Stollery Children's Hospital in Edmonton.

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## 'EdsonStrong' events brings community together

by Niki Luymes

The Town of Edson took a moment to come together during the #EdsonStrong event held Wednesday, June 21 at the Edson Leisure Centre.

Residents of the Town have been through a lot recently with wildfire evacuations followed by flooding from heavy rainfall. So the Town of Edson Community Services Department along with the Leisure Centre staff decided to put together something fun to bring the community together. The event featured food and activities for families to enjoy.

There were three parts to the #EdsonStrong event. Part one was an activity centre put together in the Memorial Arena. The doors to this part of the event opened at 3:30pm and stayed open until 7:30pm. Kids could enjoy bouncy castles, free-for-all sports like basketball and floor hockey, and other smaller activities. There was a colouring station and contest, and a draw for a couple prizes including a fun outdoor snack pack and an original acrylic painting by local Indigenous Artist Jerry Berthelette.

The second part of the event was free hotdogs offered at Ramsi's Concession. The hotdogs were served along side free juice, water, and Bannock handmade by local elders Debbie Gauchier and Loretta Belcourt.

The final part of the event was a free public swim offered by the Leisure Centre from 5:30pm until 9pm. The swim also included two

lanes for lane swimming starting at 8pm.

Alberta Red Cross was also in attendance throughout the event. They were on site handing out colouring books and teddy bears, along with backpacks and buckets full of cleaning supplies useful for flood and fire cleanup. They started with 500 buckets and 1,000 backpacks and were out by the end of the day. Red Cross volunteers also gave out pamphlets with information and were also happy to answer any questions people had about disaster recovery.

The event was an amazing success. People began arriving as soon as doors opened and many remained throughout the day. "The turnout far exceeded our expectations!" said Diana Inscho, Community Development Coordinator with the Town of Edson. "We gave away over 250 hotdogs and would guess that there were around 400 people in attendance."

"Thank you to Bannister GM for donating bottles of water, the Red Cross, Stacey Gislason from Alberta Emergency Management, Ramsi's Concession for cooking the hotdogs, and the staff at the Leisure Centre for going the extra mile to open and help carry this event," said Inscho. "These past couple months have been challenging for us all, but there is always strength to be found in community. We wish everyone a safe and happy summer. Our FCSS team is here to help find resources should you need help."



One of the many activities set up for kids at the #EdsonStrong Event hosted at the Edson Leisure Centre was a colouring station. Finished pictures could be submitted for a chance to win a prize. photo Niki Luymes



Memorial Arena at the Edson Leisure Centre was filled with fun activities for families to enjoy and the #EdsonStrong event on June 21. photo Niki Luymes



Edson Public Information & Notices 2023

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## Alberta Traffic Safety Calendar

Alberta Transportation









Cycling Alcohol and drug impairment Aggressive drivers Motorcycles



Cycling Alcohol and drug impairment Speed



Wildlife Fatigue

The Town of Edson aligns its Traffic Safety Priorities with the Alberta Traffic Safety Plan. with an aim to reduce road traffic fatalities. Each month the Alberta Safety Plan has a specific focus for Information and Enforcement activities. The July focus is Impairment Driving, Cycling, Construction Zones, and Off-highway Vehicles. For more details on the Alberta Traffic Safety Plan, visit <a href="https://www.alberta.ca/alberta-traffic-safety-plan.aspx">https://www.alberta.ca/alberta-traffic-safety-plan.aspx</a>



#### PHOTO ENFORCEMENT LOCATIONS FOR JULY 2023



For more information on photo enforcement, including a list of frequently asked questions and stats, visit www.edson.ca/photo-enforcement.

July 1st. 46 STREET AT OR NEAR MARY BERGERON SCHOOL

July 2nd. HWY 16 NEAR 25 STREET
July 3rd. 4 AVENUE NEAR 59 STREET

July 4th. 2 AVENUE NEAR RAILWAY OVERPASS HIGHWAY 16

July 5th. 2 AVENUE NEAR 48 STREET
July 6th. 4 AVENUE NEAR 43 STREET
July 7th. 56 STREET NEAR VANIER SCHOOL

July 8th. 12 AVENUE NEAR 49 STREET
July 9th. HWY 16 NEAR 25 STREET
July 10th. 4 AVENUE NEAR 59 STREET

July 11th. 2 AVENUE NEAR RAILWAY OVERPASS HIGHWAY 16

July 12th. 2 AVENUE NEAR 58 STREET
July 13th. 49 STREET NEAR 12 AVENUE
July 14th. 56 STREET NEAR VANIER SCHOOL
July 15th. 2 AVENUE NEAR 48 STREET

July 16th. 4 AVENUE NEAR 59 STREET
July 17th. 4 AVENUE NEAR 43 STREET

July 18th. 2 AVENUE NEAR RAILWAY OVERPASS HIGHWAY 16

July 19th. 13 AVENUE NEAR POPLAR PLACE
July 20th. 48 STREET NEAR PARKLAND SCHOOL
July 21st. 2 AVENUE NEAR 48 STREET

July 22nd. HWY 16 NEAR 25 STREET
July 23rd. 4 AVENUE NEAR 59 STREET
July 24th. 2 AVENUE AT 58 STREET

July 25th.2 AVENUE NEAR RAILWAY OVERPASS HIGHWAY 16July 26th.46 STREET NEAR MARY BERGERON SCHOOL

July 27th. 56 STREET NEAR VANIER SCHOOL

July 28th. 4 AVENUE NEAR 59 STREET
July 29th. 48 STREET NEAR PARKLAND SCHOOL

July 30th. 2 AVENUE NEAR RAILWAY OVERPASS HIGHWAY 16

July 31st. HWY 16 NEAR 25 STREET

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

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#### **Pool Schedule**



#### July 2nd - September 8th, 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday & Sunday
	la e	Lane & Lagoon Swim 6 – 8am Membership Required			Lane & Lagoon Swim 9:30 – 11:15am
		Aqua Fit 10:45 – 11:45am			Private Rental 11:30 – 12:30pm
		Lane & Lagoon Swim 12 – 1:15pm			Public Swim
Public Swim 1:15 – 3:45pm					12:30 – 2:30pm 3:15 – 5:15pm
Public Swim 4:30 – 6:30pm	Public Swim	Public Swim 4:30 – 6:30pm	Public Swim 4:30 – 7:45pm	Aqua Deep 5:30 – 6:30pm	_ S.I.S S.IOPIII
Aqua Fit 6:45 – 7:45pm	4:30 – 7:45pm	Aqua Fit 6:45 – 7:45pm		Public Swim 6:30 – 7:45pm	Lane & Lagoon Swim
Lane & Lagoon Swim 8 – 9pm Membership Required					5:30 – 6:30pm Membership Required

Accommodations such as a walker, wheelchair & ear defenders are available at Guest Services when requested.

Contact us with any questions or if you require additional support.

Below are the planned schedule changes. The pool schedule is subject to change due to many reasons including power outages, contaminations, sever weather etc. We are an aging facility and cannot always foresee the need to close and fix issues that arise, we do our best to plan for these closures when possible. We communicate these schedule changes on our website, www.edson.ca/lc and on our Facebook page, Edson Leisure Centre. You are also welcome to call us at 780-723-7665.

Closed. Check out the Town of Edson Canada celebration at Centennial Park. July 1st

Modified Hours. Public Swim 12 - 4pm. August 7th

For the most up to date information visit our Facebook page "Edson & District Leisure Centre "OR our website www.edson.ca/lc OR call 780-723-7665







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Student (11-17)	\$4.25	\$38.25	\$72.25	\$63.75	\$119.00	\$191.25
Adult (18-59)	\$6.00	\$54.00	\$108.00	\$99.00	\$198.00	\$357.00
Senior (60+)	\$4.25	\$38.25	\$72.25	\$63.75	\$119.00	\$191.25
Family (Immediate)	\$12.00			\$191.25	\$357.00	\$573.75

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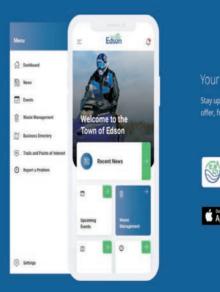
Registration opens the last Wednesday of each month at 6pm.

Register online at edson.ca or in person at the Leisure Centre.

June 28th, July 26th, August 30th

For the most up to date information visit our Facebook page "Edson & District Leisure Centre "OR our website www.edson.ca/lc OR call 780-723-7665





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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. Additional information can be requested from the Planning Department at 780-723-4402 or 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 21st 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 177. Direct Control District Approvals cannot be appealed.



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### **New Bottle Depot impressive**

On June 23, it was time for me to take some



bottles down to recycle —and I just need to send a huge shout-

This was my first time using the new facility since they moved locations.

out to the Edson Bottle Depot.

I have to admit I was kind of dreading it, as it looked like a person couldn't just pull up along side the building to unload. Perhaps there was a need to park and then take the bottles inside? No one likes change (for the most part anyway) right?

But I was truly impressed! I

was having an issue getting my tailgate open when one of the

staff members (James Whalen) came to my rescue and got it open. He then wheeled over a large bin so I could load all my bags into it and only make one

Once I was inside the establishment I looked around. Wow, it was very clean. There was a sink for hand washing after handling sticky bottles and even a public washroom.

It was a very pleasant experience -thank you!



McLeod Valley in the foreground and Hwy 32 bridge in the background . Yellowhead County suffered extensive flooding due to heavy rains over several days as rivers and streams overflowed their banks. Many properties and homes we flooded leading to a local state of emergency on June 19.

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Pictured at the Edson Bottle Depot on June 23 is Ricky Brown, Aaron See, and James Whalen assisting Angela Gallant with her recycling of bottles. Thank you all for your help and great service! photo Deanna Mitchener

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#### **Edson RCMP Occurrences** For the week of June 19 to June 25, 2023

Assistance Calls calls topped the list of Edson RCMP occurrences at 16. Other investigations included: Abandoned Vehicles 1; Alarms/False Alarms 1; Animal Calls 2; Assault 5; Cause Disturbance 5; Fail to Comply with Conditions 2; False/Abandoned 911 Call 2; Family Orders and Agreements 0; Fraud 1, Harassment/Criminal Harassment 6; Impaired Operation of Motor Vehicle o; Information File 0; Mental Health Act 1; Mischief or Damage 1; Municipal Bylaws 1; Obstruct/Resist Peace Officer 0; Possess Stolen Property 0; Recovered Stolen Property 0; Sudden Death 0; Suspicious persons 09; Theft Complaints 5; Traffic Complaints 8; Traffic Collisions 16; Traffic violations 16; Trespassing 1; Unlawfully in Dwelling 0; and Wellbeing Check 2,



Meet 6 year old Sam in Kindergarten at Mary Bergeron Elementary School.

Do you have any pets? No

If you could have any pet, what would it be? A cat, because they keep mice away.



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#### **Yellowhead County**

## Mayor Wade William: 56 Days of Turmoil in our Region

In a prepared statement during the Yellowhead County Council meeting on June 27, Mayor Wade Williams stated:

"With what I hope is the worst part of our disasters behind us, I wish to reflect on where we are at now and how proud I am of our region and its response to multiple disasters at the same time and for extended periods of time.

It seems somewhat surreal to know that we opened up 11 reception centres in the past 56 days, and had help from across the world, across the country, across the Province, from our municipal partners, far and wide, and from residents of Alberta as a whole. For this, we thank you. We cannot begin to list off the hundreds of people who came to our help, but we do know that we would not be where we are at without you. For all of you, Thank you from Yellowhead County.

To the residents of Yellowhead County. Your resilience, courage, passion and determination have inspired me during this crisis and I thank you for that. Even in the face of fires, floods and snowstorms, you have persevered, and I am so very proud to be part of this community. We will continue to work with our residents in the coming months as we rebuild, and I know that our community will be stronger than what it was 2 months ago.

With that said, I wish to focus my next comments on Yellowhead County Staff, Fire Crews and Volunteer Fire Fighters.

Yellowhead County staff have worked tirelessly for extended long shifts and filled in positions wherever necessary. Many times this included working nightshifts on short notice or extended hours to ensure we had the best approach to the disasters. There is not one staff member that hasn't been affected by this disaster, and each and every one of them has made me proud to see how they have done whatever was needed of them.

Our fire services have 8 full-time fire fighters, 5 office/management staff and over 90 volunteer fire

fighters. That is not a lot of people to cover 22,000 km2 but they make us proud every day and have excelled in their service to our community over the past 8 weeks. The initial fires that hit us hit us so fast and with such ferocity that forestry crews nor our resources were able to stop them. Winds quickly fanned the fires to have 200kms of fire front which quickly inundated our region and our fire fighters efforts. We were then hit with new fires in the Shiningbank Area and a fire from Parkland County which jumped the river with 60km/ hour wind gusts. There is no possible way to have enough crews to be at all of these places at once, nor to stop mother nature with such strong winds.

Since this wasn't enough for mother nature, we then had Fire 31, which took a run from the Brazeau Dam area to points just close to our residents in an area stretching from Nojack to Marlboro. These same fire fighters continued to be on scene for all of these fires, (along with hundreds of fire fighters from Alberta Forestry as well as partners) and continued to work long hours to keep our community safe on a daily basis.

What we don't see through all of this is:

the fire North of Evansburg, which would have given us another out of control fire to deal with, but was put out by our fire crews, even while fighting strong winds and after it jumped RR 75

· the volunteer fire fighter who gave up his/her day job or closed their business so they could help our community.

the fire fighter who has given up 2 months of their personal lives, only to be admonished by those who feel they should have done more

· the homes that were saved because municipally installed sprinkler systems were able to keep the fire at bay

the fire fighter's spouse who was spit on by a disgruntled person without knowledge of what really transpired

· the fire fighter who's property was severely comprised by fire, but continued to fight the fires in

the community

Yellowhead County having hired its own helicopter to fight fire for 5 days in the Shiningbank Fire when Provincial resources were busy in other parts of Alberta

the resident who was mad at the fire fighting efforts one day when they lost their home but hugged a fire fighter the next day as they realized just how much effort these human beings have put into saving our community.

In the end, we are only human, and I applaud our staff and first responders for the extraordinary effort they have put in over the past 2 months to keep our community safe. I have received numerous comments from our region thanking our municipal resources and fire fighters and have committed to acknowledging them now in this public forum and on behalf of Yellowhead County residents. You are such great people and our municipality and community commend you for your efforts.

The past 8 weeks have been a disaster for our Region, similar to other parts of Alberta, and our fire crews acted valiantly to keep our community safe. There is no possible way that these fires could have been stopped sooner, but I do know that things would have been a lot worse without the extraordinary efforts of our staff and fire crews.

After 2 months of crisis with more than 350,000 hectares burned, massive flooding, to heavy snowfalls, we are proud that not a single human life was lost. This is a testament to our residents, outside help from all parts, and our county staff and first responders.

I take my hat off to each and every one of you. Thank you all so very much for all you do. Yellowhead County is a very beautiful place to live, raise our families and enjoy our lifestyles knowing you are all there protecting us.

I thank you for listening and trust that you will follow me in showing my appreciation to those who came to help us, our staff and our first responders as they have done a fabulous job."

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#### SALE WILL BEGIN AT 10 AM ON JULY 8th

Coming from Edson towards Hinton on Hwy 16 drive approx. 8.5 km and turn left at the median crossing to cross the highway. Auction is located at the Prairie Oilfield Yard ( See signage ). Also look for auction signs.

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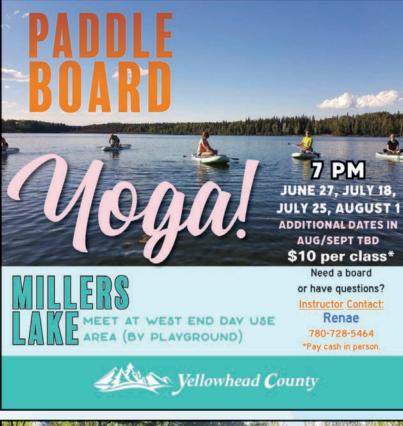
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## LANDFILL CLOSURE **SATURDAY JULY 1, 2023**

The West Yellowhead Regional (WYR) Landfill in Hinton will be CLOSED on Saturday July 1, 2023.

Regular hours will resume on Monday July 3, 2023.

WYR Landfill in Hinton Summer hours: Monday to Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closed on Sundays & Holidays. \*Please ensure all loads are secure.\*

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



#### **Yellowhead County**

#### **2023 COMBINED ASSESSMENT & TAX NOTICES**

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

#### Payment Options:

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

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

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

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

For more information, please call **1-800-665-6030** or 780-723-4800 or email info@yhcounty.ca







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#### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

#### **Emergency Dispatcher - Full Time** LOCATION: Edson, AB **COMPETITION NO. 23-031**

Under the direction of the Dispatch Supervisor the 911 Dispatcher is responsible for 911 call-taking, fire dispatch, Peace Officer Call taking, and dispatch and after-hours communications services for Yellowhead County staff, partner municipalities, and contracted

The salary range for the full-time emergency dispatcher position is \$59,860 to \$74,227.

Yellowhead County offers a competitive benefit plan. To apply, please submit resumes and cover letters online at www.yhcounty.ca/jobs

A detailed position description can be found in the job posting online. The competition will remain open until July 21, 2023.

We thank all interested applicants in advance, however only those applicants to be interviewed will be contacted.

**Human Resources** Yellowhead County Email: jobs@yhcounty.ca

The personal information obtained as a result of this advertisement will be utilized for these employment opportunities only, and is subject to compliance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.



## **Fire Permit** Season in Effect.

#### **FIRE PERMIT SEASON IS MARCH 1 TO OCTOBER 31.**

Even when fire bans aren't on, fire permits are required for burning, except campfires\*.

#### **Need a Fire Permit?** Go to www.yhcounty.ca/fire-permits

Depending on where you live, you'll need a permit from Yellowhead County or Alberta Wildfire.

When burning or using campfires, remember to use safe burning practices.

\*Fire Bans and Restrictions may limit or restrict campfires





#### TENDER: 2023-822

#### OPERATIONS BUILDING AND FIREHALL PARKING LOT REHABILITATION YELLOWHEAD COUNTY - EDSON, ALBERTA

Yellowhead County invites interested contractors/suppliers to submit proposals for the Operations Building and Parking Lot Rehabilitation for Yellowhead County in Edson, Alberta, in accordance with the terms of reference.

A detailed information package will be available from June 22, 2023, on the Alberta Purchasing Connection website (www.purchasingconnection.ca).

Proposal submissions must be received no later than 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 13, 2023. Proposals must be sealed in an envelope, clearly marked, and addressed as follows:

> Yellowhead County 2716 - 1st Avenue Edson, AB T7E 1N9

#### OPERATIONS BUILDING AND FIREHALL PARKING LOT REHABILITATION YELLOWHEAD COUNTY

This is a "Tender", and potential contractors are advised that Yellowhead County reserves the right to:

- Accept a proposal without negotiation.
- Reject a proposal without negotiation.
- 3. Reject a proposal from a bidder that has had a previous contract terminated
- 4. Negotiate changes in the financial or operational content of the successful

Consultants are advised that the fee for services, company name, and final rating will be made public when being presented to Council.

For further information regarding this request, please contact Amir Syed, Manager of Engineering Services, Infrastructure Services Department at (780) 723-4800.



D23-067	NE-9-56-14-W5 Shiningbank Area Plan 590HW Lot 3,4 SE-30-53-8-W5	Accessory Building (Shop)  Single Detached Dwelling (Change of Use)	June 16/23
	Lot 3,4	3 3 7	June 16/23
	Hansonville	in Existing Accessory Building (Shop) & Two Additions to Existing Accessory Building (Carport & Storage)	
	Plan 7921188 Lot 25 NW-11-49-21-W5 Robb	Accessory Building (Shed)	June 16/23
	SE-7-55-7-W5 Evansburg Area	Addition to Single Detached Dwelling (Garage)	June 21/23
	Plan 1520696 Block 2, Lot 1B SE-19-49-26-W5 Folding Mountain Area	Secondary Suite-External	June 21/23
	Plan 7921360 Blk 3, Lot 12 SW-29-53-15-W5 Pinedale Estates	Accessory Building (Garage) with Lean To	June 22/23
	Plan 7621958 Blk 3, Lot 2 NW-14-53-14-W5 Carrot Creek Area	Manufactured Home with Covered Deck	June 26/23

ellowhead County Development Permits are also posted online at www.yhcounty.ca. The public is conside fficially notified of approved development permits once posted online, in accordance with the Public Notification

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. Requirement for appealing the development to the Alberta's Land and Property Rights Tribunal can be found here: https://ww erta.ca/subdivision-appeals.aspx or by calling 780-427-2444.

#### Edson Rotary assesses impact at Willmore Park after wildfire and flood

by Deanna Mitchener

It was just one year ago in June, when the Edson Rotary Club partnered with the Town of Edson to take over the contract for Willmore Park maintenance and operation.

Rotary does so much within our community and some of their big plans for Willmore Park will now

## **Bikez 4 Kidz**

by Deanna Mitchener

After two wildfire evacuations and major flooding from heavy rains both in Edson and Yellowhead County, it's time to set our sights on some fun, especially for the children.

On July 22, Bikez 4 Kidz will be hosting their 5th annual event. President Bil

Teskey said, "This event helps with getting brand new bicycles for children in the communities of Edson and Yellowhead County including Robb, Marlboro, Brule, Peers, Niton and all hamlets within the County borders, as well as Hinton."

"Last year, with the help of all of our sponsors, we were able to give out 135 brand new bicycles in one day. This year we would love to break that record but in order to do so we are asking for more sponsorship. We understand this year is a difficult year due to the wildfires and now flooding. Many families have already faced financial hardship and we really want to help where we can," said Teskey.

"Bikez 4 Kidz brings so many smiles to children and their parents; it's a great event in our communities. We have come a long way with this event, every year getting bigger than the last. Our first year we gave away 13 bicycles, our 2nd year was 34 bicycles, our 3rd year was 106 bicycles, and last year we did 135 bicycles. There are many different levels of sponsorship, people can either donate cash, new bicycles, or door prizes," said Teskey.

"The event starts off in Hinton at 9 a.m. for the poker run registration (there will be mini donuts on site). Following the registration the presentation of the bicycles for Hinton and surrounding areas will be done with the children," Teskey said.

"We then depart from Hinton to Robb for our lunch at the Coal Branch for an hour. We then come back into Edson and will be meeting at the Galloway Museum around 1-1:30 p.m. (mini donuts on-site here as well) for the presentation of bikes to the children from Edson and surrounding area," Teskey explained.

"When we depart Edson, we will have one more stop as a group before we end up at our destination Pinegrove Hall for supper around 5:00 p.m. There will be live music, camping, games, door prizes, and much more. For those interested in camping at the Hall it is free (no dogs are allowed). We will have a band named Puttin On The Foil from Okotoks playing classic rock, rock, and much more," said Teskey.

To nominate a child for a new bicycle please submit the following information to kingzrcedson@gmail.com: Please ensure you have the child's name, age, and bike/gender/style if applicable. Parent(s) name(s) -first and last. Parent phone number and the town/area the child resides in. Entries will only be accepted by email.

Recipient parents will be called a week to two weeks prior to the event. All winners must be present the day of the event at the location given in order to receive their new bicycle. If they can not be present a new name will be drawn for that bicycle, said Teskey.

Kingz RC is a local Motorcycle Riding Club based in Edson. They have been supportive to our communities by donating to food banks, Christmas hampers, Kinettes, low income families, sporting events for kids, and of course their annual Bikez 4 Kidz

Sponsors and donors can reach out to Bil Teskey at 780-223-3603.

be slowed moving forward after the wildfire destroyed the overflow section of the campground.

The heavy rains afterwards left behind a flood. This flood not only hit the Willmore Campground, but many properties in Edson and Yellowhead County.

Troy Sorenson is the current president of the Edson Rotary Club and the President Elect Tiffany Weatherston will take over for the 2023/2024 season.

Sorenson said, "This fire season has devastated the camping season. The month of May was only a fraction of expected camping due to park closures, and now with the loss of the overflow campground, the remainder of our season will be severely reduced."

"The club's larger project this past year was the Dirty Hands Project to secure a water source for an indigenous village of 400 people in the Philippines. This fall we look forward to sending an ambulance through the Highway to Mexico project, that we have done for many years," stated Sorenson.

If anyone is interested in learning more about the club and what they have to offer they can get a hold of Troy by calling or by text at 780-725-3061. They meet every Tuesday at noon for a bag lunch at the Galloway Museum.



Willmore Park just south of Edson's townsite suffered extensive damage to the overflow campsites after a wildfire and heavy rains recently, photo Deanna Mitchener

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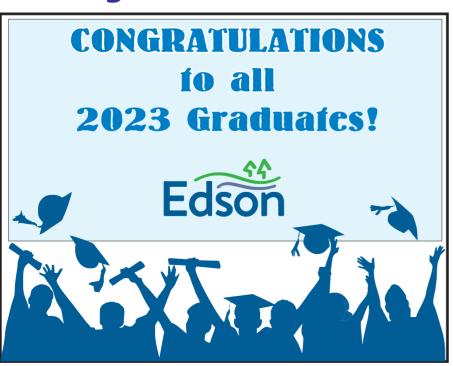


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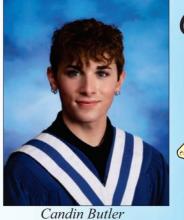






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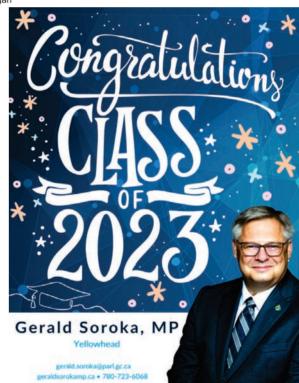




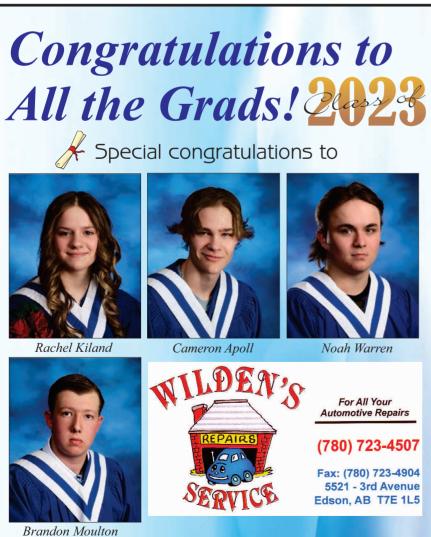


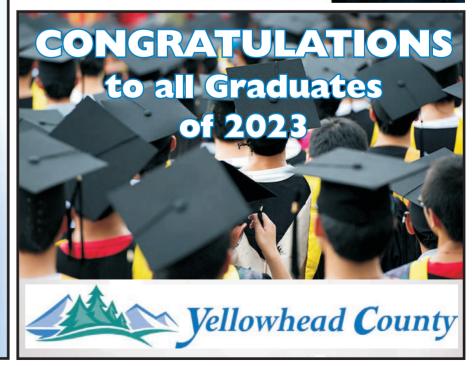


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## Parkland GSA students gather for June Pride month



Parkland GSA students held a barbeque and painted a mural at Kinsmen Park on June 26 for June Pride month. photo Deanna Mitchener

by Deanna Mitchener

In recognition of June Pride month, Parkland's Gay-Straight-Alliance (GSA) committee in Edson hosted the community's first ever PRIDE celebration with the support of the Town of Edson and various community partners.

GSA students named the event after their motto, 'BE FREE to BE YOU' in hopes of inspiring others to advocate for themselves and



#### **Public Notice**

As part of Canfor's Whitecourt and Fox Creek 2023 Vegetation Management Program, we are proposing to apply glyphosate on cutblocks located within our Forest Management Area and timber licenses in the Whitecourt, Fox Creek, Fort Assiniboine, and Edson areas. A maximum of 4500 hectares are proposed for treatment throughout the following locations:

Township	Range	Meridian
50	10,11,12	W5M
51	10,11,12	W5M
53	11	W5M
58	13,14,16,17,21,25,26	W5M
59	11,13,14,15,16,17,18,22,23,25	W5M
60	12,13,14,15,17,18,22,23,25	W5M
61	12,13,14,15,16,18,19,21	W5M
62	15,18,19	W5M
63	6,7,9,21,22	W5M
64	6,7,8,9	W5M
65	6,7,14,15,16	W5M
66	6,7,8,14,15,16	W5M

This treatment, part of our forest renewal program, will temporarily control herbaceous, shrub and deciduous competition, to improve the growth and survival of tree seedlings and saplings.

Application of herbicides is scheduled to begin on or around August 15, 2023, pending approval from Alberta Forestry, Parks and Tourism. The planned completion date for the program is September 15, 2023.

For more information, please contact our Silviculture Supervisor at (780) 778-2221 Ext 2164, or Gareth.Carey@Canfor.com

## <u>~ Celebration of Life~</u> Jim "Wilkie" Wilkinson

1950 - 2023

There will be a Celebration of Life for Jim (Wilkie) Wilkinson on July 6, 2023 held at the Commodore Tavern from 3pm to 6pm. Toast will be made at 6pm. A Celebration of Life for family and close family friends will be held at a later date.





Parkland students and community members painted the Kin Shack building with the colors of the Pride Progress flag for June Pride Month. photo Deanna Mitchener

promote a safe and caring community.

Parkland students and community members painted the Kin Shack building with the colors of the Pride Progress flag, marking a significant milestone in Edson history to promote equal rights for all people, regardless of sexuality, gender identity or cultural background.

Yvonne Lorne, Family School Counsellor and Marsha Shack, Community Development Coordinator, stated, "Today is really the brainchild of Parkland students and GSA who had this idea to paint a rainbow crosswalk, so they approached the town to ask if that was possible. Absolutely 100% was the answer, we would love to support that."

"We started organizing the painting of the crosswalk in front of the Civic Centre across from the Medical Clinic and then we were flooded [by the heavy rains recently]. We made a choice to change the location and offer this as an alternative here at the Spray Park," they explained.

"Today is a time for the group just to come together and have a place to paint, have fun, celebrate, and spend time with each other. This shows that Edson really is an inclusive community where everybody is free to be themselves," Shack explained.

Not everyone attending was a part of the GSA. There were some

members of the community, some Parkland students, and some friends of friends.

A release from the Town of Edson stated, "A special event was held today in Edson to help celebrate the uniqueness and diversity of our residents. In recognition of June Pride month, Parkland GSA students held a BBQ and painted a mural at Kinsmen Park today."

"The Town of Edson is proud to support this initiative and to allow the students to express their support for inclusivity of all residents regardless of how they identify. One of Council's key pillars in our Strategic Plan is creating a connected community that is safe and inclusive. We want everyone to know you are welcome in this community," stated Edson Mayor Kevin Zahara.

"The Pride Progress Flag was chosen for the mural as it is the symbol of the LGBTQIA+ community and by displaying the flag, we hope to convey the message that wherever you are or how you identify, you are included, welcome and safe. It's a visual reminder of the struggles and oppression that people in the community have faced and continue to face, but it is also a sign of hope for how far we have come. Be Free to Be You," stated Yvonne Lorne, Family School Liaison Counsellor.

## <u>~ Obituary ~</u> Jim "Wilkie" Wilkinson

1950 - 2023

On June 20th, 2023, our family experienced the passing of Jim "Wilkie" Wilkinson.

Jim was a hardworking man, that enjoyed spending time with his family outdoors, or playing card games like cribbage and solitaire, all the while, telling stories to all those that would listen. Jim always had "the perfect spot to show you" and would often take people down goat trails to camp or explore, often getting stuck in the mud.

Jim is survived by his loving wife; Susan Wilkinson, his seven children; Angela (Nordwing) Sanchez, Pamela (B.J.) Wilkinson, Jamie (Phil) McGurgin, Steven Ord, Laura (Jon) Laduke, Robert Ord, Richard (Brittany) Ord, his 15 grandchildren; Anthony Wilkinson, Marcus Sanchez Wilkinson, Carlos Sanchez Wilkinson, Alejandro Sanchez Wilkinson, Darin Orge, Naomi Orge, Reanne Orgre, Sydney McGurgin, Josh McGurgin, Jacklyn Ord, Brayden Engel, Gavin Engel, Liliana Engel, Steven Young, and Zoe Ord, his sister Eunice (Gerald) Roth, Brother Ken (Judy) Wilkinson, his brother in law Tom, numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends that Jim had made throughout his duration as a member of the community. Jim is predeceased by his parents Hebert James Wilkinson, and Mary Hanna (Boorse) Wilkinson, and his sister Lenora Brown.

The Wilkinson family would like to express their most heartfelt thanks to the caring staff at the Whitecourt Healthcare Center, and to those who have expressed their sympathies during this trying time.

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780-712-0660.

#### **HELP WANTED**

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

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would be an asset. Please drop resume off at the bottle depot on Tuesday - Saturday from 11:00 -5:00pm or email to rclbr149@gmail.com

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Pastor Mesh Hit Sunday Services: 10:00 a.m.

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Office Phone: 780-723-4922 Pastor Tyson Moerike (Call or Text 403-966-4705) Sunday Worship – 9:45 am Sunday School expected to resume in January, 2022 EDSON-PEERS CHRISTIAN

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July 18: Paddle Board Yoga Millers Lake 7pm July 18,25 and August 1. Need a board please contact Renae 780-728-5464 **July 19:** Adventure play camps ages 3-5 Wildwood Complex 10am- 1pm registration opens June 12

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July 20: Bear Chase Triathlon. At Bear Lake Campground Registration opens May 24. Ages 3-13 Heats begin at 5:30pm. July 21-23: Edson Renaissance Faire www.edson.ca/CANOE July 26: Adventure play camps ages 3-5 Robb Multiplex 10am-1pm registration opens June 12 www.yhcounty.ca/registation July 26: CEAT Skate Park Luau, Skate Park www.edson.ca/CEAT August 2: Adventure play camps ages 3-5 Peers Multi plex 10am-1pm registration opens June 12 www.yhcounty.ca/registation August 3: Teddy Bear Picnic, Edson & District Leisure Centre. www.edson.ca/CDprograms

August 9: Adventure play camps ages 3-5 Entwistle Community Hall 10am-1pm registration opens June 12

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August 25: Mayor's Golf Tournament NEW DATE. Every Tuesday: Winter Walking Group @ 5:15 pm. 60 min guided walk through the Town of Edson exploring the beautiful trails. Drop in no registration. Dogs & kids welcome. See facebook @edsoncomserv for updates and muster locations. **Every Thursday:** Seniors Chair Yoga Free. 10-11am Leisure Centre Hospitality Room.

First Wednesday of Every Month: Senior's Recycling Day. Between 10 am and 1 pm, senior citizens are welcome to visit the depot for snacks and refreshments while their staff unloads your sorted recyclables free of charge.



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"The price of canola has fallen substantially during the last few months, possibly giving the impression that canola demand has faltered," says Neil Blue, crop market analyst with the Alberta government. "But that's not so, according to statistics provided by the Canadian Grain Commission (CGC).'

According to the early June issue of Grain Statistics Weekly from the CGC, from the beginning of this crop year August 1, 2022 up to this June 4, there have been 7.32 million tonnes of canola exported and 8.66 million tonnes of canola crushed. In addition, there would have been some unrecorded off-grade canola used in the feed industry. So, at week 44 of 52 of this crop year, about 16 million tonnes of canola have been used. The pace of canola usage has averaged 363,000 tonnes per week.

Last December, Statistics Canada had estimated the 2022 Canadian canola production at 18.174 million tonnes and carryover canola from last crop year at 865,000 tonnes. If Canada imports an estimated 100,000 tonnes, the estimated total canola supply this crop year is 19.14 million tonnes. If 16 million tonnes of canola are already used, that implies remaining canola inventory of about 3.1 million tonnes available until the 2023 canola crop becomes available. If the weekly average canola usage pace slowed for the balance of this crop year to 300,000 tonnes, the additional usage would be 2.4 million tonnes. That would leave about 700,000 tonnes of canola remaining July 31 until new crop canola harvest.

"To put that into perspective," states Blue, "crop carryover is often compared to annual usage of a crop. If canola carryover on July 31 is near 700,000 tonnes and annual usage for this crop year totals 18.4 million tonnes, the stocks to usage ratio of 0.70000 million/18.4 million, expressed as a percentage, is 3.8%. One month of crop supply is about 8.3% (100/12 months), implying less than 2 weeks supply until canola harvest begins."

2022 canola production of 18.174 million tonnes is possibly underestimated. Some agencies and analysts estimate Canadian 2022 canola production near 19 million tonnes. "Even if that higher production is later confirmed," concludes Blue, "a recalculated stocks to use ratio (1.52 million/18.4 million, or 8.3%) would still be tight at just a one-month canola supply carryover." AgriNews

## Canola prices have New mural at Medicine fallen but demand Lodge Rodeo grounds

by Deanna Mitchener

Madison Sharman is well known in the community as a talented artist. Madison is also the Heritage Coordinator with Yellowhead County, accepting the position several years ago.

When asked what she enjoyed the most about her job, she responded, "Connecting with people through local history, whether it is their family's personal history or through our collective country heritage."

Sharman has done several murals around the area, the most recent is a mural for the Medicine Lodge Rodeo. The Rodeo Association approached her to see if she could do one with some of the history.

"I have done a few murals, but not all of them are mine exclusively. I have had lots of help from the community. The community murals I have helped/guided were the Northern Rockies Museum in Hinton, Edson Bike Skills Park, Edson Dog Park, Snake Shack at the Spray Park, Community Garden, and Timberjack Home Hardware," Sharman explained.

"Murals I have done myself are the Edson Royal Canadian Legion, the south side of the Recycling Center, and



now Medicine Lodge Rodeo. I've also done some interior exhibit murals in the Galloway Station Museum," said Sharman.

When asked to share some of her background, Sharman said, "My first job after university was at the Galloway Station Museum, Travel Center and Archives, then at the Red Brick Arts Center and Museum. In 2016, I took a job at the Northern Rockies Museum of Culture and Heritage in Hinton and assisted in the opening of that facility in 2017. I'm now in what I would call my 'dream' job, working for Yellowhead County as the Heritage Coordinator. It was a job I applied for and was unsuccessful in getting in 2011. It's amazing how things work out in the end."

"I want to emphasize how wonderful the people in our area are. I

would not have had the courage or confidence to pursue all of my artistic endeavours had it not been for the support I received. I have grown so much as an artist in the last 10 plus years,"

said Sharman. "I have been truly privileged to be part of such supportive communities including Edson, Hinton, and Yellowhead County through all of my endeavours."







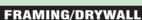
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