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meet your Peace Officer

Say hello to our new Community Peace Officer, Wayne Olson. If you see Wayne out and about, make sure you say hi and give him a true Saddle Hills County community welcome!



ABOUT WAYNE

Wayne was born and raised in the Calgary area. He is married with two children, ages 10 and 5, and the family are excited to get to know the community and begin their new journey in Saddle Hills County.

In his youth, he was eager to become a pilot and from ages 13 to 18 was a member of the Royal Canadian Air Cadet Program. During the course of the program he discovered his true passion in the survival training and leadership skills he learned and still uses to this day. Wayne brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to his new position. Prior to working for Saddle Hills County, Wayne was

employed by Alberta Health Services (AHS) as a Protection Services Officer. He was with AHS for 17 years, starting as a Contract Security Officer, and working his way up through the ranks, including 4 years as a Team Lead at the Foothills Medical Centre and the Rockyview General Hospital.

Outside of work, the Olsons enjoy spending time together camping and exploring the outdoors. Connection is incredibly important to Wayne, and the family love helping their friends, family, and neighbours however they can.

RESIDENTIAL SECURITY SYSTEM GRANTS

Saddle Hills County now offers a \$500 grant to County residents to help offset the cost of the purchase and installation of security cameras/systems on their property, as of January 23, 2024.

The grant is one-time funding, up to a maximum of \$500 per residence located within Saddle Hills County, and is only eligible for primary residences.

To be eligible:

- Security cameras and systems must be installed on the exterior of the residential property.
- Security cameras and systems must be capable of recording images and/or videos, which can aid law enforcement.
- Cameras and systems must be purchased on or after January 23, 2024.
- Applicants must provide evidence of the security camera or system installation (a photograph) and the purchase receipt for the equipment.

For more information and to apply, please visit saddlehills.ab.ca/grants



Community Assisted Policing Through Use of Recorded Evidence

REGISTER YOUR SECURITY CAMERA WITH THE RCMP

Help police investigate crimes and keep your community safe. Registry is voluntary and secure.

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High-Speed Fiber Internet

WHAT'S NEXT?

We're sure you've all heard the news by now, high-speed fiber internet is coming to Saddle Hills County, courtesy of Project Aurora and our partnership with Canadian Fiber Optics and Northern Lights Fiber! But, we know you're all asking, what's next?

Construction has already begun work, and you will have likely seen crews out and about throughout the County, installing the mainline infrastructure that will eventually connect us to the best high-speed internet option available.

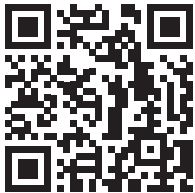
All that's left for you to do is sign a Fiber Access Request to express your interest and ensure you property is included in future network planning.

“*Saddle Hills residents deserve a community-focused, hard-working internet provider that cares about them. At Northern Lights Fiber, we know how important it is to have unlimited, reliable, high-speed internet for the entire family.*”

THE IMPORTANCE OF SIGNING A FIBER ACCESS REQUEST (FAR)

By signing a Fiber Access Request (FAR), you give Northern Lights Fiber permission to build fiber internet lines to your home - with **no obligation** to take services after the network construction is completed. However, once you have fiber lines built through Northern Lights Fiber you can sign up anytime and access Fiber Internet when you're ready!

Once you sign a FAR, you will be updated with the progress of the network construction and when technicians will be in the area to install your 'drop' - the connection from the network to the side of your home. From there, a time will be scheduled to connect the service into your home and/or business.



While there are no service obligations when signing a Fiber Access Agreement to allow fiber construction to your property, there are a number of affordable, quality options if you are looking for a new service provider. There's even a discount for seniors, at just \$70/month.

AURORA 100	AURORA 500	AURORA 1000
\$89 /month	\$119 /month	\$139 /month
100 Mbps download/upload speeds	500 Mbps download/upload speeds	1,000 Mbps download/upload speeds
Unlimited Data	Unlimited Data	Unlimited Data
No Data Caps	No Data Caps	No Data Caps
FREE Installation	FREE Installation	FREE Installation



FOR MORE INFORMATION:

VISIT: northernlightsfiber.ca/project-aurora

CALL: 888-236-2947

FOLLOW: @NorthernLightsFiber - ProjectAurora





Fairview Vet Clinic Welcomes New DVM - Dr. Will Lillico

Fairview Vet Clinic has announced they are welcoming a new DVM to their staff, Dr. Will Lillico, on July 29, 2024, who is affectionately referred to as your new 'Cattle Man'!

Will was raised in the Peace Country on a cow-calf ranch outside of Peace River. He attended Veterinary School, graduating in 2020 from the Western College of Veterinary Medicine.



New Made-in-Alberta Learning Pathway for Class 1 Drivers

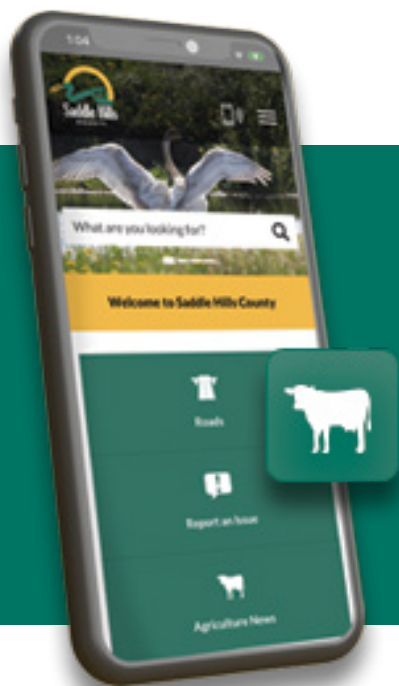
The Government of Alberta announced changes to Class 1 driver licensing requirements, responding to the needs to Alberta farmers by exempting them and their immediate family from the requirement of pre-licence training and providing them with a farm-restricted Class 1 driver's licence. This new licence will allow farmers and their families to operate their Class 1 vehicles within Alberta for authorized farm purposes.



Alberta Bats Community Science Program

Help inform bat conservation, monitoring, and protection efforts by taking part in the Alberta Bats Community Science Program. By gaining a better understanding of Alberta's bats, threats can be identified and more effective conservation strategies can be put in place. As many bats roost in buildings on private land, public participation is critical to the success of research and monitoring efforts. Find more information at saddlehills.ab.ca/albertabats

#agnews



STAY UP TO DATE

ON AG NEWS FROM SADDLE HILLS COUNTY



Agriculture is at the heart of our community. Keep informed of all the latest Agriculture News in Saddle Hills County or get more information on any of the stories below by visiting the dedicated Agriculture News stream on our website at saddlehills.ab.ca/agnews or by scanning the QR code. You can also follow the hashtag [#saddlehillsag](https://www.instagram.com/saddlehillsag) on Instagram for all the latest agriculture updates.

SOIL HEALTH WORKSHOP

ft. Kris Nichols, Ph. D.



SAVANNA REC. PLEX

JUNE 13, 2024 | 9 A.M. - 4 P.M.

lunch will be provided



TICKETS: \$6.66

saddlehills.ab.ca/soilhealth

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WICKED WEEDS

& OTHER PESTS



REGULATED: Alberta Weed Control Act
DESIGNATION: Noxious

COLOUR: Yellow
LATIN NAME: *Tanacetum vulgare*



This pungent perennial reproduces by both seed and short, underground roots. It has been used medicinally, as an insect repellent, and for embalming. Because of its long medicinal history, Common Tansy is still available for purchase. Gardeners should not buy Common Tansy.

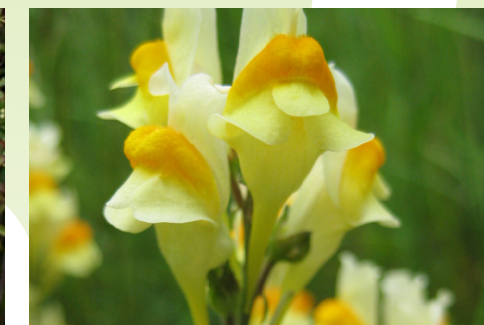
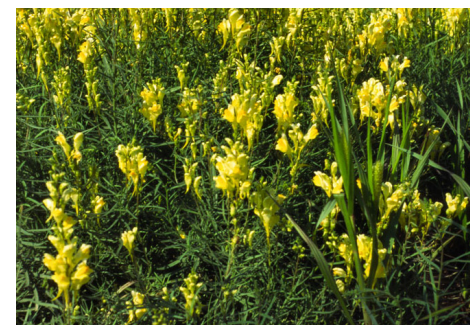
It grows best in full sun and fertile, well-drained soil and can be identified from its branched, erect stems, often purplish-red and dotted with glands, and yellow button-like flowers. Leaves alternate on the stem and are divided into numerous, narrow, individual leaflets with toothed edges. Seeds are yellow-brown with short, five-toothed crowns.

As always, this weed has many ways to avoid destruction, and flowering stems can re-grow from severed roots. Regular mowing can reduce seed production, although it must be regularly repeated to eliminate regrowth. The most effective control method is a mixture of mowing or hand-cutting alongside chemical control, and encouraging competition from native vegetation. Repeated stem removal depletes the food energy stored in roots.



REGULATED: Alberta Weed Control Act
DESIGNATION: Noxious

COLOUR: Yellow
LATIN NAME: *Linaria vulgaris*



Brought over from Europe over 100 years ago, this wicked weed escaped and has now become a serious problem all over North America. It reproduces primarily through its extensive, creeping root system, creating large colonies which crowd out other vegetation. It prefers sandy-gravelly soils, but is adapted to a wide range of growing conditions.

This yellow weed is often found in wildflower seed mixes. Always check your seed mix contents before purchasing to ensure no nasty weeds are hitching a ride. Packages without the Latin names of contents should be avoided.

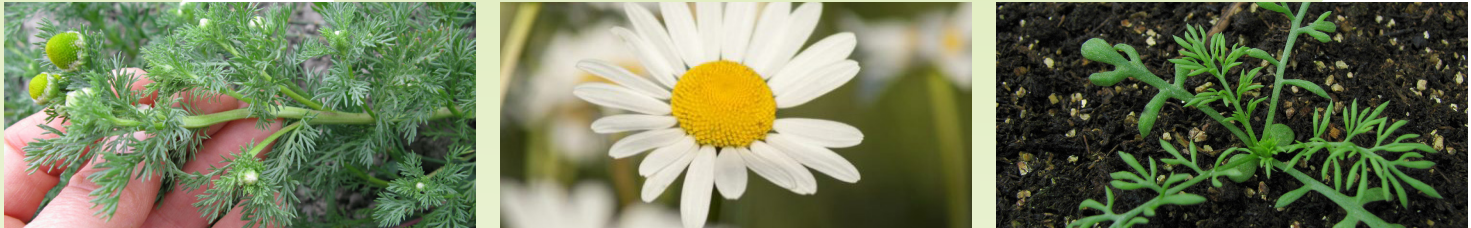
It is easily identified by its bright yellow, snapdragon-like flowers, with orange colouring on the throat, erect stems, and soft, lance-shaped leaves, sometimes up to 10 cm long! Seeds are winged, disk-shaped, and dark brown to black and despite its prolific seed production and long viability, germination rates are low, at less than 10%.

Once present, Yellow Toadflax establishes dense patches that are hard to control. Multiple control methods and several years of commitment provide the best success. Repeated cultivation can effectively destroy the root system, but make sure to clean all equipment thoroughly after use. Mowing can assist by starving the roots.

There are also select herbicides useful for controlling toadflax. Always make sure to check product labels before using to ensure the herbicide is registered for use on the target plant.

REGULATED: Alberta Weed Control Act
DESIGNATION: Noxious

COLOUR: White
LATIN NAME: *Tripleurospermum inodorum*



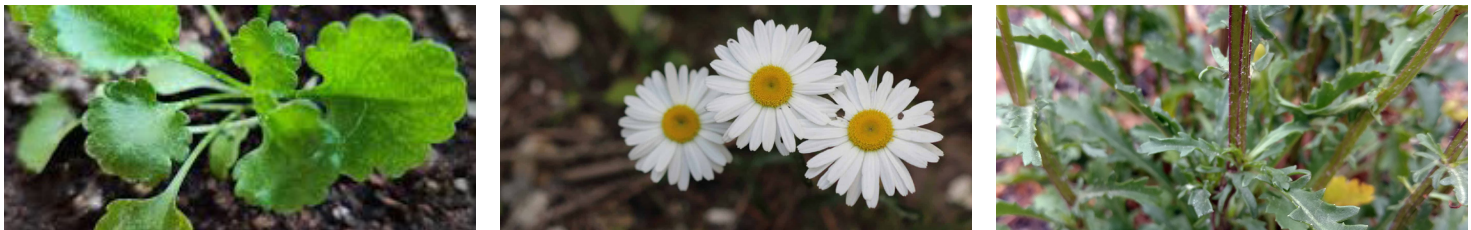
Scentless Chamomile, the sweet tea version's dastardly cousin. It can be identified by its leaves. As opposed to the similar Oxeye Daisy, this wicked weed has alternating leaves, very finely divided into short, carrot-like, segments, which are odorless when crushed. Basal leaves on the plant disappear by flowering time.

Scentless Chamomile does not compete well with vigorous, healthy plant communities so can be prevented through dispersal by contamination in crop/grass seed and livestock forage. It can become very difficult to eradicate in crop situations.

SCENTLESS CHAMOMILE OR OXEYE DAISY?

REGULATED: Alberta Weed Control Act
DESIGNATION: Noxious

COLOUR: White
LATIN NAME: *Leucanthemum vulgare*



Often confused with its equally sinister counterpart, Scentless Chamomile; the Oxeye Daisy can be differentiated by its leaves.

Oxeye leaves progressively decrease in size upward on the stem. Basal and lower leaves are lance-shaped with 'toothed' margins, whilst upper leaves are alternately arranged and narrow. Both scentless chamomile and oxeye daisy are conspicuous as there are no native white-flowered daisies in Alberta.

To prevent an invasion beware of wildflower mixes and Shasta daisies, as these can cross breed resulting in an invasive hybrid that is hard to distinguish.



REGULATED: Alberta Weed Control Act
DESIGNATION: Noxious

COLOUR: Yellow
LATIN NAME: *Linaria vulgaris*



Another pest that can cause a significant amount of damage is cutworms. The three species of cutworm that cause the most damage to crops in Alberta are the Army, Redbacked, and Glassy Cutworms.

Early symptoms of cutworm damage include small holes or semicircle notches in the foliage and seedlings severed just below the soil surface. Later on, cutworm larvae will sever plants at or just below the soil surface. Fields need to be checked on a regular basis to catch the problem early. Without regular field checks, cutworm damage could be the cause in a crop that has emerged well and then seems to deteriorate.

If conditions are dry, producers may be inclined to feel that the crop is just suffering from poor growing conditions. Don't be fooled! Upon closer examination, you will find wilted and dead plants and, if you look around the outside edge of where the damage has occurred, you'll likely find the cutworm just below the soil surface. The larvae often move here to escape the daytime heat.

Chemical control of cutworms should be done from late afternoon to evening. The reason for spraying late is that cutworms feed at night and to get control you need to apply the chemical as close to the time that they emerge as possible.

Identifying the type of cutworm is key to control measures, and more information about the most common species can be found at alberta.ca/cutworm



Black Knot: avoid mistakes

by Toso Bozic, Tree Expert



Black Knot (*Dibotryon morbosum*) is a prevalent disease in the Canadian prairies, naturally occurring and predominantly affecting trees and shrubs within the Cherry (*Prunus*) genus. Various species, including ornamental and edible cherries, such as Maydays, Shubert chokecherry, chokecherry, Nanking cherry, pin cherry, sand cherry, sour cherry, Saskatoon's, and plums are susceptible to this disease.

While black knot may significantly reduce crop yield in fruit production, for individual trees it usually takes years, and sometimes even decades, to fully destroy the mature tree. Unlike rapid and deadly diseases that can swiftly kill a tree within a year or two, with proper management black knot spread and the eventual demise of the affected trees and shrubs is preventable.

Improper pruning and the timing of pruning are major contributors to the spread of black knot. Avoiding pruning mistakes and selecting the right time for this activity is crucial in preventing the disease from spreading.

IDENTIFICATION & SYMPTOMS

Recognizing black knot is relatively straightforward, particularly during fall and winter when infestation is most apparent. Dark, black-colored swelling galls, resembling tumor growth, on branches or stems become noticeable, even from a distance, on affected trees. In early summer, newly developed infections exhibit velvety green/olive color swellings along branches or twigs. The maturation of black knot, including the colour, may take up to four years. During winter, spores mature and a single average-sized (2-4 inch) black knot can release millions of tiny spores. Spores are dispersed in spring, during wet periods and, without control, they naturally spread.

Mature black knots typically measure between 2-4 inches, though infestations as large as 10 inches long on bigger branches are not uncommon. Deformed twigs and branches are frequent indicators of the disease. Galls encircle and strangle branches, ultimately causing their death. Older black knots may be partially covered with a white-pinkish fungal mould or perforated by insect-made holes. Wood decay fungus may infiltrate the trunk or branches afflicted by black knot.



READ THE FULL ARTICLE
ON OUR WEBSITE AT
[SADDLEHILLS.AB.CA/](https://saddlehills.ab.ca/)

WILD BOAR: THE FACTS

Did you know that Wild Boar at large are one of the most damaging invasive species in North America?



Wild boar at large were introduced to Alberta as livestock species in an effort to diversify agriculture. Since then, many have escaped their enclosures and thrived as a

feral species, causing damage to crops, pastures, property, and the environment. They are known to devastate crops and predate livestock such as goats and newborn cattle. While there are some remaining wild boar farms in Alberta these are required to meet stringent containment standards to operate.

Initial control efforts in the form of a Bounty Program were deemed ineffective and may have actually exacerbated the issue. Wild boar are

incredibly smart and when only a few individuals are hunted from a larger group (sounder) the remaining boar quickly learn to evade further hunting efforts by dispersing, changing movement patterns, and becoming nocturnal. These tricks are then passed on future generations. The only way to effectively eliminate wild boar at large in an area is by eradicating the entire sounder simultaneously.

In response to this, Alberta Pork and Alberta Agriculture and Irrigation have established a Wild Boar at Large Control Program, which involves the coordinated and strategic removal of entire sounders. The team uses the reports of wild boar at large to work with local stakeholders to come up with solutions.

WE WANT YOU TO SQUEAL ON PIGS!

Saddle Hills County, along with the MD of Greenview, Woodlands County, and Yellowhead County want you to Squeal on Pigs!

You can report sightings through the EDDMaps App or by emailing wildboar@gov.ab.ca.

For every verified wild boar sighting, your name will be entered to win a Cabela's gift card. To be verified and eligible for the draw, reported sightings need to be geotagged for confirmation.

For more information, please visit our website at saddlehills.ab.ca/SquealOnPigs



County News



PROGRAM & ACTIVITY GRANTS

The first round of Program and Activity Grant submissions for 2024, were reviewed and awarded by Council at the February 13, 2024 meeting, for a total of \$52,425. Recipients include the Blueberry Mountain Goodwill Society \$5,000, East West Woking 4H Club \$2,200, Friends of the South Peace Society & Peace Tractor Pullers Association \$5,000, Goodwill Quilters \$4,000, Happy Valley Ag & Recreation Club \$4,000, Grande Spirit Foundation \$5,000, Village of Rycroft Library Board \$2,000, Savanna Agricultural Society \$3,000, Savanna School \$11,475, Spirit River Regional Academy \$5,000, Spirit River Settlement Historical Society \$2,500, and Ste. Marie School \$3,250. The closing date for this round of applications was January 31. There are two remaining application periods for 2024, with deadlines of May 31 and September 30.



WOKING TOBOGGAN HILL

Spring might be underway, but everyone in the Peace Region knows winter can come calling at any time. Residents will therefore be excited to hear that the soil from the dugout construction in Woking is being used to construct a small toboggan hill, similar to that in Savanna.



CAPITAL GRANTS PRESENTATION

Representatives from various community organizations were present at the March 12, 2024 Council Meeting, for a cheque presentation. Successful recipients of Saddle Hills County's Capital Grant Program who were awarded over \$25,000 in funds, were present to receive cheques and speak about their projects. The organizations represented were the Blueberry Mountain Goodwill Society (\$178,338.60), the Bonanza and District Agricultural Society (\$75,177), the Fourth Creek Community Association (\$22,425.15), the Happy Valley Ag & Recreation Club (\$89,873.80), the Savanna Agricultural Society (\$177,263.10), and the Woking Multiplex Association (\$93,769.50).

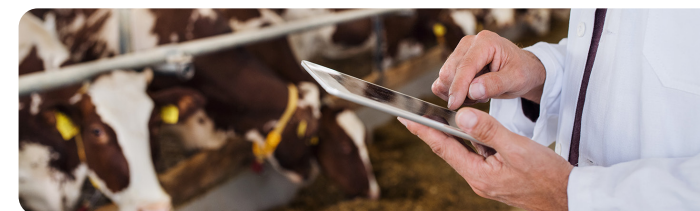


PROJECT AURORA

Early March saw the announcement of the greatly anticipated and groundbreaking Project Aurora, the partnership between Saddle Hills County and Canadian Fiber Optics that will bring high-speed fiber connections to residents.

The vast majority of residents will be eligible to be connected as part of the project, with approximately 787 households included in the initial scope. The hook-ups will be provided at no cost and there is no obligation to sign up for services. Although, should you wish too the affordable low-cost plans offered by Northern Lights Fiber start from as low as \$89 per month, or \$70 per month for seniors.

To find out more about the project and how to sign up, visit saddlehills.ab.ca/ProjectAurora



VETERINARY INNOVATION GRANT

Saddle Hills County is now pleased to offer the new Veterinary Innovation Grant Program, in efforts to improve access to veterinary care for Saddle Hills County producers.

A variety of projects will be considered under the grant, including:

- New facilities within the boundaries of Saddle Hills County to enhance veterinary services for Saddle Hills County producers.
- Innovative and emerging veterinary medicine practices.

- Diagnostic Telemedicine Services.
 - Continuing education and new skills training
- To be eligible applicants must be a licensed veterinarian or veterinary technologist and operate or be employed at a clinic that primarily provides services to Saddle Hills County residents and focuses on large animal (food animal) medicine.

Applications are now being accepted and should be submitted no later than July 31, 2024, for projects taking place next year.



UPGRADES AT KSITUAN WTP

The Ksituan Water Treatment Plant underwent some minor upgrades in February, with the addition of stairs and a service deck.

The stairway is intended for residents' use and is located at the water fill station at the plant, improving access to the control panel.

This small addition will improve users overall experience at the facility, and we hope provide a more convenient and accessible station for all.



**Let's
make it
to 100%
in 2024**
**Recycle every
container!**



Pesticide and fertilizer
containers up to 23L

Cleanfarms.ca



Volunteer Appreciation BBQ

Join us for our annual Volunteer Appreciation BBQ with recognition given to both the volunteer first responders and nominated members of the community.

- Moonshine Lake Provincial Park
- Thursday, August 22 at 5:30 PM

Come together as a community for a steak supper, prizes, presentations, and more!

For more information:
 communications@saddlehills.ab.ca
 780-864-3760



Nominate a Volunteer

**Nominate someone in
Saddle Hills County
by Friday, August 16**

saddlehills.ab.ca/Volunteer-Appreciation

Nurse Practitioner: Palvi Sharma



Registered Nurse Practitioner, Palvi started working for Saddle Hills County in August, 2023, and has been critical in setting up the new Saddle Hills County Health Clinic.

Born and raised in India, Palvi moved to Canada in 2011. She completed her BSc in Nursing in India, practicing as a registered nurse and clinical educator for university students, before pursuing her interest in Critical Care Nursing and graduating from Conestoga College, in Kitchener, ON. While working in St. John Regional Hospital in New Brunswick as a charge Registered Nurse, she then completed her MSc in Nursing in the Nurse Practitioner Stream at the University of New Brunswick.

Throughout graduate school, she found her passion for nursing continued to drive her to provide the best possible care to her patients as she transitioned to the role of Nurse Practitioner, specifically caring for senior patients.

She is currently registered to practice in Alberta, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia as a Nurse Practitioner, and is an active member of the College of Registered Nurses of Alberta and the Nurse Practitioner Association of Alberta. In her professional career, she has worked primarily in Acute Care and Long-Term Care settings and actively participated in the New Brunswick Healthy Seniors Project, which is aimed at helping to minimize hospital admissions and better support seniors in the community.

“ My ultimate goal in providing care is to help patients have better experiences and outcomes by employing a holistic approach that recognizes the significance of their social and psychological needs. ”

She now lives Spirit River with her husband Sumit, who works as a computer engineer. They enjoy cooking and dancing in their spare time, and love weekend getaways and travelling.

Our Community

Upcoming Events



SPRING BUST-OUT RIDE & NIGHT MARKET - MAY 25

The Happy Valley Ag & Recreation Club is hosting their annual Spring Bust-Out Ride on May 25, 2024, followed by a Night Market from 5-9 p.m.

Registration for the ride begins at 9 a.m. at the Ag & Recreation Club Grounds, with riders set to leave at 11 a.m.

This year will also include a new feature, a Poker Rally!



SAVANNA 4-H MULTI CLUB SHOW & LIVE SALE - JUN. 5

Join the Savanna 4-H Multi Club for a Show and Live Sale on June 5, 2024, at the Savanna Rec. Plex, beginning at 1 p.m. Awards will be handed out at 6 p.m., King of the Ring at 6:45 p.m. and the Live Sale at 7 p.m. There are 22 steers on offer. There will be two bidder/buyer draws for free processing up for grabs at the event, valued at \$1,000 each. Contact Adam Fitzpatrick at (780) 864-1235 or Jace Earl at (780) 864-5827 for sales.



FARMER'S DAY - JUN. 8

The Westmark Farmers League is hosting their annual Farmers Day on June 8, 2024, at the Westmark Hall and adjacent Ball Diamond.

Event Schedule:

Kids Games: 2 p.m. (pre-register children with Melissa at (780) 830-9755)

Baseball Game: 4 p.m. | Cash Bar: Opens at 5:30 p.m. | Supper (potluck): 6:30 p.m.

A family dance will round out the evening, with a late lunch at 11 p.m.



BAND PERFORMANCE & SPAGHETTI SUPPER - JUN. 11

Join the Savanna Jr. High Band for a Performance and Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser at the Savanna Rec. Plex on June 11, 2024.

Doors open at 5 p.m., with supper served at 5:30 p.m., and a live band performance beginning at 7 p.m.

Tickets are by donation and all funds go towards the Savanna School Band.



MUSIC IN THE PARK - JUN. 15

Head down to Cotillion Park for the annual Music in the Park Day, featuring local bands and a live auction!

Bands begin at 1 p.m. with a supper and live auction to follow, featuring the local Mclean boys as auctioneers. All auction items are donated by the local community and businesses.

Get down early to secure a good spot!



BONANZA ANNUAL FAIR & MUD BOG - JUL. 19-20

The Bonanza Annual Fair and Mud Bog is back for 2024!

July 19-20, 2024 sees the return of the Peace Region's event for excitement, featuring the ever popular Peace Country Tractor Pullers, Agricultural Bench Shows, Mud Bog Races, Gymkhana, Steak Supper and Dance, Kids Games, and much more.

Don't miss out on this spectacular Peace Country favourite.

Ongoing Events

SAVANNA MIXED VOLLEYBALL - SUNDAY

Join the community for fun and exercise at the Savanna School, every Sunday evening, at 7:30 p.m. Free drop-in. Please comment in the Savanna Mixed Volleyball Facebook Group if you will be attending each Sunday. Simply search Savanna Mixed Volleyball on Facebook.

VALLEY PICKLEBALL CLUB - MONDAY & THURSDAY

Join the community every Monday and Thursday, from 7-9 p.m., at the Savanna School for the Valley Pickleball Club! Learn how to play with fellow adults, as you go. Bring a good pair of court shoes and a water bottle. Racquets will be provided. FREE drop-in. Pickleball paddles and nets are also available to use on the outdoor court at the Fourth Creek Hall or in the hall at the Savanna Ag Society.

WOKING MULTIPLEX PICKLEBALL - TUESDAY

Join the community at the Woking Multiplex every Tuesday evening, at 7 p.m. for drop-in Pickleball. For more information, contact Doreen at (780) 814-1127.

WOKING MULTIPLEX VOLLEYBALL - THURSDAY

Join the community at the Woking Multiplex every Thursday evening, at 7 p.m. for drop-in Volleyball. For more information, contact Diamond (780) 882-0380 or April (780) 518-7756.

@saddlehillrecreation



Welcome to our ongoing series, Municipal Mythbusters, helping you to better understand municipal processes and answer some of the most frequently asked questions.

Have a myth you'd like us to bust? Get in touch!

WHERE SHOULD I TAKE MY TRASH?

Where should I take my trash? For rural residents, this isn't as easy as wheeling your bin to the curb on collection day. Separating and sorting your garbage and recyclables can be an onerous and time consuming task, never mind the additional time it takes to drive them to a facility to dispose of.

At Saddle Hills County, we do our best to make your disposal and recycling needs as easy and seamless as possible. We operate a number of Garbage Collection Sites throughout the County, as well as Transfer Stations in Blueberry, Bonanza, Gundy, and Woking. Through an agreement with the County of Grande Prairie, the Clairmont Landfill is also made available to residents whose needs cannot be met by the previously mentioned options.

I CAN DISPOSE OF EVERYTHING AT A COLLECTION SITE

FALSE: Garbage Collection sites are intended for the disposal of general solid household waste and recyclable items and are open 24/7. Recyclables accepted include Mixed Paper and Cardboard, Plastic, and Tin and Metal Cans. All recycling should be cleaned of residue and empty prior to putting it into the recycling bins.

IF THE BINS ARE FULL I CAN LEAVE WASTE ADJACENT TO OR ON TOP OF FULL BINS

FALSE: We ask that County residents please do not leave their waste outside of full or overflowing bins. By dumping waste outside of the bins, the community and staff are put in unsafe situations as they are unaware of the contents of bags or items disposed of. They are also required to spend additional time, correctly disposing of these items, which could be better spent operating facilities and serving the community.

I CAN DISPOSE OF BURN BARREL RESIDUE AT COLLECTION SITES

TRUE: Burn barrel residue is accepted at collection sites, but we do ask that this is bagged and that it has been checked to ensure it is cooled. Please do not dispose of hot ashes in the bins as these can cause fires.



Junction of Highway 49 and Highway 725, RR 1, Spirit River, Alberta, Canada, T0H 3G0

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