

THE CICLETTESS Saddle Hills Sad

Opcoming Events

SENSORY STORIES & SONGS - SEP. 9 - OCT. 21

The Grande Prairie Family Education Society invite you to Sensory Stories and Songs, every **Tuesday**, at the Rycroft Library, from September 9, 2025 through to October 21, 2025. Drop in from 10 - 11:30 a.m. with your 0-6 year olds, to experience the benefits of sensory play through activities like stories, songs, sand play, water play, fingerpainting, bubbles, and playdough making. A small snack will be provided. Register for free, by emailling facilitator@gpfes.com or drop in on the day.

SADDLE HILLS ULTRA - OCT. 4

The Saddle Hills Ultra Run starts and finishes at the beautiful Spring Lake Ski Hill, in Saddle Hills County, on October 4, 2025. The 20km loop follows scenic equestrian trails and challenges runners with over 200m of elevation gain, per lap! Rolling through the foothills, this rugged and rewarding course is not to be missed. To complete the 60km event, runners will complete the 20km loop three times. Participants can choose from 20km, 40km or 60km distances, with both solo or relay team options available. To register visit raceroster.com/events/2025/107167/saddle-hills-ultra

FARM THE GROUND UP - SOIL HEALTH WORKSHOP - OCT. 8

Saddle Hills County is hosting Farm The Ground Up, a Soil Health Workshop, at the Savanna Rec. Plex, on October 8, 2025, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., with Kris Nichols, Ph.D. from the Food Water Wellness Foundation. Participants will learn about soil biology and microbial activity, create a farm plan to regenerate soil, and examine a soil pit. The workshop is free and lunch will be provided! You can register at saddlehills.ab.ca/Soil-Health

AG DRONE SCHOOL - OCT. 27-28

Join Saddle Hills County for Ag Drone School, a two day hands-on workshop, hosted by Land View Drones! The course will be held at the Fourth Creek Hall, on **October 27 and 28**, **2025**, from 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. In Ag Drone School you will learn about safe flight, real farm usecases, mapping basics and as well as receiving a Basic Certificate from Transport Canada. The cost to attend Ag Drone School is \$590. For the full itinerary and to register, visit landviewdrones.com/event-details/ ag-drone-school-saddle-hills-ab or call (780) 448-7445.



COUNTY CALENDAR: SEPTEMBER 2025

Sep. 23, 8:30 a.m. Municipal Planning Commission Sep. 23, 9:00 a.m. Regular Council Meeting

Sep. 23, 10:00 a.m. **Public Hearing** Sep. 23, 10:30 a.m. **Public Hearing** Sep. 26, 6:00 p.m. **ALUS PAC Meeting**

WE'RE HIRING

For full job descriptions and to apply, visit saddlehills.ab.ca/careers.

TEMPORARY MATERNITY COVERAGE (12-18 months)

• Nurse Practitioner

SCHOOL ZONES ARE BACK, PLEASE SLOW DOWN

Please note, that students have returned to school and school zones are once again in place. Drivers are reminded to slow down, observe speed limits, and watch for children walking or biking. Please allow school buses plenty of room and remember not to pass when red lights are flashing, as children are entering or exiting the vehicle. Please check local signage for school zone hours.

2026 GRANTS NOW OPEN!

Saddle Hills County is now accepting applications for 2026 Capital, Operating, Community Signs, Cemetery Maintenance and Cemetery Capital Grants. Any community group or organization wishing to apply, should complete the relevant application on the County's website at saddlehills.ab.ca/grants. The deadline for applications is October 15, 2025.

PROGRAM & ACTIVITY GRANTS NOW OPEN!

We are now accepting applications from community groups, clubs, organizations, and schools for Program and Activity Grants. Applications are accepted for a wide range of activities and age groups. Details about the grant and application forms can be found on the County's website, at saddlehills.ab.ca/grants. The deadline for applications is September 30, 2025.

2025 PHOTO CONTEST - ACCEPTING ENTRIES

It's that time again - we are now accepting entries for the 2025 Saddle Hills County Photo Contest! This year's theme, is 'Through the Generations: Then & Now'. Whether your family has lived in this area for generations or you recently moved here (welcome!), our community is all about connections - family to family, past to present, present to future. For this year's contest, we would like you to submit images that embody this theme, whether that is generational family images, images of the family farm or homestead, images that focus on County history or something not listed here. For more information and to enter, visit saddlehills.ab.ca/2025-Photo-Contest.

TREE SEEDLING ORDERS FOR 2026

Do you want to plant trees on your property? Our Tree Seedling Program for residents is in it's fourth year, and orders are now open! Available species and more information on the program, including pricing, can be found on our website at saddlehills.ab.ca/Tree-Seedlings



RURAL POTABLE WATER PROGRAM

Making sure residents have access to clean and safe water is a top priority for Saddle Hills County. If you are interested in having your property hooked-up to the County's expanding rural potable water system, at no connection charge, please complete a Rural Potable Water Servicing Agreement, available on our website, by scanning the QR code, or at the County office. For more information: Darren Lubeck (780) 864-3760



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Monday to Friday 8:15 AM to 4:30 PM







