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Enhanced health restrictions in place for city, not county... yet

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As of Monday the City of Brooks remained under the province's additional restriction list as a community with a high number of active cases of COVID19 while the County of Newell has fewer restrictions for now. An increase, however, will affect the entire region.

"If the County of Newell passes the threshold then all

the communities within it, outside of the City of Brooks, would all shift into the high-case restrictions," said Tom McMillan, a spokesman for Alberta Health.

On May 4 Premier Jason Kenney, announced tougher restriction to "stop the spike" especially in areas that have reached a threshold of 50 cases per 100,000 and with 30 active cases. As of Sunday the city had 210 cases per 100,000 and is considered

a high impacted area while the county had 175 cases per 100,000 and is a low impacted area.

The difference in the neighbouring municipalities means that you cannot get a haircut or play a round of golf with friends in Brooks - only with family and cohorts - for three weeks. But you can golf and access personal services in the county.

In the city and other hot spots you can have a group of five outdoors but it's

doubled to 10 in the county. Funeral services in the city are maxed at 10 and in the county they are maxed at 20 people.

There are 15 people allowed at faith-based services in the city and 15 per cent of the fire code in the county. The hot spot changes also mean any workplace with an outbreak will be mandated to close for 10 days, except critical workplaces.

Alberta Health Services

considers golf to be an outdoor recreation which means under the tougher rules that went into effect at 11:59 a.m. on Sunday, golfing at the Brooks Golf Club is only allowed with family or cohorts but at clubs in communities where there are lower case area restrictions, such as the Par Meadow 3 or Duchess Golf Club, golfing continues to be permitted provided golfers keep their social distance and have a limit on participants.

Kelly Cherkowski, Brooks Golf Club's general manager, said the club invested some money in club upgrades and the did receive sponsorship to help with umbrellas and other furniture for their patios.

He said he does expect there will more youth on the course in the coming weeks while schools turn to at-home learning and bookings will also be affected by the change.

"We will be booking first, residents of Brooks (and county)," he said.

The provincial change in the city has affected restaurants, some of which spent thousands of dollars to install patios which now have to close.

Tammy Hall of VK's Tap Room said the changes are obviously disappointing.

Not only has the company spent money on outdoor patio furniture, she said, but the bigger concern is staff.

"We have to lay off our wait staff. It's a pretty sad situation," Hall said.

Although the staff is off, the company can continue to operate in brewing and shipping their product.

Despite the different number of COVID cases across the province with some areas high and others low, the province moved all Kindergarten to Grade 12 students to at-home learning until May 25.

"We have 80,000 students and staff who are in self-isolation and will soon reach a point where many schools will not be able to operate," Kenney said.

At Grasslands Public Schools some grades had already moved out of the class because of the number of students and staff who were isolating. At the beginning of the weekend the province identified outbreaks, which is 10 or more confirmed cases, at Christ the King, Brooks Junior and Brooks Composite High. There was also an alert at Eastbrook Elementary and cases confirmed at Duchess and Tilley schools.

Kenney said he knows the change is discouraging but with vaccines arriving in larger shipments and vaccinations available to Albertans 12 years of age and over, he hopes the virus will be defeated by the spring or summer.

That thought left Bassano councillors wondering if the outdoor pool should open this season.

Although they do want to see it open, some councillors believed it would not be wise while others wanted to take the chance.

"I'd like to be the optimist in the group," said councillor John Slomp.

He said he wouldn't want the pool open if there could only be 10 people at a time or if social distancing was required but with the record number of vaccinations he believes restrictions will be relaxed by July.

"Jason Kenney did mention that a month ago that he figures by July 1 there'll be enough people vaccinated that we should be able to really reduce the restrictions. My personal opinion is to take a chance," he said.



The city's street improvement project for First St. E. downtown will result in new pavement, sidewalk and boulevard improvements. Unfortunately several elm trees had to be removed and others that could compromise underground pipes. Phil Lunn, the city's parks supervisor, said the trees could not be saved because the roots would become unstable. The 40 to 50 year-old trees will be replaced by other smaller types. | BROOKS BULLETIN PHOTO

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County supports proposed commercial rest stop project

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Provincial government officials have yet to inform the county about the possible upgrades to Highway 1 rest stops but the elected officials showed their support during a meeting last month.

The provincial government is looking at issuing requests for proposals to upgrade commercial rest stops in Alberta with amenities to address safety concerns while providing access to cafes and washrooms.

Mark Harbicht, the county's director of municipal services, told council they have never been contacted about the project.

A government official confirmed with The Bulletin they are meeting with councils.

"I didn't give much concern to it because we don't generally comment much on truck stops along Highway One," said Harbicht.

He said the stops are being proposed to give truckers the opportunity to rest at improved stops because some communities will not allow them in with large trucks and highway stops will keep them moving.

"They need those quick, efficient services along the

highways to keep them on the road."

"It seems to have gained some anti-support from a whole bunch of mayors," said reeve Molly Douglass.

She said she was once told by a business owner that competition is appreciated by owners and for their customers.

"I think we all have on this council, the opinion that what is good for one municipality is good for us all."

She said the county supports all sorts of energy and economic development and the roadside stops are just the same.

"A town or city wouldn't say they don't want another restaurant built in their boundaries because they've already got some."

At the end of March a group of mayors from Brooks, Bassano, Airdrie, Drayton Valley, Edson, Fox Creek, Hinton and Whitecourt wrote a letter to Ric McIver, minister of transportation, expressing their concerns about the upgrades to commercial rest stops.

They noted not only were they not consulted but they believe it will be competition for local businesses.

"I say bring it on. Let it happen the way it's supposed to happen," said councillor Brian de Jong.

Councillor Lionel Juss said he has not had a lot to

do with them, however, he has travelled with people who do use them and was amazed at how much they are used.

"It was very surprising how busy they were. That tells me that's a required service," he said.

Councillor Clarence Amulung advised council they should be cautious about the project which could provide enhancements along the TransCanada Highway.

"I would hate to be the one that makes comments that this isn't going to happen because all of a sudden I'm scared that one of my businesses and my municipality is going to be in competition," he said.

"I think anything that enhances our area is good in the long run," said Amulung.

"We're continuing to consult with municipalities regarding the proposed rest stop areas. There is no time line for the tenders," said McKenzie Kibler, press secretary for McIver.



In recognition of 25 Years of Catholic Education in Brooks from May 10-14 a group of local educators gathered with masks for a photo prior to the signing of the official declaration by the city's deputy mayor Dan Klein. "Over the years students, staff and families of Catholic schools have been active and productive citizens of this community through their acts of service and involvement in business and recreation," states a note to the city asking for the declaration. Shown are back row, left to right, John de Jong, school trustee, Dan Klein, deputy mayor, school St. Joseph's principal Anita Burnett, and vice principal of Holy Family Mike Fleck. Front row, principals Cindy Freimark, Christ the King and Lorraine Spence, Holy Family and Naomi Hartery, St. Luke's administrator. | SANDRA M STANWAY PHOTO



PRAIRIE PIONEERS - Our deepest sympathies go out to Lloyd Cook and family. So sorry for your loss.

Buffalo Briefs

LORRAINE MONKMAN



BUFFALO - The district was blessed with a very welcome rain on Tuesday night and Wednesday. My rain gauge showed just over half an inch. Today (Thursday) is a perfect time to be outside digging in the dirt.

Congratulations to

Tanner and Nirvana Ross of Oyen who became parents to baby girl Chloe Rae Vera Ross on April 29, 2021 in Medicine Hat. She weighed 6 pounds 10 ounces and was 18 1/4 inches long so that makes her a chubby little baby. That seems out of place because the Rosses

I know are slim, tall people. Best wishes to all of you. Bonnie and Kelly Ross are the proud grandparents.

Seeding has begun but the weather remains cold at nights. Hopefully everyone stays healthy and safe.



NEWELL HALF SECTION

HOW TO READ YOUR TAX NOTICE

Local Improvements: A "local improvement" is a project that is of greater benefit to an area of the County rather than to the whole County. Local improvements are levied against parcels identified as the beneficiaries of the improvement. Not every parcel has a local improvement levy.

Tax Levy Summary: This section summarizes all charges on your tax notice. Credits or arrears is the balance before the current year tax notice is generated. If you make payments throughout the year, your credit balance will display here. **Outstanding balance is the amount that needs to be paid by the due date to receive the discount.**

Final Date for Complaint: If you do not agree with your assessment, we ask that you have a conversation with the Assessor. After that discussion, if you still wish to appeal, you have until the date on the notice to complete the form and submit payment. The fee to appeal is \$50 per residential roll and \$100 per non-residential roll.

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COVID19 and air quality to be discussed during airshed AGM

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A presentation on COVID19 and air quality is an item that will be discussed during the Palliser AirShed Society's annual general meeting next week.

The airshed society monitors ambient air quality across 44,000 square kilometers in southeast Alberta.

When COVID hit cleaner air was noted across the world improving quality in some places by 84 per cent.

To discuss how COVID affected southern Alberta's air quality a presentation will be made by a representative of Alberta Environment and Parks.

Although the airshed has been around since 2003, there was one air monitor in the Brooks area in 2013 and the society's executive

director Lorna Morishita, who was born and raised in the Brooks area, wants to see one returned on a more local monitoring.

"We were really only monitoring Medicine Hat on a continuous basis. The rest of our area we monitor with passive technologies," she said.

That means data was collected once a month and averaged out.

"It tells us there's nothing to worry about but it doesn't

tell you on those days that are bad," she said.

The organization will install a portable Airpointer monitor on June 2 at Medicine Hat College in Brooks to monitor the area's air quality, particularly PM 2.5, which is a general term for small particles and wildfire smoke.

"The most important thing we monitor for people's health is probably when there is smoke," she said.

When there's smoke from wildfires blowing into Alberta we usually add health alerts.

"Our air quality is very good in southeast Alberta. Emissions are really well regulated."

While emissions are regulated and wildfire smoke is fairly rare, she said, PM 2.5 is the most serious health ramifications for people.

The small particles can enter lungs and can affect

almost the same people as COVID19 can affect and according to Health Canada and Environment Canada outdoor PM 2.5 has been shown to be associated with cardiovascular and respiratory mortality and morbidity.

The organization's AGM will take place virtually on May 19 at 10 a.m. and is open to the public. Contact Morishita at lmorishita@shaw.ca for information.



AIR QUALITY TESTING | An Airpointer will be placed at Medicine Hat College in Brooks to test the air quality in the Brooks area. | SUBMITTED PHOTO

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COVID-19 INFORMATION

STRONGER PUBLIC HEALTH MEASURES

On May 5, additional restrictions came into effect for regions with at least 50 cases per 100,000 people, and at least 30 active cases.

These restrictions will be in place for at least 3 weeks and will be extended if necessary. Provincewide restrictions remain in effect for all other communities.

- Outdoor gatherings are limited to five people and a max of two households
- Weddings and funerals are limited to 10 people. Receptions not permitted
- Places of worship are limited to 15 people
- Retail stores are limited to 10% capacity not including staff, or a minimum of five customers
- All post-secondary learning must shift to online learning only
- Restaurants and bars, provincewide, limited to take-out/delivery
- All personal and wellness services, including hair salons, barbers, nail salons, estheticians, tattoos and piercing, must close. Non-regulated health services such as massage therapy can remain open by appointment.
- Youth and adult indoor sport, performance and recreation activities are prohibited
- Outdoor sports and recreation limited to households or close contacts

FOR FULL DETAILS ABOUT THE NEW PUBLIC HEALTH MEASURES, PLEASE VISIT [BROOKS.CA](http://Brooks.ca)

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EXPANDED VACCINE ROLLOUT

Alberta's vaccination rollout program is expanding eligibility to all Albertans 12+ to protect themselves and prevent the spread.

Appointments can be booked in three ways:

- AHS online: alberta.ca/vaccine
- Calling 811
- Find a participating pharmacy: <https://tinyurl.com/vw9pphzw>

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CHANGES FOR YARD WASTE COLLECTION

Yard waste scheduled for pick-up on Monday, May 24th will be collected on Tuesday, May 25th. Tuesday's pick-up will NOT change. Yard waste bins must be out by 7:00 a.m. to ensure pick-up.

EDITORIAL

Others say...

Liberals should butt out

Canadians can choose to watch virtually anything from anywhere in the world online. And they can share virtually any opinion globally through their cellphone. It's astonishing freedom.

But the federal government sees a problem. Canadians aren't watching enough of the right stuff and sometimes they say the wrong things. So, the Liberal government introduced Bill C-10 to give the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission more power to oversee what we're watching and sharing to make sure it conforms to government-approved standards.

That raises a question: who watches the watchers? It's supposed to be the responsibility of every Canadian to hold governments accountable. But Bill C-10 threatens Canadians' ability to hold our politicians accountable by targeting our free speech online.

"Last week's decision to treat all user generated content as a program subject to regulation by the CRTC was a giant step too far," said Michael Geist a law professor at the University of Ottawa when explaining the implications of Bill C-10. "The CRTC will determine what terms and conditions will be attached to the speech of millions of Canadians on sites like YouTube, Instagram, TikTok and hundreds of other services should the bill become law."

Translation: Bill C-10 could put online content from news outlets, independent media and ordinary Canadians on social media under the microscope of unelected CRTC bureaucrats.

The door that the government is opening for regulators leaves many questions over how Canadians' ability to hold government accountable will be affected.

What conditions would doctors have needed to meet to post a video recommending the use of homemade masks during the early days of COVID-19? How would regulators have viewed that application when that message wasn't aligned with recommendations from Canada's Chief Public Health Officer?

When the Canadaland podcast was doggedly

investigating the WE Charity before it exploded into a scandal, would the spectre of dealing with the CRTC have chilled that work?

It's important to remember that governments and popular culture change. So even if you agree that certain positions should be censored today, what's to say your perspective won't one day be on the CRTC's no-fly list? Would proponents of Bill C-10 have trusted Stephen Harper to wield it? What about Jean Chretien?

To see how government intervention can play out in the real world just look to Alberta's clumsy government public relations firm, the so-called oil and gas war room. It recently launched a campaign against a children's cartoon on Netflix. Governments and good judgement aren't always connected.

The onus is on the government to prove it's not undermining our rights, but it's doing exactly the opposite. The original clause within Bill C-10 that limited regulators from targeting individual's posts was removed by the Liberal-controlled committee. In its place, the government is asking for blind trust that politicians and bureaucrats will use the bill's power carefully.

Fortunately, opposition parties are speaking out.

"It's important for people to have dissent, for people to express their opinions," said New Democrat Leader Jagmeet Singh. "They might disagree with the government, they might want to critique the government. There should not be a limit on that. Those are very important things for democracy."

"C-10 is nefarious legislation that gives too much power to the CRTC to regulate the internet and that does not provide clear guidelines on how this power will be used," said Conservative critic Alain Rayes.

Bill C-10 provides the perfect opportunity for all opposition parties to come together and fight for government accountability and to defend the ability of all Canadians to speak truth to power.

Franco Terrazzano is the Federal Director of the Canadian Taxpayers Federation.

Time Capsule



Main Street in Bassano looking west in the early 1900s. On the left is the Alberta Hotel which burned to the ground in 1924 or 1925. It was on the corner across the street west of the Imperial Hunter Hotel.

The Russian Vaccine

COLUMNIST

GWYNNE DYER



Somewhere in the bowels of the Russian Ministry of Health until recently was a tormented medical bureaucrat who had to calculate the daily Covid-19 death toll. He was tormented because he had been told that the number must not rise beyond 400.

We know that because for the past couple of weeks he was signalling frantically that the published number is a lie. He did that by reporting that the daily deaths were 399, then the next day 398, then 397, then up to 399 once more and all the way down again. Real-life statistics don't work that way.

I didn't say anything about it at the time because I didn't want to get him in trouble, but they have clearly rumbled him because the reported numbers are now down in the low three hundreds. It was a brave but pointless gesture, because everyone already knew that the Russian government is lying about its Covid deaths.

No less an authority than Deputy Prime Minister Tatyana Golikova admitted it last December, saying that the real death toll as of that date was not the reported 57,000 but more than 186,000.

She even told us how she arrived at that figure. The number of deaths from all causes reported in Russia from January to November last year was 229,000 higher than in 2019, she said, and "more than 81% of the increase in mortality over this period is due to Covid." You can do it in your head:

81% of 229,000 total excess deaths is 186,000 Covid deaths.

That's about the same number of deaths per million people that the United States and the United Kingdom had at that time. It's certainly nothing to be proud of, but unless Russia's performance has suddenly got much worse since then, Moscow has no more reason to be ashamed than Washington or London. So why lie about it like this?

There is a weird but widespread custom, especially prevalent among Russian bureaucrats and three-year-olds, in which you aggressively deny the plain truth even while you and your listener are both looking at it. "Who you gonna believe, me or your own eyes?" as Chico Marx put it in 'Duck Soup'.

I used to think it was some sort of Communist tic, because I first encountered it in the old Soviet Union (late Brezhnev era). We were filming in Belgorod and drove past an abandoned, falling-down church, so I said "Look at the church."

The whole crew saw it, but the minder said there was no church, and refused to go around the block for another look, and spent the rest of the day denying it. The whole country was a Potemkin village in those days, so you got used to that sort of thing, but I assumed it had gone out of fashion. It has not - at least, not at the Ministry of Health.

This kind of behaviour is not cost-free, because people come to assume you are lying even when you tell the truth. That is what allowed the Brazilian Health Regulatory Agency (Anvisa) to announce late last month that it won't approve the purchase of 30 million doses of Russia's Sputnik V vaccine.

This is lethal stupidity.

Almost four thousand Brazilians a day are dying from Covid-19 according to official figures (and perhaps ten thousand a day including the unrecorded deaths that occur at home). It's worse in Brazil than anywhere else except India, and the Russian vaccine is quite safe.

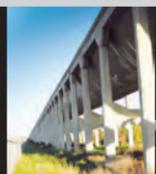
Not 'perfectly safe', because none of them are. For every ten thousand or hundred thousand lives they save, one will be lost somewhere due to some tiny flaw in the vaccine or a contaminated needle or some other quirk of fate. We accept those odds, like we allow ambulances to speed through traffic knowing that once in a very long while that will cause a crash.

The respected British medical journal 'The Lancet' recently published results from nearly 20,000 people in a clinical trial, showing that Sputnik V is safe and has an efficacy of 91.6% at preventing symptomatic COVID-19. So why would Gustavo Mendes, Anvisa's medicines and biological products manager, ban its import into Brazil?

Maybe because Anvisa is a federal government agency, and Mendes ultimately works for President Jair Bolsonaro, Brazil's Donald Trump. It was a consortium of state governors who bought the Russian vaccine, and Bolsonaro is at war with them for trying to lock down their states and save lives.

The recycled Cold Warriors of the West are also trying to discredit Russia's vaccines, of course, but Russia does itself no favours with its bluster and its lying boasts about its own success in fighting the virus at home (which, by the way, are misleading many young Russians to skip getting vaccinated).

Are there no grown-ups in the room at all?



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One Tree World

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ONE TREE — Well now, wasn't that a nice rain we had the past week. My gauge showed over 1 3/4 of inches, plus what fell on Tuesday afternoon when we got that downpour with rain, hail with lightning and violent thunder, I didn't have my gauge out for that. Anyway it was all welcome for sure and now we'll need some sunshine as it sure was cool on Sunday with all the clouds and that south-east wind blowing.

I hope all the mother's were treated to a Happy Mother's Day on Sunday. I had a wonderful supper at Frank and Judy's, as did Judy's mom Betty Hok. Thanks Frank for treating us mother's and his wife Judy to great supper. It was great! I don't have anything else to report again this week.

Birthday greetings for the coming week go out to AJ Wipf of Calgary (grandson of Louise

Alberts) on May 14th; to Peter Buhler on May 16th; to young Finnigan Merkl of Brooks (son of Dillon and Amy) on his 4th birthday, and to Kyle Stenger, both on May 17th. We wish each of you a "Very Happy Birthday" and to everyone else that is celebrating this week and we wish you all the very best for the coming years.

Happy anniversary wishes go out to Elizabeth and Doug Clements of Medicine Hat on May 15th, we wish you both all the best for many great and happy, healthy years together.

NOTE***Well once again I keep trying to remind everyone to wear your MASK, when out in public and remember to Social distance and wash hands well and /or Sanitize. Our numbers are climbing again as people ignore the rules. Come on Folks lets try to get this darned COVID under control. Our province

is the highest in numbers per capita in North America.

I still see people defying the rules by going into the Post Office without wearing a mask, that doesn't just mean inside to PO, it also means going in to get your mail at the mailboxes. It really irritates me

I found this Rib Tickler among my paper clippings—A young man named John received a parrot as a gift. The parrot had a bad attitude and even a worse vocabulary. Every word out of the bird's mouth was rude, obnoxious and laced with profanity. John tried and tried to change the bird's attitude by consistently saying only polite words, playing soft music and anything else he could think of to clean up the bird's vocabulary.

Finally, John was fed up and he yelled at the parrot. The parrot yelled back and got angrier and ruder. In

desperation, John threw his hands up and grabbed the bird and put him in the freezer. For a few minutes the parrot squawked and kicked and screamed. Then suddenly there was total quiet. Not a peep was heard for over a minute.

Fearing that he'd hurt the parrot, John quickly opened the freezer door. The parrot calmly stepped out onto John's outstretched arm and said, "I believe I may have offended you with my rude language and actions. I'm sincerely sorry for my inappropriate actions and I fully intend to do everything I can to correct my rude and unforgivable behaviour."

John was stunned at the change in the bird's attitude. As he was about to ask the parrot what had made such a dramatic change in his behaviour, the bird continued, "May I ask what the turkey in there did?"

When We Disagree

DEVOTIONAL THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

EID MINISTERIAL ASSOC.

Jon Chalmers - Lead Pastor Brooks Evangelical Free Church

What should we do when we disagree with one another? COVID, politics, and a myriad of other issues have brought us all into a stream of difficult conversations. Specifically, as a Christian, what should my posture be when someone disagrees with me on an issue not addressed biblically? I want to give you a few thoughts on how to deal with a disagreement. First, do not think yourself infallible. The Bible shows us that everyone is a sinner. One aspect of being a sinner is that no person has perfect judgment. Perfect judgment is reserved for God. Our natural bent is to always believe our position is right. When you find yourself disagreeing be humble enough to acknowledge your position may not be correct. Second, evaluate whether you are willing to lose a relationship over being right. Granted there are significant issues when being right is more important than the relationship. But, I believe

those significant issues may be fewer than we think. Third, put yourselves in the other person's shoes. Have you sat and listened to them speak about their position? Typically, there are personal reasons for why we take a position. Discourse and reasoning are impossible if we fail to even attempt to understand what the other person is experiencing. Finally, and most importantly, remember Jesus died for a world that disagreed with Him. While we disagreed with God in our sin, God sent Jesus Christ to die in our place on the cross. At the heart of Christianity is a God who welcomes those who have disagreed with Him to receive life that only God can give. Let your posture with those who disagree with you be the same as Jesus. Welcome others as Christ has welcomed you. The only thing hindering us from enjoying Jesus' welcome is our clenched fists at Him. Christ's hands are open to you. Open your hands to Jesus and to one another.

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LETTERS

Tax money could be better spent

Editor, The Bulletin;
I almost fainted when I heard someone from energy state that the \$20 billion necessary for Alberta to green its fossil fuel industries was going to be paid for by the "consumers." Recent announcement by the mayor of Calgary spending \$200 million for downtown and then another \$800 million was not going to cost ratepayers but somehow only going to use tax money which somehow is a different type of money. Once we all pay our taxes it magically becomes free. Politicians can spend it and we ignore the fact that we are also paying interest on it as well. Then reality check - we have to have jobs to earn the profit to pay those taxes.
Airdrie wants \$46 million of tax money to build a better highway interchange so people can leave town to get jobs so they can pay their

taxes--jobs that are increasingly from home or soon to be automated. Spend the same on making the city more energy efficient and liveable so people want to stay and work local would be a much better use of the money.
World Bank and most Venture Capital investment companies will not loan a dollar to any fossil fuel project.
The announcement that Alberta also needs \$30 billion of that somehow free federal tax money to invest in carbon capture and storage failed to mention that we are going to pay for it.
The two mega energy projects of \$50 billion(yeah right) equals \$11,000 each. It would be so nice if we could just pass that money onto our customers but we have to add that to our costs.
If that money stayed in your pocket for you to up-

grade your furnace, insulation, create local walk to work jobs, grow local food or, here's a radical idea, in that Alberta is leading Canada in alternate energy, spend \$50 billion on dealing with a small part of our waste or stop producing it in the first place.
Any money we can save can go directly to making Albertans increasingly able to afford to compete in the very competitive world energy market. We have winter, a big lack of seaports, huge distances to markets and anti pipelines sentiment that all factor into cost of our exports.
What we want is also irrelevant as world opinion and markets are increasing dictating what we have to do to live.

DAN BOSS,
Brooks, Alta.

Rainier Record

JANE BELLWARD



RAINIER - Happy Birthday greetings for this coming week go out to John Kuefler on May 15; Chris Takeda, Ken Link, Matt Antill on May 17; Megan Andrews on May 19; Justin Graham, Joshua Andrews on May 20.

The Rainier/Scandia Transfer Station (dump) is open from 9.00am to 1.00pm on Tuesdays, and Saturdays. Please have all household garbage bagged. There are separate piles for appliances/metal, wood, tires, chemical containers, electronics.

There shall be no Rainier Community Club meetings until indoor gathering restrictions are lifted. If you have an issue that needs to be discussed, please contact me or one of the other executive.

The Alcoma Community Library is closed to the public, once again, hopefully for just a short time. The Library will offer only curbside pick up and return. Please contact Janet Wagner at janet@shortgrass.ca or call the school at 403-36-3741 to leave a message. Once she receives your requests, she will contact you to arrange a pick up.

Alcoma School News - Alberta Health and Safety protocols have been put into place. Please keep watch in the Alcoma School Happening's information on Facebook for information on fun activities that are being planned for the school year. If you plan on visiting the school, please call ahead

to arrange a time. There is a doorbell installed at the front door. It must be depressed until there is a red light.

ECS registration is now available on the school's website or you may contact the school at 403-362-3741.

The school is continuing to accept bottle

donations. These are much appreciated and can be dropped off beside the quonset.

Please contact me by Sunday if you have any news you would like included in this column. janebellward20@gmail.com or 403-793-0692.

BROOKS BULLETIN ONLINE READER POLL

Do you agree with the provincial government's move to expand nuclear power production in Alberta?

YES	54%
NO	46%

TOTAL VOTES CAST: 85
View our weekly polls @ www.brooksbulletin.com
Online poll for the week of May 5 - May 12, 2021.

County optimistic after economy presentation

SANDRA M STANWAY
BROOKS BULLETIN

County council approved an update to its investment policy which will enable a greater proportion of the long-term portfolio to be held in investments of any one financial institution.

The council agreed that an additional 10 per cent up to 35 per cent of the portfolio may be held in investments in a single institution.

Stephanie Hanson, the county's controller, told council the increase will give financial advisors a bit more room to maximize investments and earning potential.

Following the approval the county's investment advisors from CIBC Wood Gundy presented an economic look at the future.

James Hobson reported the county's portfolio increased last year.

"We're very happy to report that not only did we not lose money but the portfolio is actually up. This puts us in a very powerful position," he said.

Charet Chahal presented an overview of the financial forecast saying the end of the pandemic will be economically positive for the County of Newell, Alberta and Canada.

He said there is a lot of money on the sidelines because there has been little consumer spending while corporations have soft capital spending intentions.

He does see oil as a silver lining where less supply will support the province's forecasted pricing which has been reduced.

The end of the pandemic situation could mark significant change for the county and its agricultural based residents as well as oil and gas companies, the two largest sectors.

Chahal said there is a significant buildup of demand and when economies reopen the commodities are going to be a large factor in recovery.

He predicts prices will

rally in oil and gas but getting the product to market will be the issue.

He said infrastructure companies have recognized the issue and have started to position themselves to get access to market.

It was most recently seen during the Canadian Pacific and Canadian National railways bidding war for Kansas City Southern rail.

The war was won by CP in March and on Thursday the U.S.-based Surface Transportation Board approved the voting trust for the proposed acquisition.

The merger needs final approval from shareholders but if the OK is given it will create the first rail network connecting the U.S., Mexico and Canada.

Although it may not affect crude-by-rail shipments which currently are moved by CN through Saskatchewan, it could be a game-changer for agriculture.

John Brooks, executive vice president and chief marketing officer for CP, said the merger will unlock new growth opportunities through routes to additional domestic markets, to the Gulf of Mexico and to Mexico itself.

"It's a commodity super cycle. You name it. It doesn't matter these things are going to start to pick up. They're going to pick-up heavily and they're going to pick up fast," said Chahal.

He said it's very supportive for the county.

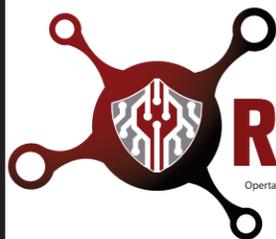
"It's been a very long time where we've been this positive about things."

Councillor Lionel Juss said he's only heard bad news where Canadians fear that they are sliding into an abyss they will not be able to escape.

Tech Tips

A weak password is still one of the most common ways hackers break in.
Thanks to sophisticated brute-force-attack software readily available online, hackers can try tens of millions of possible password combinations per second. For example, hacking software can guess a five-character password in under three hours. If you only use lowercase letters, it's 11.9 seconds.
You KNOW you need to have a better password than "password" or "letmein" if you have any hope of keeping hackers out of your PC, but what does a "strong" password mean?
A good password should be at least eight characters long (or longer!) and have a combination of uppercase and lowercase letters, numbers and symbols that are hard to guess. Don't use dictionary words with proper capitalization because they're easy to guess (like Password123#). Even though it meets the requirements we just discussed, it's easily hacked; remember, hackers have sophisticated password-hacking software that will run 24/7/365.

Have questions about cybersecurity or the technology at your company?
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Notes from
Communities in Bloom
by Jackie Murray

Mural Magic

No matter how worthy the cause, if you do not get that cause in front of the right audience, you're most likely getting nowhere.
Case in point: "We" being Communities in Bloom, wanted to start our Mural Program, but murals don't just appear on walls - artists, like Van Gough, don't die poor any more, they want to get paid.
The old adage "It's not what you know, it's who you know." County Councillor for Division 5 at that time was our friend and neighbour Jack Harbinson. A friendly visit convinced our Councillor to bring our plight to Council. We were the recipient of a healthy portion of the Arts & Heritage per capita Municipal Sustainable Grant.
The only clause was that the first mural must depict the County and Town.. No problem, our mandate was the history of the area.
Famous in the mural world was Grant McLaughlin of Moose Jaw. After negotiations with ATB (government!), Grant painted our first mural while standing on a moveable platform in July heat.
The murals are painted on special plywood (my husband politely told me there was no such thing as one ply plywood) and hung on the wall.
The images are famed black cowboy John Ware, a female barrel racer, the Duke of Sutherland, ladies planting flowers in a raised bed, the Aqueduct plus a farmer irrigating with a shovel, a young hockey player, two young people heading into the Library, plus a pheasant hunter with his dog. All representing this area.
Thanks Jack.

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Brooks Early Learning Academy

Virtual Parent Information Night

May 13th 7:00 pm via zoom
To Register email carmen@brooksearlylearning.ca

Registration for the 2021-2022 School Year

May 27th
6:00pm-8:00pm at BELA
Bay #1 560 Cassils Road East
(Covid 19 Protocols will be in place.
Check website for details)

Innovative & Inclusive Programming for children ages 3-5.
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For More info about our preschool
Visit us at www.brooksearlylearning.ca



City of Brooks granted \$8,400 to the BRZ for a proposed project on CP Rail-owned land south of Veteran's Park. The BRZ is proposing to remove the dead trees, clean up the property and install, among other things, a Brooks sign that is smaller but similar to the ones at the entrances to the city, a bench and a flower bed. The land is owned by CP so no work can take place unless the company provides permission. | SANDRA M STANWAY PHOTO

Scandia Sketch

KARLYN TAKEDA



SCANDIA - Have you started your seedlings? Are you starting to plan out your garden? If you didn't partake in the pumpkin growing contest last fall you'll have your chance again. Start thinking about the pumpkin you'll be planting this spring for the next fall Pumpkin Growing Contest.

Alcoma School News- at home learning begins again this week and is expected to last until May 25. Letters were sent home to parents last week with info about what work students are to complete and teachers will be checking in with families this week. There will be a zoom grade 9 grad parent meeting on Wednesday, a link will be provided online. Please don't hesitate to call the school at 403-362-3741 or email any of the teachers. ECS registration is now available on the schools website or you may contact the school 403-362-3741.

As we know our Alberta weather can change rapidly. Please remind your children about the importance of dressing for the weather so they can be safe and comfortable while playing outside. The school will gladly accept bottle donations and they can be dropped beside the Quonset. Check out the Facebook page for more info or contact the school if needed. 403-362-3741.

The Alcoma Community Library will once again continue with Curbside pickup and returns.

The Rolling Hills Ag Society is planning their 1st annual Giant Pumpkin Growing Contest. Purchase a membership which includes 5giant pumpkin seeds and 1 tshirt, and a discounted admission to the fall weigh in event. Prizes will be given heaviest, largest girth, ugliest, combined weight, and kids heaviest pumpkin. Earliest planting date is April 1st. For more

info please contact Ben 403-633-4175, Raoul 403-896-9900, or Darby 403-362-3216. Memberships are available at the Rolling Hills post office.

Scandia's Salem Lutheran Church is continuing to hold Sunday services at 9am, following all protocols and guidelines.

Please Note- Masks are now mandatory inside the Post Office. Also due to the size of the reception area in the Scandia Post Office, the Area Superintendent has advised to limit the number of customers coming in to pick up their mail/parcels, to one at a time. Please respect this request and act accordingly. Thank you.

Have you checked

in with your senior neighbors? If you're going for groceries, maybe you can pick something up for them? Support seniors at home. Seniors can contact 211 if they need help finding resources in their community. 211 is a comprehensive referral system accessible to all Albertans. Call or text 2-1-1 or visit ab.211.ca

It's always great to hear about our neighbors and the exciting things happening in the community. If you have any news or interesting Scandia trivia you'd like submitted in the sketch, please contact me at Karlyn. takeda@hotmail.com or 403-362-5488.

No endorsement of Bassano rec plan, county seeks discussions

Support of Bassano rec plan by county fails after vote....

SANDRA M STANWAY
BROOKS BULLETIN

In split decision County of Newell council failed to endorse the Town of Bassano's Recreation Plan. The town asked the county to endorse the plan before it is sent to user groups because the county pays half of the recreation costs under the intermunicipal collaboration framework (ICF) agreement.

The town requested not only the endorsement but also capital support for a special project framework, and an additional \$36,608 for a staff person who was hired a year ago to do the survey.

County CAO Matt Fenske suggested that council defer the approval for capital until the report on the county's recreation discussion which is expected in June.

Supporting the motion to approve and endorse the recreation master plan and pilot project with additional funding were reeve Molly Douglass and councillors Brian de Jong, Kelly Christman, Clarence Amulung and Lionel Juss.

It was defeated when the other five councillors, Wayne Hammergren, Ellen Unruh, Huby Kallen, Tracy Fyfe and Anne Marie Philipsen voted against the motion ending in a tie vote.

Half of the council believes the funding and the endorsement go hand-

in-hand and while they support the plan and want the town to keep moving on it, the stumbling block was the funding request.

"I don't want to change the budget at all. It doesn't make sense to already give them a budget increase before we even see the results from all the consultation that is being done," said Philipsen.

She suggested that council not only wait for their recreation report but to also for Bassano's results and then have a meaningful discussion.

Hammergren struggled with the plan believing it will drive up the recreation costs but reeve Molly Douglass said she sees it from the other side.

"They're going out to their organizations to try and figure out how they can support them better.

"We know recreation costs are going to go up. Nobody's driving them. That's just happening and we've got to get as much information as we can," she said.

Douglass said the town simply wants acknowledgement to begin the process.

"I don't think that's a bad idea. I mean I don't think I personally want to be that involved in their plan.

"They've got some good stuff there. They're just beginning now to go out to their different groups. I think we should be supporting that move forward," she said.

Christman said she and Douglass are members of

the Division 6 recreation committee but they were unaware the document was being written.

A Div. 6 recreation meeting will be held this week and Christman will bring the county's concerns forward.

Fyfe reminded council that Brooks will also be completing their 10-year recreation plan which will have to be confirmed by the county and like Bassano, there is an ICF in place.

"I will vote against this in the fact that I just want to table it and get more information and make a more informed decision at a later time," said Fyfe.

"I don't think this is something that's going to stop them from doing the good work they're doing. I just don't want to make the decision on it until we just have some more background, more information."

Following the vote, Amulung said he wants to see how the two municipalities can work the issues out.

"I think everybody was having trouble which way to vote. I think we have to expand this discussion a little bit and say you just didn't fall in the right place at this point in time," he said.

CIB to ID trees in forest for public

SANDRA M STANWAY
BROOKS BULLETIN

Brooks Communities in Bloom will label 44 trees in the Commemorative Forest.

There are 22 species of trees in the forest so they will identify two of each variety.

Tom Krahn of the organization said many people want to know what species of trees are planted in the forest so they can plant the same species.

"The trees are there for the purpose of

remembering people or events but I just think they can be a little bit more useful in terms of overall value," he said.

The organization is not entering the city into a national or international program this year because there is nothing new, said Krahn.

There are plans for programs but because of COVID and shipping issues they want to withhold the information. The program will likely be announced in June.

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Crack sealing before paving on One Tree

SANDRA M STANWAY
BROOKS BULLETIN

Although the county is overlaying One Tree Road in the next few weeks, the cracks have been sealed ahead of the program to help protect both the underlay and overlay.

Geoff Tiffin, the county's director of planning, development and engineering, told council on

Thursday where the base and subgrade have failed no crack fill will go in but that area of the road will be part of deep strength repairs.

He said for the areas with good structural integrity the cracks will be filled to allow the time for the product to cure which will be between two to three weeks and that is when the project is expected to begin.

Duchess Minor Hockey
VIRTUAL AGM

Tuesday, May 18th at 7 pm
Open to the public, registration is required.
Link can be found on the Duchess Minor Hockey Facebook page OR contact duchessminorhockey@gmail.com

VILLAGE OF DUCHESS
Recreation Parks Cultural Grant Funding
Village of Duchess and County of Newell Division 8

The Recreation Parks Cultural Board is now accepting applications from user groups within the Village of Duchess and Division 8 of the County of Newell.

Changes have been made to the grant application and guidelines, so please stop in and pick up an application or see our website www.villageofduchess.com for details.

Submitted applications must be complete and include; estimated costs, statement of need and a copy of the organizations most recent financial statement, among other details.

Applications must be submitted to the Village of Duchess office in one of the following methods, prior to May 11th.

- Mailed to: PO Box 158 Duchess, Alberta T0J0Z0
- Hand delivered to the Village of Duchess office. 103 2nd Street East Duchess, Alberta
- Emailed to reception@villageofduchess.com with the subject line - RPCB Grant

Applications must be submitted to the Village of Duchess office in one of the following methods, prior to the final advertised date.

- Mail at PO Box 158 Duchess, Alberta T0J0Z0
- Hand delivered to the Village of Duchess office. 103 2nd Street East Duchess, Alberta
- Emailed to reception@villageofduchess.com with the subject line - RPCB Grant Application



The city has begun the pipe installation work on Second Ave. east adjacent to the golf course. The road will be shut down while the work is completed. The crew will then move westward on Second Avenue to continue the work west of 7th St. | BULLETIN PHOTO

Bandits end season on Sunday, Ceulemans brings home world gold

SANDRA M STANWAY
BROOKS BULLETIN

The Alberta Junior Hockey League Brooks Bandits season ended their 'spectatorless' season with an 18-2 regular season record after a 2-1 weekend. Over the weekend the team played their final three matches against their cohort team, Spruce Grove Saints.

On Sunday, on home ice, the Bandits defeated the Saints 6-1 with goals by Chris Pappas, Ryan McAllister, Brayden Krieger, Brendan Kennette, Zach Bookman and Taylor Makar. Goaltender Jared Whale made 15 saves in the win. On Saturday the final score was 9-3.

Kennette scored the team's lone goal in the first period, Nicholas DeGraves and Sean Chisholm each earned a powerplay goal in the second period.

In the final stanza goals came from Chisholm,

Krieger, Brendan Mairs, TJ Hughes and a pair by Heath Armstrong.

Although the team finished strong, the Saints did manage to break a 3-3 tie in their first match on Friday in Brooks.

With just over six minutes remaining in regulation time Saints Breck McKinley scored the go-ahead goal and the Bandits just couldn't get it back.

While it was the end of the season with no championship games, Bandits defenceman Corson Ceulemans won a gold medal for Team Canada at the U18 World Hockey Championships after Canada downed Russia 5-3.

The series, which was held April 26 to May 6, saw Ceulemans earn eight points with one goal and seven assists.

His goal and a pair of assists came in during the 7-0 match against Switzerland on April 30.

Ceulemans is also credited with two assists on May 1 in the 5-1 win against Belarus, one assist in the May 5, 8-1 semifinal game against Switzerland, and one assist in the gold medal game against Russia on May 6 where Canada won 5-3.

Russia and Canada were tied at two in the opening period, then Canada pulled away in the second period with a pair of goals to lead 4-2.

In the third period Russia came within one goal of Canada but it was answered by Shane Wright, Canada's team captain, with the fifth and final goal of the game to earn the gold medal for the fourth time since 2002.

Sweden earned the bronze medal in their defeat of 8-0 against Finland.

Canada's golds were in 2003, 2008, 2013 and 2021. They earned a silver in 2005 and bronze medals in 2012, 2014 and 2015.

SunAlta gets AUC approval for Bassano solar project

SANDRA M STANWAY
BROOKS BULLETIN

In the first of at least two applications for solar plants near Bassano, the Alberta Utilities Commission approved the SunAlta Lathom 9.25 megawatt solar project.

The project to be located about 14 kilometers

southeast of Bassano near Township Road 174 and Range Road 203, received its approval on April 12 and it is to be completed by Oct. 1, 2022.

The farm will be made up of about 30,680 panels over 97 acres.

A second project, also named Lathom Solar, had not yet been applied for as

of the weekend, however, the 120 megawatt farm is expected to be built by Greengate with some of the power being purchased by Amazon.

It is to be built on 1,280 acres of privately owned cultivated land about 15 kilometers southeast of Bassano.

County approves more funding to clear ditches of soil

SANDRA M STANWAY
BROOKS BULLETIN

The passing of an amended bylaw by county council last week allows landowners to clean ditches sooner rather than later.

The bylaw was changed as a result of a wind storm at the end of March which blew soil across the prairie and into drain ditches.

The old bylaw stated residents were not allowed to do the work without council permission.

One landowner went ahead and did the work not wanting to risk the wait in case it rained. He did receive a \$250 fine.

On Thursday council amended the Unauthorized Road Use Development Bylaw. Residents can now get authorization for the work they want to do from the CAO or designate rather than waiting for council permission.

"We are giving the ability to administration to allow this work to take place to expedite the process," said Geoff Tiffin, the county's manager of planning, development and engineering.

Last month \$100,000 was set aside to begin

clearing ditches and on Thursday an additional \$203,000 was approved after a 7-3 vote.

Voting in favour of the spending were reeve Molly Douglass and councillors Brian de Jong, Huby Kallen, Clarence Amulung, Lionel Juss, Anne Marie Philipsen, and Tracy Fyfe.

Councillors Kelly Christman, Wayne Hammergren and Ellen Unruh were against the motion.

Some councillors said they are concerned that some landowners paid for ditch clearing out of pocket while others will wait for the county to pay.

"That is part of the conversation I want to have with the advisory committee but when we go down this road a little farther, we need to make sure it does come with a consequence," said Todd Green, the county's ag services director.

Green is leading a group of landowners to help write a new soil erosion bylaw.

"I don't know if every time the wind blows if we want to put in this many resources, labour and money," he said.

Councillor Kelly

Christman said the county is paying for the worst areas with no repercussions to the landowner.

"I think that's incorrect. Something needs to be picked up by the landowner," she said.

Reeve Molly Douglass said it will be part of the discussion but it also doesn't mean people cannot be retroactively billed.

"Landowners are going to need to have skin in the game," she said.

The movement of the topsoil showed the extent of soil erosion.

Between 50 mm and 300 mm of topsoil was dumped into about 94 kilometers of ditches in the county.

They did not look at any neighbouring municipality's infrastructure.

"We were interested in county infrastructure in doing this survey but there's a very large picture that we're not capturing," said Green.

Green's committee is made up of about seven landowners who own more than 20 acres including an EID member. The district has started to clear their impacted infrastructure such as culverts.

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A common garter snake was seen slithering along an irrigation canal road. | SANDRA M STANWAY PHOTO

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<p>5.51 Acres, Brooks</p> <p>VT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beautiful, treed acreage with swimming pool oasis! • Plenty of room for animals and spacious yard • Clean garage, greenhouse, pond and gardens • 6 Bed, 3 bath home built in 2001 • In-law suite in basement with separate entrance <p>JULIE JENKINS 403.793.5045</p>	<p>32 Evergreen Park Close, Brooks</p> <p>VT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gorgeous remodelled 1 1/2 Storey home • Primary bedroom upstairs with bonus space • Across from Evergreen Park & close to schools • High end kitchen appliances & granite countertops • Double detached garage & completely fenced yard <p>JULIE JENKINS 403.793.5045</p>	<p>31 Blue Heron Bay, Lake Newell Resort</p> <p>VT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impressive 2 Storey home close to beach • 5 Bedrooms and 3.5 bathrooms • Clean, bright, and well cared for home • Breathtaking views and walkout basement • Great location without the lakefront price <p>JULIE JENKINS 403.793.5045</p>	<p>310 - 17 St E, Brooks</p> <p>VT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Own your own home with no condo fees • 3 Bedroom townhouse with open concept living • Great investment property • Close to college, golf course, baseball & more <p>JULIE JENKINS 403.793.5045</p>	<p>111 Lake Newell Cres, Brooks</p> <p>VT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investment opportunity in Lakewood • Big, well cared for lot with extra large driveway • 5 Beds, 2.5 baths with new shingles on roof • 2 Living spaces with separate entrances & laundry <p>JULIE JENKINS 403.793.5045</p>

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How about agricultural land economic assessments?... it seems other assessments rule

Recent announcements by renewable energy companies about new and expanding wind and solar developments should cause some trepidation to the ag industry. As with so many previous such developments, they seem to be rubber-stamped by agencies with little protest or concern from municipalities, districts and counties. Invariably these operations are located on agricultural and grazing lands in the southern Alberta area. There is a presumption that these developments go through a regulatory application and approval process and are perhaps subject to local and regional zoning restrictions. Perhaps your humble naïve writer is isolated in a city, but one never hears of renewable energy projects being rejected or subject to conditions. Clearly, windmills and solar operations



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are an outrage to the visual beauty of the countryside, but that seems to be of concern to only those few folks who have to endure such eyesores in their backyard. I suspect there is no official assessment or regulations as to how windmill or solar farms may adversely affect the natural appearance of our rural geography. One might ponder as to what point the proliferation of such visual industrialization of the countryside will cause citizens to consider that perhaps enough is enough. Consider

this; studies have shown that if just our entire transportation sector is electrified as our progressive Liberal governments seem determined to achieve, it would require installing well over 100,000 windmills in Alberta. With only an efficiency rate of 30%, it would realistically require three times as many windmills spread out over a vast area to achieve 100% efficiency. Would 300,000 windmills be enough to change the public perception of windmills? Actually, I suspect that as long as windmills are not seen in recreation and tourist areas, the public can tolerate many eyesores from the out of sight out of mind principle. But I digress. Windmill proponents can note that regardless of

the eyesore aspect, the land surrounding windmills can still be grazed by cattle and wildlife. That can usually not be said of land that is used for solar farm operations. It would seem that grazing would be quite limited as the land underneath solar panel installations turns into a desert where even weeds have a hard time living. I suspect operators of solar farms would consider livestock a nuisance being more difficult to manage. I would suggest that this situation would be an outrage to the principle that land should first be considered for its food production potential. Clearly, that is already not considered around Alberta's major cities as perfectly viable arable farmland is regularly rezoned

and redeveloped for more suburban housing sprawl. Your writer lives on land that was once a grain farming operation with a main road dissecting what was once a medium-sized feedlot. I suspect not a shred of thought was given to the loss of that agricultural production by Calgary zoning planning geniuses or city councillors. I would say that those same folks would never approve the establishment of a large windmill or solar operation anywhere close to Calgary. Eyesores are an issue only when they are close to home. What we need to see in those cases and renewable energy projects in general everywhere is a scientific and economic assessment of the loss of land

to agricultural production and what needs to be done to mitigate those losses.

Skeptics might wonder what would be the purpose of agricultural assessments; well, future food production is obviously first, better economics, less visual industrialization, less loss of migratory birds, raptors and bats etc., should all come into the calculation. One is forever amazed at the hypocrisy of progressive governments and their green lobby group allies when they insist on lavish environmental assessments on public land being considered for irrigation, land clearing for farming or traditional energy development, but are silent on any assessments when windmill or solar farm development is planned. Sure, some projects get reviewed by agencies like the Alberta Energy Regulator or the Natural Resources Conservation Board (NRCB). But in reviewing their websites, they are basically absent from a regulatory/agricultural perspective except in confined feeding operations in the case of the NRCB (a responsibility which should be returned to Alberta Agriculture where it belongs.) No doubt local, regional and provincial zoning agencies are involved in approving wind and solar operations, but I suspect agricultural economics and impacts are low on the consideration list, if at all. More next time.

Will Verboven is an agriculture opinion writer and ag policy advisor.

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WARDLOW - Sure hope that everyone enjoyed their Mother's Day weekend no matter whether or not you saw your mom or called her or just thought about her.

It is so sad that the restrictions have caused so many hard feelings and we really feel for the small business owners. But I feel that some of the protesters are actually slowing our progress. Sure am glad I'm not a politician at this time. All I can say is I believe that we all need to get vaccinated and at least try to follow the health rules, so we can all get back to not caring what everyone else is doing.

My sister and her husband were some of the people who had to be evacuated in that wild fire at Tomahawk this past weekend. When I talked to her Saturday she told me everything was ok but they had lost one calf, this morning when we spoke she said they moved the cows back and the missing calf showed up, found by its mom. Made it a great Mother's Day for them.

If you have any news to share call me at (403) 566-2448 or email at hippies2@telusplanet.net.



It's the end of an era of the green AMA rural road signs that have been part of the county's road identification for many years and recently council agreed to remove any that remain. In November 2009 the county received 200 road sign tabs and over the years they have been neglected, weathered and generally upgraded with improved signs. With no additional AMA stock and no service requests regarding the signs in about 10 years, it's believed they are no longer used by the travelling public since most motorists access directions with in-vehicle or on-phone GPS systems.

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Library board bylaws change to reflect mandated decisions

SANDRA M STANWAY
BROOKS BULLETIN

The Brooks Public Library requested the city make changes to its bylaws to reflect current health concerns.

At their March meeting the board approved the

amendment to a bylaw to state that anyone entering the library is to follow any measures in place.

"Similar changes are being made in other public libraries and the Brooks library would like to maintain consistency within their industry,"

Amy Rommens, the city's administration manager presented to council last Monday.

Under the bylaw, if masks are mandated for example, no one will be permitted to enter the library without a mask.

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In your garden... LINDA TOMLINSON

Perennials are herbaceous plants that die back to the ground each fall and put out new growth in the spring. They are available in all sizes, colors and shapes. When and how long they flower size of the blooms and longevity of the plant differs with each species and variety. Some perennials can live for over 20 while others will die out after five. Perennials, with the exception of those with a taproot, are easy to propagate by division.

How to divide perennials is determined by the plant's basic root structure.

To divide a clump forming perennial dig up the entire root and either cut the root apart with a sharp knife or separate smaller clumps by pulling. To be viable, each clump must have at least one eye or shoot. Make sure each new plant has an eye or is growing shoot. A less invasive alternative is to slice off a section of the plant and backfill the hole with good soil. Clump forming perennials can either be split in the spring or fall.

Low growing, spreading groundcover can be split without removing the original plant. Look carefully at the plant to find where it is rooted

and scoop up the plant and roots. If the section that is spreading across the garden has not rooted, remove a portion foliage and place flat in the new location. Place soil over the ends and keep it moist. Spring is usually the best time to divide ground cover as the plant has time to develop new roots before it goes dormant.

Plants also spread via underground rhizomes meaning that smaller plants will appear beside the parent plant. Dividing this plant is as easy as digging up the offshoot and cutting the connecting root.

Beware of plants that spread too quickly by underground rhizomes as they can take over a flowerbed. These plants work well when used in a mass planting in the shade, on slopes or in poor soil.

Bearded Irises have fleshy rhizomes that sit at soil level. To divide these plants, dig up the roots, and cut the fleshy rhizomes with a sharp blade. Each section must contain an eye or shoot. Replant at the same depth as they were growing previously.

When dividing bulbs, take care not to injure the bulb when removing it from the ground. Remove

excess soil and pull the bulbs apart. Each healthy bulb will produce a plant with the larger bulbs producing more flowers. Traditionally, bulbs are transplanted and divided in fall but with care, it can be accomplished during spring.

What to do with extra plants is always a dilemma. Often they can be used in another section of the garden. When this is not the case give them to friends or neighbors. Many communities have plant exchanges that are open to the public. Here plants can be brought in traded, exchanged or purchased. As the plants have been grown locally, they should be hardy in the area.

Linda Tomlinson is a horticulturalist that has gardened in Central Alberta for over 30 years. She can be reached at your_garden@hotmail.com



Shasta Daisies grow in a clump and can be split in the spring or fall

Tilley Telegram ANITA CHAPPELL

TILLEY - Due to the ongoing restrictions, the Annual General Meeting for the Hamlet of Tilley has been cancelled. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Advisory Chairman, Brent Beirnes at brentbeirnes@hotmail.com or County Councillor, Huby Kallen at kallenh@newellmail.ca. They will be happy to find answers for you.

Inukshuk Plants and Treasures from Bassano will be bringing a trailer load of bedding out plants to sell on Center Street by The Spike and Spur on Friday, May 21, from 12 noon until 5 pm.

These plants have been grown in Alberta, so will survive! All the usual favourites - wave petunias, dracaena spikes, pansies, dusty miller, etc. will be there, as well as some new varieties - Indian Summer petunias and Blue Denim Petunias. Baskets ready to display or hang will also be available. Make it an outdoor family afternoon and enjoy some lemonade and cookies. There will be

chalk for the kids to create their works of art on the sidewalk.

The Tilley and District Public Library remains closed to the public - scheduled contactless pickup times for materials: Mondays from 7:00 to 9:00 pm, Wednesdays 9:00 to 11:00 am and 7:00 to 9:00 pm, and Saturdays, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. Please pick up your holds in a timely fashion! Delivery is received weekly on Thursdays. Staff continue to quarantine and handle materials for your safety. The library will be closed as of May 20, 2021 to facilitate the move into the new facility. After May 20, holds can be picked up at any other Shortgrass library until we are able to reopen.

In light of the new restrictions, Bethany Lutheran Church has suspended weekly services. If you are looking for an online service for your Sunday worship, check out the Alberta Synod website. There is a list of ELCIC churches delivering services online.

For Tilley Community Centre booking inquiries, please email tilleyhall@outlook.com or call 403-377-2406.

Do you miss the drive-in? Trinity Lutheran Church is offering a drive-in worship service on Sunday, May 30 at 10:00 am at the CRA parking lot. Please note there are no washrooms available for use and all attendees must remain in their vehicles.

Have you ever wondered why scuba divers push off the edge of the boat backwards into the water? Well, it's because if they went forwards they would land face-first in the bottom of the boat.

To submit news items, please PHONE Anita Chappell at 377-2259. You may also EMAIL me at goombaw@eidnet.org with subject line Tilley Telegram. Please contact me by or before 8:00 am on Monday mornings to have your news included for the week. On long weekends, news is due Thursday morning before the holiday!

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Marco Chang Retires After 28 Years of Service

Marco Chang

JBS Food Canada would like to thank Marco Chang for his dedication, and wish him luck in his future endeavors. Marco retired on May 1, 2021 after an amazing 28 years of service to our Brooks plant.

His journey to our facility begins in 1979, when Marco, along with his cousin, were brought to Brooks from his home country of Laos through a sponsorship program. Marco worked as a Bee Keeper for one year before finding his way to our Brooks plant in 1981. Marco made Brooks his permanent home in 2002, and has worked at our facility since, holding 6 different Supervisor positions in that time.

For his retirement, Marco plans on travelling to Australia when restrictions lift. Marco has travelled to Australia a number of times with his children, to visit both his mother and his siblings that reside there. Marco also plans to visit his home country of Laos, before coming home to Brooks in the summer to spend his time fishing with his children.

During his 28 year tenure, Marco has touched the heart of every employee he interacted with at JBS. He will be dearly missed, but we are excited to see what new adventures he undertakes in his retirement.

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BRAUN - Peggy May Braun
February 23, 1935 – May 1, 2021

Peggy May Braun, beloved wife of Dirk Braun, passed away on Saturday May 1, 2021 at the Bassano Health Centre, at the age of 86 years. She was born on February 23, 1935 in London, England, second daughter of George Ethel Hampshire. When Peggy was four years old, WWII broke out, and her childhood was marked by the hardships of war.

Peggy trained as Registered Nurse at the Royal Northern Hospital in London, which she saw as her ticket to work her way around the world. She moved to Australia, where she qualified as a midwife, and worked for several years at numerous outback hospitals, and with the Flying Doctor Service. While in Australia she met her lifelong friend Faye, and the two of them returned to England for a year, and then came to Canada in 1964. They worked at hospitals in Red Lake and Wawa, Ontario, and then Bassano, Alberta. They had planned to continue traveling, but both ended up marrying farmers and settling in Alberta.

Peggy married Dirk Braun of Gem, Alberta on October 4, 1967. They lived on the family farm until they moved to Playfair Lodge in 2018. Although she was a reluctant farmer, Peggy enjoyed life on the farm. She loved to garden, and had huge flower and vegetable gardens. She froze and pickled large quantities of vegetables, and made countless jars of jam with her home-grown fruit. She took her talent for gardening with her when she moved to the lodge, and lovingly tended the flowers there. She also loved to knit, and kept her grandchildren well supplied with sweaters. She was an avid reader, and dedicated many years to the Gem Jubilee Library Board. Peggy got her driver's license in her forties, and then returned to work at the Bassano Hospital, retiring in 1995.

Peggy is survived by her husband of 53 years, Dirk Braun, her daughter Gail (Glenn) Amendt, her son Andrew (Janet) Braun, her grandchildren Phoebe Amendt (Aaron Plamondon), Gavin Amendt (Samantha Collette) and Amy Amendt, as well as her sister Marjorie (Roy) Pike. She was pre-deceased by her parents George and Ethel Hampshire, and her good friend Faye Laackmann.

According to Peggy's wishes, there will be no formal service. A private family gathering will be held at a later date.

Special thanks to the staff of the Bassano Health Centre for caring for Peggy for the past fifteen months.

If friends desire, donations in Peggy's memory can be made to STARS, Suite 100, 1519-35 Avenue East, Edmonton International Airport T9E 0V6.

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KLASSEN - Cornelius Klassen, the beloved husband to Zelma Klassen of 61 years, went to be with our Lord and Saviour on April 30, 2021 at the age of 91. He will be lovingly remembered by his wife Zelma; his sons, Ken (Alva) and Les (Lina); and his grandchildren, Carmen, Graham (Meghan), Logan, Mark, Kameron, and one great grandchild Ellis. He was predeceased by his parents, four brothers and three sisters. Cornelius was born February 14, 1930 in Watrous, Saskatchewan. He moved to Rosemary, Alberta in 1948 to a piece of land that was purchased by his father. It was on this piece of land that Cornelius grew up farming with his brothers alongside his father. In 1950, his family began a dairy operation that

was later turned into the seed cleaning and selling plant that he ran for over fifty years. This plant still serves the farmers of Cornelius' community to this day. While Cornelius greatly enjoyed serving his community through seed cleaning and selling, his greatest joy was his relationship with Jesus Christ. He was baptized at the age of 18 and was very active in the Rosemary Mennonite Church throughout his life. He was involved in teaching Sunday school, sang in the church choir, and was an active member of the church council for many years. One of his favorite past times was researching different topics of faith for his own curiosity and understanding. Cornelius loved having conversations with others about his faith and the sacrifices that others had made on behalf of the gospel in other countries. At the age of 89, Cornelius together with his wife, Zelma, moved to the Newbrook lodge in Brooks, Alberta. It was shortly after this move, that Cornelius began to struggle with his health and was diagnosed with congestive heart failure. Two years after dealing with this diagnosis, Cornelius peacefully slipped into the arms of his Lord. A Private Family Service will be held at the Rosemary Mennonite Church. Rev. Lorne Wilms officiating. Interment at the Rosemary Cemetery.

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MARTIN - A year has passed since we lost our beloved Father, Grandfather, Husband, Brother and Friend. On May 7, 2020, Kenmore Martin passed away at his home in Brooks with two of his daughters, Deana and Heather, and his wife Genie (Georgina) by his side. Missing due to COVID restrictions was his daughter Pamela. Ken fought a short and very brave battle against cancer.

Ken is predeceased by his parents Theodore Hanley and Annie B Martin, and his sister Dinah Avery. Left with wonderful memories and full hearts are his wife Genie, children Deana (Dave Mitchell), Heather (Tim Cluett) and Pamela (Stéphane Martel) and granddaughters Jersey, Lola and Camille; his brothers and sisters Howard, Eric, Ted, Alice and Doris; and his many friends from far and wide.

Ken was born in Little Heart's Ease and spent many of his formative years in Old Montreal where his family moved for work. As a young teen, he returned to Newfoundland, a place he loved dearly. Ken married Genie in 1967 and they started their family in Burin, Newfoundland. Ken built their family home himself while he, Genie and Deana lived with Genie's parents, George and Esther. Ken had a close relationship with his in-laws and loved them like his own parents.

Salt water ran through his veins and his love of hunting and fishing on the open water were two of his great joys, outside of his girls of course! He worked as a mechanic, a fisherman, a cook on the draggers, a carpenter and a teacher (of carpentry) over the years. Ken was not a stranger to hard work nor to having fun! Those who worked with Ken have many a story to tell and there were many laughs had while hard work was accomplished.

In 2006 Ken left his beloved home of Newfoundland, drove across the country to the prairies and settled in Alberta to be close to his first grandchild, Jersey. Genie came two months later after Ken had purchased their first home in Brooks. Ken considered being a grandfather as the most important job in his life. Nothing compared to the effort and care he put into that role and the love and joy showed on both his face and Jersey's.

Though Ken had a long health battle that started in 2005 with the loss of his bladder, and continued in Alberta where he was diagnosed with stage 4 kidney disease, he never let his poor health get the better of him, nor did he ever play the victim card. For several years he drove himself to dialysis an hour away... dialysed for 4 hours and then made the trip home. He did this three days a week. Anyone who understands kidney disease and the toll that dialysis has on your body, knows this was no small feat. When the opportunity arose to do dialysis at home, he jumped on it. Normally a person needs a support person to do this but not Ken! He took all the courses and renovated the house for the incoming medical equipment and was up and running in no time, all without complaint. In fact, he met it with excitement! Then came the day he got the life changing call for a kidney! He was eternally grateful for the kindness of another to donate his/her organs to give Ken a second lease on life. And that it did. His one desire was to get a transplant so he could go to France to see his other two grandchildren, Lola and Camille, something he was unable to do since they were born. So in 2016, Ken and Genie spent a full month in France with their youngest daughter, their son-in-law and two youngest granddaughters. This was the bucket list goal and special time for everyone!

Ken became a great health care advocate, in particular for organ donation. He worked with the School of Nursing in Medicine Hat College; they successfully got online organ donation before the Alberta Legislature and a bill and legislation passed supporting it. Ken spoke at many fundraisers, sharing his story and his jokes (this always made us nervous as you didn't know if they were going to be clean or not) to inspire others to donate either their organs or from their pocketbooks to support transplants.

The five years with his new kidney before his passing were his greatest. He truly enjoyed life! He spent many hours in his workshop refinishing antiques or making bowls and cutting boards. On Wednesdays, all the tools were pushed back and out came the coffee pot and table for coffee with the boys at Ken's Café. Oh if one could have been a fly on the wall as the stories were told in the "Shed." He was able to spend time with his friends and family, and there were lots of road trips with his best bud Arnold as well as BBQs and potlucks with friends and family. And one cannot forget the Bandits hockey games; he would pick Jersey up almost every Friday night to head to the game. Jersey had a special relationship with her Pop that will be cherished for a lifetime. Deana, Heather and Pamela were the light of his life... that is until Jersey, Lola and Camille came along. They were happy to pass on that light to the granddaughters, as the sun rose and set on them. Ken also had a special relationship with each one of his son-in-laws, they were the sons he never had. He was so proud of each and every one of them.

On Ken's 73rd birthday last year, he was not yet diagnosed but he knew it was his last. He was able to celebrate with friends and family in Brooks. This was a much cherished day for him and those of us there can reflect on that evening. A number of times I remember him sitting back and just smiling at all those around him. His heart was full! For that we are grateful!

The days and weeks ahead were challenging to say the least, but our family want to extend a heart felt thank you to each and every one of you that reached out, called, texted, prayed, made food, sent cards, items and well wishes. Your support, your kindness and most of all your love was most welcomed and so badly needed. Though COVID did not allow many of you to come and say a proper good bye, Ken had love for you all and felt it every time the door bell rang with drop-offs, messages that came in on Facebook or when the phone rang. His last time with many of you was at his support parade. After the parade was over he had to rest. However, once he had rested he just could not get over the show of love and support, for all those that attended in person and online. Again his heart was full!

As we reflect back over the last year, our hearts still heavy with grief, we want to thank each and every one of you as you all mean a significant amount to each of us and especially to Ken.

Now that spring is upon us we are beginning to see new life. Dad loved the birds and the especially the geese. The whole family got pictures each morning of the geese out by the horticulture center or over by the museum or wherever his travels took him that day. As you all see the wildlife return for another season and you see those birds overhead, know that Ken is there - watching over each one of us. Love, Genie and Family



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COOK - Loretta Ann Cook of Brooks, beloved wife of Lloyd Cook of 55 years, passed away peacefully at the Brooks Hospital on Thursday, May 5th, 2021 at the age of 79, after years of health issues her body failed to recover from her April 2nd surgery. Born on October 23rd, 1941 in Buchans, Newfoundland to Charles and Frances Lane who preceded her in death. She was also preceded in death by her little brother Chucky; her in-laws, Leonard and Elizabeth Cook; sister-in-law Midge Cook and brothers-in-law Ellsworth Yuke and James McGilligan. Loretta is prayerful and loving mother of Rhonda (Jeff) and Michael; dear grandmother of Ryan, Richard, Reid, Robin, and Rylea Craig and Mitchell and Cassidy Cook. She had such a love for cheering at sporting events. Loretta was known to drive anywhere to cheer for her children and grandchildren and was known by teams, fans and referees around Alberta. She loved visiting around campfires with friends and playing cards, especially if Jim Johnson was singing! Loretta graduated High School from Saint Mary's boarding school in Combermere, ON., on July 4th, 1961. She then completed 3 years of study at Lorrain School of Nursing graduating on September 19th, 1964, and was certified in Alberta on May 12th, 1966. As Rhonda and Michael grew she stepped away from her career to focus on being The Mom! While volunteering at her children's schools she was encouraged to become an Educational Assistant. Loretta loved this work first for the Calgary Catholic school board then at Brooks Primary School. In 1980, Lloyd and Loretta moved the family to Brooks from Calgary, so Lloyd could start his own business. In 1982, Loretta was one of 10 nurses to take the first refresher course offered through the Medicine Hat College at the Brooks Campus. Loretta was a member of the CWL and on the Committees to bring the Catholic Education schools to Brooks. She had a deep faith in the Catholic Church and unfailing confidence and devotion to Mother Mary. She had a deep love for her family and friends. Also mourning her passing are her siblings, Patricia (Marvin), Justine, Catherine and Richard (Donna) and her extensive extended family and friends of many generations. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, the family will be sharing a Private Family Mass. A Funeral Vigil was held on Sunday, May 9th at 2:00 PM and Funeral Mass was celebrated on Monday, May 10th at 11:30 AM both from St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church. Rev. Marino Infante Celebrant. In memory of Loretta, if friends desire, the family requests donations be made directly to either the Stars, 1441 Aviation Park NE, Box 570 Calgary, Alberta T2E 8M7 or Saint Mary's Catholic Church, 511 4 St W, Brooks, AB T1R 0E5.

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EDMONDS - Ian Owen Edmonds, son of Rev. George Edmonds and Carole Edmonds of Brooks, passed away in Medicine Hat on Monday, May 3rd, 2021 at the age of 49 years, but there is so much more to say that we can't cover it all. Ian was born on January 16th, 1972 in Leamington, Ontario when Carole and I were Salvation Army Officers. When we became part of the United Church in Naicam, Saskatchewan it was there that he started his schooling. We were going through his stuff and came across the racing car that he had constructed in Cubs. As he grew, he was active in minor sports and we have some fond memories of him doing his best for his hockey team. Along the way he became involved in the Army Cadet Program and spent several summers at Army Camps, and we especially remember our trip to Vernon, where he spent six weeks there as a Cadet. His training as a Cadet educated him on the safe operation of firearms. He enjoyed the fellowship that he shared with both the local Cadets in Naicam and at the camps he participated in. School was difficult for him and he travelled from Naicam to Melfort for Special Education. It was a time when he participated in Special Olympics. At a Special Olympics reception in Calgary he got to see many hockey stars, and NHL referees. He kept his Special Olympics trophies to himself, because he just wanted to be one of the guys. After leaving school he went to Winnipeg to work at one of the Divisions of Drive Products that his uncle owned. He worked there for a little over a year and because of an economic downturn that Division was closed. He then moved from Naicam to Radville, Saskatchewan. He came home and got a job at Larsen Farms and thoroughly enjoyed working on their family farm. He had the natural ability, although educationally challenged in the school system, to display his mechanical skills. I remember once going back to Radville to help him with his Mazda 626. When I got there he had the whole front end including the transmission spread out on the floor. I took one look and thought he would never get all the parts back together. After I fixed the one problem, I went away for the rest of the day and when I came back the next day it was all together perfectly, no manual, just an incredible memory. As happens so often with people who are educationally challenged, they have other skills that unfortunately the education system does not address. He moved from there to Brooks and worked at Lakeside in the freezing department driving Tow Motor and loading trucks. From there one of his friends Bill got him a job pipe-lining. When we were going through his personal effects, he had many pictures of machines he operated and worked on with him brightly smiling. It was clear that this was both a highlight and a challenge. Unfortunately during his lifetime he was challenged by severe obesity. Part of the problem was from the strong medication that he took since he was 12 years old for Psoriasis. He made the decision to have his stomach tied. He had a tough time recovering from the surgeries, but the outcome was he lost an incredible amount of weight, and his uncle gave him the money for a Toyota Tacoma, which was the joy of his life considering all the beaters that he had driven. The outcome of the operation brought with it the increased risk of alcohol addiction. Sad to say that the last days of his life were spent desperately fighting this addiction, but never being able to say no. After many trips to the hospital he succumbed to a heart attack. The load on his body from gaining all his weight back, plus the abuse of alcohol were too much. We will remember the good times we had together and all the work that he did with us when we remodeled our house. Ian is also survived by a brother Nathan and his wife Leigh of Calgary; sister Audrey Knutsen and her husband Rob of Assiniboia, Saskatchewan and numerous other family members. We are going to spread his ashes in the fields where he hunted as that truly was one of the joys of his life. We remember all the joys that he quietly gave to us. Thanks be to God.

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BODMER - Memories of Roderick Ian Bodmer
Son of Grant and Elsie Bodmer of Bassano, Alberta
Rod was born November 4th, 1947
Sadly, Rod rode off into the sunset on May 18th, 2020, due to a sudden illness of cancer in Sechelt, BC. At the time of his choosing, Rod was surrounded by his daughters, Nicole, Brittany, Caitlyn and one of his many best friends, Rosemary Roberts. Rod was the middle child, brother to Hugh Bodmer and me, his sister, Shelley Peters. Rod's ashes will be returned to the ranch Fall of 2021, now the Bell place.
This is Rod's story as

remembered by Hugh and I...
Rod was a true family man, sportsman and athlete: hunter, fisherman and hockey player. A unique individual who lived quietly but colorfully.

Rod was born in Brooks, lived in Rosemary, and raised in Bassano. While living in Bassano, one of Hugh's earliest memories is the move to Bassano from Rosemary, AB.

Mom, Hugh, and Rod made the momentous trip to Bassano as the house was loaded and moved by trailer, with them in it, to its new foundation on 1st Street. The neighbourhood on 1st Street was full of lifetime friends of Rod and Hugh's: Clarks, Hislops, Brents, Hales, Kellys, Smiths, Bells and Stewarts.

Not long after the move to town, Mom acquired Mag, our Great Dane pup. Mag was a great defender of the property and loved to leap the fence to lead a pack of dogs around town, tipping the garbage pails. Rod was a big animal lover, superb horseman and a dog whisper, long before the term was coined. Over the course of Rod's life, he had many dogs, Mag, Al, Bear, Scotty, and Zoey adopted him. And he had many memorable cars, two of his favorites was an '67 Austin Healy and a '69 Dodge Charger. The Austin Healy spent the winters parked in a snowbank in the Hat.

Mom and Dad used to tell the time when Rod at 4 years old, jumped on a darned needle and it went through his knee. Doctors decided that the needle should be left as it had broken in half. Hugh remembers how the neighbor, Scottie Frazier, packed Rod around on his back everywhere till his knee recovered.

Another one of Rod's miss adventures was the time when he had broken his arm. He had fallen out of a tree and landed on Hugh breaking his right arm. Mom looked everywhere for him. She found him, hiding under his bed in shock amongst a nest of hatching eggs.

Another classic Rod and Hugh's renegade stories is Saturday morning music lessons. Our mother insisted that the boys take piano lessons, but at 6 am Jack Peake would roll up to the house, truck and horse trailer, and the boys would sneak off to ride the Community Gem Lease with Jack.

Hugh recalls how often Rod and Roy Smith would walk the 5 miles to the Bassano Dam to fish all day and Hugh would go pick them up at the end of the day in his Dodge 1/2 ton truck.

Rod athletic career included baseball. He pitched ball in the Pony League where Dad taught him to throw the "curve ball". I caught ball for Rod in the dugouts at home and I remember missing one of his fastball pitches and having to go to the hospital for an x-ray for a broken shoulder.

Rod's hockey career started playing minor hockey on a team called the Bassano Burns, coached by Bill Lee, an RCMP officer stationed in Bassano. He took two years to complete grade 12 so he could play for the Brooks Senior Men's Black Hawks with the Picket boys from Gem. He went on to play Junior College Hockey and voted Most Gentlemanly Hockey Player of the year in '73. He tried out for the Medicine Hat Tigers where Lanny McDonald got his start. Rod's hockey career did not advance because of his knee injury as a child.

However, he played for the Lethbridge Pronghorns and the Halibut Kings in Prince Rupert. Jack Groven of Prince Rupert gave Rod his first job as a cook and deckhand on "Miss Barbie" an 82-foot ex Dragger vessel converted to a Cash buyer for salmon and herring. In one bad storm, Jack insisted they cross the Hecate Straits to make sure Rod could be in Rupert for a hockey game that night. Jack remembers what a great hockey player Rod was and could not let the team down. The love of the game saw him continue to play old timers' hockey into his 70's in Sechelt.

Back to his formative years in Bassano, the family moved to the ranch in winter of 1960. Hugh was 15, Rod was 12, and I was 6. Rod shined as a cowboy and the boys became Dad's righthand men running the operation. I remember Rod and Bobby Hale at the age of 16 took the '56 International 1/2 ton with a barrel of gas and headed off to Fairbanks, Alaska, "to look around" as Bobby put it.

After Grade 12, Rod when to Medicine Hat College to continue his education but really it was to play hockey.

From Medicine Hat he went on to Lethbridge University to pursue a degree in Phys Ed. But after completing his 3rd year at Lethbridge University, he took an abrupt about face and headed to the logging camps of Prince Rupert. He worked in the camps as a boom master manoeuvring logs for the lumber mills. His dream was to acquire a fishing boat to fish commercially for Salmon. He subsequently bought "The Grass", the first of many boats that he would own and operate as a commercial salmon fisherman. "The Lions Gate III", was a seining vessel that he manned for several years and then decided to return to single operatorship of gill netting. He had a succession of gill netters, "The Miss Robin" being his last vessel.

All of Rod's nieces, Jennifer, Robyn, and Andrea, and nephew Tom, as well as his daughters, Brittany and Caitlyn, and his son, David, all deck handed on his various vessels at different times during their young lives.

Lots of family members got in on the action. Mom and Dad fished one season on The Grass. "Mom's baking bread!" went out over the radio air waves. Hugh and Caroline fished several times to keep Rod company and learn the ropes. I deck handed a summer between years at NAIT, which looked great on a resume. Great memories for all our family. Rod had many buddies that came and fished with him, Roy, Frank come to mind, and friends from Medicine Hat, Gem and Cessford.

Rod commercial fished for many years out of Prince Rupert and Gibson. As his fishing and hockey career wound down, he took an opportunity to play on the UBC Alumni hockey team in a tournament in Tokyo. The same trip after Tokyo he met up with his childhood buddies, Roy Smith and Frank George for an African Safari. Once he returned from the Safari and fished the summer, he needed emergency heart surgery. Crazy stamina.

After he recovered from his heart surgery, he started to travel once again to escape the winter cold. Brittany lived in Mexico and he loved to visit her. He saw much of Europe in his youth skiing in the Swiss Alps, and traveled in his later years to Belize, Cuba, Thailand, and Vietnam when he took ill in February 2020.

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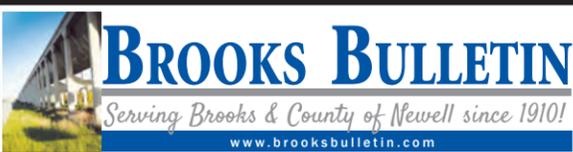
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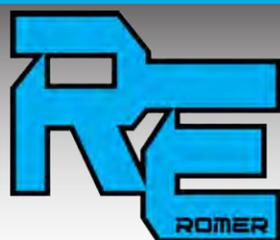
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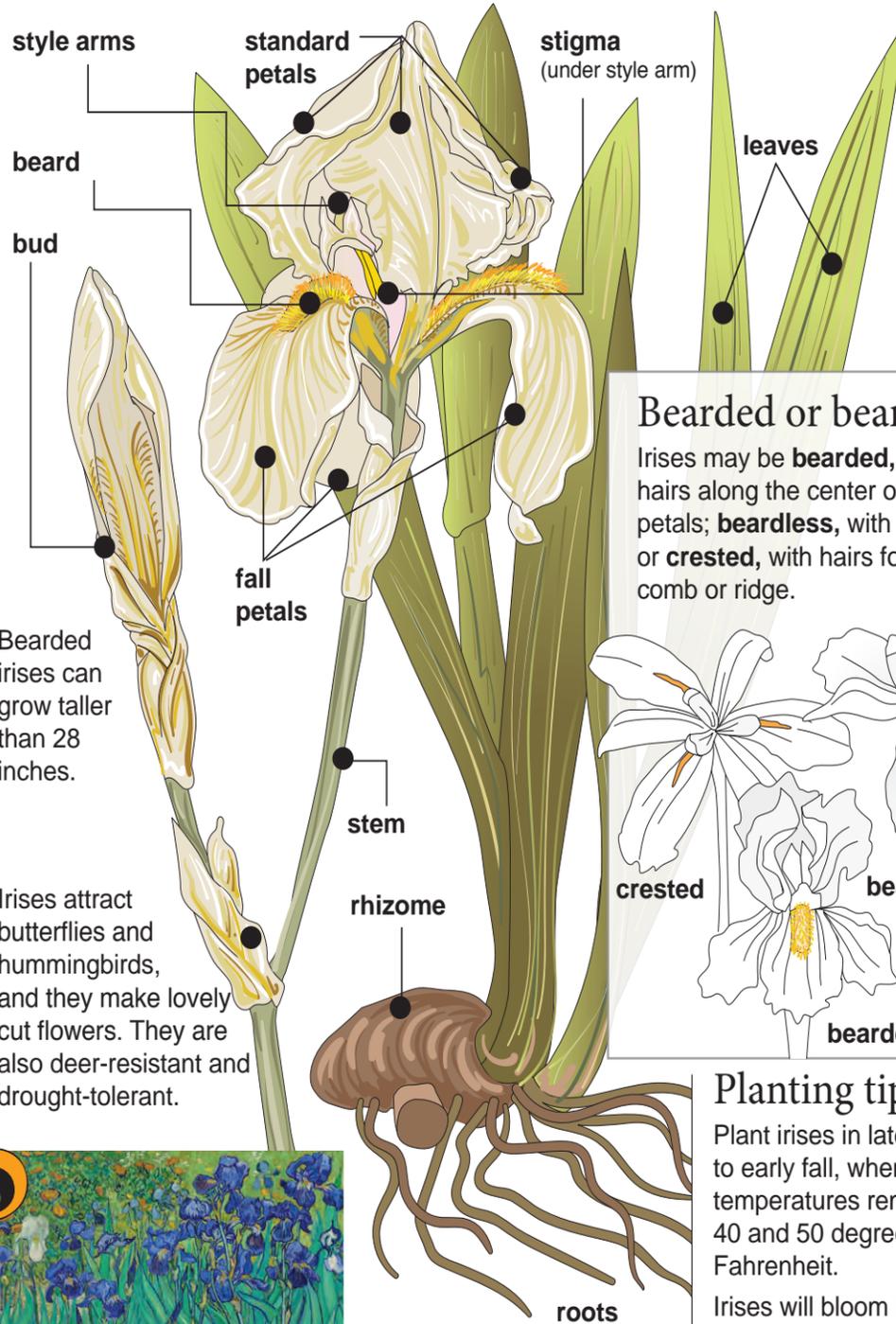
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IRISES

Named after the Greek goddess who rode rainbows, the elegant and hardy iris has been favored by royal houses throughout history. Despite its noble background, this perennial is rugged and easy to grow and care for.

There are about 300 species of iris. Most irises flower in early summer. Some — mostly bearded hybrids — are **remontant**, flowering again later in the summer. Irises have distinctive six-petaled flowers, with three outer hanging petals (called “falls”) and three inner upright petals (called “standards”).

Bearded iris



Bearded irises can grow taller than 28 inches.

Irises attract butterflies and hummingbirds, and they make lovely cut flowers. They are also deer-resistant and drought-tolerant.

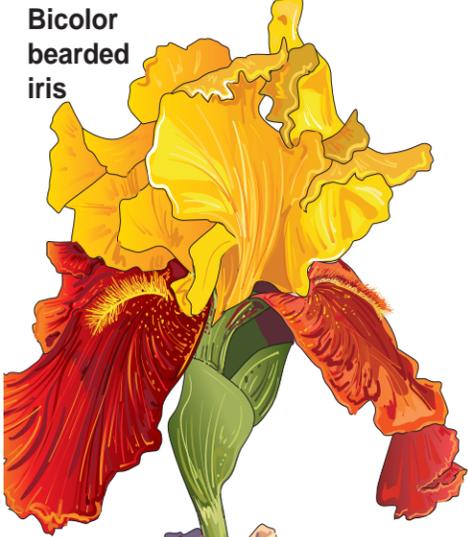
These flowers are usually blue, but are sometimes lilac or white.

The **dwarf lake iris** is found only in the Great Lakes region.

This beardless iris is a threatened species.

The blue flag iris is beardless.

Blue flag iris



Bicolor bearded iris

Irises come in a variety of colors, such as purple, lavender, white, yellow, orange, pink, blue and brown.

The iris itself is a symbol of eloquence. Purple irises symbolize wisdom, while blue irises symbolize faith and hope.

In a name

The name **iris** means “rainbow” in Greek. According to legend, the goddess Iris traveled to earth through a rainbow, and beautiful flowers appeared beneath her feet.

Looking back

The ancient Greeks planted this flower over the graves of women, hoping that the goddess Iris would guide them. Irises were also planted in the gardens of ancient Egypt, where they came to symbolize the essence and renewal of life.

Did you know?

One of the earliest known artworks of an iris is a fresco in King Minos' palace on the Greek island of Crete. The palace dates from 2100 B.C. The French fleur-de-lis is a design based on the iris. The iris is also a symbol of Florence, Italy.



At one time, dried iris root was used medicinally as a cure for blood and lung diseases.

Teething babies were once given a “finger” of dried iris root to gnaw on, because it has pain-relieving properties.

Vincent van Gogh made a series of iris paintings. One of them, *Irises*, once sold for more than \$53 million.

Claude Monet also painted several beautiful iris paintings.



Irises
1889, Vincent Van Gogh
J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles



Yellow Irises and Malva
1924, Claude Monet
Musée Marmottan Monet, Paris

Planting tips

Plant irises in late summer to early fall, when nighttime temperatures remain between 40 and 50 degrees Fahrenheit.

Irises will bloom best in full sun but can survive in partial sun.

It's easy to make the mistake of planting irises too deep. The rhizomes of these plants should be partially exposed to the elements, or thinly covered with soil in hot climates.

Do not mulch around the rhizome as this may cause rot.

Water thoroughly. Irises tend to like wet feet but dry knees.

The blue flag iris is native to eastern regions of North America.

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