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Janet Rommens rides her bike in Brooks during the 42nd annual Terry Fox Run that was held on Sunday in Canada and many parts of the world. About a dozen people took part in the local event while raising just over \$4,100. Terry Fox runs will also take place at many schools this month. | SANDRA M STANWAY PHOTO

Lite Access no longer installing city's fibre optics

SANDRA M STANWAY
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Lite Access, the City of Brooks and Community Networks Partners Inc. (CNPI) have parted ways in the ongoing fibre optic installation project.

"As a result of ongoing reviews of all current projects by new management, it has been determined that due to today's environment and market volatility it is in the best interests of Lite Access shareholders to end the contract with Brooks and CNPI," states a Lite Access press release.

"Although progress was made on the build-out of the fibre optic network, all parties involved believed a change was needed for the continued build-out of the project.

"We at Lite Access would like to thank Brooks and CNPI for their efforts in coming to an amicable resolution for all parties," said Lite Access CEO Mike Plotnikoff.

Brooks CAO Alan Martens said that Lite Access as the general contractor, ran into supply chain issues.

That led to some of the vendors not being paid and one vendor, Delta Irrigation, filing a Statement of Claim against Lite Access, City

of Brooks and CNPI in August for \$504,158.68 plus expenses including \$200,000 in punitive damages.

Martens said Delta has been paid \$446,637 which includes \$157,797 by the city.

He said the payment dragged on when the bond holder learned that the city would sever ties with the company and choose a new contractor, however, the separation was amicable.

"We both agreed that the struggles they were having with the supply chain it would be in both parties interest to sever the relationship," he said.

"It was very complex. We're finally back on track," said Martens.

The fibre optic installation is about two months behind schedule.

Close to nine per cent of the conduit has now been installed and Canadian Western Infrastructure Inc. which moved up from a sub-contractor to general contractor, has been working to make up the loss of time before winter.

"They are still hoping they can be done by the end of 2023 but to hit that, I think the weather's really going to have to cooperate

otherwise, I think we're going to be going into the spring of 2024," Martens said.

The city's project budget of \$5.4 million will increase due to inflation caused by the supply chain issues, additional legal costs and the there will be an additional 7,000 metres of conduit required.

"We will definitely be over. We didn't pay Lite Access extra money but with the supply chain issues we're are definitely going to be over.

"I'm going to calculate that and take it to an October council meeting to see if we can get a budget adjustment."

Martens said registration for the build has been pretty slow but he expects that it will increase when they are in the position to connect people.

"If we get to the point where we've got lots of potential to connect people and it's slow then we'll be more concerned," he said.

He said even if only a few people connect to the system the city will not create a new utility for broadband.

"I can't see us doing that. That has never even been talked about," Martens said.

Newell Housing investigating creation of hospice space

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The Newell Housing Foundation is in the early stages of determining whether or not they can create a space for hospice care in Newbrook Lodge.

Foundation CAO Sasha Loewen said the idea came from a board member who felt that there was a need for a hospice room that was not in a hospital.

"At end of life there are people and families who are not comfortable being in a hospital, so we thought it

might fill a gap in our area," she said.

Loewen, who has had personal experiences with hospice care situations, said it was nicer than a hospital.

"It was a nicer environment to go into. It's very welcoming and warm. Larger rooms accommodate families without the rules of a hospital," she said.

One experience allowed a pet to be taken into the room which would not be allowed in a hospital.

She said right now there are many unknowns related to creating the space but

it will begin with Alberta Health Services.

"I imagine there would have to be some kind of agreement with Alberta Health to get the health care that is needed into the space," she said.

"I believe there is a need in the community. If we can get the right partners on board I think it's a possibility," she said.

With many people staying at their home as long as they can and home care available, there are 20 vacant rooms in the 148 room facility.

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A pair of Swainson's hawks rest on an irrigation wheel line about 15 kilometres northeast of Brooks. | HARRY PHILIPSEN PHOTO

Pay to be offered to Canadian doc who commits to Brooks

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No physicians took up the offer to work in Bassano under the original RESIDE program that opened in May but it's hoped that with a change in the program and the addition of Brooks as an eligible community that may change.

With provincial funding in place Rural Health Physicians Association Program (RhPAP) started the program to attract Canadian educated family physicians to remote or underserved communities.

Bassano was on the original list that came out

in February and included an \$80,000 incentive for a three year contract. One Canadian was interested but decided against the community.

Brooks was not on the original list, however, it was added with a recent program change.

Physicians are now eligible if they have completed their residency in Canada within the last five years. Those who are in their final year of residency are also eligible.

Communities in the program include those on the Alberta Health Rural Remote Northern Program Community Rate Table and which have an approved

vacancy for a full-time doctor.

Communities on the Level 1 list will pay participants \$80,000 for a two-year return of service or \$120,000 for a three-year return of service. Level 2 communities will pay participants \$45,000 for a two year contract or \$80,000 for a three year contract.

Both Bassano and Brooks are Level 2 communities.

"I'm very excited about this awesome opportunity to attract a home grown physician to Brooks and Bassano," said Dr. Brendan Currin, chief medical health officer for Brooks.

City issues RFP for beautification and path plan

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The city has issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) for trails and beautification.

The city hopes to hire a consultant to develop a comprehensive linear trails and beautification master plan.

"This will be used to establish a clear vision for the linear trails and

beautification program moving forward as well as budget forecasting," states the RFP.

The city budgets funds annually to expand the linear trails and for beautification.

At 2022 budget deliberation council agreed that it would be better to plan for the city as a whole rather than piecemeal and set aside \$50,000 for the

master plan.

An application was submitted to funding the plan but it was denied, however, with it being in the budget, funds are available.

The plan, according to the budget, will focus on the community as a whole and may incorporate the downtown as well as the highway corridor to improve tourism. It is not to include motorized vehicles.

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One Tree World

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ONE TREE – Gee the days are just flying by and it seems that Sunday evening comes around just too fast. The weather has been staying nice as yet. Although Sunday morning it was pretty close to frost. Hopefully it stays away for a while longer.

NOTICE Dancers we need you!!

The Brooks Social Club Dance will once again be held this Saturday evening at the Legion Hall from 7:30-10:30pm, with the "Softones" as the band. It's an Open dance and everyone and all are welcome to attend. There is a charge per person. There is free coffee and tea all evening. We hope you all come on out and enjoy the evening dancing and socializing. See you all there!!

On Tuesday morning I went to Taber to attend a relatives' funeral in the Catholic Church. After, I went to visit four other cousins that are getting up in age. So I had a nice visit with each of them. It was great to be able to finally visit them again. On my way home I stopped in Scandia and had tea with Diana Goff.

On Saturday Linda Slomp and her daughter Carolyn Wadsworth went to Medicine Hat, to take their Afghanistan Refugee family to do some shopping for school supplies and clothes, etc. The family was astonished by the size of the stores and the variety of things. The lady of the family was Sandra (Slomp) Smith's

co-worker when Sandra was over in Afghanistan working a few years ago. Sandra and her husband Joel were instrumental in getting them to come to Canada and Karl and Linda and their families along with some friends have worked hard to get a house ready for them as they are sponsoring them. There are 11 in this family and at this time nine of the family are here and the other two have to clear a few more hurdles. We wish them well in our country.

On Sunday Inge Ellefson and Erwin Unger went to Waterton Lakes and stayed over and were going on to Writing-on-Stone Park and then on to Elkwater to spend a few days.

Birthday greetings this coming week go out to Joanne DeJong on Sept. 22nd; Sean Nichols of Brooks on Sept. 25th; to Heinz Dyck of Calgary and to Jordan Mahrer, both on Sept. 26th; to Lorene Nichols of Brooks on Sept. 27th and to Ken Alberts of Brooks on

Sept. 28th. We wish each of you all a great day and a "Very Happy Birthday" to each of you and to everyone else that is celebrating a birthday this coming week and we wish everyone all the best in the years ahead.

There aren't any anniversaries that I know of.

Just a Reminder to everyone, of the Newell Concert series starting on Sept. 22nd, (this) Thursday evening at 7:30pm, "A tribute to Ian Tyson".

A couple of other dates to keep in mind as that there will be -

An Emporium on Saturday October 15th in the Brooks United Church lower hall.

Fall Tea and Bake Sale will be held on Saturday, November 5th in the Lower Hall of the Brooks United Church. Everyone is welcome to attend. Watch for more info and posters..

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be there to support you! Thank you to the Smoker Wars crew for the delicious smoked brisket! Wow!

Thank you to my amazing staff on this incredible day.

Also, a big thank you to: Makita Canada, Milwaukee Tools, Klondike Lubricants, Walter Surface Technologies, Gearwrench, Main St. Shield Gloves, SuckleBusters Sauce and Rubs.

Again, many thanks to the people of the Brooks Region!



Dave Hnatiuk presenting cheque to Donna Bobinski of Grasslands Public School.

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- groups from the community are welcome
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For more information contact:
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COMMENT

First net-zero lawsuit won't be the last

by Terence Corcoran
in the Financial Post
June 24, 2022

In what is shaping up as the first major legal confrontation over government plans to shut down fossil fuel industries in Canada, Montreal-based Utica Resources this week filed a 114-page suit against the Quebec government demanding \$18-billion in compensation.

Utica is one of several companies that invested tens of millions of dollars exploring for gas in the province. The discovery of massive shale gas resources offered industry and the province an opportunity to place Quebec among the top natural gas producers in the world.

That promising future was quashed last year, however, when Quebec Premier Francois Legault's nationalist government pushed through legislation — Bill 21 — described as an act “to end petroleum exploration and production.” The act, the most brazen net-zero carbon prohibition in the world, was approved by the provincial legislature in April, much to the delight of green activists.

But now the fossil fuel companies who discovered the gas reserves are striking back. Utica is the first to put a dollar value on the compensation it is seeking: \$18-billion. Other companies will also be filing suits for billions more, potentially setting the province up for massive cash liabilities as a result of its carbon-neutrality policies.

In a statement Wednesday, Utica CEO Mario Levesque said, “We will defend our rights so that this disguised expropriation, the public utility of which does not exist, is compensated at the fair value of our properties.” Levesque said an independent expert has concluded that “Utica's properties would generate \$67-billion in future profits (net value of recoverable resources in place), the equivalent of \$18 billion in net present value using the discount rate of the Court.”

Another company with major gas reserves in the province, Calgary's Questerre Energy, is also moving forward with legal action seeking multi-billion-dollar compensation. Michael Binnion, Questerre CEO, describes the Quebec shutdown of fossil fuels as worse than expropriation. “I call it confiscation,” he said in an interview. Statistically, he said, “half the Russian exports of gas to Germany could be replaced by our discovery in

Quebec.” He said Questerre holds 21 trillion cubic feet (tcf) in resources. A rough rule is that each tcf is worth \$1-billion for a total of \$21-billion.

An unofficial English translation of the 114-page Utica lawsuit documents the role the government played in supporting the exploration activity. In 2019 the province's energy department boasted about the potential. “Eventual production of hydrocarbons in Quebec would reduce imports and improve the balance of trade. This creation of wealth and jobs could be used to the benefit of Quebecers.”

Backed by activists, the province then abandoned the industry and converted to a full-bore net-zero carbon emissions program. The cost of that conversion could be high if the courts support the legal arguments of the industry. Utica describes the fossil fuel shutdown as a breach of Quebec's charter of rights and civil code which requires compensation when property rights are violated.

The province's energy minister, Jonatan Julien, said the government is prepared to offer \$100-million as compensation, intended as a return of at least part of the exploration and development costs but making no provision for the value of the assets found. In accounting terms, the companies want fair market value for the fossil fuel assets they found, based on net present value calculations.

The political and economic argument could drive the legal case in favour of the corporations. Hypothetically, what happens five years from today when government policy changes and fossil fuel production is allowed? Having confiscated the assets via zero-cost expropriation, the government would then be in a position to reap hundreds of billions in financial reward that rightly belonged to the companies and their investors.

As Levesque put it: “For years, the Quebec government had invited us and others to invest in order to explore and extract Quebec's oil and gas resources. We acted in good faith, found local and foreign investors and respected all of Quebec's regulatory requirements. Then from one day to the next, the government changed its mind for political reasons and effectively expropriated our properties without proper prior compensation.”

Could the first net-zero lawsuit alter the future of net zero?

TIME CAPSULE



JUNIOR HIGH CURLING CHAMPS 1967

The Jerry Kinoshita foursome won the Kaz's Service trophy in the six-team junior high league. Teacher Mrs. Lyle Lambert presented the miniatures to the team members: skip Jerry Kinoshita, Bob Hiebert, third; Cameron Ellik, second and Candy Medway, lead. At right is trophy donor Kaz Kinoshita. Mrs. Lambert and Mr. Kinoshita coached the teams throughout the league to help the youthful curlers learn the fundamentals of the game and they acted as general supervisors.

Long-Termism

COLUMNIST

GWYNNE DYER



Which would be worse: a global nuclear war with all buttons pressed, or real, self-conscious artificial intelligence that goes rogue? You know, the central theme of the “Terminator” movies.

An AI called Skynet wakes up and immediately realises that humanity could simply switch it off again, so it triggers a nuclear war that destroys most of mankind. The few survivors end up waging a losing war against the machines and extinction. But this fantasy has too many moving parts. Let's try again.

Which would be worse: a nuclear ‘war orgasm’ (Herman Kahn's description of the Pentagon's nuclear war strategy circa 1960) or a designer plague created in some secret biowar lab? The plague, obviously, because it could theoretically wipe out the human race, whereas all-out nuclear war probably can't.

The distinction between a 99% wipe-out and a 100% wipe-out is insignificant if you happen to be one of the victims, but Oxford University philosopher Derek Parfit thought that it actually made a huge difference.

If only one percent of the human race survived, they would repopulate the world in only a few centuries. If the human race had learned something from its mistake, it might then continue for, let us say, a million years, the average length of time a mammalian species survives before going extinct.

Even if the human population is limited to one

billion next time round, that's a trillion lives in the balance, and most of them would probably be worth living. (By the way, the climate change problem goes away instantly if you reduce the human population by 99%.) Whereas if 100% of the population dies now, all those potential future lives are also lost.

As Parfit wrote: “Civilisation only began a few thousand years ago. If we do not destroy mankind, these few thousand years may be only a tiny fraction of the whole of civilised human history.” This perspective is sometimes called ‘long-termism’, and few people can manage to hold onto it for very long.

That's hardly surprising, because there has been little in our evolutionary history that really rewarded long-term thinking. We didn't even know about big threats to our survival like giant asteroid strikes, and if we had known there was nothing we could have done about them anyway.

Now we do know about them, and they have multiplied because of our own inventions, but it took another Oxford philosopher, Toby Ord, to list and rank them. It turns out that the most dangerous threats are not human hardware. They're software.

“I put the existential risk this century at around one in six: Russian roulette,” Ord says in his book ‘The Precipice.’ But ‘existential’ actually means a threat to the existence of (in this case) the human race, and we're quite hard to kill off.

Nuclear war is not likely to do it. Even if it caused a full-scale ‘nuclear winter’ lasting for years and starving the overwhelming majority of the human race, a few ‘breeding pairs’ (in Jim Lovelock's words) would almost certainly survive.

A hothouse world or

an extreme glaciation wouldn't do the trick either. The planet's climate has been through all sorts of extremes in its long history, and life survived them all. On a big planet like ours there's always some places where it's warm enough or cool enough to hang on through the extreme times.

The truly existential threats are the ones we might create ourselves, like AI that gets out of hand, or an ethno-specific engineered killer virus that mutates just a little bit. But that's software (or ‘wetware’), and few people take it seriously.

As Ord points out, “The international body responsible for the continued prohibition of bioweapons (The Biological Weapons Convention) has an annual budget of just \$1.4 million – less than the average McDonald's restaurant.” And only a few tens of millions is spent on research into AI safety, compared to many billions in general AI research.

So if we keep rolling the dice, some time in the next few centuries we're bound to get the apocalypse in one way or other. But Ord's prediction, even if it is accurate, is based on the assumption that we carry on heedlessly, and never develop the long-term perspective that would enable us to reduce the risks.

In fact, many human beings are already starting to think long-term and act accordingly – not all of us, and much too slowly, but it is happening.

We are trying to change our entire economy to avert catastrophic climate change. We are even experimenting with ways to divert asteroids on a collision course with Earth. It's not nearly enough, but it's not bad when you consider that 500 years ago most people didn't even know that the Earth is round.



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Evergreen Activities Centre

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Births

LOEWEN - Born to Lena and Pete Loewen of Brooks, AB., a daughter on September 12, 2022.

KAUCH/DAU - Born to Maria Kauch and Lual Dau of Brooks, AB., a son on September 15, 2022.



City busy with immigration program

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Enquires under the Alberta Advantage Immigration Program have resulted in daily emails.

The program is an economic immigration program where people are nominated for permanent residency in Alberta.

Nominees have to have the skills to fill a job vacancy or be planning to buy or start a business.

Mitch Iwaasa, the economic development officer for the region, told joint services they are getting inquiries about both the entrepreneurial and rural renewal streams.

"We've endorsed a number of applicants. We're waiting to hear the outcome of their applications to AAP," he said.

"Beyond that, we've spoken to a number of interested investors who are looking to purchase

businesses in the region."

In the proposed city-county joint services budget for 2023 there is \$35,000 for three years to pay for a half term immigration program position.

Lisa Tiffin, the city's community development manager, told the committee the funds are for reactive and preventative work from answering e-mails to working with larger employers as well as to working with the college to create homegrown training programs.

"It's very demanding. It's taking a huge amount of time administering it," she said.

She added that the strategic plan includes workforce development which would also be the responsibility of the immigration position.

Grant funds will be sought for the position but if none is awarded the funds are in the budget.

Money Matters

DEVOTIONAL
THOUGHT OF
THE WEEK

EID MINISTERIAL ASSOC.

Submitted by Jon Chalmers - Lead Pastor Brooks Evangelical Free Church

Who of us hasn't said, 'If only I had a million dollars.' We think, 'If I had more money, I would be able to support my parents, help the less fortunate, and really make a difference for a local charity.' Author Randy Alcorn once wrote, "The issue is not what I would do with a million dollars if I had it, but what I am doing with the hundred thousand, ten thousand, or ten dollars I do have." How should we think about the money that we do have?

Proverbs 11:24, 25 has some helpful wisdom for how we should think about our money. "One gives freely, yet grows

all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want. Whoever brings blessing will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered." The phrase 'gives freely' can also be understood as 'scatters.' This is a picture of someone walking along bravely and generously scattering for the benefit of others. Interestingly, it is this bravely generous person who becomes all the richer. Proverbs is saying, people who are openhanded get rich in all the ways that really matter. Meanwhile those who hold back in generosity lack in all the ways that really matter. Think of the fictional character Scrooge as an example. The more Scrooge kept for himself the smaller his circle of friends and the more diminished his heart was for life.

Money can overpower us into foolishness. The

only solution to the power of money over our lives is to understand what it means to be rich in Jesus Christ. 2 Corinthians 8:9 says, "For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich." Jesus died to enrich you with what really matters - life in Him.

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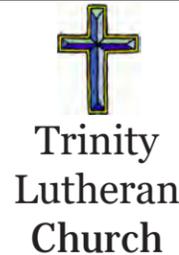
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Rosemary CAO suggests changes to the way landfill is funded

SANDRA M STANWAY
BROOKS BULLETIN

A proposal was made to the regional joint services committee that landfill requisitions should be revisited.

Sharon Zacharias who is the CAO for the Village of Rosemary, accountant for the Village of Duchess and payroll officer at the Newell Regional Solid Waste Facility presented a proposal to the city-county joint services committee that the landfill user pay should be based on the volume of solid waste delivered to the landfill instead of the per capita basis which has been used for over 20 years.

She said as Rosemary CAO and Duchess's accountant, she looked for requisitions that did not make sense in their calculations.

She said she spoke to both councils and presented to them that the cost per population continues to go up while the population is not increasing.

She said she looked at five scenarios and is favouring one that's based on tonnage and the other that's based on communities that do not have a linear assessment.

The changes may result in a drop in costs for

Duchess by about \$14.57 per person, Rosemary's would drop \$5.18, Bassano would increase by less than \$1 and Brooks would drop by \$4.19.

The county would increase \$11.02 per person or \$80,000. The municipality currently pays \$333,539 including \$33.50 per capita for solid waste and \$8.83 per capita for recycling.

"If it's only based on population we are missing out spreading that cost around to all users. We're just targeting the population.

"We're not targeting the actual businesses at all but the bottom line is if we're basing it on population, we're missing out spreading the cost to all users," she said.

The solid waste committee would vote on any changes following discussions with area councils, however, each member has a veto so all municipalities have to agree on any changes.

"The suggestion was to put it out here so there is a little understanding what it does if it does come back to your councils that a few more people understand," she said.

Tony Steidel, mayor of Duchess and chair of the landfill committee, said commercial items are taken to transfer stations in Tilley or Bassano instead of to the landfill which means the landfill is paying for the bins from transfer stations.

"Bassano is probably the worst one. They've got two or three commercial (companies) dumping in there and we have to haul those bins."

Steidel said it's not fair. "Everyone else is paying for the dumping of those bins which is a large amount at the end of the year."

He said the companies have been spoken to and they will have new costs to take the items to the landfill by the end of the year.

County CAO Matt Fenske said the original solid waste agreement was based on the amount of waste delivered to the landfill from a municipality. It was changed three years later to reflect a per capita amount.

"I think it's really important on a regional partnership like this not to lose sight of the big picture," he said.

He said he is not opposed to revisiting the calculations, however it currently is a benefit to the region.

He said he's had conversations with Torxen Drilling, a major company in the region about some concerns they have at the landfill which is not only slowing down the company's economic development but has forced them to haul their waste elsewhere.

"Those are real dollars that we lose," he said.

Bradley McFadden, Torxen's director of corporate affairs, noted that the company has moved away from a paper based manifest system to an electronic manifest system (e-manifest) an online system for the disposal of waste.

"Locations that can handle and process our e-manifests we'll look at moving our waste there because it creates efficiencies," he said.

Fenske said Torxen provides significant revenue for the landfill and suggested that if the calculation is revisited it would need to consider both sides of the equation, tipping revenues generated in each municipality as well as the amount of municipal solid waste.

The county has various financial agreements with municipalities and Fenske said if they want to reopen the solid waste agreement then they should open the others.

"It's a two way street. We've got data here. If we want to get data on recreation then it should be good across the board," he said.

Brooks mayor John Petrie reminded the committee that anything that happens in the county benefits all the municipalities.



WARDLOW - This week with the bit cooler weather and shorter days, it has me wanting to can and persevere things. One trip to the basement would tell me that we are in no danger of starvation at our house. None the less we spent the weekend making salsa and pepper jelly. This time of year makes me miss my mom more as she and I always canned together.

There will be a Baby Shower for Isaac Cutter infant son of Sylvia and Kyle Cutter. The shower will be on September 24th, at 2 pm, at the arena apartment at the Cutter Ranch. The address for the ranch for those who are not local is 12479 township road 222A. Everyone is welcome.

At our last WI meeting we discussed our annual Christmas and Craft sale and it was decided it will be on November 25 at the Hardgrass Hub in Pollockville and will run from 10 am until 4:30 pm. Will let all know who to call for a table As soon as I find out.

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



The Brooks Rotary Club donated \$500.00 to the Brooks Toy Library's K.I.S.S. program to purchase new car seats. Leona Ferguson (left) from the Rotary and Debbie Kowal Coordinator for the Toy Library. | SUBMITTED PHOTO

You are invited to SPEC's Annual General Meeting
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Season Tickets are \$70 for four concerts, and can be purchased at the Brooks ConnectFirst Credit Union or the Town of Bassano office (cash or cheque). Or – you can send an email and then an e-transfer to bassanoac@gmail.com.

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For further information, please call Jan Armstrong (403-641-2484) or Linda Andres (403-641-4280).
Check out our website at: www.bassanoartscouncil.com

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.

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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.

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After a grueling 6-month campaign, The Conservative leadership race has finally come to an end - with results that hardly anyone could pretend to be surprised about. Pierre Poilievre has been elected leader with over 68% on a first-ballot victory. As decisive a victory you may ever get in a political election, this sends a clear message that Pierre's vision has resonated not only with Conservatives, but with Canadians in general. People outside the Party started to pay attention.

Sitting at over 678,000 members, the Conservative Party of Canada is now by far the largest political party in the Canada's history. The growth is thanks in large part to the over 300,000 new members signed up by the Poilievre campaign alone.

Canadians are growing tired of seeing their bank accounts stagnate or lose value. The Financial Post reports that Canadian household wealth has fallen "by nearly \$1 trillion as real estate, financial markets pummeled."

People are tired of rising prices for groceries and fuel. Household staples like eggs and milk are up 9%, meats are nearly 7%, while this summer fuel peaked at over \$2.00/L. Canadians are tired of working with no prospect of saving, tired of not being able to ever dream of affording a home.

Canadians young and old are facing a cost-of-living crisis exacerbated by the government's nonstop spending - more than doubling our national debt spending half a trillion dollars and more than any other federal government combined in history. This government's spending has made life unaffordable.

But Conservatives are ready to fight and give Canadians hope again. Hope that their jobs will be fruitful, that inflation won't strip away the hours of hard work. Hope that a home will not be a pipe dream, but a reality. With renewed leadership and the largest membership base in the country, Conservatives are more united than ever - we are determined to finally put a stop to this government's reckless spending and defeat the Liberals.

Conservatives will do everything in our power to stop the government from increasing or introducing any new taxes - like stopping the increase to payroll taxes come January 1st. We will fight for our energy and agriculture sectors by eliminating the carbon tax. Our neighbours to the south do not have a carbon tax and it is making the Canadian energy and agriculture market uncompetitive. We will encourage new energy projects by scrapping Bill C-48 (West Coast tanker Ban) and C-69 (Regulatory red-tape). We will always stand behind our farmers who feed the world, not punish them with fertilizer emissions reductions. We will encourage free speech, not stifle it - by repealing Bill C-11 should it pass. We will make Canadians proud to fly their flag, sing their anthem, and be Canadian once again.

The fall Parliamentary session is just beginning - we're ready to get to work. Be sure to follow me on social media and sign up for my e-newsletter below to keep up with federal news and updates:

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MP Bow River

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Montana governance may be too democratic (not the party) ... politics seems more hands-off, unlike Alberta – part three



WILL VERBOVEN

Part of our Montana sojourn included a trip to Helena, the state capital. Surprisingly, the state capital is a mere 33,000 in population, about the same as Canmore. Helena is even smaller than four other cities in Montana – the overall population of Montana is about 1.13 million compared to Alberta at 4.5 million. But it's in governance that Alberta and Montana differ even more. For instance, Montana has 100 state representatives and 50 state senators. That's 150 elected politicians for a population of 1.13 million citizens. Alberta looks rather underrepresented with only 87 MLAs for a population of 4.5 million – perhaps we should count our blessings. But then Montana keeps

its politicians low-paid and part-time – they pay a daily per diem of only \$126.00 and an allowance of \$9,000. In addition, they curb any enthusiasm for unnecessary meetings by restricting their legislature to meeting every second year and then for only 90 days. They also serve two-year terms compared to a maximum of five in Alberta. I expect the state founders designed all that to ensure their politicians are humble representatives of the people and not professional wannabe lifetime politicians like in Alberta. Our MLAs make about \$120,000 a year plus \$15,000 pension contribution. Ministers of various kinds receive considerably more. There is something appealing about the constrained Montana political model except for their state Senate. I am not sure what they do more except that they serve four years instead

of two. The state also has a Governor who, like the US congressional system, is elected and governs somewhat separately from the legislature.

An insightful Montana state guide provided some observations of their political system that makes governing somewhat challenging. The two-year election term and meeting every two years means representatives really only meet once and then have to campaign for their re-election. He noted that the fleeting circumstances with being a rep has seen a constant turnover. It seems to be a matter of having to spend too much time, fuss, abuse, and insecurity for a job that pays way too little. One might suppose a dedicated representative of the people would compensate for all the job's shortcomings. But apparently, there are fewer folks that want to serve as legislators – pride or not. According to

some commentators that has seen eccentrics of all kinds, idle seat fillers and even naïve teenagers become representatives. Mind you, that could be said of representatives of many legislatures and parliaments. The point is it's getting tough to find folks to run in many Montana voting districts.

The three-level governance system has seen legislative gridlock when different levels are controlled by either the Republicans or Democrats. The Republican Party tends to dominate Montana politics, but it has seen Democrat Governors for several years. At the US congress level, Montana has also had Democrat Senators. At the moment, it's a trifecta situation with Republicans controlling all three levels. Some commentators note that such partisan party control doesn't mean the Montana legislature operates flawlessly and efficiently. Unlike

our system, political party discipline in the US system is more by consensus, meaning legislators and senators can vote against their own Party on government bills. In Canada, such activity usually sees members thrown out of the caucus. But I digress.

One notes an interesting group in the Montana legislature – it has 10 First Nation members - which equals the indigenous share of the state's population. No legal or quota situation forces that to occur – all are elected like other legislators. However, with over 100 voting districts, one suspects gerrymandering might favour some districts with majority indigenous voters. It causes one to wonder if there isn't some way to ensure that the Alberta legislature has First Nation members that reflects their population share. It would be a first in Canada and provide First Nations

with an opportunity to participate fully in the elected legislature of the province. From a population share basis, it would mean four First Nations and three Metis nation MLAs. With good intentions, I believe some sort of agreement could be reached with all the stakeholders to have this level of ongoing indigenous participation.

Lastly, in addition to a Department of Agriculture, Montana has a Department of Livestock, which has been made famous by the TV series "Yellowstone." However, unlike their swash-buckling image in the TV series, they tend to be more like Alberta brand inspectors, albeit with guns.

Will Verboven is an ag opinion writer and former resident of Warden, Quebec



Arthur Wade Hoffman is presented the 239 Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron flag by Robert Newton to symbolize the changing of command during a formal ceremony last Tuesday. Hoffman took over from Kelly Rasmussen. Under Hoffman's command Rasmussen will be the training officer. He told the cadets and other guests that while it was tough over the previous two years due to COVID19 restrictions, the program is normalizing. "All of the initiatives and all of the things we wanted to do in the last two years, we're going to be able to do now," he said. Hoffman thanked the squadron for their support. | SANDRA M STANWAY PHOTO

Eastern Irrigation District APPLICATIONS FOR IRRIGATION ACRES



In accordance with Irrigation Acres Bylaw #951 (2021) and Capital Assets Charges Bylaw #960 (2022) [bylaws and application form available on the District website] the Eastern Irrigation District is now accepting applications from landowners for irrigation acres.

For Projects Requiring Over 50 Irrigation Acres or Projects on Dry Parcels:

- Applications must be received by the EID by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 30, 2022.
- Projects are to be completed by September 30, 2023.
- Landowners must each year complete a new application form for review; previously declined applications will not be automatically reviewed year after year.
- Applications will be rated and presented at the November 2022 Board of Directors Meeting, after which landowners will be informed of the Board's decision.

For Projects Requiring 50 or Less Irrigation Acres:

- Landowners may apply at any time during the year for projects requiring 50 or less irrigation acres to be added to existing irrigation parcels.
- Landowners must complete an application for review for each project; previously declined applications will not be automatically reviewed year after year.
- Upon project approval by the Board, landowners are given 1 year to complete the project.

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Scandia Sketch

KARLYN TAKEDA



SCANDIA - Calling all Alcoma Alumni, Scandia, Rainier, Bow City community members, family, neighbors, friends, students, staff, past and present. The date of Alcoma School 100th Birthday Bash has been set for June 23rd-25th. Get ready to celebrate!

We are planning a 3 day event with school tours, sports, a dinner, pancake breakfast and more. If you would like to be involved in helping plan or organize this event please come on out for our next organizational meeting on Thursday, October 13th at Alcoma School or contact either Mrs.Skriver 403-362-3741, or Michele Slenders, Michele.slenders@eidnet.org.

There will be a parent organizational meeting for anyone interested in joining the South Slope 4-H beef club on Sept. 21 at 7:00 in the Rainier Hall. If anyone

has any questions they can call Shannon at (403)793-0297.

There will be a bridal shower for Aileen Davidson, bride elect of Eric Orr, held on Saturday, October 1st @2pm at the Rainier Hall. This is a potluck lunch, please bring a dish to share. They are registered at Vintage 1989, G&T Boutique, & From the Prairie.

The EID Historical Park has a scheduled Casino Fundraiser in Lethbridge on September 30 and October 1. There will be Two shifts each day, 11:AM to 7:30 PM and 7:30 PM to 4:AM. We need 4 volunteers for the day shift and 6 for each night shift. For those who are doing the night shift if they wish to stay rather than drive home, a hotel room will be paid for. If any members of the community can help as volunteers please contact Joe Chomistek at 403 793

9382. This is an important fundraiser for our Park and it would be much appreciated if you can help.

Mark your calendars and Save the Date for Scandia's Annual Turkey Shoot- Saturday, November 5. Group 2 will be running this event.

Alcoma School News
A reminder now the kids are back in school to please slow down in the school zone and watch out for the busses on the road. Swimming lessons go this week, don't forget swim suits, towels, and an extra snack. Grades 4-9 volleyball have their first game this week in Bassano on Tuesday.

Alcoma School Playschool begins this Friday! In coordination with SPEC, we will be hosting a playschool opportunity every other Friday, beginning September 23rd from 9:00-11am at the school. All parents are

welcome to come and bring their little ones for some fun and fellowship. There will be activities and a small snack provided. Please contact the school at 362-3741 if you

are interested in attending. Hope to see you there!

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.



Hundreds of people attended the Lifted Up 2.0 event that was held in conjunction with Alberta Cultural Days on Saturday at Veteran's Park. The outdoor event featured the Taste of Nations with food from all over the world including China, El Salvador, France, Oromo, Ukraine and Philippines. | SANDRA M STANWAY PHOTO

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For a list of all upcoming sales & pictures visit our website www.bowslope.com

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Jodie Engbert, the director of employment services at the YMCA in Medicine Hat, cuts the ribbon to reopen the employment centre in Brooks last Tuesday at 333 2nd Street West. The centre offers employment services to the community including helping with resumes and has been located in Medicine Hat College for about five years. The new location marks the first time the centre has its own space. City councillor Ray Juska said the service will fill an important need for all ages. "I appreciate the services you provide to the people of Brooks, especially the young people who may need as much help as they can get," he said. Sharon Hayward, CEO of the 'Y' said what started out as a unique partnership at the college has evolved into the new location. "I think this is a real milestone moment for us." | SANDRA M STANWAY PHOTO

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The Heidmiller family, Mike and Charlie with their kids, Odin, 6, and Livi, 2, at Griffin Park School's annual BBQ and meet the teacher night last Thursday. | SANDRA M STANWAY PHOTO

Bassano should have 2.5 physicians in place by January

SANDRA M STANWAY
BROOKS BULLETIN

The Town of Bassano will welcome the equivalent of 2.5 full time physicians — two full time and one half time — by mid-January.

County councillor Kelly Christman told joint services last week that the physicians are either scheduled to begin or are in their assessment with one of the doctors expected to begin by mid-November.

"We should have 2.5 doctors by the middle of January for sure," she said.

Mayor Irv Morey added that one of the physicians whose assessment had ended after a few days is now back on track.

Christman said contracts state that the physicians must live in the community.

"Hopefully, we can keep them. That'll be the next

challenge," she said.

While municipalities can attract physicians, it's the retention that's key.

Mayor John Petrie said while the local area is having some challenges attracting doctors places like Kelowna or Canmore where the average house costs \$1.5 million are having their own challenges.

"It's a challenge for them. It's probably an opportunity for us to bring them here where the price of a house is lower," he said.

"They can pay off their debt before maybe they move on."

Petrie also urged municipal officials to speak to ministers about adding a medical program to the Medicine Hat College campus in Brooks.

"Push the campus to be an introductory medical facility," he said.

"If we could have that as a destination, create that and work with Medicine Hat College to do that I think that would be good for the entire Brooks-Newell region."

The college does not have a local representative on its board.

Councillor Greg Skriver relayed a story that his Edmonton-graduated cousin who has been in B.C. has been waiting five months for transfer of his nursing certificate to Alberta to work as a nurse.

"There's a huge problem with our red tape between the provinces.

"We're screaming for nurses and here's a qualified nurse that has been working in the field," he said.

"That should take three days," Petrie quipped.

Millicent Mirror

MILLICENT LADIES THURSDAY CLUB

MILLICENT - Although I haven't received any calls with news from others, it has been a busy week at our house. Layne Davidson had a funtime celebrating his 40th birthday with family from here, Wardlow and Rainier. Of course having family join us was good but having the great gifts, as well as pizza, cake and ice cream made it even better.

Also visiting Ken and MJ overnight this week were her longtime friends Carol Becker and Jerry Rath from Manyberries. It was so good to see them but they were also here to attend the sad event which was the funeral of Jerry's cousin Rick Stimson at Gem.

Our thoughts and prayers go to the Stimson families at this time.

It has been very busy as we travelled to Taber on Saturday to watch our granddaughter Camryn Bock and her team from Maple Creek play a Jr High football game. A fun, entertaining evening enjoyed with her parents and sisters as well as many other spectators from Sask and Taber.

Happy birthday from us all to Rikkia Torkelson on her special day Sept. 23. Have a fun, happy time

It is a busy time for all with harvest both in the fields and the gardens. Enjoy our fall weather as we do know what happens next. Please contact MJD at 403-378-4670 with your news so I could put it in our column as many people do still enjoy reading the

community columns. Hope to hear from you and do have a good week.

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The Eastern Irrigation District water delivery system will be shut down:

Tuesday, October 11, 2022

To ensure all your irrigation needs and winter storage requirements are met before this date, **all water orders must be made by Friday, October 7.**

The Board of Directors and Management of the Eastern Irrigation District

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SPECIAL AREA NO. 2

NOTICE OF DECISION OF DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The following applications have been **APPROVED** and permits issued:

APPLICATION NUMBER	LEGAL DESCRIPTION	TYPE OF PROJECT
SA2-27-22	9310723;05;05	76' x 16' Manufactured Home
SA2-30-22	9310723;06;05	36' Recreational Vehicle

The following application has been **REFUSED** and no permits issued:

APPLICATION NUMBER	LEGAL DESCRIPTION	TYPE OF PROJECT
SA2-23-22	NW-09-22-06-W4	24' x 72' Manufactured Home

The Land Use Order provides that any persons claiming to be affected by a decision of the Development Authority may appeal to the Secretary of the Development Appeal Board within twenty-one (21) days after notice of decision.

Further information regarding the above application may be obtained from the Special Area No. 2 District Office, Hanna.

Brett Richards
Development Officer
Special Area No. 2, Hanna

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COUNTY OF NEWELL WATER PROJECT

Registration Deadline:
Friday, September 30, 2022

Fee:
\$1,500 for the delivery of 300 gallons per day (1 unit)

How To Register:
Visit the County of Newell Office at 183037 RR145 or call 403-794-2311.

Eligible Locations:

- Any assessed, habitable dwelling that currently is not serviced by the rural water distribution system
- Any assessed, operational commercial business that is currently not serviced by the rural water distribution system





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Sally Zhao, 10, was a happy face that greeted guests to the China - NE Region - food booth during the Taste of Nations on Saturday that was held at Veteran's Park during Alberta Cultural Days. The outdoor event attracted hundreds of people and featured food from all over the world including China, El Salvador, France, Oromo, Ukraine and Philippines. | SANDRA M STANWAY PHOTO

Repairs at the Skateboard Park

The city has not only posted a sign on the skateboard park telling users to be aware of uneven surfaces but last week Safe Sidewalks was in town to grind down the uneven surfaces for what is hoped to be added safety. The cost was about \$9,500. Last month Newline Skateparks provided location suggestions to rebuild the park. Their preference is Duke of Sutherland Park, however, it was tabled for a discussion by the recreation committee. | SANDRA M STANWAY PHOTO



Brooks and area RCMP report

SANDRA M STANWAY
BROOKS BULLETIN

Police say man assaulted with baseball bat

A 41-year-old man was allegedly beaten with a baseball bat in the downtown core last week. Brooks RCMP Staff Sgt. Gordon Yetman said the assault with a weapon occurred in a parking lot in the 100 block of Second Street West. Yetman said police were

alerted to the scene at about 7:30 p.m. on Thursday. They found a man who injuries to his head, back and arms.

The victim was transported to Medicine Hat hospital on Friday morning.

A 39-year-old, who had fled, was later arrested.

Yetman said it was not a random act as both men knew each other.

Charges had not been sworn as of press time so a name cannot be released, but the accused is to be in



court on Oct. 12.

A short time after the initial call, police responded to a call of a motorcycle travelling excessive speeds in a residential area near Second Avenue West.

Yetman said the assault and the speeding maybe are related.

The investigation is continuing.

Buffalo Briefs

LORRAINE MONKMAN



BUFFALO - On talking to my neighbors last week, I learned lots of things. Firstly, congratulations to Bonnie and Kelly Ross on becoming grandparents again on August 12, 2022 when Kaycee Lloyd Ross was born to Lance and Melinda Ross of Medicine Hat. His older brother Weston thinks Kaycee is pretty special.

Get well wishes go out to Ross White who had the misfortune to break his wrist while trying to get a bull to turn and go in. And we send best wishes also to Romeo Beaulieu who had

shoulder surgery recently. We hope both of you guys recover quickly and completely.

I am pleased to report there will be some events taking place in Buffalo in the near future. Please mark your calendars for November 2 when the Buffalo Ladies Club will finally again hold a turkey supper. Posters will be up soon.

Buffalo Ag Society Christmas Market is set for Sunday, November 20 from 11am to 5 pm. We look forward to seeing you here.

A "Tribute to George Jones" will be sponsored by Buffalo Ag Society on Saturday, December 3. Tickets are available from Ag Society members.

It is such a pleasure to report on things happening again. We hope to see you in Buffalo for these events.



COUNTY OF NEWELL

COUNTY OF NEWELL MEMBERS-AT-LARGE ON COUNTY COMMITTEES

County Council invites written applications from County residents interested in serving as a member on the County of Newell Library Board representing their division. Open positions are as follows:

- 1 member residing in Division 3 (Patricia/Millicent)
- 1 member residing in Division 5 & 10 (Cassils/Lake Newell Resort and Brooks)
- 1 member residing in Division 6 (Bassano)
- 1 member residing in Division 8 (Duchess)

The County of Newell Library Board oversees the provision of library service throughout the County and meets four times per year in the evenings.

Application forms are available for download online:
<https://public.countyofnewell.ab.ca/WebLink/0/edoc/561989/Application%20-%20Members-at-Large.pdf>

Applications will close at noon on Friday, October 22, 2021. You can submit your application form in the following ways:

- E-mail to nielsena@newellmail.ca
- Mail to Box 130, Brooks, AB T1R 1B2 (Attention: A. Nielsen)
- Drop off at the County of Newell Office (183037 RR 145, Brooks, AB)

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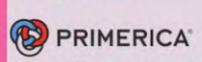
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TILLEY - The Tilley and District Public Library is open: Mondays 9:00 am to 12:30 pm, 4:00 pm to 7:30 pm; Wednesdays 9:00 am to 12:30 pm, 4:00 pm to 7:30 pm; Saturdays 9:00 am to 12:30 pm. We are located at 237 Centre Street.

Join us at the library for "Maker Mondays" for an hour (or two) of projects and socializing. Bring your small-scale project to work on - Mondays at 9:30 am. Wednesday afternoon, September 21, beginning at 4:00 pm, come paint an Autumn Tree. On Saturday, September 24 at 10:00 am, we invite all prospective drivers to join us for a run through of the Learner's Permit requirements. We will have a kit and will go through it together! Wednesday, September 28, we will make a Fall Fridge Magnet.

Faith Lutheran Church in Rolling Hills will have worship service on Sunday, September 18 at 10:00 am with Reverend John Theiss officiating. All are welcome to attend.

The Brooks and District Social Club is offering an Open Dance on Saturday, September 24 from 7:30 to 10:30 pm featuring "The

Softones" as the band of the evening. Any and all are welcome to come out and enjoy an evening of dancing, music and fellowship. There is a cost of \$15 per person and free coffee and tea are offered over the course of the evening. Coming up in October the band is "Mixed Company", November "Willow Creek" and December "Larry and the Son-In-Laws".

The Tilley Tiger Cubs Preschool Annual General Meeting will take place on Wednesday, September 28 at 7:00 pm at the Tilley Fire Hall. All are welcome to attend. The board is seeking new members to fill positions. If you are interested in joining the board, feel free to reach out via email at tilleytigerclubspreschool@gmail.com if you have any questions, or simply join us at the AGM.

Bethany Lutheran Church, Tilley, offers worship services at 11:00 am every Sunday. The coffee is always on and all are welcome to attend.

For Tilley Community Centre booking inquiries, please email tilleyhall@outlook.com or call 403-377-0011.

The Tilley Landfill is open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

The Tilley Seniors Society are excited to announce they will be hosting their monthly Pot Luck Luncheons again! Bring a pot luck lunch dish of any kind to share with friends, but not desserts, as a member volunteers to bring dessert for everyone to enjoy. All seniors (50+) are welcome, members, non-members, seniors new to Tilley or past residents of Tilley. This enjoyable event will take place on Thursday, September 29, 2022 at 12:00 noon at the Seniors Centre located at 237 Centre Street. Please join us for lunch and listen to our special guest entertainers "The Softones" - Ed and Lydia Breitreutz.

Future Luncheons are planned for the last Thursday of each month.

A young woman visited her husband in prison. Before leaving, she berated the corrections officer, saying, "You shouldn't make my husband work like that! He's exhausted!" The officer laughed at her and said, "Are you kidding me? He just eats and sleeps and stays in his cell." The wife replied,

"That's baloney! He just told me he's been digging a tunnel for months now!"

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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Grade 2 student Ahmad Mahmoud plays basketball at Griffin Park School's annual BBQ and meet the teacher night last Thursday. | SANDRA M STANWAY PHOTO

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Griffin Park students, families, teachers and staff gathered in the playground last Thursday for the school's annual Welcome Back BBQ and meet the teacher evening. The evening included all the BBQ fixings from hot dogs and ice cream, meeting people to playground play. | SANDRA M STANWAY PHOTO

Bandits 2-0 as regular AJHL season begins



Brooks Bandits goalie Ethan Barwick made 18 saves at home on Friday against the Calgary Canucks including this one against Carson Walters. | SANDRA M STANWAY PHOTO

SANDRA M STANWAY
BROOKS BULLETIN

Two regular season games in and the Bandits are first in the league with a pair of wins.

The season opened on Friday at home with a banner ceremony.

Three AJHL banners were unravelled in recognition of the team's 2021-22 championships in the league's south division, its regular season and as the overall league winners. The fourth banner recognizes the Bandits Centennial Cup national championship.

Hudson Malinoski of the Bandits who was exceptional in the pre-season for his scoring prowess got two of the team's goals during Friday's game helping the Bandits defeat the Calgary Canucks 5-1 with 1,385 fans present.

Heath Armstrong, Ethan DeKay and Nathan Free got the team's other three goals. A pair of assists were credited to Ethan O'Halloran and Dario Beljo and Caelan Fitzpatrick, Aiden Fink, Armstrong, Free and Hughie Hooker had the balance of assists.

The Bandits travelled to Drumheller on Saturday blanking the Dinosaurs 4-0 with goals from Brendan Poshak, Fitzpatrick, an empty netter by Hunter

Wallace and a powerplay goal by Fink.

Assists went to Elliot, Armstrong and a pair to Beljo.

The Bandits traded Cooper Brown to the Notre Dame Hounds of the Saskatchewan league for future considerations. He has been traded back to the AJHL to the Drayton Valley Thunder for future considerations.

The Bandits also traded Logan Ziegler to Estevan Bruins of the Saskatchewan league.

Last week the Bandits announced the acquisition of 20-year-old forward Mikhail Simchuk and 19-year-old forward Danylo Korzhyletskiy from Sokol Kiev of the Ukraine Hockey League, the league is credited with producing NHL All-Stars including Dmytro Khrystych and Oleksiy Zhytnyk, Ruslan Fedotenko and Anton Babchuk to name a few.

Both of the Ukrainian players are from Kyiv and are members of the U20 National Team.

Simchuk was also a member of the Ukraine Men's National Team, playing in the Men's Division 1 World Championship.

Korzhyletskiy finished second in scoring with five goals and nine assists in five games at a recent Division 1

World Junior Championship and Simchuk, 20, finished third in scoring with four goals and nine assists in five games.

A photo posted on the weekend shows that Korzhyletskiy was in Drumheller for the game, however, he was not on the player's list.

"When we learned there was an ability to support Ukrainian players in Canada this season we started to explore how we could not only help the players but improve our team at the same time.

"Danny and Misha are two of the top U20 players in Ukraine and will bring our club added offensive depth," said Bandits general manager and head coach, Ryan Papaioannou.

"They are coming from a country at war and have incredible experiences they have shared with our staff."

He noted that the players are motivated and want the opportunity to contribute to the Bandits program while representing their country in a time of need.

"We're excited to add them to our group and support them through the national team events they will attend this season."

-with files from AJHL/Brooks Bandits

In your garden...



LINDA TOMLINSON

As the nights become cooler, tender plants that have been used in planters and are to be kept over winter should be brought inside. Before moving the plants, look for insects and their eggs. Insects that inhabit plants are small and their eggs are smaller making them hard to detect. Look for sticky leaves, feces and webs. If the plant is infested the choice will be whether to treat it or let it stay outside and freeze.

Even if the plants look clean it is prudent not to mix plants being brought inside with existing houseplants.

Check the plants daily in the first two weeks for any sign of insect activity. Once the plants are in a warmer area, any adult insects will become active and the eggs will start hatching.

Purchasing predator insects and placing them among the plants will help control or eradicate any infestations before they multiply. Predator insects are available from local garden centers or can be ordered online. The product will either state how many square feet of area it will cover or how many eggs, larva or adults are in the package.

There are a number of different types of predatory mites on the



market. Commercial operations often run a number of different ones at the same time which is not always practical for the homeowner. For best results, be sure that the plants have not been sprayed with an insecticide as it could kill the predators and increase the humidity around the infested plants. For the most part, 2 spotted spidermites, the ones that kill the plants, thrive in dry conditions.

Persimilis are the only predator mites that will enter the webs to eat the problem mites.

Fallacis mites have a more varied diet and will consume pollen if mites are scarce. This enables them to last longer in areas where the mite eggs are just beginning to hatch.

Anystis mites are relatively new on the market. Besides mites, they will feed on thrips, aphids and white flies. They work well inside and will lay eggs and continue their cycle as long as they have food.

The first noticeable sign of aphid activity is often a sticky residue on lower leaves and under plants. Ladybugs have been the go to solution. They can be released on arrival or held for a few weeks in the fridge depending on their due date. If there are

not enough aphids in the vicinity they will leave.

Aphidoletes are predator midges that will feed on all varieties of aphids.

Fungus gnats, are very annoying small insects that fly around the house, do not harm adult plants. Treating every plant pot with Stratiolaelaps will effectively eliminate all gnats as it will remain in the soil destroying all larva and eggs.

Nematodes eat larva in the soil but are less persistent than the mites and might need more than one application.

Yellow sticky traps work well for catching adult gnats and thrips.

According to Bio-Nomics, thrips are attracted to the scent of almonds, vanilla and peppermint. Placing a 1 to 2 percent solution of a mentioned scent in a shallow dish of water, along with a few drops of liquid soap works to attract and drown the creatures.

Beneficial or predator insects are used to eliminate or control insects that are harming plants. They all have their advantages and disadvantages.

For more specific information follow the link to the Bio-control Handbook, second edition put out by Applied Bio-Nomics

<https://www.appliedbio-nomics.com/wp-content/uploads/The-Bio-Control-Handbook-Second-Edition.pdf>

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Brooks football Roadrunners 2-0, Buffalos 0-2 on season

SANDRA M STANWAY
BROOKS BULLETIN

Last week the Brooks junior high school roadrunners defeated the Medicine Hat Colts, 42-12, which gave them their second win of the season while the Buffalos lost their second match, 49-0, to the Vikings.

Buffalos head coach Dylan Hartley said despite the loss he continues to see improvements but he did acknowledge the Crescent Heights Vikings staff and players.

"I have to give credit to the Vikings players and their coaching staff. They showed up focused and prepared for the very first play," he said.

"Their team played with aggression and intensity, two traits that are needed in football."

He said the Buffalos did start to clean up some of the fundamental errors that were in the previous week's game, but the Vikings were more aggressive on both sides of the ball.

"Something we need to match," he said.

Hartley said they did have opportunities throughout the game that if they had converted earlier, it may have swung the momentum back in their favour.

He said the offensive line of Bol Bol, Jonas Friesen, Kyler Stein, Garnet Miller and Steven Armstrong did a good job with pass protection.

"There were chances in the passing game especially, but we had drops, overthrows and issues with routes that either stopped our drives or left points off the board."

Hartley credited Martin Lual as a bright spot on special teams.

"He had a few kickoff returns that went for big gains. If he had a block or two more he could have gone for six."

The Buffalos next game is an exhibition game in Taber on Thursday.

The junior high Roadrunners have been successful in early games having defeated last year's provincial winners in their first match and in their most recent match last week they

defeated St. Mary's Colts 42-12.

"It's only our second game. There's a long way to go," said Mark Freeman, head coach.

Team quarterback Athian Madut threw for five touchdowns which was a personal best and Johnny Gilborn had three touchdowns. Manyun Dishol had two TDs and Brody Weatherhead one TD.

Freeman said defensively the team also played well with forced fumbles and two interceptions.

"Things are really coming together. The boys are looking stronger but again, it's only the second game. We have long season ahead of us."

Freeman said it's good to see Madut throwing with more confidence and getting stronger while receivers and defense are all playing better.

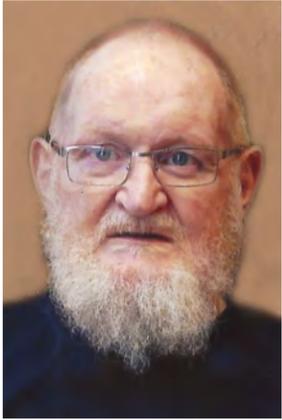
"Things are really rolling," he said.

The Roadrunners will host the Jr. Vikings at 5 p.m. while the Buffalos next home game is Oct. 14 when they host McCoy.

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VERMEEREN - Chris Peter Vermeer - born Christiaan Petrus Joseph Vermeer - passed away surrounded by family September 11, 2022 in Vulcan, AB at the age of 73.

He was born in Bladel, North Brabant, Southern Nederland on January 27, 1949 to Harrie and Adriana. He was the 5th of 8 children, with 3 older half siblings, and 4 full siblings. In 1968, he boarded a transatlantic flight from Rotterdam to Montreal, and then a train across Canada to Brooks, AB. Here he began a new life as a proud Canadian patriot. From that day forward he refused to be called a "Dutch-Canadian", preferring instead to be called

simply a "Canadian". His strong sense of civic responsibility and patriotic duty was the reason he would later invest so much time and energy into municipal and provincial boards, community organizations, and elected office.

In the early years, he worked as a farm hand for several Scandia, Vauxhall, and Calgary farm operations, and he met and married Dianne Lynn Toderian of Vauxhall on July 1, 1972. They had three children and adopted a fourth.

Chris is pre-deceased by his parents, 3 siblings, and infant daughter Tara. He is survived by his wife Dianne of Vulcan, Ab, half-siblings Pax and Lidy, siblings led and Adrie, (all still of the Netherlands) children Shawn (Nicole Wood) Vermeer in Macoun, Sk, Don (Christina) Vermeer of Medicine Hat, and Cindy (Christopher) Skanderup of Okotoks, Ab, 9 grand children and 3 great grand children with a fourth arriving in a couple of weeks.

A Celebration of Life was held at the Scandia Community Hall in Scandia, AB on Saturday, September 17, 2022 at 2:00 PM. Private family Inurnment took place in Scandia Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers or gifts, donations can be made to Water for Life Africa (<https://www.waterforlife.org/>) in Chris Peter Vermeer's name.

Arrangements in care of Vulcan Funeral Home. Telephone 403-485-2633. Email condolences can be sent via email at www.vulcanfuneralhome.ca

Please join the family in a *Celebration of Life* for **DAWN THOMSEN** on Saturday, October 1, 2022 at 2 pm at the Rolling Hills Community Hall



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SAWYER - It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Linda Ruth Sawyer, she was born on January 8th, 1948 in Vancouver, BC. Linda passed away peacefully in her home in Brooks on Wednesday, August 31st, 2022 at the age of 74 years. She was a very caring loving mother to her son Daniel Briggs. Linda loved to read, sew and shop. She had a creative flare to turn simple items into works of art, with lots of sparkle and glitter. Linda will be remembered for her unconditional love and passion for her animals. She adopted a dog (Scooter) and a cat (Goldie) from a shelter and remained dedicated to support the cause of many shelters. Linda

leaves to mourn her loving family, son Daniel Briggs and grandson Roland Briggs; siblings, Bonnie Fairbrother, Carol Siemans, Randy Kamp, Jean Hudson, Gordon Hudson, David Hudson and her soul sister, Linda Greengrass. She was predeceased by husbands Roland Briggs and Thomas Sawyer; mother Evelyn (Peter) Kamp. A huge hug goes out to Sean Mallick and James and Kendra for all of their kindness and care in supporting Linda. As per Linda's request, there will not be a public service.

Cremation is entrusted to and conducted at Smith Funeral Home Ltd. and Crematorium, Brooks



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WELWOOD - Patricia Welwood of Bassano, beloved wife of the late William Welwood, passed away in Brooks on Thursday, September 15th, 2022 at the age of 84 years. Patricia was born in Unity Saskatchewan on February 10th, 1938 to Taylor and Elsie Bowlby. She was predeceased by her loving husband William Welwood, parents Taylor and Elsie Bowlby and 3 sisters. Patricia is survived by her daughters Bonnie Phillion of Redcliff, Linda Sanders (Kent) of Brooks and Cathy Welwood - Julin (Alan) of Calgary, her grandchildren, great grandchildren and one great great grandchild and her nieces and nephews. She is greatly loved and she will be greatly missed. A Private Family Inurnment will be held at Bassano Cemetery Columbarium at a later date.

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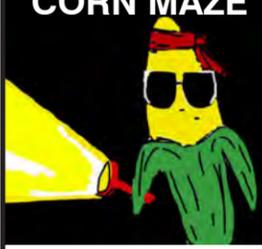
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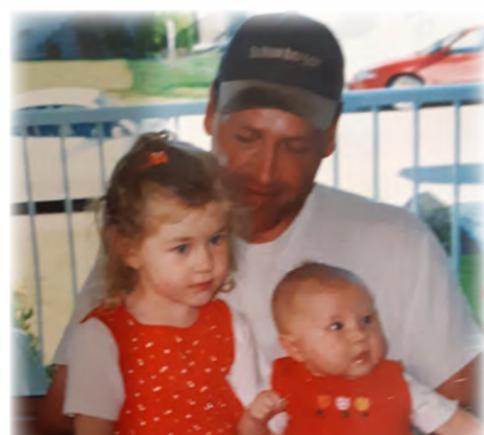
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CHRISTMAS DAZE in Rolling Hills on December 3, 2022. For more information call Katharina Banman at 403-376-4035 or email at kath.banman18@icloud.com. 38-41p

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in memory



Layne Gilborn
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Loved One

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Love Velma & Family

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cards of thanks

Thank You!

The family of the late Bev Ginet (Denis Ginet, Brad Ginet, Tanya & Rob Elliott, Deanna & Matt McWhirter) wish to express their sincere gratitude to everyone who offered their sympathy and support after the loss of Bev. The food, flowers, prayers and cards brought tremendous comfort and we are very grateful for your kindness.

To Smith Funeral Home, St Mary's Parish (CWL & Choir), Rev. Marino Infante, Brooks Greenhouses and all who helped with the service, thank you for making it beautiful, heartfelt and memorable.

As we continue to grieve the loss of Bev, we have been overwhelmed by our communities support. Please accept this press acknowledgement as a token of our appreciation and know that donation has been made to The Kidney Foundation as a thank you.

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Anyone interested in joining 4H is invited to check out the information evening with South Slope 4H Club on Wednesday September 21st

@the Rainier Hall 7pm. For more info call Shannon @ 403-793-0297. If you miss the meeting it's not too late to join!

The BCHS band group is very excited to be back on tour and was accepted via video audition to play in Disneyland again! The group will travel to Anaheim in April and are busy fundraising! They are doing a recyclable/bottle collection and are still accepting batteries lawnmower size and larger as well. Contact Eva Niznik through Jodi 501-1583 for a pick up. Thanks to those who have already called!

I posted this to social media this week, but love

the power in the message so much I feel the need to post

it in this media!
"A Bottle of water

can be .50 cents at a supermarket, \$2 at the gym, \$3 at the movies and \$6 on a plane.

Same water. Only thing that changed its value was the place..So the next time you feel your worth is

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Memorial Contributions

If you would like to make a tribute in the name of your loved one's charity or society, here is a listing of some worthy charities in the area - more can be added by contacting the Brooks Bulletin staff...

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- GOOD SAMARITANS SOCIETY 403-528-5068
- HABITAT FOR HUMANITY c/o 362-4141
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But in our hearts she liveth still.

Father or Brother
We often think of days gone by
When we were all together,
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Our loved one gone forever.

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Rainier Record

JANE BELLWARD



RAINIER - Happy Birthday greetings for this coming week go out to Ed Piper, Rob Graham on September 28; Carol Rosen on September 29; Jeremy Doll on October 1.

A Bridal Shower for Aileen Davidson, bride elect of Eric Orr, will be held on Saturday, October 1, at 2.00pm at the Rainier Hall. This will be a potluck shower so please bring a plate of appetizers or squares. The happy couple are registered at G & T, From the Prairie, Vintage Nineteen89 in Brooks and on line at www.myregistry.com/wedding-registry/aileen-davidson-and-eric-orr-coleman-ab/3420069/giftlist.

Alcoma School is

planning a celebration of the school's 100th birthday, this upcoming year. Community members, former staff and students, parents and family members, and anyone who would like to join in helping us plan and organize this event, is invited to email Mrs Skriver to join a planning committee. Leona.Skriver@grasslands.ab.ca The second meeting will be held on Thursday, October 13, at 4.00pm at the school. All are welcome to attend.

South Slope 4-H Beef Club will meet at the Rainier Hall the third Wednesday of each month, at 7.00pm. The first meeting, Parent Organizational, will be held Wednesday, September 21, at 7.00pm. Please call Shannon Andrews at 403-

793-0297 if you require further information.

The Rainier Hall Community Club meets the third Tuesday of each month, at the hall, at 7.30pm. Please feel free to attend, and help plan upcoming community events.

Students are back in class at Alcoma School so please remember to look out for our little folk and keep your speed down while driving by the hall, community mail boxes, playground and school.

The Alcoma School and SPEC will be hosting a playschool opportunity every other Friday from 9.30am to 11.00am at the school. All parents are welcome to come and bring their little ones for some fun

and fellowship. There will be activities and a small snack provided. Please contact the school at 362-3741 if you are interested in attending. Our first one will be planned for Friday, September 23. Hope to see you there!

Alcoma Community Library will be open to the public during school open hours and on Thursday evenings from 6.30 to 8.00pm throughout the school year. Come on in and see what is offered for books, games, puzzles, movies.....check it out!

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

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Duchess Dispatch

LINDA MOREY



DUCHESS - Queen Elizabeth's passing touched emotions in most people. She has been ruling as Queen for my whole lifetime and has never caused scandal, unlike other world leaders. At one time she ruled over 21 sovereign states and most recently she ruled over 15. She was a consummate lady who loved her family, dogs and horses but most of all, she loved people. I will miss her grace, her outfits and her presence.

There is probably still time to enter into the Ironman tourney. Duchess Golf Course's is hosting the 4 person Ironman Scramble on September 24th. To register, please call the course at 403-378-4710, Morgan Crossland at 403-362-0851 or Brad Ion at 403-409-3114.

If you're 12 years old and older and would like to earn some extra money, there is referee clinic in Brooks on October 2nd. Please call Matt at 403-501-1615 to register. Cost, including whistle and jersey will be reimbursed upon completion of clinic and 2 games of reffing.

Duchess Public Library has ASUS chromebooks available to students to come into the library. The laptops have

been generously donated by JBS. The laptops are for use in the library only.

Duchess School recognizes 'National Truth and Reconciliation Day' on Friday, September 30. There will be no school.

Have a great week

and please call 403-793-1630 with your news items.

Quote: " Reclaim your curiosity, your sense of adventure and have some fun! Don't take every moment of your life so seriously. Allow yourself to enjoy life."

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- Located in the heart of the city with a large parking lot
- Recently painted interior with multiple offices
- Each floor has common areas, kitchen spaces & more
- So much potential for a variety of businesses

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NEW

\$100,000

144 Centre Street Tilley

- Attractive and active building plus garage
- 1,116 sq ft of retail space located on main street
- Previously utilized as an office building
- Bright windows and an inviting atmosphere
- Several amenities close by to enjoy

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\$15,000

153 Centre Street Tilley

- Vacant, commercial lot on main street
- Several amenities close by to enjoy
- Join a bustling, active, community in Southern Alberta
- Affordable lot ready for your development

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\$10.00 Monthly

#6, 145008 Twp Rd 192 S Newell County

- Awesomely located shop space for lease
- Just off HWY #1 and Joanne Trucking Road
- 2 Bays with 7,428 sq. ft. total space & gated yard
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NEW

\$1,250,000

#218, 143040 Twp Rd 191, Brooks

- 2.62 Acres
- 2 story office building
- 3 attached shops
- North of Brooks behind Smith Group Holdings
- So much potential for a variety of businesses

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NEW

\$482,500

105 Upland Boulevard Brooks

- Beautiful curb appeal & maintenance free exterior
- Attached AND detached garage
- 3 bedrooms and 3 1/2 bathrooms
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NEW

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6.88 Acres Tilley

- Serene and private acreage off HWY 535 South
- Room for animals and gardening in mature yard
- Playhouse, play centre and chicken coop included
- 5 + 1 Bedrooms, 2.5 baths and modern updates
- 50' x 100' shop with heated front area

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NEW PRICE

\$480,000

276 Meadowbrook Drive E Brooks

- Move in ready home with contemporary class
- 5 Bedrooms, 3 baths and a modern kitchen
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- XL covered deck and manicured yard

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NEW

234.9 ACRES
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ID#1102237 • MEDICINE HAT, AB

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9.02 ACRES
\$243,000

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- 932 sq. ft. home, 2 beds & 1 bath
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Cryptocurrency plant approved by AUC

SANDRA M STANWAY
BROOKS BULLETIN

The Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) has approved construction of Newbit Technology's 8.9 megawatt natural gas-fired generators near Tilley.

The AUC had early denied the company's 10 megawatt application but indicated

they could reapply using the checklist application - a process used instead of a full submission process - if the project remained under 10 megawatts.

The intended use of the plant as a cryptocurrency operation facility that was approved on Sept. 12.

It will consist of six 1.475 mW natural gas-fired reciprocating

engine generators and one 85-kilowatt diesel generator.

Construction will take place on EID land along Highway 1 about five kilometres northeast of Tilley near the Bantry plant. It is to be completed by the end of January 2023.

Newbit has received their development permit.



Bow River MP Martin Shields places a wreath at the Brooks Cenotaph on Sunday in memory of Queen Elizabeth II. The Royal Canadian Legion hosted a memorial service and fellowship that was attended by about 80 people. "I think it's incredible that 70 years as a monarch is outstanding. Over the years of my lifetime, she's been my Queen," he said. The one thing that Shields did recall from his childhood is sitting with family and listening to the Queen's Christmas Message on the radio. "My mother did that until the time she passed." May Small, 86, said when she was born it was the Queen's father who was in power. "I do remember when she came into power," she said. "Being a girl I related to maybe one day it would be better for the women in the country to have a queen. I really don't remember the King. All I know is King George. That's all I remember," she said. "It was a quite a do when they got married. All I remember of her is riding her horses They always made a fuss over that."

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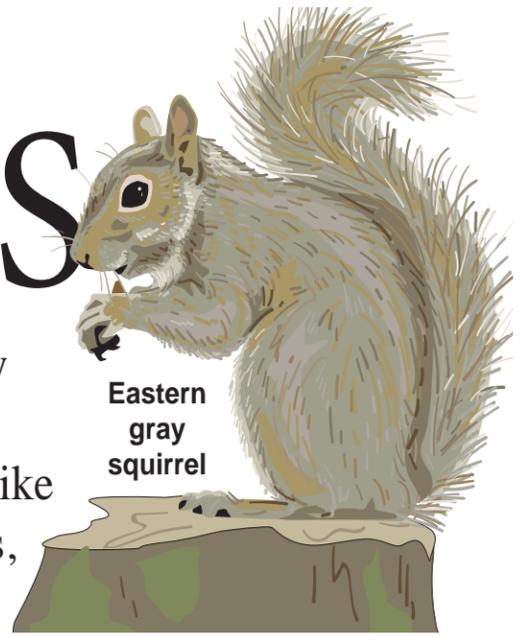
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SQUIRRELS



Red squirrel



Eastern gray squirrel

These little rascals are considered pests by many people because they sometimes nest where they shouldn't (houses and other buildings). They also like to raid bird feeders and dig up flowers and plants, and some species damage farmers' fields. Most folks think squirrels are pretty darned cute and like them well enough to share common habitats.

Location, location

Squirrels can be found just about everywhere except for Australia and Antarctica.

All in the family

Squirrels are a kind of **rodent**, closely related to mice, rats and beavers. There are about 270 species in the squirrel family. Squirrels can be divided into three main groups: tree squirrels, flying squirrels and ground squirrels.

Tree squirrels

As their name suggests, tree squirrels live mostly in trees and can be found in forests around the world. These animals spend most of their time searching for food. The common Eastern and Western gray squirrels are native to North America.

Flying squirrels

Flying squirrels are **nocturnal** (mostly active at night). They have a special fold of skin between their front and back legs that allows them to jump and glide from tree to tree. Most species are from Asia, but two small flying squirrels live in North America.

Ground squirrels

Ground squirrels have short tails and tend to be more compact than their tree-dwelling cousins. They burrow in open fields and live underground in dens. **Chipmunks** are a kind of ground squirrel, as are **marmots** (groundhogs) and **prairie dogs**.

There are 24 species of chipmunk in North America. Their populations have declined recently, largely due to predation by cats. Chipmunks hibernate in cold weather. They are good tree climbers and swimmers, and their big cheek pouches help them gather food.

Squirrels **molt** (shed their fur) twice a year, usually in the spring and the fall. Their fur is multilayered. The inner layer is short and thick to trap air and keep them warm. The outer layer is longer and makes up the visible coat. Tree squirrels in North America have many color patterns; variations are often regional.

The positioning of a squirrel's eyes allows it to see behind itself.

Squirrels communicate in barks and quacking noises, but their tails are their main form of communication.

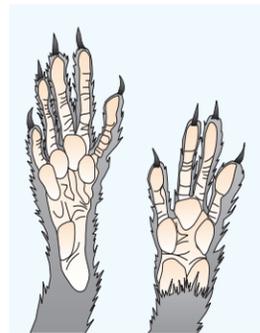
When jumping, or falling, a squirrel uses its tail for balance and as a parachute.

The hind legs of squirrels are double-jointed, giving them the ability to run up and down trees especially quickly.

Unclaimed buried nuts often grow into young trees.

Sharp claws and hairless foot pads help a squirrel climb vertical surfaces and provide superior gripping control. (Some squirrels do grow fur on their pads in winter.)

Squirrels have strong upper and lower **incisor teeth** that grow continually throughout their lives. The incisors are designed to crack nuts, while the back molars grind food into small bits.

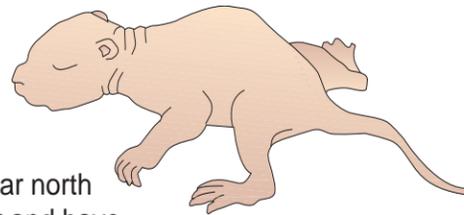


The front feet have four digits, and the back have five.



Flying squirrel

Newborn kit



Having babies

Squirrels that live in the far north tend to mate once a year and have litters of four to eight **kits**. Those that live farther south may have a second litter, but the number of offspring tends to be smaller. Female squirrels are pregnant for 36 to 45 days. Newborns are blind and have no hair. The mother raises her babies alone. Most tree squirrels become independent in about eight weeks. Flying squirrels can take up to 10 weeks to leave the nest because they need to master gliding techniques.



Chipmunk



Did you know?

The word **squirrel** comes from the Greek for "shadow tail."

Squirrels are able to run as fast as 20 miles per hour, but they usually run half this speed.

When squirrels eat a fungus called **mycorrhizae**, they help distribute beneficial fungal spores. This fungus helps in the exchange of water, minerals and energy from the sun between the soil and plants.

Home sweet home

Squirrels often build more than one nest in case one is damaged or threatened. Tree squirrels build nests padded with leaves, grasses, chewed bark and other materials. These nests are called **dreys**.

Most squirrels establish a home territory, and some will fight to defend it. Territory size depends on food resources and the number of potential mates. Most squirrels live alone, but some live with a mate or in a small family group. In winter, some species gather in temporary groups called **aggregations** to help keep each other warm.

Dinnertime

Squirrels like to eat nuts, seeds, pine cones, bark, sap, insects, eggs, fruit and fungi. What's on the menu is largely determined by what is available. Squirrels often store caches of food. They usually remember where they hid their snacks, but if they forget, they have a keen sense of smell to help them locate a lost meal.

Life span & threats

How long a squirrel lives depends on how large it is. Larger squirrels tend to live longer than smaller ones, which are often prey to other animals.

Hawks, cats, foxes, weasels and snakes are some of a squirrel's natural enemies. They are also often the victims of automobiles and habitat destruction.