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## County budget approved

JOHN WATSON  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Wheatland County council has approved their finalized capital and operating budgets, choosing to not defer several large capital projects.

Though the capital budget was approved unanimously, the operating budget was approved in a 4-3 split vote, ultimately settling on a 6.58 per cent overall municipal tax rate increase.

Interim General Manager of Community and Development Services, Joel Chiasson, had previously pointed out to the Committee of the Whole, over the past several years, the county had opted to increase their utilization of their general surplus and reserves in order to offset rising inflationary pressures.

Now comes the time for the new council to begin the process of rebuilding reserves and stabilizing the county's finances.

"One of the key things that we wanted to bring forward with this budget discussion, and there are two aspects of it, is that the final budget is closely linked to the tax rates and the municipal revenue that is required to fund the operating budget," said Chiasson. "There is a direct tie to the decision that is made for that final budget and the revenues involved, and then the subsequent decision on the tax rate bylaw which is directly tied to that and uses the tax rates that are utilized in that."

Of the options that had been presented to council by administration, a 6.58 per cent tax increase was indicated to be aggressive but was not the greatest increase that had been proposed.

This increase serves the purpose to align with the municipal price index while adding a dedicated two per cent infrastructure notation, and an incremental step for non-residential tax rates.

The idea being to address infrastructure deficits, while maintaining a desire for increasing rates to be more or less palatable for residents.

Wheatland County's tax rates will effectively now be in alignment with several neighboring municipalities.

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## Fire on Ice lights up Strathmore

The Strathmore Skating Club hosted its annual gala, Fire on Ice, on April 11 at the Strathmore Family Centre. The popular year-end showcase featured performances from skaters in PreSTAR, STARSkate, and the club's synchro teams. See Page 7 for more coverage.

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# County passes master schedule of fees

**JOHN WATSON**  
 Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Wheatland County unanimously passed its Master Schedule of Fees bylaw for the fiscal year during the April 7 meeting, where all three readings were conducted.

The updated bylaw contains several adjustments for clarity and compliance purposes, including rewording for fees relating to road sign installations, and penalties applied to water services.

“The largest section of changes is an addition to a new section for the Goldfinch region, the new raw water line,” said Joel Chiasson, interim general manager of community and development services. “The purposes of this area are just to ensure that there is a proper structure in place to collect revenues for those once it is operational. The operating

costs are intended to be fully recovered by the users and they are based on their proportional share or use of the system.”

Chiasson explained the intent is to be with adjustments to the annual rates, which would consider the actual numbers recorded from the previous year.

Two other items annotated in the Master Schedule of Fees bylaw are new capital levy charges – being the capital replacement reserve, and the connection fee intended for new companies and residents tying into the existing system who did not contribute to the original costs.

“In this way, it is calculating the cost of that infrastructure, and they are paying for their buy in of their share to tie into that,” said Chiasson.

Fees around the water line are structured around the capacity of the system, currently being approximately 53 litres per second of maximum flow.

Coun. Keith Clayton, prior to the passing of the bylaw, sought clarification regarding the posted \$273,668 per litre per second connection fee lump sum payment for new accounts.

“If we have a user come on or a new account holder who wants to use 25 per cent of the capacity of that system, then they would have the levy of 25 per cent of the original capital cost of to build that that system,” said Brad Bullock, general manager of transportation and agriculture. “As the system is built up further, that number will change and so we will monitor that but essentially it is a levy depending on their planned use of the system and how much they reserve for their use.”

Addressing a concern expressed by Coun. Berle Hebbes, though council did seek provincial support to address water concerns in the summer of 2025, there are currently no active applications for grant funding, nor is there a grant program available to receive aid for water reservoir-related projects.

“We have used cost estimates of a future reservoir to establish that levy. Fundamentally, what that water line is, is future water resiliency projects. There are provincial grant funds available for that, which the county does pursue,” explained Bullock. “When it does come (time) to build that project, if there is grant funding provided to the county for that, then we would adjust those rates. Right now, these rates are all based on our best estimate for the information that we have right now.”

Currently, the County relies on water licenses purchased directly from the province to divert from the Bow River, which are accompanied by conditions.

The future construction of a reservoir will allow for the collection and storage of water during times of high water levels and may be used to increase local water resiliency into the future.

The Goldfinch water line, which served as a significant point of discussion prior to the passing of the bylaw, supports a local industrial park among its local users which includes the CGC wallboard manufacturing plant currently under construction.



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# Town disentombs cemetery bylaw debate

**JOHN WATSON**  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Town of Strathmore's local cemetery bylaw is returning to the discussion table, aiming to better align with provincial legislation, as well as to address ongoing operational challenges.

Donna McCallum, operations manager, and Kyla Lawson, accounting services supervisor, presented the proposed draft of the bylaw before the Committee of the Whole, April 8.

"It has been 12 years since the cemetery bylaw has had an update. Over the past several years, the Town of Strathmore has been working closely with both our internal team and outside partners to make sure our cemetery rules match the Cemeteries Act, and that we follow the best practices found in many other communities," said McCallum. "While a lot has changed in the 12 years since this bylaw was last reviewed ... some of the things are still remaining the same."

In its newest draft, the bylaw annotates rules pertaining to improved mowing and weed control, grave decorations, metal items such as lights and hooks, glass fixtures, and cleanup schedules.

Additionally, no permanent plantings such as shrubs or invasive species will be permitted. Annual flowers may be authorized for planting with authorization from the cemetery coordinator.

Significant features such as benches or trees must be approved through an application process.

Debate regarding the bylaw was brought before the Committee of the Whole Oct. 11, 2023, and appeared before the town an additional four times by Sept. 11, 2024.

Focused and efficient administration and maintenance of the cemetery, provision of valuable services and support of respectful, caring and proficient experiences were among the original

discussion points.

In following presentations, administration included proposed updates to several definitions of terms outlined, and amendments to several policies.

Third and final reading of the bylaw has been deferred multiple times by council, remaining divisive amongst the previous council and being defeated after debate and recommendations by administration to pass the document.

As of September 2024, administration had noted the town to be not financially sustainable with its cemetery operations, and needing to come into alignment with the Cemeteries Act and Regulations.

"We have heard from the previous town council (and) the public, and feel the new bylaw has a balanced approach. We have had two legal reviews of the various proposed bylaws as well," explained McCallum. "There have been changes on best practices and some challenges with administration of the cemetery."

Administrative challenges included revision of business days and holidays for the purposes of burial notification, updates on outdated deed terminology – now called right certificates, and the addition of the columbarium, among other updates to definitions and policies.

The Cemetery Master Plan, last updated in 2019, provides details and analyses into operations of the town's cemetery. This includes steps for improved planning and budgeting for future expansion, as well as understanding of practices and operations.

"As space becomes limited, we will need to start preparing for a cemetery expansion and acquiring land for a new cemetery, which can take up to 10 years," added McCallum.

Currently, 2052 people are interred in Strathmore's cemetery. Grounds maintenance costs average between \$40,000 and \$50,000 annually.

Feedback from the committee praised the wording of the new bylaw, noting that many previous grievances with drafts had been adequately addressed.

The draft will return before council to receive third and final reading at a later date.

(With files from the Strathmore Times, Oct. 2023, Nov. 2023, May 2024, Sept. 2024)

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# County reviews 2025 audit report

**JOHN WATSON**  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Wheatland County has completed its audit of the 2025 financial year, being described by Reeve Scott Klassen as having kept the standard of financial reporting at a high.

The audit was completed based on the terms of an engagement letter, dated Dec. 2, beginning with interim field work performed during that month.

This included an inventory count, Dec. 20. Year-end filed work took place between Feb. 27, through to the end of March.

"It is a clean audit report which is good; it is an unmodified audit report. That is the same as it has been in years prior, and the same again this year," said Cam Lorac, partner at MNP LLP. "It means nothing came to our attention that would lead us to believe the financial statements are materially false or misleading."

The county was deemed to be within its debt limit which is set by the Province of Alberta, as well as disclosed the salaries of council members and designated officers as required.

The county's net financial assets decreased to \$18.9 million at year end, which was noted to be primarily driven by \$29 million in capital asset additions throughout 2025.

"Whenever I look at a municipality, the first thing I always want to look at are ... net financial assets, and then accumulated surplus because net financial assets essentially represent your liquidity and your accumulated surplus represents es-

entially the equity that you have built up within the county," said Lorac. "If we were to take all the value of your assets, all the value of your cash, less all your liabilities, that is essentially what that represents."

He also noted the county is feasibly able to continue functioning regularly for a period of three to six months should revenue suddenly cease – a position of healthy financial stability.

Due to a demand installment loan which was used to fund the Goldfinch water project, the county's long-term debt saw a notable increase. Additional funds were pulled from portfolio investments in order to aid in financing the project.

Net property taxes and user fees such as water and gravel usage were noted to be higher than in previous years. Conversely, the cost of goods and materials decreased in 2025 due to fuel, oil and asphalt prices being lower than originally anticipated.

Addressing concerns raised by Coun. Berle Hebbes regarding gravel use, Lorac explained the county hires firms to survey gravel sites on a rotating basis. The results of these surveys are then used to inform procedures when reviewing gravel pits.

The county's operating activities generated approximately \$6 million in cash through 2025 which aided in the purchase of a number of assets.

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### Ringette coaches shine

Coaches from Strathmore and Indus traded their clipboards for ringette sticks for the first-ever Ringette Coaches Game on April 12 at the Strathmore Family Centre. The game provided plenty of laughs and lighthearted competition for the fans in attendance.

Mario Prusina Photo



### Lending a hand

Members of the Crowfoot 4-H Multi Club rolled up their sleeves to support the Wheatland Conservation Dinner on March 7 at the Strathmore Civic Centre. Volunteers from the club assisted throughout the evening, helping serve appetizers, collect dishes, and clear tables for guests attending the annual event. For the youth involved, the experience was another chance to demonstrate the values of 4-H, community service, teamwork, and leadership, while making a positive impact close to home.

Photo Courtesy of Kaila Dingman

## Town re-examining standards of services and service levels

JOHN WATSON  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Town of Strathmore council is conducting its annual review of its standards and expectations of local services and service levels, aiming to see where improvements may be necessary.

Presented by Kara Rusk before the Committee of the Whole, April 8, the Service and Services Levels Inventory Review was indicated to not be seeking any decisions or approval at the time, but rather to review how services and service levels are defined, align with strategic priorities, and fiscal direction.

“Service levels are at the strategic level that set the standards and benchmarks that define the quality and quantity of the services to be provided by the town,” said Rusk. “How it gets done still remains with administration to align with the expectations and standards that are set by council and in alignment with the budget.”

For example, should council wish to change the standard on the frequency of grass cutting throughout the town, that falls within the inventory; however, the method by which this is accomplished remains with administration to align with council's expectations.

Rusk explained the current goal is to transition the town towards priority-based budgeting and further refine the current service inventory system, which is still effectively in its infancy.

Work on the service level inventory began following the previous council's approval in January 2024.

In June 2025, administration brought forward the initial “Beta” version of the inventory, serving as a starting point and a proof of concept.

“Council had an opportunity at that time to provide feedback to refine the structure, clarity, and alignment with its strategic priorities,” added Rusk.

The adoption of the initial inventory took place in July, serving as the foundational framework, and representing an important first step towards more transparent service planning with budgeting and fiscal sustainability.

Priority-based budgeting refers to an outcomes-driven approach, allocating resources based on efficacy of programs and services in order to achieve the town's highest priorities as opposed to simply increasing the overall budget; and by extension, creating higher taxes for residents and businesses.

This was outlined by the current council as one of its strategic priorities in the new plan they developed for the current term.

Any service level changes which are approved during a future council meeting will be incorporated into the 2027

budget in order to align with service level expectations set by council.

Following Rusk's presentation, council noted interest in a more expansive snow removal program, and service improvements regarding alleyway maintenance as current points of interest for when the inventory review returns for approval.

## County approves final capital, operating budgets for 2026

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Potential capital project deferrals which were ultimately decided to proceed included but were not limited to items such as hamlet sidewalks and concrete maintenance, paving and a water main in Rosebud, multi-use pathways, and Carseland Waste Management fence replacement.

A continued point of contention which has been raised in several previous budget discussions regards the county's need to repair and/or replace several bridges and bridge culverts within the region, with an anticipated cost of \$181.5 million.

Regarding the county's tax distribution in 2025, nine per cent of their revenue stemmed from farmland, 15 per cent was contributed from residential, and the remaining 76 per cent was accounted for by non-residential sources.

There was an argument presented during the meeting for the deferral of \$2.5 million in capital projects in order to lower the immediate tax impact, however in contrast, “kicking the can down the road” would put additional pressures on later years and not help to restore the county's fiscal health.

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# Heading to nationals

MELISSA PICHE  
Times Contributor

Strathmore's own Olivia Jarvis is headed to Whitehorse for the 2026 Western Canadian Artistic National Championship April 22-25.

The 14-year-old recently competed at the Western Trials in Airdrie, where she earned a spot to represent Alberta.

When asked about her background in the sport, Olivia said she has been involved in gymnastics "for about 11 years."

Her mother, Laura Jarvis, explained the challenge of reaching this level, noting the structure of the qualification process.

"For Westerns, you have to be in Level 8, 9, or 10," she said. "So, 10 is the highest (which Olivia currently competes at)."

The competition in Alberta is particularly unique at that level.

"There's lots of Level 8s, there's lots of Level 9s, but once you get to Level 10, very few in Alberta. So, she's actually one of four athletes in all of Alberta at her level," Laura said.

To qualify, athletes must post a strong all-around score.

"She had to get a 32 all around, and she did meet that qualification," Laura said, adding that the result also counted toward nationals. "She not only qualified for Westerns, but she qualified for nationals as well."

For Olivia, the achievement reflects years of dedication.

"It feels really good, and I feel like I get a lot of chances," said Olivia. "I put a lot of hard work and time in."

That work includes a demanding training schedule. That schedule includes travelling to Okotoks to train at the Mountain Shadows Gymnastics Club five days a week, up to 20 hours of training a week. Laura said that Olivia's level is not available at every gym, so they had to find a suitable location.

Olivia will travel with Team Alberta to Whitehorse, where athletes will spend a week training and participating in team activities.

"She goes on April 22, and she flies up there with Team Alberta," Laura said. Olivia is also looking forward to the experience, expressing the team aspect of it and getting to meet new

people.

Beyond Westerns, Olivia is in contention for the Canadian Championships, set for Oshawa later this spring. If selected, she would again travel with Team Alberta and compete against athletes from across the country.

Laura noted the significance of that opportunity.

"Even if she gets 20, being able to say, 'I'm Top 20 in Canada' is a pretty cool feat," said Laura.

Olivia's strongest event is the bal-

ance beam.

"I'm usually very consistent and can get many skills on it," Olivia said.

Laura added that her daughter's steadiness on beam has become well known. "She's known as the 'beam queen' in her gym because she's quite steady on the beam," she said.

"On beam, she has a full 10 starting value, which is pretty uncommon."

Balancing school and elite training present another challenge. Olivia attends public school while maintaining her demanding schedule.

Laura praised the support from teachers and the community.

Laura said they feel very lucky to live in a community that sup-



ports their young athletes the way Strathmore does.

With Westerns in Whitehorse approaching and the possibility of Canadians still ahead, Olivia continues to train and prepare, representing both Strathmore and Alberta on a growing competitive stage.

Information on the gymnastics provincial schedule can be found on the Alberta Gymnastics Federation website ([www.abgym.ab.ca](http://www.abgym.ab.ca)).

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The hot flashes and night sweats are symptoms of menopause and are certainly no fun. These symptoms can be relieved by hormone therapy but this treatment is not recommended for women with a history of breast cancer. There are two prescription products available in Canada that are non-hormonal and can relieve menopausal symptoms. Talk to your doctor or pharmacist about these.

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## Upcoming Meetings

Council and committee meetings will now be open to the public and via teleconference. For public hearings it is strongly encouraged that you attend in person.

- April 14, 2026, 9:00 a.m. | Municipal Planning Commission**
- April 21, 2026, 9:00 a.m. | Council Meeting**
- May 5, 2026, 9:00 a.m. | Council Meeting**

For call-in details, access links, and agenda packages, please visit our website. <https://wheatlandcounty.ca/agendasandminutes/>

## ROSEBUD COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE

Wheatland County is hosting an open house to share information about several projects planned in Rosebud this summer. Residents are invited to attend, learn more about the upcoming work, ask questions, and share their feedback.

**Date:** April 21  
**Time:** 6:00 – 8:00 PM  
**Location:** Rosebud Memorial Hall

**Projects include:**

- New pathway construction
- Watermain looping (Railway Ave. to Main St.)
- Paving of Severn Ave. and Comstock St.
- Sidewalk improvements
- Upgraded washroom facilities

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### Public Hearings

**Wheatland County Council Chambers May 5, 2026 at 9 a.m.**

Wheatland County will consider the following applications for Public Hearing at the regular Council meeting on Tuesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

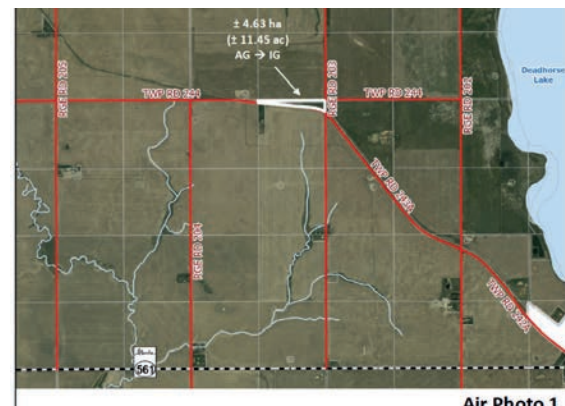
The following public hearings begin at 9 a.m. and proceed until all applications have been heard:

**Bylaw #: 2026-02 (LU2026-001)**

**Legal Description:** Lot 1, Block 2, Plan 1411122, within NE-21-24-20-W4M

**Proposal:** To redesignate Lot 1, Block 2, Plan 1411122, from AG District to IG District, in order to facilitate the development of a solar facility and data processing facility.

More information is available on the County's website via the following web address: [wheatlandcounty.ca/projects-under-review/](http://wheatlandcounty.ca/projects-under-review/)



**Lot 1, Block 2, Plan 1411122, within NE-21-24-20-W4M**

Proposal: To redesignate Lot 1, Block 2, Plan 1411122, from Agricultural General (AG) District to Industrial General (IG) District, in order to facilitate the development of a solar facility and data processing facility.

**WHEATLAND COUNTY**

Land Use Redesignation File No.: LU2026-001  
February 23, 2026

Comments may be forwarded in writing to Wheatland County or in person at the above meeting. The application files may be reviewed in the County Office during regular office hours – Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Any comments provided will become part of the public record in accordance with Section 13(1) of Alberta's Protection of Privacy Act. Any personal information on submissions made regarding applications is collected under the authority of the Protection of Privacy Act, Section 4(c) that information relates directly to and is necessary for an operating program or activity of the public body.



**Blades on fire**

Skating fans filled the Strathmore Family Centre for the annual Fire on Ice, on April 11, hosted by the Strathmore Skating Club. Fans were able to celebrate the athletes' hard work and progress throughout the season, with skaters delivering a mix of solo and group routines in a lively and festive atmosphere.

Joe Lepage Photos



**Great deals**

Strathmore hosted its annual spring Parade of Garage Sales on April 11. Sponsored by Debbie Mitzner of RE/MAX Landon Real Estate, this event takes place twice each year - once in the spring and again in September.

Joe Lepage Photos



**Coffee time**

Chestermere-Strathmore MLA Chantelle de Jonge hosted a "Coffee and Chat" on April 11 at Smiley's Restaurant and Lounge. Community members were welcomed to stop in at any time during the two-hour window to connect directly with their MLA and share thoughts on topics affecting the region.

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**Food bank donation**

The Strathmore and District Curling Club has stepped up in support of the Wheatland County Food Bank with two recent donations raised throughout the season. A total of \$1,295 was contributed from the men's bonspiel 50/50 draw, while the Strathmore Ladies Curling League added another \$772.50 to the local food bank. The combined donations highlight the club's ongoing commitment to giving back to the community.

Photos Courtesy of the Strathmore and District Curling Club

**Renewal time**

CHANTELLE DE JONGE  
Chestermere-Strathmore MLA

April is a time for renewal – and with it comes a renewed focus on delivering priorities that matter most to Albertans. Across the province, our government is moving forward with practical measures to enhance school safety, strengthen health care, support communities, and drive economic growth.

One important example is our \$22 million investment to make our classrooms safer in the wake of the school shooting in Tumbler Ridge, B.C., earlier this year. This money will help school boards improve security in schools, such as locks, doors, cameras, and other protective measures, and expand safety training for staff. Schools should be safe, secure places to learn, and Alberta's government is taking action to help make that happen.

More than 1.3 million Albertans are living with diabetes, which is why our government is covering the province's first tubeless insulin pump – the Omnipod 5. This pump automatically adjusts insulin in real time, reducing the daily burden of managing blood sugar levels, and providing a greater quality of life. This is all part of our government's commitment to innovative and life-changing care, when and where Albertans need it.

Alberta's stunning landscapes are catching the world's attention. Netflix is currently featuring 28 locations across the province in popular film and television productions seen by millions of viewers around the globe. From mountain vistas in *Can This Love Be Translated?*, to *Chestermere*, featured in *My Life with the Walter Boys*, our province offers incredible settings for the big and small screen that are supporting local businesses, creating good-paying jobs, and fueling a gro-

wing tourism economy.

Getting goods where they need to go – without unnecessary barriers – is key to a strong Alberta economy. That is why our government has launched a new made-in-Alberta Canadian Trucking Regulations Hub. It gives drivers a simple online tool to understand the rules across provinces and territories. By putting route planning, permits, and safety requirements all in one place, the Hub will save drivers time and keep Alberta's transportation system efficient and competitive.

Our government is also strengthening Alberta's flood and drought resilience through a more than \$28 million investment in water infrastructure, watershed health, and emergency preparedness. This will make sure communities across the province are prepared to keep homes, businesses, and critical infrastructure safe. When extreme weather hits, being ready has never been more important.

By keeping Albertans safe, supporting families and workers, and preparing for what's ahead, we are building the Alberta of today and tomorrow.

Finally, I want to thank everyone who joined me this past weekend for the Coffee with MLA meetings. I truly appreciate you taking the time to share your thoughts and feedback. Hearing directly from you about what matters most in our constituency helps guide the work I do. I am grateful for your openness and for the chance to listen and learn from your priorities.

As always, please feel free to reach out to my office with your feedback and questions ([Chestermere.Strathmore@assembly.ab.ca](mailto:Chestermere.Strathmore@assembly.ab.ca)).

*(Chantelle de Jonge is the MLA for Chestermere-Strathmore and the Parliamentary Secretary for Affordability and Utilities)*

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**CRETIN (BROWN), Hilda Theresa**

Hilda Theresa Cretin (Brown), of Brooks, Alberta, died on April 02nd, 2026 at Sunrise Gardens in Brooks, Alberta at the age of 93 years. She was born April 20th, 1932, to Duncan and Sadie Brown of New Victoria, Nova Scotia. Hilda completed Nova Scotia Provincial Normal College training and graduated in 1951 with a First-Class Teachers Certificate. She taught in Nova Scotia and in 1955, along with several friends, she moved to Cluny to teach at Crowfoot School. She married Charles Cretin of Cluny on July 03rd, 1957. Hilda and Charlie had two children, Don and Patty. They farmed in the Cluny area, until a move to Brooks in 1972, where she has resided since. Hilda is survived by her brother William (Bill) Brown and his spouse Donna of Antigonish, Nova Scotia, her son, Don and his spouse Cathy of Carstairs and her daughter Patty of Calgary. She was preceded in death by her spouse Charlie, her brother Dan, and sisters Martha and Winnie. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, April 21st at 11:00 AM from St. Mary's Catholic Church, Brooks. Rev. Kelvin Chukwurah officiating. Interment will be at Saint Joseph's Cemetery in New Victoria, Nova Scotia, at a later date. The Cretin family would like to thank Dr. Thomson for her lifetime of care and also the staff at Sunrise Gardens for their care and support in mom's latter years. Cremation is entrusted to and conducted at Smith Funeral Home Ltd., Brooks. Funeral arrangements entrusted to: SMITH FUNERAL HOME LTD., BROOKS, ALBERTA. Condolences may be forwarded through [www.sfh.ca](http://www.sfh.ca) Telephone 403-362-4636 or Toll Free 866-362-4652 "Our Families Serving Your Family with Complete Burial or Cremation Services"

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**JACKSON, Dorien**

With sadness we announce the passing of Dorian Ann Jackson (Provost) of Strathmore, Alberta on April 12, 2026. Dorien was born March 21, 1934, the youngest of a family of eight. She was raised on the family farm near Wetaskiwin, Alberta. She attended school there until moving on to complete her nursing training at the Misericordia Hospital in Edmonton. Dorien married John Jackson in 1958. Together, they had two children, Graham and JoAnn. In 1965, Dorien and John moved to Calgary where John worked as a geologist and Dorien a registered nurse at the Foothills Hospital. In 1972, John and Dorien purchased a small farm east of Strathmore, where they built a home and raised a modest cow herd. Dorien was very involved with the cattle and loved gardening and yard work. Dorien also worked part time as the librarian in Gleichen for a number of years. Dorien and John remained on the farm until moving to Strathmore Wheatland Lodge in 2018. Dorien spent her last few years at Sagewood in Strathmore. Dorien was predeceased by John in 2023. They were married for 64 years. Dorien leaves behind her son, Graham (Suzanne) Jackson of Wheatland County, AB; daughter JoAnn (Steve) Vachon of Fort Saskatchewan, AB; grandsons Lachlan (Rachel) Jackson and Brendan Jackson (Christine Sullivan); granddaughter Keely Vachon; and great grandchildren Troy and Carly Jackson. A funeral service for Dorien will be held on Friday, April 17, 2026, at Strathmore Alliance Church at 11:00 a.m. with burial to follow at Strathmore Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation directly to the Wheatland and Area Hospice Society. To send condolences, please visit Dorien's obituary at [www.wheatlandfuneralhome.ca](http://www.wheatlandfuneralhome.ca)

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**JOHNSTON, Carol "Lynn"**

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Carol Lynn Johnston, affectionately known as Lynn, who left this world peacefully on April 9, 2026, at the age of 61. Lynn was surrounded by her loving family in her final moments, a testament to the deep bonds she nurtured throughout her life. Born in Calgary, Alberta, on October 6, 1964, Lynn was the cherished daughter of Leona and Ralph Johnston. She was predeceased by her beloved parents, her brother Bob, and brother-in-law Dave. Her legacy of love continues through her devoted sister Karen Kirkeby, her sister-in-law Heather Johnston, and her adoring nieces and nephews: Mark, Kristie Kuhn (Shane), Chad, and Joanne (Nick). Lynn's great-nephews, Hayden and Arlo Kuhn, along with Joshua (Kaycee), were a source of immense joy and pride for her. Lynn's educational journey took her through Christine Meikle School, King George, and AE Cross. After her schooling, she became a vibrant participant in the day programs at VRRRI and later, upon her move to Strathmore in 2022, with FAIM. These organizations played a crucial role in supporting her volunteer work, helping her find employment, and assisting with her daily activities. Lynn was deeply committed to her roles, both paid and volunteer, at esteemed establishments like Peter Lougheed, Rockyview, Sanjel, YMCA and the MS Society. A spirited athlete, Lynn was a beacon of enthusiasm and energy in the Calgary Special Olympics. She excelled in competitive swimming, synchronized swimming, golf, bowling, and figure skating, embodying the spirit of camaraderie and competition. Her love for sports extended beyond participation; she was an ardent supporter of the Calgary Flames and the Stampeders, cheering them on with an unwavering passion. Lynn's creativity shone brightly in her love for crafts, especially coloring. As well, music was a passion for Lynn and you could always find her with her guitar strumming along and singing if there was a sing-a-long around the campfire with her beach family at Mara Lake. She embraced exercise and sports with gusto, bringing vitality and joy to those around her. Known for her infectious smile and kind heart, Lynn left an ever lasting mark on everyone she encountered, forever remembered for her ability to bring warmth and happiness to any room. A celebration of Lynn's life will take place at on Wednesday, April 22, 2026, at the Strathmore United Church at 2:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations be made directly to Hope Bridges Society, an organization close to Lynn's heart. There will also be an additional Celebration of Life to celebrate Lynn and her brother Bob on May 24, 2026 at 6868 Sierra Morena Blvd SW, Calgary at 2:00 p.m. The family extends their heartfelt gratitude to the dedicated staff at FAIM for their daily visits, the compassionate caregivers on the Namaka Unit of Sagewood long-term care facility, and Dr. Maarten Coetzee for their unwavering support and care. Lynn's light will continue to shine in the hearts and memories of those who knew and loved her. She was a remarkable woman who touched many lives with her kindness, resilience, and unwavering spirit. As we gather to celebrate her life, let us remember the joy she brought into our lives and honor her legacy by spreading love and kindness in her memory. Rest in peace, Lynn. You will be dearly missed and forever cherished. To send condolences, please visit Lynn's obituary at [www.wheatlandfuneralhome.ca](http://www.wheatlandfuneralhome.ca)

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**KUNN, Nicholas (Nick) Steve**

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Nicholas (Nick) Steve Kunn on April 2, 2026 at the age of 78 years in Strathmore, Alberta. Nicholas was born and raised in Calgary, Alberta on April 2, 1948. Nicholas leaves his loving wife Gloria (nee Phillips); children, Marli (Greg), Stephen (Rebecca), Jasmine, Jillian and Joseph (Annie); grandchildren, James, McKenna, Olivia, Emmerson, Mason, Isla, Violet, Jaxon, Claire and Roman; sister, Donna (Jim). Nicholas also leaves his nephew, mother in law, sister in laws, brother in laws and their extended families. He was predeceased by his father Nicholas and mother Helen as well as his father in law James. Nicholas worked as an electrician at the start of his career and evolved into Maintenance Management and Project Management roles within Alberta Health Services. Nicholas worked at the Didsbury Hospital, Carewest Fanning Centre, Foothills Hospital and Peter Lougheed Hospital taking tremendous care and pride in the many projects he led and saw through to completion. Nicholas was happiest camping, fishing and boating on the Crowsnest and Bow Rivers. He loved to tie flies for fly fishing, build elaborate models of boats, photography and attend car shows. Later in life Nicholas loved to vacation in Mexico with his wife Gloria enjoying the sun, ocean and culture. His interests and talents were vast and varied. May he rest in eternal peace, restored in body and spirit. In honour of Nicholas request, there will be no service. Those wishing to make a donation in honour of Nicholas may do so to STARS or the Strathmore Overnight Shelter. The family would like to extend a special thank you to the staff at Strathmore Hospital who went out of their way to lend a helping hand, their support brought comfort and dignity during this difficult time.

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**BAYLEY, Linda**

Those of us who have known Linda well through the years are feeling that a very special gift has slipped from our lives this week.

Even with such efficient, kind and gracious care from the staff at Rockyview Hospital and Bethany Nursing Home in Calgary and finally, Sagewood in Strathmore, the past few years have been difficult. Her terrific and often witty sense of humor and fun loving adventurous nature faded and a sad steady good-bye had to be said. On occasion, we saw some of her old self show through her sadness and confusion. What a blessing those times have been for us, leaving us with cherished memories and a longing to see her "whole" when we reunite with her in heaven.

She had a strong belief in and love for God and family.

She is predeceased by her wise and very nurturing mom and dad, Charles and Edna Bayley, who guided and cared for her through the interesting life she led. She was often a blessing to others although continually struggling with difficult neuro-development conditions. She handled her life courageously and well. She left behind her two older brothers, Chuck Bayley (wife Karen) of Strathmore and Russ Bayley (wife Carolyn) of Abbotsford as well as sister Grace Drake (husband Keith) of Strathmore.

Although she never married or had children of her own, her nephews and nieces were very important to Linda. She was so good with them and loved any opportunities to spend time with them.

She spent some time studying God's word at Berean Bible College shortly after high school. She loved to give of her time and help to others through Volunteer Programs. She worked with Operation Mobilization in Italy for several years and was a faithful member of several volunteer groups in downtown Calgary. She received recognition and was pleased to be awarded with several "volunteer award plaques". These, plus her rewarding work as a trained assistant care giver in a nursing home, gave her much satisfaction; she knew she was genuinely helping and was valued.

Linda loved to travel and enjoyed several interesting trips. Her siblings, together, gave her a trip for her 50th birthday to the place of her choice, the Cook Islands. She also enjoyed time in Mexico and Hawaii and a trip over the Canadian Rockies to visit family in Abbotsford. For several years, she loved going on weekly outings to Cochrane for an ice-cream cone and a hike along the river. These were precious times of laughing and singing together for her and her sister. Great memories!

Linda was a faithful participator in her Bridgeland Church in Calgary; often walking and/or taking the bus weekly to be involved in weekend services as well as bible studies during the week. She so appreciated the friendships she made there; feeling very accepted and loved.

Up until the last few years, she easily made friends. Those she lived with at Baker House, in downtown Calgary, were precious to her. They enjoyed her warm, caring and often entertaining company.

In more recent years, while still living in Calgary, she spent quite a bit of time with her family at the Drake farm near Cheadle. They celebrated special days together and she became quite attached to the farm nephews and the animals. She loved it when other family members joined in these warm "together times" and especially cherished the times of singing together; blending her beautiful voice, harmonizing easily and eagerly participating in any activities- especially those involving food.)

Brother Chuck and his wife Karen moved into one of the Sagewood apartments shortly before Linda came to the nursing home, in the Namaka Unit area. How great for her to have them living so close. We considered her "living with family" during this time. We are planning to have a private celebration of life for her, making it a family reunion and spreading her ashes where she loved to walk in the orchard. We will wait until summer for this to give the out-of-province families a safer time to travel over the mountains and prairies.

Linda had shared some years ago that for her funeral she wanted a Salvation Army marching band and a nice meal for her friends downtown in Calgary. That was our Linda! She will be so missed. Maybe we can make that meal happen sometime, but we are not too sure about the marching band. What a unique person; a breath of fresh air to those who were privileged to really get to know her.

To send condolences, please visit Linda's obituary at [www.wheatlandfuneralhome.ca](http://www.wheatlandfuneralhome.ca)



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**BELTON, Gregory (Greg) Richard**

Gregory (Greg) Richard Belton, passed away on April 1, 2026, in Strathmore, Alberta, after a long courageous battle with Huntington's Disease. Surrounded by his family and dearest friends sharing conversations and memories, while the gentle sound of SportsNet played in the background, Greg was carried peacefully away. He knew he was loved. Born on February 9, 1984, in High Level, Alberta, Greg led a life filled with dedication and love for his family and friends that he held dear throughout his 42 years. Greg moved to Strathmore, Alberta in 1986 with his mother Marlene and father Rick where, as an only child, he quickly began to develop the most remarkable friendships that lasted a lifetime. Through neighbours, school, teammates, fishing pals and university mates, Greg built a family around himself like no other and held them all close for as long as he lived.

At a young age Greg developed a love of sports, particularly baseball. Whether it was hockey, basketball, volleyball, badminton, golf, snowboarding or baseball he played and stayed involved in whatever he could right up until his final week. With a unique sense of humour, Greg loved to bring laughter to the world and had a keen sense for fun. Much of his youth and young adulthood was spent touring around Alberta with sports teams, fishing and camping with his parents, and seeking adventure and joking around with his friends.

Greg's passion for sports guided him through a University Degree in Kinesiology, followed by his first career as a personal trainer. In later years, Greg also worked as a radiation safety officer and construction labourer. Through all his endeavours Greg did what he did best, meeting and helping new people and bringing light to the lives of everyone who crossed his path.

In May 2014, Greg married the love of his life, Michelle. Together they created a home and family built with loyalty, mutual respect, love and compassion. Michelle was Greg's confidant and best friend. Their two boys, Carter and Nash, were Greg's whole world. Together, they shared many camping and fishing trips, hockey games, and travelling adventures. He cherished every moment spent with them and took great pride in them.

Greg was the inspiration for the annual fundraiser and Huntington's Disease awareness event Home Runs for Huntington's, which was established by his closest friends and ran for 5 years leaving behind a legacy of awareness, donations towards research, and support for his family. Greg's journey was defined by love, adventure, courage and resilience. As a husband, father, son, uncle, and friend his influence was profound, and his light was felt by all those around him.

Greg is survived by his loving wife Michelle, his sons Carter and Nash, and his mother Marlene. Greg was predeceased by his father Rick, grandfather Rolf Huber, and grandparents Ian and Jean Belton. Greg will be greatly missed by his wife, boys, mother, Nana and all his extended family and numerous loyal friends.

The family extends their sincere gratitude to Dr. Sader, Dr. Sarna, Dr. Maki, Dr. Fanning, all the staff and care team at Sagewood; particularly those on the Langdon Unit. As well as to the teams at the Strathmore District Hospital in the Emergency department and Acute Care Unit for the great care and support received at the end of Greg's journey.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made directly to the Huntington's Society of Canada in Greg's honour.

A funeral service will be held Sunday April 19, 2026, at Lord of All Lutheran Church at 1:30 pm.



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**TAYLOR, Teresa Ann**

Beloved Wife, Mother, Nana, and Friend,

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Terri Taylor, a woman whose warmth, generosity, and love touched everyone fortunate enough to cross her path.

Born Teresa Ann Chimuk to William and Ann Chimuk on the outskirts of Winnipeg MB, Terri grew up on a bustling family farm surrounded by a large and vibrant extended family. Rooted in the Ukrainian Orthodox faith, she became a true cultural ambassador - her life a living celebration of heritage, hospitality, and heart. From her years of Ukrainian Dance training to her legendary skill in the kitchen, Terri poured herself into every gathering, transforming meals and moments into cherished memories. Her Ukrainian Christmas and Easter tables were nothing short of extraordinary.

Terri met and married the love of her life Wayne Taylor, in Winnipeg - a partnership that would define her world. Together they embarked on a life of adventure, relocating from Manitoba to Alberta, settling first in Swan Hills, then Calgary, and finally putting down roots in the village of Standard. Wherever Terri landed, community followed.

For 27 years, Terri served her community as Canada Post Postmaster - a role that suited her perfectly, as she never passed up the chance for warm conversation. Whether at the post office, the store, or the arena, she always had time for people. Beyond her career, she gave generously of herself through numerous boards, committees, and organizations. She lent her beautiful singing voice to the Lutheran Church Choir and shared her culinary talents through the Standard Ladies Auxiliary - and made sure no one spent Christmas alone.

A devoted mother, Terri never missed a recital, concert, school play, or sporting event. She celebrated every achievement of those she loved with the same whole-hearted enthusiasm that defined everything she did. Her hobbies - sewing, quilting, cooking, travelling, and dancing - were not just pastimes but expressions of who she was. Whenever the music played, Terri and Wayne could be found on the floor, two-stepping or polkaing without a moment's hesitation.

After the profound loss of her soulmate Wayne in 2024 and following a lengthy and courageous battle with her health, Terri relocated to Calgary to be close to her children and grandchildren. It brought her great comfort to be close again to the city she loved for so many decades.

Terri is survived by her daughter Christine (Russell) Lijja and granddaughter Abigail; her son Tom (Kari) and grandson Logan; her brother John (Audrey) and nephew Jonathon (Zoe); her sister Pat (James) and niece Laura (Brett); brother-in-law Al (Betty); niece Lisa (Jeff), nephew Jamie (Dawn); and a beloved circle of great nieces and nephews. She was a wonderful Nana - present, proud and full of love.

She was preceded in death by husband and soulmate Wayne Taylor. A celebration of Life and Faith will be held on Wednesday, April 15, 2026, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Strathmore, at 2:00 p.m., presided over by Father Patrick of St. Vladimir Ukrainian Orthodox Sobor, Calgary.

To know Terri was to love her. Come and share your goodbyes.



**MEMORIAMs**



**Donna Marie Gordon**

July 23, 1947-April 18, 2025

*Mom, one year has passed since you left us, yet not a day goes by that we do not think of you. You were always there for us from when we were very young, to raising children of our own. You are deeply missed and forever cherished.*

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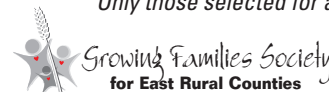
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Wednesday, APRIL 15th  
Refreshments: 6:30 p.m.  
Meeting: 7:00 p.m.  
*Everyone Welcome!*



**NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS**  
Irrigation Districts Act (Sections 54, 58, 59)  
Local Authorities Election Act (Section 26)

**Western Irrigation District in the Province of Alberta**  
Notice is hereby given that nominations are open from the date of this publication until 4:00 pm on **Friday, May 1, 2026** for the election of candidates for the following offices and will be received at the location of the office of the Western Irrigation District set out below:

Office(s)	Number of Vacancies	Division Number
Director	1	2
Director	1	3

Electoral Division 2, which comprises Townships 22, 23 and 24 in Ranges 23 and 24 and Township 24 in Range 25.  
Electoral Division 5, which comprises Townships 25, 26 and 27 in Ranges 21, 22, 23 and 24.  
Nominations must be in the form prescribed by the Irrigation Districts Act and can be obtained from: Western Irrigation District Office: A-1000 Pine Street, Strathmore.  
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**Upcoming Council Meetings**

April 15, 2026 | 6 p.m.

May 6, 2026 | 6 p.m.

May 13, 2026 | 6 p.m.

Regular Meeting of Council  
Regular Meeting of Council  
Committee of the Whole

**Come Say Hi**

Hearing from the community is really important to us, so you're welcome at any Council or Committee of the Whole meeting. You do not need to call ahead or register to observe Strathmore Council in action. There is ample public seating and additional standing room if needed. You can also watch livestreamed meetings online as they happen, or catch up later on YouTube.



**Strathmore Pitches In**

**Many hands make light work. Pitch-In Week**

Pitch-In week returns April 28 to May 4, kicking off with one big Community Cleanup on April 30, 2026. This is an excellent opportunity for residents, students, and community groups to come together and beautify our community. Coffee and donuts will be provided to volunteers.

Sign-up individually, with your family, or clean-up group. For registration and more information, check out our website, [Strathmore.ca/PitchInWeek2026](http://Strathmore.ca/PitchInWeek2026)

**From biweekly to weekly. Green Cart/Organics Collection.**

The Town of Strathmore provides residential waste collection and disposal services to over 4,500 properties. Services include household garbage, organic and heavy item garbage, and the recycling facility.

Starting May 1, 2026, green cart/organics pickup will switch to weekly service for the season (May to October). Reminder that the only holidays that affect garbage collection are Christmas Day and New Year's Day. All other collection days remain unchanged.

For the full collection schedule, route info, and other key dates, visit our website: [Strathmore.ca/WasteCollection](http://Strathmore.ca/WasteCollection)

**A cookie a day brings smiles your way.**

Smile Cookies are back from April 27<sup>th</sup> to May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

smile cookie Tim Hortons

**Smile cookies are back! April 27 – May 3**

You can purchase Smile Cookies to help support our local FCSS. 100% of your cookie supports emergency social services and other essential programs for our community. Helping our community never tasted so good!

**Storm pond safety.**

Storm ponds play an important role in protecting our homes and neighbourhoods. They help prevent flooding by managing heavy rainfall and slowly releasing water back into the environment. As water moves across streets and properties, it collects sediment, pollutants, and debris — storm ponds help filter this before it reaches our rivers and streams.

While Strathmore is home to many storm ponds, only Kinsmen Lake and Strathmore Lakes permit recreational use such as fishing, canoeing, or skating. For your safety, please avoid any activity on or near other storm ponds. These ponds can be deeper than they appear, with water levels that rise and move quickly — and they often contain contaminants like fertilizers, pesticides, and animal waste.

Visit [Strathmore.ca/StormWater](http://Strathmore.ca/StormWater), for more information.

**Property assessment deadline is April 27.**

The Customer Inquiry Period is an important time for property owners to check, compare, and review their assessment for accuracy, fairness, and equity. If you have questions about your property assessment make sure to inquire by April 27, 2026.

When you receive your notice, there's a few things you should do.

- Review the details on your assessment notice.
- Check what makes up your property's assessment value and compare it with similar properties in your neighbourhood using our property search function, found at [Strathmore.ca/AssessmentSearch](http://Strathmore.ca/AssessmentSearch)
- Contact the Town's assessor, Wildrose Assessment Services, for one-on-one support by calling 403-343-3357. Their property assessment experts can answer most assessment related questions with no formal complaint fees required. To help address concerns, please have your latest assessment notice in front of you with the account number and validation group information ready.
- If you disagree with your property's assessment, you can file a formal appeal with the Assessment Review Board by the deadline stated on your latest property assessment notice. You can find information on this process at [Strathmore.ca/Assessment](http://Strathmore.ca/Assessment)

**Heavy trash? We got ya covered. Heavy Item Garbage Returning.**

Heavy Item Garbage (HIG) collection returns the week of April 13 to 17. HIG offers residents the opportunity to dispose of large residential waste, and is provided in conjunction with your curbside waste collection service. If you pay the residential garbage charge on your Town of Strathmore utility bill the HIG service is available to you.

Place all items at your regular garbage pickup location by 7 a.m. on April 13 and affix with an HIG sticker. Stickers are available for free at the Strathmore Municipal Building but must be picked up prior to April 13th. HIG stickers will not be handed out the week of HIG.

Learn more about HIG or TTT at [Strathmore.ca/HIG](http://Strathmore.ca/HIG)

**Tender and major project updates. Municipal tenders.**

The Municipal Tenders page has been updated with new opportunities for 2025. In accordance with Procurement Policy 1808, all tenders valued at \$75,000 or more are now available for public viewing. Visit [Strathmore.ca/tenders](http://Strathmore.ca/tenders) to explore current opportunities.

Work on our major project, reservoir upgrades, is scheduled to begin this spring. Expect Maplewood Drive to be busy with construction, road closures, and underground infrastructure upgrades. You can stay informed on major project developments at [Strathmore.ca/reservoirupgrades](http://Strathmore.ca/reservoirupgrades).



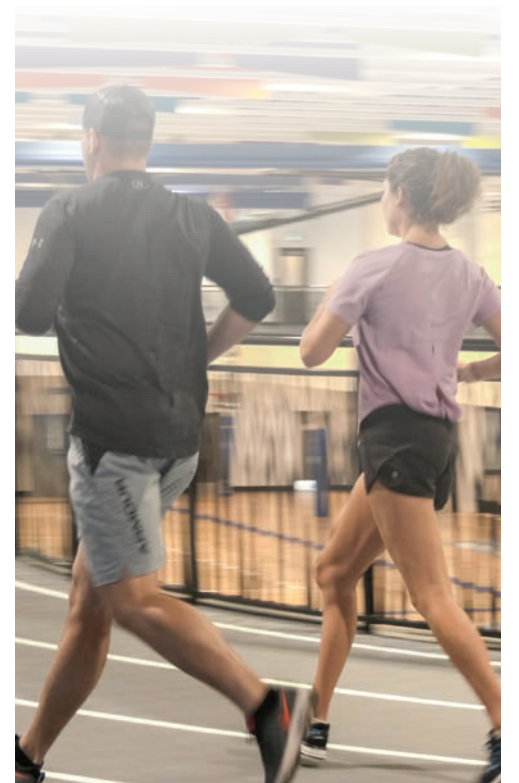
**Seasonal Parks Operators Now hiring.**

This could be your office!

We're on the lookout for multiple Seasonal Parks Operators.

If you have a passion for hands-on work and enjoy being outside, consider joining the team this summer. Your efforts will help maintain outdoor amenities across the community and make Strathmore a beautiful and enjoyable place for all who live and visit.

For more information, visit [Strathmore.ca/Careers](http://Strathmore.ca/Careers)



**Stomping down barriers**

**Lace up. Giddy up.**

Join the Town of Strathmore FCSS for a race in support of Elks Mental Health Project.

Location:  
Race start and finish is located at the Strathmore Motor Products Sports Centre, 1150 Edgeview Road, Strathmore, Alberta, T1P 0H2

- 5 km : Sunday August 9, 2026 @ 8:45 A.M.
- 10 km : Sunday August 9, 2026 @ 8:30 A.M.
- 21.1 km : Sunday August 9, 2026 @ 8:00 A.M.
- 1 Km Kids Fun Run : Sunday August 9, 2026 @ 9:45 A.M.

Our course will take us along canals, through Kinsmen Park, past Gray's Park, and finishing up where we started – the Strathmore Motor Products Sports Centre.

Register and learn more at <https://raceroster.com/events/2026/113550/stomping-down-barriers-for-mental-health>