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Siksika Nation has data concerns

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Chief Sam Crowfoot of Siksika Nation is expressing concern and dissent over the handling of Diode Venture's proposed data centre for construction in Wheatland County.

He explained that despite promises to do so, Siksika Nation has not been formally engaged in the discussion yet, and though the proposed data centre is off reserve, it is still within traditional territory, and their realm of concern.

"I know they (Wheatland County) are following their own processes on their own schedule and own timeline, but we need to make sure that we are not left behind in these discussions ... we want to make sure that any type of development in the area is sustainable," he said.

Crowfoot emphasized the realities and challenges of living in a drought-prone region, which relies heavily on irrigation systems and the limited local water supplies to function.

He described water use and potential pollution being among Siksika Nation's primary concerns they would like to see better answered before any approvals are handed out.

"Not just the draw on water, where they are getting it from, but also the waste, the byproducts, if any. We hear a lot of things for and against data centres, and there are just too many questions for us to really take a position for or against, but the environmental concerns have us guarded," he said. "Until we are able to answer some of those questions, we want to make sure that we are just not going to take an official position for or against until we have some of those questions answered."

Under the Alberta Water Act, a water license is required to use or divert ground or surface water. The province no longer issues new licenses. Instead, entities wishing to utilize water must negotiate with an existing license holder for the right to divert volumes from a source of water supply.

As per the documents submitted by Diode Ventures to the county, their water consumption needs "are being coordinated ... and will be aligned with the county and province's guidelines and regulations."

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Parade performer

A unicyclist entertains the crowd with a playful pose during the Langdon Days parade on July 18 in the hamlet of Langdon. The annual event featured a community parade, pancake breakfast, family activities and other events from July 17-19. See Page 11 photos for more coverage.

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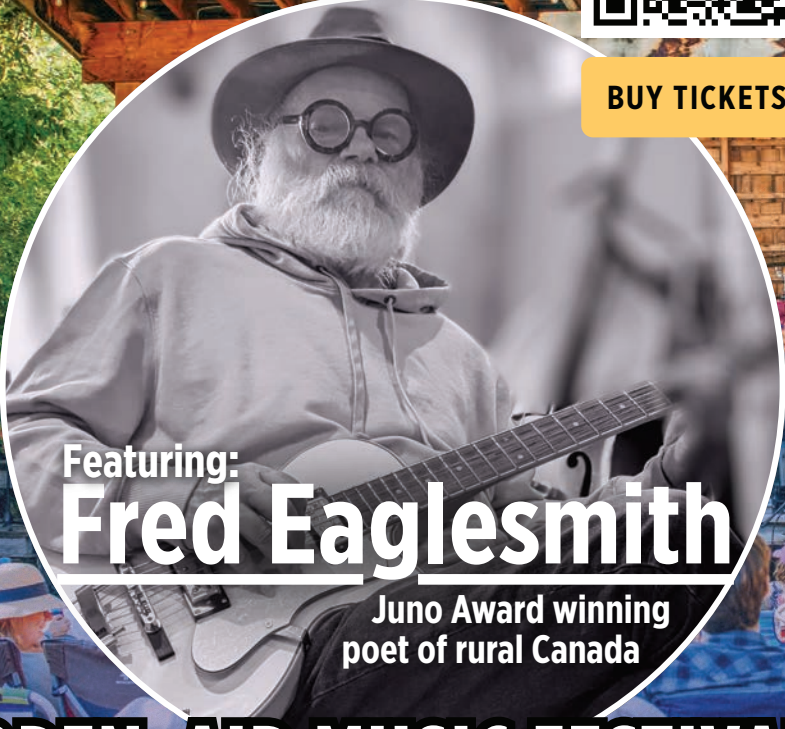
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Joe Lepage Photos



Camp Day supports youth

Tim Hortons locations across Canada took part in the annual Camp Day fundraiser on July 16, including the local Tim Hortons by the Shell Station, which also welcomed local dignitaries and members of the Strathmore Fire Department. Proceeds from the nationwide campaign support Tim Hortons Foundation Camps, which provides youth from underserved communities with camp-based programs that build leadership, confidence, resilience and life skills.

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Members of the Royal Canadian Legion Strathmore Branch No. 10 hosted the Royal Canadian Legion's 100th anniversary on July 17. For a century, the Legion has supported veterans and their families, advocated for veterans' care and benefits, and honoured the service and sacrifice of Canada's fallen.

Joe Lepage Photos

Strathmore Legion celebrates centennial

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 10 Strathmore celebrated a once in a lifetime milestone, July 17, marking the centennial anniversary of the organization.

Taking a “go big or go home” attitude, the Legion’s second annual Veterans Motorcycle Club show and shine was hosted in addition to the party going on inside the building.

“The very first Legion in Canada was started July 17, 100 years ago in Winnipeg, and it was started by a bunch of World War I veterans who wanted to start something in support of their comrades,” said Jennifer Franssen Arnaud, public relations chair for the Strathmore Legion Branch 10.

“Our Legion, it got its charter on Oct. 8, 1926, but our Legion, our veterans in the community, and those who also served – the families and businesspeople who stayed behind, put a lot of work into the Great War Memorial Hall in advance of the 100 years.”

She explained the Memorial Hall has previously been home to many service organization meetings, community dances, and even sporting events such as wrestling and boxing.

During many of the dances, children in the community were often sent to the upstairs balcony, now the Veterans Hall, so their parents could dance the night away.

Nowadays, the Legion continues to host organizations such as the True North board of directors, and the Strathmore Country Garden Club for their meetings, and regularly aids in local fundraising efforts.

“Friday was all about celebrating what the Legion has brought to this community and what it hopes to bring to this community for the next 100 years,” said Franssen Arnaud. “If there are things that families can be involved in, we include them. I love that the kids all come out for pancake breakfast before stampede. It is still very much a hub

of social interaction for the community and there is a large senior population who make good use of the space.”

For the immediate future, the Legion aims to see the remainder of the necessary infrastructure repairs to the memorial hall completed.

Over the last three years, the furnaces, air conditioning, and floors have been among the major repairs undertaken. Next up are the walls in the canteen.

“When all the upgrades are done, then we have got time to focus on encouraging more organizations or more groups of people to use the space,” said Franssen Arnaud. “This Legion particularly, (President) Donovan and a couple of other veterans really took it upon themselves to revisit the original mission, which is all about service to veterans and the community. Because they have taken it so seriously, the rest of the gang seems to be on board.”



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YOUR WEEKLY HEALTH ADVICE
Gord Morck Pharmacist

Capsule Comments

How ultra-processed food is promoted is similar to the methods used by cigarette companies promoting tobacco products... pushing maximized rewards to promote repeated consumption. Instead of nicotine, food companies are promoting foods that maximize taste and sensory pleasure which encourages repeat consumption.

Recently, the UK took a huge step forward in creating a future non-smoking generation. Parliament passed legislation saying that anyone born on or after January 1, 2009 will be banned from ever buying cigarettes under the *Tobacco & Vapes Bill*. Also, effective January 1, 2027, the minimum age to buy tobacco will rise by one year every year making it a permanent ban for that demographic.

Allergic rhinitis and hay fever can be very uncomfortable. Here are three solutions: 1. Use non-drowsy antihistamines (Claritin, Allegra). 2. “Cortisone” nasal sprays are available as non-Rx products and can bring very effective relief. 3. For itchy eyes...artificial tears can be useful in clearing away pollen from the eyes. Antihistamine eye drops are also available for relief. Your pharmacist can advise you.

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How to stay out of the emergency department this summer

AHS RELEASE

While many people look forward to a slower pace during the summer months, emergency departments often see the opposite.

Warmer weather brings more outdoor activities, sports, travel and time on the water, all of which can contribute to an increase in injuries and illnesses that send thousands of people to Alberta emergency departments each summer.

Alberta Health Services (AHS) reviewed the most common injuries that our healthcare teams see at some emergency de-

partments (ED) in Calgary, Edmonton, Red Deer, Lethbridge, Medicine Hat, Grande Prairie and Fort McMurray. Between June 1 and Aug. 31, 2025, more than 33,000 ED visits were recorded at 13 AHS EDs for the six most common injury categories. On average, that represents more than 350 visits per day. These categories often include common summer-related injuries such as:

- Arm, wrist and hand injuries, often related to sports, cycling, playground activities and falls – 8,781.
- Leg, ankle and foot injuries, including sprains, fractures and other injuries from outdoor recreation and physical activity – 8,562.
- Cuts, lacerations and puncture wounds that occur during yard work, home improvement projects, camping and recreational activities – 6,130.
- Head injuries resulting from falls, collisions and recreational incidents – 4,717.
- Major trauma injuries associated with higher-impact incidents such as vehicle collisions, cycling crashes and other serious accidents – 3,463.
- Allergic reactions particularly from insect stings, bites and outdoor environmental exposures – 1,511.

A few simple precautions can make a big difference:

- Wear a helmet when cycling or riding an e-scooter.
- Use appropriate protective equipment for sports and recreational activities.
- Keep tools in good condition when completing home projects.
- Supervise children closely outdoors and keep young children within arm's reach when near water.
- Protect yourself from excessive sun exposure. Stay hydrated, wear sunscreen and seek shade when possible.
- Stay aware of your surroundings when hiking, swimming or participating in summer activities.
- Take extra precautions and make safe choices when alcohol is part of summer activities.

Summer safety isn't limited to injury prevention. It is also important to know when emergency care is needed. Seek immediate medical attention for serious injuries, major bleeding, chest pain, difficulty breathing, signs of stroke, loss of consciousness or any other life-threatening condition.

People with known allergies should carry prescribed medications, including epinephrine auto-injectors, if recommended by their healthcare provider, and seek immediate medical attention if they have trouble breathing, swelling of the face or throat, or signs of a severe allergic reaction.

Alberta Health Services provides acute care services for more than five million Albertans at hospitals, urgent care centres and health centres across the province. Our mission is to provide excellent and accessible patient-focused healthcare for all Albertans. Our current focus is on reducing emergency department wait times, increasing access to surgeries and improving patient flow.

Siksika Nation expresses concerns over lack of consultation regarding potential data centre

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It is noted in the county's July 7 meeting agenda under the Agency and Technical Review comments, Technical Services inquired that the applicant confirms an estimated water demand of 113 cubic meters per day.

In Diode's Area Concept Plan, domestic water use is estimated at 1.12 cubic meters per day for domestic use cases. The requirements to maintain closed loop water cooling were not outlined in the meeting agenda documents.

Water servicing for the facility is currently proposed either to tap into the Goldfinch Raw Water Line, or onsite groundwater wells.

Crowfoot added another one of his concerns is in regards to impacts on surrounding local wildlife, and the heat generated by such a facility.

In a letter addressed to Wheatland County prior to the July 7, council meeting where the facility was discussed, Siksika Chief and council indicated concerns that they would be immediately downwind of heat exhaust by the proposed facility.

"The prevailing winds in the area typically travel from west to east. As such, Siksika would be directly impacted by any emissions from a data processing facility in the subject lands," reads the letter.

Crowfoot emphasized his position that Siksika is not anti-progress, but rather, pro-sustainability and pro-responsibility, both for populations today, and for generations to come.

He called for environmental impact assessments to be undertaken and verified by neutral third parties prior to any approvals being made regarding the project.

Wheatland County is scheduled to meet Aug. 11, to discuss third readings of Bylaws 2025-32 and 2025-34 which govern the lands where Diode's facility is proposed for construction.

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Petition launched by Wheatland County residents in opposition of local data centre proposal

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Wheatland County residents are calling on their council members not to move forward with paving the way for data centre development in the local region.

Emily Barnett, a county resident who is within the proposed impact zone, launched a petition July 14, to indicate substantial dissent from locals towards the proposed Goldfinch data campus.

“I really got the feeling that several council members feel like this is just an issue for Carseland residents, the residents of Division 3, and I don’t think that’s accurate,” she said. “There is not much more that I can do to affect change. The one thing I can still do between now and Aug. 11, is demonstrate how this is not just an issue that people who live next to it have. This is a concern with ratepayers across the county.”

Within five days of launching the petition, nearly 500 county residents had signed, aiming to make their voices heard.

As the discussion currently stands, second reading has been passed by county council on two bylaws which propose to alter land use governance within the Goldfinch Industrial Area Structure Plan in order to facilitate the development of a hyperscale data centre.

The first, Bylaw 2025-32, would make amendments, revise figures and maps, and append the data centre area concept plan within the ASP. This effectively being to provide the language within the bylaw, permitting the data centre as an appropriate land use, classifying it as medium industrial.

The second, Bylaw 2025-34, would redesignate the subject lands from Agriculture General to Industrial General, which would then provide the context for the appropriate use case.

Coun. Shannon Laprise, during the county’s July 7 meeting to discuss the bylaws, said she did not believe the record number of people who came out to be at the meeting in person – who overflowed from council chambers and required an entire additional room to accommodate, necessarily meant the majority of county residents opposed the data centre.

“We just don’t hear from people who are in support of it. That is typical of any project,” she said.

During the votes, Coun. Donna Biggar and Coun. Rick Laursen represented the sole opposition to the bylaws.

Diode Ventures, being the applicant behind the facility, is proposing the hyperscale data centre campus to occupy 575 acres of the Goldfinch Industrial ASP, paired with a new natural gas power plant in order to supply sufficient electricity for its function.

Should development be allowed to proceed to completion, the Goldfinch Technology Park data centre would boast a minimum load of 250 Megawatts, with capacity of up to 950 Megawatts.

According to Enmax, the all-time summer record system load for the entire city of Calgary was posted at 1,824 Megawatts.

“My experience in talking to people from the county, they did not even know that this was happening. They were gob smacked that we are this far along in the process of getting a data centre,” said Barnett. “It is time to not just have the county be in charge of letting Wheatland residents know about this, but we will let people know.”

The county, in compliance with the Municipal Government Act, fulfilled their required obligations of advertising the meeting on their website, as well as in the newspaper.

“They have done what is required of them to do, but that doesn’t mean that people read the

Strathmore Times and that doesn’t mean people go to the Wheatland County website every week to see what is happening in bylaws,” added Barnett. “If you are not part of those two groups, then you don’t know what is happening with it.”

She added she felt it premature to be redesignating agricultural lands to industrial, particularly in this case being prior to lands being secured by Diode Ventures for the accompanying power plant.

The petition continues to be live on Change.org and is searchable with the term “Wheatland County.”

Council will revisit the topic for potential third readings of the bylaws during the Aug. 11 meeting.

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1. Listen to

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10. A type of guitar

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15. A citizen of Iran

16. Pretentiously artistic

17. Harness

18. Diamond weight measurement

19. “Better Call ___”

20. Fervent support

22. Male cat

23. Jewish spiritual leader

24. Disposed to venture or take risks

27. A way to nail

30. Cool!

31. Women’s ___ movement

32. “Losing My Religion” rockers

35. Step-shaped recess

37. A princess can detect it

38. Tractor-trailer

39. Leslie and Leon are two

40. Color at the end of the spectrum
41. Lines where fabrics are sewn

42. Dodgers great Hershiser

43. Floor covering

44. Traveled aimlessly

45. Rocker Stewart

46. Body art

47. Congressman (abbr.)

48. No seats available

49. Breaks apart

52. Hand gesture

55. Ballplayer’s tool

56. Sword

60. Baseball team

61. Upper bract of floret of grass

63. Italian Seaport

64. Mars crater

65. Tube on a shoelace

66. U. of Miami mascot

67. South American nation

68. Video game series “Max ___”

69. Upper body part

CLUES DOWN

1. German courtesy title

2. Ancient Greek personification of mercy

3. Jewish calendar month

4. Family of long-legged frogs

5. Photo

6. Delivered a speech

7. Lute used in Indian music

8. Decorated

9. Cease to stand

10. The bottom layer

11. Member of a Semitic people

12. Part of a ticket

13. Defunct monetary unit

21. Challenges

23. Body part

25. Tell on

26. By way of

27. Shady green alcove

28. Egyptian city

29. ___ and flowed

32. Widens a hole
33. Eurasian wheat

34. Act incorrectly

36. “Be back later”

37. Al Bundy’s wife

38. Ocean

40. Large root eaten as a vegetable

41. Units of subjective loudness

43. Music genre

44. A way to drench

46. Popular hot beverage

47. Silk-like cotton fabric

49. Rumanian city

50. Come back

51. Vaccine developer

52. Canadian law enforcers

53. Wings

54. Observational comedian Bill

57. Small fry

58. ___ Clapton, musician

59. Take a chance

61. Semi-liquid food for babies

62. Consumed food

Reduce auto-related theft this summer

ALBERTA RCMP

This summer, the Alberta RMCP is reminding Albertans of ways to help prevent theft of, and from, vehicles during summer activities.

Whether at a campsite or a trailhead, keep the following in mind when it comes to securing your vehicle:

- Keep your vehicle locked: Keep your vehicle locked, even when nearby. It only takes one moment of inattention for someone to take your belongings.
- Never leave your vehicle running unattended: Theft of vehicles is often a crime of opportunity. A quick trip into the convenience store is all the time a thief needs to steal a running vehicle.
- Keep keys safe: Never leave keys, garage door openers, or important documents with personal identifying information in your vehicle. Keys can be used to steal your vehicle, or may be used, along with personal identifying information, to enter your home.
- Hide or lock up valuables: Keep your campsite clean and ensure valuables are hidden out of sight as they can entice opportunistic thieves. Keep off-highway vehicles, bikes, and kayaks secured and consider using window covers to conceal the interior of your vehicle.

- Close windows: When leaving your vehicle, always close the windows, even when it’s hot outside. A locked screen door on a recreational vehicle can provide added security while allowing airflow.
 - Use a hitch lock: Secure your trailer’s hitch with a hitch lock to prevent towing theft.
 - Consider motion sensor lights: Install motion sensor lights outside your recreational vehicle.
- Don’t let auto-related theft ruin your summer activities. Practice auto-theft safety to help prevent becoming a victim.

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More than 2,300 cyclists converged on the Strathmore Ag Grounds over the July 18-19 weekend to take part in the annual Enbridge Tour Alberta for Cancer. The two-day fundraising ride brought participants from across the province together in support of Albertans affected by cancer, helping raise approximately \$12.5 million for cancer research and care initiatives.

Lee Langness Photos

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.

August 11, 2026, 9:00 a.m. | Council Meeting
August 18, 2026, 9:00 a.m. | MPC | PPC | COW

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<https://wheatlandcounty.ca/agendasandminutes/>

Public Hearings

Wheatland County Council Chambers August 11th, 2026, at 9 a.m.

Wheatland County Council will hold the following Public Hearing at its regular Council meeting on Tuesday, August 11th, 2026.

The following Public Hearing will begin at 9:00 a.m. and proceed until all applications have been heard:

File No: RC2026-001

Bylaw #: 2026-09

Location: The undeveloped road allowance of Range Road 265, immediately south of Highway 1 East and north of Durum Drive.

Proposal: To close a ± 0.36 hectare (± 0.90 acre) undeveloped portion of road allowance between Lot 1, Block 4, Plan 1011307 and Lot 20, Block 1, Plan 1711430 for the purpose of sale and disposition.



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.

Wheatland County's 2026 Gravel Sale Schedule is now available, with three scheduled sale dates:

- June 10–11
- July 8–9
- August 12–13

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Thousands of riders take to Strathmore streets for annual Enbridge Tour Alberta for Cancer ride

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Approximately 2,300 cyclists flocked to Strathmore over the weekend to participate in the annual Enbridge Tour Alberta for Cancer fundraiser.

Prior to even the start of the weekend, the tour smashed its own previous fundraising records, bringing in over \$12 million for the Alberta Cancer Foundation.

"We are just blown away by the generosity of Albertans this year. We have been doing this ride for 18 years, (and) last year we raised \$9.4 million, which was the highest we had raised in 17 years," said Krystal Clements, director of community engagement with the Alberta Cancer Foundation.

"The total is amazing but seeing that impact firsthand with riders who are there because of the money and the clinical trials is more impactful for me ... we have riders who wouldn't be here today and wouldn't be riding if it weren't for the money raised and the clinical trials and research that is happening in this province."

The two-day event consisted of several options for distances cyclists were able to sign up for. These included 60, 100, or 160 km rides, each taking off from, then returning to the Strathmore Agricultural Society grounds.

Over the course of the event's history, this year included, the Enbridge Tour Alberta for Cancer has raised over \$123 million for research throughout the province.

"We are the fundraising partner for all 17 cancer centres in the province. We also fund the Patient Financial Assistance Program, and the Patient Navigation Program, which is for rural and Indigenous patients," explained Clements. "We fund all clinical trials, partially at least, in the province ... last week we announced that we are going to invest \$35 million back into cancer care for clinical trials and research over the next five years in Alberta."

Riders were required to register for the event online and commit to raising \$2,500 to contribute. This was regardless of whether they opted to ride by themselves or as part of a team.

A local Strathmore team, the Sod Busters, included the Tour's oldest rider, Doug Risdon, which raised over \$31,000 this year alone for the ride.

"The more that I think about how important the event is, the people I've met ... the stories you hear when you see people are riding for loved ones, family, friends, colleagues, themselves, you hear their stories and think everybody's story matters," said Heidi Panych, Enbridge's featured rider this year who herself is battling breast cancer. "We are coming together collectively to tell complete strangers that they

are not alone and we are riding with them, and I think that is pretty powerful."

The Alberta Cancer Foundation maintains open donation pages throughout the year for interested parties to

contribute directly, or donations may be submitted to help finance the next year's Tour Alberta ride. Automatic tax receipts are sent to donors following their contributions.

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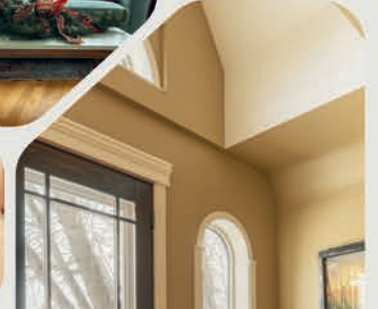
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Regular Meeting of Council
Regular Meeting of Council
Committee of the Whole

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.

June to early August road maintenance.
Summer Construction on Wheatland Trail.

Starting as early as today through approximately early August, you may see construction activity along Wheatland Trail (Highway 817) as the Government of Alberta through Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors begins road rehabilitation work in and around Strathmore.

Weather permitting, their contractor Aecon will be working on Highway 817 from approximately 1 km south of Highway 1 to 3 km north of Strathmore. Work anticipated to be completed between June 18 and June 30 includes:

- Concrete and sidewalk repairs at several locations within Strathmore, including near Esso, Fas Gas, and Strathmore Alliance Church
- Roadway repairs south of Brent Boulevard
- Crack sealing throughout the project area
- Installation of highway street lighting at the Highway 564 and Highway 817 intersection

To help reduce impacts on traffic, work south of Westmount Drive will generally take place overnight between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m. Work north of Westmount Drive will generally occur during daytime hours due to nearby residences.

You should expect to see reduced speeds, lane restrictions, and delays while work is underway. Paving operations are scheduled to begin after the July long weekend and run until early August, weather dependent.

Please note that Highway 817 and the above project is managed by the Government of Alberta and not the Town of Strathmore.

For more information on Government of Alberta road conditions and construction updates, call 5-1-1 toll-free or visit 511.alberta.ca

Information on Strathmore's roads can always be found at **Strathmore.ca/RoadReports**

New classes available.
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Interested in the Lifeguard Academy? We've got some new classes for you to check out.

- Lifesaving Intermediate First Aid with CPR-C & AED
- Bronze Medallion
- Bronze Cross
- National Lifeguard
- Swim Instructor

Check out **Strathmore.ca/Recreation** for more information.

Strathmore Forward.
Municipal Development Plan Update.

The Town of Strathmore is updating its Municipal Development Plan (MDP) — a guiding document that provides direction on how our community will grow and develop over the long term. The Town's current MDP is being reviewed and updated to reflect where Strathmore is headed. This review, called Strathmore Forward, is happening in stages. The first stage, Module A, focuses on topics like growth management, economic development, and agricultural operations, and includes updated content to help residents better understand the plan.

Bylaw No. 26-07, pertaining to Module A, is posted and available for public review and comment. The commenting period will remain open up to and including the scheduling of a public hearing at Council. Questions and/or comments about Module A and Bylaw No. 26-07 can be sent to **strathmoreforward@strathmore.ca** or by regular mail to Town of Strathmore c/o Project Manager (MDP Review), PO Box 2280, 1 Parklane Drive, Strathmore, Alberta, T1P 1K2.

More information about the Town's Municipal Development Plan can be found at **Strathmore.ca/MDP**

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The Good Food Box is a non-profit organization offering access to quality produce while ensuring variety, freshness and affordability. It is brought to you by your community, packed by volunteers and delivered to Strathmore through FCSS. This program is accessible for everyone regardless of income level. For more information, visit **Strathmore.ca/GoodFoodBox**



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Multi-Sport Adventure	July 20 to 24, 2026
Splash and Dash (Swim Lessons)	July 27 to 31, 2026
Neon Days	Aug 4 to 7, 2026
Balls and More	Aug 10 to 14, 2026
Olympic Days	Aug 17 to 21, 2026
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The 2026 Strathmore Fun Runners Show & Shine kicked off Friday evening with a parade through Strathmore featuring classic cars and trucks. The annual event, held July 17–18 at Kinsmen Park, continued Saturday with the Show & Shine, live entertainment, food trucks, trophies and family activities.

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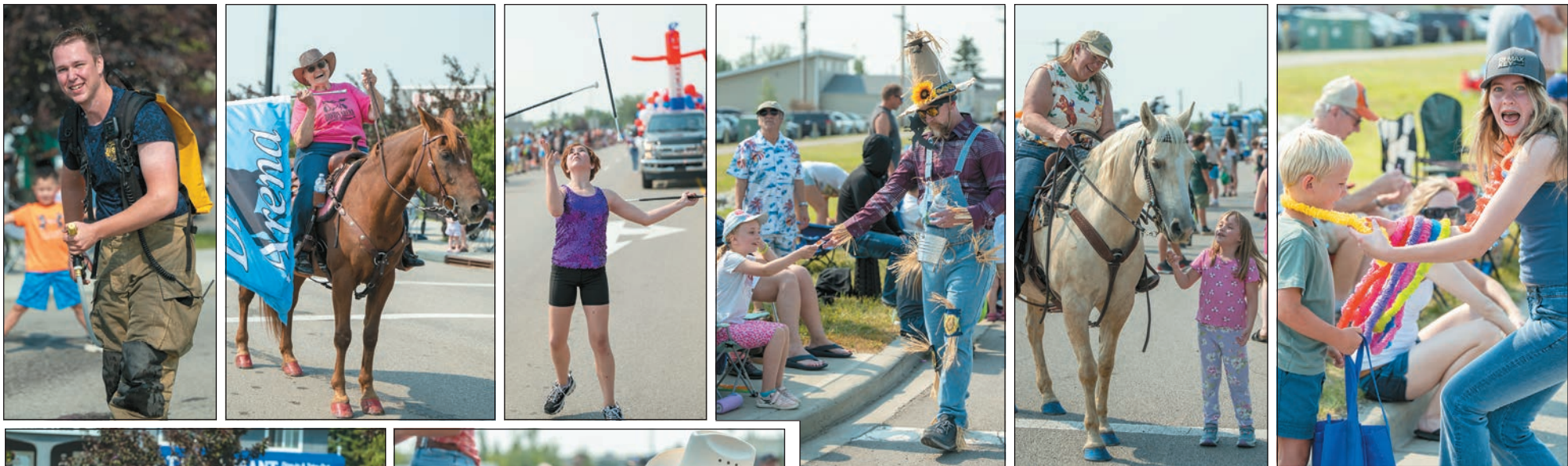
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Langdon Days!

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Local athlete to represent Team Canada in Poland at international dance competition

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Come December, a young Wheatland County athlete will take to the stage alongside her fellows representing Team Canada in Poland at the International Dance Organization World Championships.

Competitor Sydney Brown explained the competition is considered effectively similar to the Olympics, but for young dancers.

"I am just competing in acrobatics, but the competition is for all styles," said the 16-year-old. "It is like tumbling, back tucks, front aerials, side

aerials, back handsprings, those kinds of things."

Brown took to dancing eight years ago, discovering acrobatics a year after switching to dance from gymnastics.

She said despite her love for doing tricks and stunts, she felt a strong desire to do something more expressive than a routine.

"Each set of music is kind of like a different story you are telling. Sometimes it is creepy, sometimes it is sad," said Brown. "I've been competing for five years – solos, duos, group dance; my solo that I did this year was how I auditioned for Team Canada and being able to compete at this prestigious

competition."

In addition to competing as a solo athlete, Brown will also perform alongside a group of other athletes from across Alberta.

Though the team has yet to meet in person, they expect to begin having organized rehearsals together in August, coming together regularly until they are set to depart for Poland.

"Our choreographer, she is flying in from B.C. just a couple weekends here and there until the competition. Besides that, it is going to be a lot of personal cleaning the routines ourselves, and making sure we are all practicing so we are ready for the next rehearsal,"

said Brown. "It is definitely nerve wracking, especially because we have never danced before. I don't really know anyone, I feel nervous and excited. I'm sure it will be okay."

Brown added this competition will be her first time competing on an international stage.

For this particular type of dance, she explained it is critical to maintain one's strength, stamina, and flexibility.

"You have to be very strong, and you have to have lots of stamina because you have to make it look easy. On top of the hours you train in the studio, there is also lots of strength conditioning you have to do at home, and stretching," she said. "There is even, you have to practice your facial expressions because those do not come naturally to most people."

Brown is currently seeking sponsorship and donations to aid in her efforts to afford the travel costs associated with competing. She is estimating over \$6,000 will be required to finance the entire journey. She has also been collecting bottles throughout the local area in addition to her search for support.

Fake gaming ads plague consumers

BBB RELEASE

As of July 13, the province launched its iGaming initiative with nearly two dozen sites now operating legally in the province.

Along with this news comes a warning from BBB that fake gaming ads continue to plague the industry, including some ads in recent weeks reportedly featuring celebrities such as NHL hockey star Connor McDavid.

A BBB report found that from 2022 to mid-2025, Better Business Bureau received more than 10,000 complaints related to online gambling and gaming with many of the complaints related to fake ads found online.

"Scammers are the ultimate opportunists and the launch of legal online gambling in the province provides scammers an opportunity to try and confuse consumers and have them go to unregulated gambling sites or to straight ahead fake sites," says Mary O'Sullivan-Andersen, President and CEO of BBB Serving Alberta and East Kootenay. "If you are planning on gambling online, always verify the site by double checking the credentials of operators permitted to operate in Alberta. Don't gamble personal information by clicking on unverified links. Do not click on a link that shows up in your social media feed."

Alberta is the second province, four years after Ontario, to offer regulated online gambling in Canada.

Key stats:

- \$103 billion – Estimated size of the online gambling and gaming industry, according to Researchandmarkets.com
- \$402 billion – One estimate of the size of the illegal online gambling market, according to the American Gaming Association

How to avoid issues with gaming companies:

Alberta iGaming Corp. conducts and manages the province's legal online gambling in collaboration with Alberta Gaming Liquor & Cannabis (AGLC).

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Town makes connections at Calgary Stampede

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Senior staff with the Town of Strathmore spent the Calgary Stampede making contacts and networking with attending businesses and dignitaries. Mayor Pat Fule explained it presented an opportunity for Strathmore staff and council to connect with several MLAs and ministers to discuss several ongoing or upcoming initiatives. “We met with Minister (Justin)

Being smart on the water

ALBERTA RCMP

Led by the Lifesaving Society of Canada, National Drowning Prevention Week (NDPW) takes place from July 19 to 25, coinciding with World Drowning Prevention Day on July 25. This year’s NDPW theme is “Safety starts with being Water Smart.”

According to the Lifesaving Society, over 400 Canadians die in preventable water-related incidents annually. Prepare to be Water Smart with the below safety tips:

- Wear a lifejacket. Wear a lifejacket while boating, doing water sports, and if you can’t swim.
- Supervise children and non-swimmers. Keep children and non-swimmers within arms’ reach when in and around bodies of water.
- Stay sober around water. Never operate a boat, or go swimming, when tired or impaired.
- Be aware. Be mindful of water conditions, such as strong currents. Rivers can have risks like moving water, undercurrents, changing depth, and entrapment hazards.
- Never go alone. Do not operate a boat or go swimming alone, and don’t overestimate your swimming abilities. Always have a spotter in the boat when towing someone during water sports.
- Learn to swim. Many drownings occur when a person unexpectedly falls into a body of water.
- Protect your neck. Never dive into shallow water. If you’re unsure of the water’s depth, enter feet first.
- Consider high visibility swimwear. Bright, high-contrast colours can be more easily seen in the water.

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Wright to talk about the potential for a CT scanner here in Strathmore, and we are going to be sending a letter, and we asked if we could have a further meeting,” said Fule. “He also recommended that we talk to Minister LaGrange, so the town is going to be sending a letter to both of those ministers, outlining our plans, our homes, and what could potentially be a very good thing for our town, but also for the region.”

Conversations regarding the potential for a CT scanner in Strathmore have been ongoing since 2024 with Frontier Diagnostics. Currently, residents are directed to either Calgary or Drumheller to receive the service.

Fule added Siksika Nation’s Chief Sam Crowfoot has also weighed in on bringing a CT scanner to Strathmore, as well as raising the topic of a local dialysis clinic.

Also among the town’s activities were conversations with Brett Wilson, who owns local lands east of George Freeman Trail.

“He is hoping to get an Area Structure Plan (ASP) for that land, and he is hoping to have some senior-style living there, and we are hoping for some light

commercial as well,” said Fule. “You make these contacts with people so that your administration or the mayor and council can have future meetings ... and you can plan to try to get some initiatives at least headed in the right direction.”

Among the projects being actively considered to impact the local region is the Prairie Economic Gateway initiative between the City of Calgary, Rocky View County, and now seeing support for applications by the Town of Strathmore.

Fule explained with the Trans-Canada highway passing right through Strathmore, the idea to set up a column similar to Red Deer’s Gasoline Alley is being “kicked around.”

“You try to help with developers along the Trans Canada, help with landowners, and it could be something that could really bring business to the town, primarily along the Trans-Canada,” he said. “With signage and things, you want to try to direct people if they turn off the Trans-Canada – you would like to direct them into the town to find other things that they might want to try out.”

He joked that despite the inability to have any sort of long conversation, attendance at the Calgary Stampede allowed numerous opportunities to make “first contact” and facilitate further communication beyond the event setting.

With regards to potential opportunities for local post-secondary education, Fule added the town also had an opportunity to meet with leaders at MacKam College, which currently operates in Calgary, to suggest a satellite campus being established in Strathmore.

“It (would be) a chance for our residents and residents from the region, if they want to better themselves, or if they are in an area that they would like to pursue further, we are hoping to meet with them and start talks,” he said. “Our people wouldn’t have to drive to the Marlborough area to take courses – they could possibly do some right here in town and improve their education levels and improve their job prospects.”

Fule emphasized the degree of professionalism exercised by town staff over the course of the Stampede, treating the event expressly as a workplace function.

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Building safe and prosperous communities

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Chestermere-Strathmore MLA

Our government is celebrating major accomplishments for Alberta's economy, energy future, and community supports. Last week, our government helped advance the Pathways CCUS and oilsands growth project, launched a safer regulated online gaming market, and increased support for Albertans experiencing family violence. These will help build safer and more prosperous communities in our province.

Alberta's government delivered another milestone for our energy sector last week. Our government signed a new agreement with the Government of Canada and the country's five largest oilsands producers to grow oilsands production while advancing the Pathways project. This is expected to create up to 40,000 jobs across the country and bring billions of dollars in investment to Alberta. This agreement supports our government's goal of doubling oil production over the next 10 to 15 years and getting more Alberta energy to global markets. This further proves that we can grow energy production and reduce emissions at the same time.

Alberta's new regulated online gaming market is now live, giving Albertans who choose to gamble online a safer, legal alternative to unregulated websites. The new market puts player safety first, requiring all regulated online gaming operators to provide responsible gambling tools such as spending limits, time limits, and gaming activity statements. Before this new market was introduced, about 70 per cent of online gambling in Alberta happened through unregulated sites – many of which offered weak player protections and little accountability. Alberta's regulated market creates a safer, more responsible environment for online gaming while holding operators to high standards.

No one experiencing family violence should be left without any options. That is why we are investing an additional \$16 million to help shelters and local community organizations help survivors get the supports they need, no matter where they are in Alberta. This funding will support more than emergency shelter beds. It will help local organizations work together to provide crisis support, safety planning, outreach, and other services for women and children experiencing family violence in their own communities. This investment will help shelters like True North in Strathmore and local support organizations provide potentially life-saving support to survivors when they need it most.

Finally, I am pleased to share that as part of the Schools Now program, the new Grades 10-12 public high school in Chelsea, Chestermere, has officially moved from the planning to the design phase. This important milestone supports our government's commitment to creating more student spaces in Alberta's fastest-growing communities.

Alberta's strength comes from building opportunity while making sure families, workers, and communities have the support they need. Pathways will help create well-paying jobs, attract investment, and position Alberta as an energy superpower. A regulated online gaming market will give players safer options and stronger protections online. More funding for family violence programs will help survivors find safety and support. Together, these investments show that Alberta's government is focused on protecting what matters: you and your families..

As always, please feel free to reach out to my office with your feedback and questions (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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Obituary



WARRACK, Gwendolyn Margaret
(nee Jones)

With heavy hearts and a lifetime of beautiful memories, we announce the passing of our dear Mom, Gwendolyn Margaret Warrack, on Sunday, July 12, 2026.

Gwen was born on Easter Sunday, April 1, 1945, in Vancouver, British Columbia. Born just as the war was drawing to a close, her parents, Mal and Margaret Jones, were overjoyed to welcome her as a little sister for her older brother, George. After the family grew to include her younger siblings, Jimmy and Ruth, the Jones family packed up and moved back to Cheadle, Alberta, to farm alongside Grandpa Jackson.

Growing up on the farm, Gwen was a sharp little girl with a natural flair for leadership. Her all-round abilities as a scholar and athlete stood her in good stead as she lived her life with intelligence and verve.

It was through old family ties that Gwen first met Bruce Warrack, and she famously set her sights on him when she was still just a pre-teen. Her determination paid off, leading to a beautiful 53-year marriage. Together, Gwen and Bruce raised a family of four children and built a life rooted in the land. Gwen was an integral partner in the growth and success of their grain and cattle operation, Bruce Farms Ltd.

In 2016, Gwen faced her biggest challenge in life when she lost Bruce to cancer. She managed to soldier on bravely without him, leaning into the deep love and support of the family they built together. Gwen's tenacious spirit outlives her, and her incredible legacy lives on through her four children and their families: Jeff (Christine) Warrack, Ron (Kelly) Warrack, Sonny (Michelle) Warrack, and Jo-Anne (Mike Barrett). Her sixteen grandchildren were her ultimate pride and joy: Russel (Diana), Rachel (Jeff), Erin (Brendan), Jack, Katie (Chad), Danny (Vanessa), Derek (Nicole), Jill (Chad), Jake (Ruth), Meg (Kyle), Jemma (Lane), Ray, Ashley, Amy, Ben, and Brooke. She was also the adored matriarch to 11 great-grandchildren: Charlotte, Peyton, Maci, Rhett, Cash, Ella, Harlow, Sophie, Will, Thomas, and Corbin—with two more precious additions eagerly expected to arrive this year.

Gwen is also survived by her sister Ruth (Dirck) and her brothers George (Ingrid) and Jimmy (Marg), who will deeply miss her unique ability to bring the entire family together for lively brunches, unforgettable Christmas Eves, and family birthday parties.

Gwen's family wishes to thank the incredible team of angels at the Journey Club at Westman Village in Calgary for making her final years full of comfort as she slipped away from us. She is resting easy now and forever and has gone 'gentle into that good night'.

Family and close friends will meet for a private service out on the prairie that she loved and where she grew up and thrived as the best Mom, wife, daughter, sister, mother-in-law, grandmother, and 'Grandma Gwen', friend, and loyal supporter of her family. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a charity of your choice in her memory or simply pause a moment to reflect on your own memories of Gwen.

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