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Siksika eyes new police service

JOHN WATSON

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Siksika Nation and the Province of Alberta have signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the intention to establish a new Indigenous police service.

Should the new force see establishment, it wouldn't be the first time Siksika Nation has had its own law enforcement service. A 10-year agreement between the federal and provincial governments saw the operation of a Siksika Nation police service from 1992 to 2002.

The tripartite agreement that established the service was not renewed beyond the initial term due to a lack of available funding.

Minister of Justice and Solicitor General Tyler Shandro met with Siksika Nation Chief Ouray Crowfoot on July 18 to announce the MoU.

"The Siksika Nation has identified establishing a police service as a priority for making its communities safer, and Alberta's government believes in working with communities to help them address important public safety needs," said Shandro. "We're looking forward to productive discussions that will help the Siksika Nation realize its goal of building a safer community for its members."

Since the closure of Siksika Nations localized service, the RCMP detachment in Gleichen has been responsible for policing in Siksika since 2002.

The nation has previously explored the idea of re-establishing a new police service, and in 2018 they hired a third-party firm to conduct a feasibility study. At the time, the provincial government covered a third of the cost of the study.

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Hot out of the gate!

Rockyford's annual rodeo got off to an explosive start with men's calf roping giving the audience quite the show right from the start of the afternoon on July 23, as riders flew out of the gates attempting to secure and hogtie the young calves and boost their positions in their rodeo season standings. See Page 11 for more coverage.

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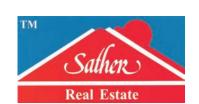


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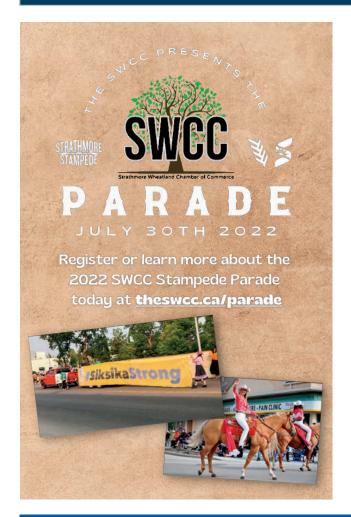


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Strathmore Reds to host provincials for 2nd year running

JOHN WATSON

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Strathmore is once again going to be hosting the U15AA Tier 1 Baseball Alberta Provincial Championships July

Jeff Bodie, coach of the 15U Strathmore Reds, said it's exciting to be the hosting town for provincials two years in a row, especially given that the Reds also get to compete in the tournament again this season.

"Anytime you can host and showcase your program and your community, it's a good thing," said Bodie. "The season has been going well, we've won quite a few games this season. We're hosting the AA Tier 1 provincials, so I'm really proud of the kids for working hard and getting to this point."

The local Tier 5 team hosted provincials in Strathmore in 2021, and this year the Tier 1 team has their chance to step up to bat. The Strathmore Reds are currently ranked seventh in the season bracket coming into the provincial tournament.

As is standard practice, the provincial tournament will consist of eight teams broken down into two pools of four. Each pool will play out a round-robin to decide which teams advance to the semi-finals.

Bodie said he feels his team is well balanced coming into provincials and is confident that any of his players can fill any position they may need to.

"We've pitched really well, and we've got a lot of kids who can throw really well for us, so that's definitely helped. I would say that's probably our strongest point," said Bodie. "We are going to



do the best that we can. We are going to play hard and at the end of the day, that's all you can do."

Leading up to the provincial tournament, the Reds have been focused on game situation play and preparing for a variety of different scenarios they might be faced with throughout the tournament.

Ultimately, Bodie said regardless of what happens, the priority is for the boys to come out, play their best, and have fun doing so.

"I'm excited for the kids to go and have a good weekend of baseball," said Bodie. "Anytime you can play at a high level is fun."

The 2022 Baseball Alberta Provincial Championships will kick off on July 29 and will be on the fields until the 31.

The Strathmore Reds are scheduled to play at 9 a.m. on July 29, at noon and at 3 p.m. on July 30. If they succeed in their round robin, they will play again on the 31.





The Strathmore Reds Baseball team will be hosting the Baseball Alberta Provincial Tournament once again this year at the U15 level. Tier One teams will be playing in Strathmore from July 29-31 for the provincial title, starting with a round robin of the top eight teams in the province.

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FACTS ABOUT IMPAIRED DRIVING:

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- On average over the last five years, over 4,500 people were convicted of impaired driving in Alberta each year.
- Research shows cannabis use can re-

required to drive safely, such as tracking, reaction time, visual function, concentration, short-term memory, and divided attention. Combining cannabis with alcohol further intensifies the negative effects on driving skills, even if the doses of either substance are low.

- · The effects of consuming cannabis edibles take longer to kick in and last much longer than inhaling the drug. It may take up to two hours to feel effects, which can last for 12 hours or longer.
- · According to Health Canada's 2021 Canadian Cannabis Survey, 21 per cent of people who had used cannabis in the past 12 months reported they had driven within two hours of using cannabis, and 35 per cent of those respondents did so within the past 30 days.

RCMP Alberta Traffic is committed to enhancing public safety by reducing harm and hazardous behaviours on Alberta roadways through strategic partnerships, enforcement, education and crime reduction initiatives," said Cpl. Trevor Schmidt of the Alberta RCMP St. duce many cognitive and motor skills Paul/Vermillion Traffic Services Unit.



Second man sentenced in death of Kristian Ayoungman

IOHN WATSON

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Brandon Giffen, who is the second man to be convicted in the death of Kristian Ayoungman, has been sentenced.

He will serve another six and a half years in prison and was handed a lifetime firearms ban during his sentencing

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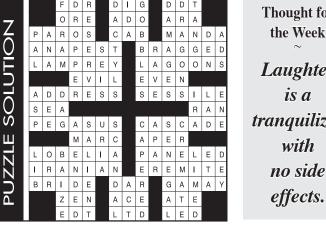
Even when you carefully plan and budget for a vacation, additional travel expenses often crop up thanks to a sneaky technique called drip pricing. BBB recommends the following tips to predict prepare for, and even avoid the hidden travel fees buried in the fine print.

Identifying and avoiding hidden travel fees

- Watch out for resort fees. These fees sometimes called "destination fees" or "urban fees" are often not listed on hotel aggregator websites, which means you need to click through several pages to find the hotel's final price.
- Look for hospitality tax. Some cities charge hotel or hospitality taxes, which aren't included in the hotel's nightly rate.
- Not all airport shuttle services are free. Just because a hotel says it offers an airport shuttle service doesn't mean it is complementary.
- Find out about parking. Not all hotels offer free parking, so ensure this is included before you book, especially in high-traffic areas with limited parking space.
- Don't assume hotel amenities are complimentary. Poolside towels, early check-in, in-room snacks, and even a continental breakfast may not be included in your room rate.
- Pack as little as possible when flying. Avoid baggage fees by reducing your luggage to a single carry-on if possible.
- Find out precisely what is included in the price of your airline ticket. Picking your seats, for example, and even in-flight entertainment, headphones, snacks and beverages, airline pillows and blankets, and in-flight Wi-Fl are not always free services.

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on July 19, after he was found guilty of manslaughter.

Giffen was originally sentenced to 12 years, but the judge reduced the sentence by six months due to cruel conditions within the remand centre. He was also granted 60 months credit for time served.

Giffen, and his brother Kody Giffen, were originally charged with first-degree murder in Ayoungman's death.

Kody was sentenced on March 16, 2021 to four years in prison, following a plea of manslaughter in August 2020.

Ayoungman, then 24, was fatally shot on the night of March 17, 2019, while he was inside of a vehicle, following an altercation outside the King Eddy Pub in Strathmore.

Melodie Ayoungman-Hunt, Kristian's mother, said the family is feeling "a sense of lift" now that court proceedings have concluded.

"Now we can move forward and continue forward on our healing journey," she said. "I think a sense of closure will be for the guy who took my son's life, to admit to his own wrong — to admit to his own guilt. I think that would bring

Ayoungman-Hunt has orchestrated memorials for her son since his death. Next year will be fourth memorial, with four being a number of cultural significance. She is working with the Town of Strathmore and Siksika Nation to host a powwow in her son's name.

Although the fourth memorial will be the last memorial that Ayoungman-Hunt will host in her son's name, she said her family's healing journey does not stop there.

"After the fourth year, the memorials will be done, but with that being said, our family has decided to continue

forward with a Kristian Ayoungman Foundation in support of First Nations," said Ayoungman-Hunt. "The way my boy's life was taken, it was wrong, and we want to make sure that things continue forward in a good way and our hope is that people learn from

In the aftermath of Ayoungman's death, Ayoungman-Hunt said she has seen noticeable improvements in the relationship between Siksika Nation and the Town of Strathmore.

Actions from the Town as part of the healing process include a memorial site dedicated to Kristian Ayoungman, situated adjacent to Town municipal

Ayoungman-Hunt added she feels her family and her son were excellently represented in court during the years of proceedings.

"I think my boy had the best representation by the Crown. (Our lawyers) fought long and hard, they did their research, and they did their best," said Ayoungman-Hunt, who hopes people will continue to learn from her son and take away lessons to be better to each other and eliminate racism.

Town aids Medicine Hat after storm

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Town of Strathmore has donated \$2,500 to aid Medicine Hat and Cypress County in their recovery efforts following damage caused by adverse weather conditions.

According to a release, the donation is kicking off a community campaign to help Medicine Hat and Cypress County as the municipalities clean up from a violent thunderstorm which passed through the area on July 18, causing extensive

Strathmore Mayor Pat Fule said the Town is cognizant of be-

ing a neighbour to several nearby cities and towns, and wants to help out in any way it can.

"We know that Strathmore's residents may have family and friends in that Medicine Hat area, so we wanted to get involved in making a donation that could be of help to the residents who may be in need," said Fule, who has also challenged the community to match the Town's donation, should residents wish to get involved and contribute to relief efforts.

"It's one way of supporting people in our province who may be in need, and I know we've done it with other centers when they've been faced with forest fires, or we sent some things to High River during the flood of 2013 as well," said Fule. "We know that Strathmore residents are amazing as far as stepping up, so we wanted to give them a chance, if people are interested, to add to our

Fule credited the Town CAO Kevin Scoble, and the upper administrative team for getting the conversation off the ground.

With the logistics more than handled, Fule added that Town Council was more than happy to approve helping the town's neighbours.

"We're really happy to try to support people who went through that really difficult weather event. It was close to being a tornado from what I understand, and a lot of damage was done," said Fule. "Many people lost important things, houses were damaged, vehicles were damaged; so we were proud of our administrative team and our town staff for being so willing to help out like this."

For those who are interested in contributing, residents and businesses are being encouraged to drop off monetary donations at the Strathmore Municipal Building until Aug. 2.

All funds donated will go directly to the City of Medicine Hat to coordinate with afflicted areas.

Ultimately, Fule said he hopes the Strathmore community will go so far as to match the Town's donation.

Updates on the campaign will be posted to the Town's social media and a final donation total will be made public on Aug. 3.

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Siksika Nation launches free information app

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Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

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Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Siksika Nation, in partnership with Aivia Inc., developed a custom mobile app to keep nation members connected and up to date with their community.

The app is designed to allow Siksika Nation members to receive push notifications about local news, events, documents, resources, job opportunities, and announcements, as well as to submit information to the Siksika Nation Tribal Council.

Tracy Duck Chief, with Siksika Chief and Council, said the app will make local information much more accessible to nation members regardless of whether they reside on the reserve, or elsewhere.

"We've been working with Aivia Inc. and our intent is to communicate with Siksika members on and off the reserve ... We've been working with them for the last couple months to develop this app," said Duck Chief. "There are a lot of members who are not on social media ... or can't access ... information. So, this app will allow us to communicate with the nation members on and off

Another advantage of the app, Duck Chief added, is the ability to keep nation members anywhere in the country up to date on a regular basis. Chief Ouray Crowfoot said the app better al-

The Town of Strathmore has waived some of

The Vault Cultural Collective's expenses until the

end of the year and council has directed adminis-

tration to take another look at their Memorandum

Mark Pretzlaff with Town administration, ex-

plained following a previous presentation to

council on June 1, several funding requests had

Collective following their presentation to council.

They identified a couple of concerns and identi-

fied some funding requests of council," said Pret-

zlaff. "One of their concerns is that their current

MoA would expire in September and they would

be without an agreement in place for the standard

Administration has recommended that the Town

extend the current MoA to the end of Dec. 31 to

allow The Vault Cultural Collective to remain the

active tenant of the space, as well as to direct their

other requests as a part of the Town's 2023 budget

Pretzlaff also suggested the Town consider

waiving the \$5,000 rent payment for the remain-

"Administration met with The (Vault) Cultural

lows for growth, independence and well-being of Siksika Nation members, and will help to nurture a modern way of life.

We put out a lot of resources for our members on a regular basis, so an app that reaches beyond our borders will help expand how much of our community we can serve," said Crowfoot. "Transparency has been a hallmark of our administration, being able to send notifications and publish content to our members at any time will make keeping band members informed even easier."

So far, Duck Chief said the feedback Chief and Council have gotten back regarding the app has been largely positive and is encouraging that the development team is on the right track.

She said active development of the app will continue over the next few months to refine the user interface and improve the overall user experience.

The app is free to use as the idea is to make it as accessible as possible for anyone who wishes to benefit from it.

"A centralized information distribution system that our members can rely on, as opposed to social media like Facebook or Twitter, gives greater confidence in data security and keeps posts ontopic," added Tribal manager Richard Sparvier.

The Siksika Nation app launched on July 12 and is available for use on both Apple and Android

about designating that area as a visitor informa-

tion centre and I think it's probably not the best

Councillor Brent Wiley moved to extend the

MoA with The Vault Cultural Collective to the

end of December 2022, directed administration to

waive the \$5,000 lease payment and to refer the

\$50,000 funding request from The Vault Cultural

Wiley's motion also directed administration to

The motion deviated from the original recom-

mendation that was put forward by administration

and was inquired for elaboration by Councillor Ja-

"The original recommendation from administra-

tion was to simply extend the MoA until the end

of this calendar year, and I know that there is an

army of volunteers working with The Vault Cul-

tural Collective that would find that limiting on

their ability to look forward," said Wiley. "I know

that they are ready to hit the ground running into

the 2023 year and they just want to see that Coun-

cil ... is committed to working with them. These

items in the new motion are showing them that,

Council passed Wiley's motion unanimously,

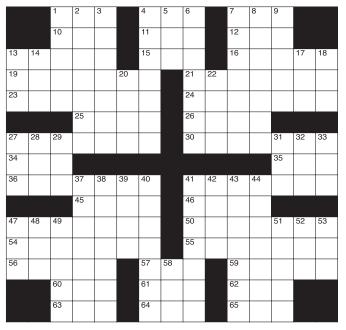
renegotiating the lease agreement for The Vault's

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location for it," said Pretzlaff.

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- 1. America's WW2 President
- 4. Move earth
- 7. Insecticide
- 10. Naturally occurring solid material
- 11. State of fuss
- 12. Bhutanese wine
- 13. Greek island
- 15. Taxi
- 16. Tanzanian ethnic group
- 19. Metrical foot
- 21. Boasted
- 23. Eel-like vertebrate
- 24. Small freshwater lakes 25. Morally base
- 26. Not odd
- 27. Where you live
- 30. Fixed in place
- 34. A very large body of water

- 35. Moved quickly
- 36. Winged horse 41. Small waterfall
- 45. Hoopster Gasol
- 46. One who mimics
- 47. Tropical plant
- 50. Used of walls
- 54. A citizen of Iran 55. Christian hermit
- 56. She marries the groom
- 57. American patriotic society
- 59. Wine grape
- 60. School of Buddhism
- 61. A team's best pitcher
- 62. Consumed 63. Time zone
- 64. Part of a company name
- 65. Type of bulb

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Marine protozoan
- 2. You use it for your eyes 3. Set aside for a later time
- 4. Metrical foot
- 5. Famed journalist Tarbell
- 6. Consumes quickly
- 7. Rewards in a civil suit
- 8. Kamodo are some 9. Ballroom dance
- 13. Chum
- 14. Comedienne Gasteyer
- 17. A room to relax 18. Commercials
- 20. Six (Spanish)
- 22. Wild party
- 27. Small European viper 28. Baseballer Gordon
- 29. Eccentric person 31. A way to save for your future

- 32. Young boy
- 33. Midway between northeast and east
- 37. Changed
- 38. Prominent
- 39. Genus of seabirds
- 40. Event regarded as wrong 41. Skipped in a lively way
- 42. Multi-function radar (abbr.)
- 43. A country in W. Africa
- 44. Burn a corpse
- 47. Women's ___ movement
- 48. NHL great Bobby 49. Coarse, green material
- 51. Treated with calcium oxide
- 52. When you hope to get there
- 53. "Partridge" actress Susan
- 58. What thespians do

"We identified some challenges through 2022 Kristina Bezic Financial Manager

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John Watson Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Town to address MoA with

The Vault Cultural Collective

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John Watson Photos

Siksika Nation aims to establish local police service

Continued from Page 1

Siksika Nation is currently unable to proceed with developing its own policing service under the First Nations and Inuit Policing Program, due to the federal government having frozen the program while a review is being conducted.

"It's really critical that we have our force on the Nation. We've worked closely with the RCMP and we have good relations with the Gleichen RCMP, but there's a huge difference between having somebody not from on the nation, and somebody who is on the nation, knows the nation and knows the people," said Crowfoot. "Our own force will reduce response time from police, which could save lives in those critical minutes or seconds in life-threatening situations. From a cost perspective, it would also be more efficient, as our own force would provide more preventative measures and not simply reactive measures to the community.'



Siksika Nation Chief and Council, and the Government of Alberta are working to re-establish a police force local to Siksika Nation. A press conference was hosted in council chambers on July 18.

John Watson Photo

Crowfoot added another motivation for seeking a police service local to Siksika Nation, is simply to have equitable treatment to any other municipality within the province.

"We're just asking for the cooperation of Alberta and cooperation from the federal government to keep our people safe," said Crowfoot.



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.

August 16: Council Meeting
August 23: Municipal Planning Commission
September 6: Council Meeting

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Gymkhana fun

The Safe Haven Skies farm held their bi-annual Gymkhana on July 23 at the farm. Some of the events during the day included a night-gown race, cookie race, musical hat race, team barrels and more. The next event is planned for Sept. 17 at the Safe Haven Skies aarm.

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Please pass on this Invitation if you know of anyone who may be interested.



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Strathmore RCMP are reminding residents to Lock-It or Lost-It following several thefts from vehicles.

- Locking your vehicle doors is a quick and simple way to help prevent this crime.
- Hide loose change inside the vehicle where it can't easily be seen and take all items of any value with you when leaving your car.
- Never leave your vehicle running unattended.

Strathmore RCMP ask residents to help do their part by ensuring their property is properly locked.

1-800-222-TIPS (1-800-222-8477)

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There is a list that is published each year in the U.S. showing the "dirty dozen" of fruits and vegetables. The list is based on the amount of pesticides found in each food. The top six of this dozen are as follows: strawberries, spinach, kale (and collard and mustard greens), nectarines, apples and grapes. The other six? Bell and hot peppers, cherries, peaches, pears, celery and tomatoes.

Is there a "clean" group? Here are the top fifteen. Avocados, sweet corn, pineapple, onions, papaya, sweet peas (frozen), asparagus, honeydew melon, kiwi, cabbage, mushrooms, cantaloupe, mangoes, watermelon and sweet potatoes. The purpose of this list is not to discourage people from eating these foods. It's to raise awareness and encourage thorough washing before eating.

Interesting observation about where the lowest level of dementia occurs worldwide. It's the peoples of the Tsimane and Moseten tribes of the Bolivian Amazon. There is only a 1% incidence of dementia there while in the U.S. it's 11% in people aged 65 and older. The cause of the difference? Physical activity.

Where did the idea of walking 10,000 steps per day come from? It goes back to Japan in 1965 to a company selling a new step counter it called *manpo-kei* which translates into *ten thousand steps*. It's a great goal but any number of extra steps per day is great for better health. Fitness is relative for each individual. Set your own goal over what you would do normally. You will reap the benefits.

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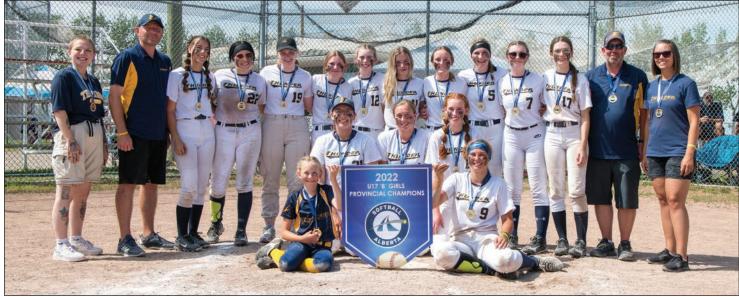


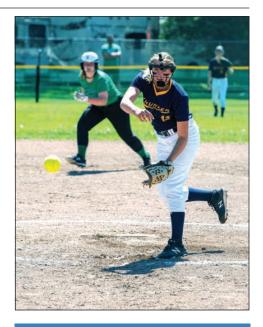
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The Strathmore Thunder U17B girls softball team went undefeated en route to claiming the 2022 Provincial Championship on June 26. The Thunder hosted the championship tournament July 22-24 at the Strathmore Ag Society Ball Diamonds and went undefeated in the round robin portion of the tournament. Strathmore defeated the Irma Tigers 12-8 in the semifinal before dispatching the Calgary SBR Blitz 12-5 in the gold medal game.

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Notice of Application **Confined Feeding Operation**

The Hutterian Brethren Church of Stahlville has filed application LA22016 with the Natural Resources Conservation Board (NRCB) to obtain a registration to construct a new confined feeding operation (CFO) on the NW 12-28-24 W4M in Wheatland County, of Alberta. The application is to construct a chicken layer barn and manure storage for 15,000 chicken layers.

Filing a Statement

Any person who is directly affected by the application may submit a statement of concern to the NRCB. The statement of concern must be received by the NRCB on or before 4:30 pm on August 25, 2022. Submissions should be made to the NRCB address provided below. A copy of the statement of concern will be sent to the applicant for review and comment. Statements submitted regarding the application may be posted on the NRCB's public website, as they are public records

Your statement of concern should include your name, the legal land description of your residence or landholdings, mailing address, phone number, fax number, email address, and a detailed summary that describes how you would be directly affected by this application. For further information please refer to the fact sheet "The Permitting Process for Confined Feeding Operations in Alberta" at www.nrcb.ca. You may also file an application for directly affected party status at this

Failure to submit a statement of concern may affect your rights to apply for an NRCB review.

Viewing the Application

A complete copy of the application and supporting documents submitted by the applicant under the Agricultural Operation Practices Act may be viewed on the NRCB website at www.nrcb.ca (under Confined Feeding Operations / Notice of Approval and Registration Applications) until August 25, 2022. The application will also be available for in-person viewing at the Lethbridge office during regular business hours. If you require further information, please contact the approval officer listed

Carina Weisbach, Approval Officer 100, 5401 1st Ave S Lethbridge AB T1J 4C6 carina.weisbach@nrcb.ca T 403-381-5422

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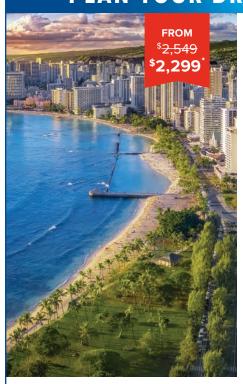
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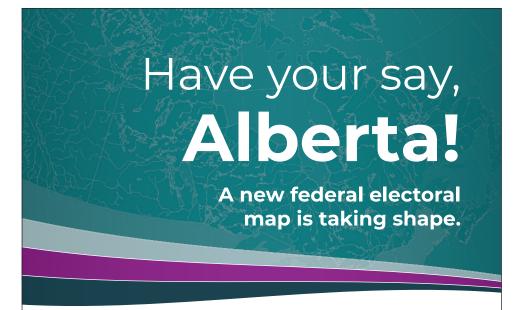


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Strathmore Fire Department approved to buy water rescue equipment

IOHN WATSON

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Strathmore Fire Department (SFD) has been approved by the Town of Strathmore to purchase some greatly needed water rescue equipment, following a presentation to town council on July 20.

Council has approved the purchase of the equipment through the Fire Department Capital Reserve, in the amount of \$28,000.

In May 2022, the SFD implemented a new level of service policy, which was approved by council. As part of the new policy, the department's Swift Water Rescue was removed, as it is not in their jurisdiction.

The equipment from the program was sold to Siksika Nation in the amount of \$36,000, which was then put into the Fire Department Capital Reserve.

The new level of service policy specifically outlines the required purchase of new water rescue equipment so that SFD members outfitted appropriately and safely for when the need for a water rescue should occur.

SFD chief David Sturgeon outlined that a lot of emphasis was previously put on the swift water rescue program. The same attention now needs to be put back on addressing local water rescue efforts.

"A lot of emphasis was put on that swift water rescue program, and not enough for our internal rescue, which is surface water rescue and ice rescue for our lakes in town," said Sturgeon.

The SFD is wanting to trade the motor currently equipped to their Zodiac boat for a new one, as well as to purchase eight survival suits.

"Our current survival suits are riddled with holes and things so when (rescuers) go in the cold water, we have some potential hypothermia issues for the rescuers," said Sturgeon.

The team is also looking to acquire an appropriate trailer to get the boat onto local water bodies quickly and

Sturgeon said with the fire department's current setup, the team is unable to approach many water bodies to launch the boat quickly and effectively.

Through the prior sale of the swift water rescue equipment, the department is able to purchase the necessary equipment for local response without having an impact to regular town operational budgeting or expenses.

Sturgeon added that operational and rescue efforts by the SFD may be impacted if the equipment was not approved for purchase.

"A lot of (our lakes), we can't drive right up to the lake, so we have to have a way of disconnecting (the boat) from the truck and getting it into the lake in a short amount of time to provide that rescue," said Sturgeon.

Council unanimously approved the ask of \$28,000 for the fire department's new water rescue equipment.

NCC hosting third annual Backyard BioBlitz

JOHN WATSON

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC) is encouraging people to go out and about to find and photograph local species in their areas.

The event, scheduled for the end of July, is their third annual Backyard BioBlitz. The idea is for folks across the country to photograph and submit species they come across, regardless of what they're doing over the course of the weekend.

Media and communications coordinator for the Alberta region, Sean Feagan, said it's a great opportunity for people to get out and experience their local natural environment.

"I think it's a great way for people to realize what species are living in their backyards, both literally and figuratively," said Feagan. "It's an unstructured event but I think it's just a great way for people to learn more about Alberta's natural history."

Across Canada, more than 6,500 participants logged over 36,000 observations during last year's event, taking into account both flora and fauna.

Anyone can participate from anywhere, from their backyard to exploring national parks. From the gathered information, partnering scientists and conservation partners can use the data to gauge how species are doing, to plan for future protection and restoration efforts, country wide.

Submitted data will be collected within a program called iNaturalist — a community science platform that is one of the largest crowd-sourced spe-

cies inventories in Canada.

"I think it's really amazing that anyone can collect information that is valuable to science. I've talked to multiple entomologists who have said that they use iNaturalist data on a daily basis," said Feagan. "I guess kind of the holy grail would be maybe (adding) a new species to science, but characterizing species through space and time is also important."

For folks participating in Strathmore and Wheatland County, the local region consists largely of prairie grasslands, small water bodies and wetlands.

Feagan added the latter of which are rich habitats saturated with different species.

Inversely, much of the local land area has been converted into agriculture or development zones, which destroys grassland habitat and puts local species at risk.

The Backayrd BioBlitz is also an opportunity to track the spread of invasive species across the country.

"It's a great resource for land managers to track invasive species throughout Alberta, and maybe understand what species could be spreading, or are in need of kind of management," added Feagan. "I'm sure kind of at a municipal level that that might be handy for municipalities or even just private landowners that are trying to control these things."

The 2022 Backyard BioBlitz will take place from July 28 to Aug 1. More details about the project, as well as how to participate, can be found through the NCC website.





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Rockyford rides!

Rockyford's annual rodeo was hosted from July 22-24, bringing together some of the best riders in Alberta to once again compete on the rodeo circuit. The July 23 competitions opened with men and women's calf roping, and seemed to favour the calves in the early hours of the **John Watson Photos**

Keeping Albertans safe

ALBERTA RCMP

The Alberta RCMP is spotlighting common crimes taking place in different detachment areas around the province this summer and are hoping to help Albertans keep themselves and their property safe through #HotSpotSum-

Through this campaign, followers on Alberta RCMP social media channels can see what crime types are more commonly taking place in their area and can get tips on the ways they might deter would-be thieves.

Through the Alberta RCMP app, individuals can explore the interactive crime map. The crime map indexes crime reports and highlights what types of crimes have taken place in that area. Reporting crimes is important as these reports tell us where crime hotspots are, and they influence future patrols and policing initiatives.

Albertans are encouraged to report all crime through the Online Crime Reporting platform or to their local de-

Below are some of the tips Albertans can expect to see in our #HotSpotSummerAB campaign:

• This year, we've seen an increase in auto thefts from Blackfalds, Fort Vermilion,

High River and Vegreville detachment areas. We're tailoring our approach to include targeted patrols in these areas. With your help we can stop criminals! Ensure that your vehicles are locked and that keys are not in the ignition, even if you'll be away for 30 seconds. #HotSpotSum-

• Theft from motor vehicles has been a common occurrence in Brooks, Edson, Killam and Ponoka detachment areas, this year. We know that no one asks to be a victim of crime. Let's work together to deter would-be criminals. Always remove all valuables from inside your car including wallets, change, sunglasses and keys. #HotSpotSummerAB

 Leaving things like tools and toys around your yard makes it easy for thieves to take what they want. With an increase of theft under \$5,000 being reported this year to the Cold Lake, Hanna, Leduc and Valleyview detachments, these areas should be particularly mindful of what is around for thieves passing by. #HotSpotSummerAB

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Huge thank you, from Wendy Cey to all the **VOLUNTEERS, SPONSORS, DONORS**, and GOLFERS

This was a fantastic event and a great time was had by all. God graced us with some fantastic weather.



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RODEO - 1:00PM CHUCKWAGONS - 7:00PM JAMES BARKER BAND CONCERT - 9:00PM

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RUNNING WITH THE RAMS - 11:30AM

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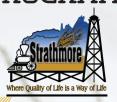
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CAMP CANAM MINI CAMPS - 12PM TO 4PM
ROYAL LEPAGE MECHANICAL BULL - 2PM TO 10PM

ENTERTAINMENT

KISLING FARMS PETTING ZOO - 12:30PM TO SPM
EXTREME DOGS - 1:30PM
CIRCUS STAGE SHOW - 2:30PM
CAMP CANAM MINI SHOW - 4PM
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RODEO - 1:00PM RUNNING W/ THE BULLS - 6:00PM CHUCKWAGONS - 7:00PM

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COORS ORIGINAL SALOON - 11AM TO 11PM
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CONNECTFIRST CARNIVAL - 11AM TO 7PM
CAMP CANAM MINI CAMPS - 12PM TO 4PM
ROYAL LEPAGE MECHANICAL BULL - 2PM TO 10PM
COWBOY CABARET - 8PM

ENTERTAINMENT

AGRICULTURAL KIDS ACTIVITIES - 11AM TO 8PM
KISLING FARMS PETTING ZOO - 12:30PM TO 5PM
EXTREME DOGS - 1:30PM
CIRCUS STAGE SHOW - 2:30PM
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EXTREME DOGS - 4:30PM
JOEL OSTROM & TIN STAR BAND - 4:30PM
CIRCUS STAGE SHOW - 5:30PM
EXTREME DOGS - 6:30PM
CIRCUS STAGE SHOW - 7:30PM
LIP SYNC COMPETITION - 9PM

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SUNDAY

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GENERAL GROUNDS

GROUNDS - 11AM TO 11PM
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MOLSON BEER GARDENS - 11AM TO 11PM
PENDLETON TRACKSIDE BAR - 11AM TO 11PM
COBB'S ADVENTURE PARK EXHIBIT - 11AM TO 10PM
CAMP CANAM MINI CAMPS - 12PM TO 4PM
ROYAL LEPAGE MECHANICAL BULL - 2PM TO 10PM
FIREWORKS - 11PM

ENTERTAINMENT

AGRICULTURAL KIDS ACTIVITIES - 11AM TO 8PM
KISLING FARMS PETTING ZOO - 12:30PM TO 5PM
EXTREME DOGS - 1:30PM
CIRCUS STAGE SHOW - 2:30PM
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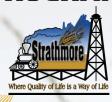
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HERITAGE ARENA

DRIVE A TEAM - 1:00PM HEARTS OF THE WEST - 3:00PM HEAVY HORSE PULL - 4:00PM

GENERAL GROUNDS

GROUNDS - IIAM TO 6PM
TRADESHOW - IIAM TO 5PM
COORS ORIGINAL SALOON - IIAM TO 6PM
PENDLETON TRACKSIDE BAR - IIAM TO 6PM
COBB'S ADVENTURE PARK EXHIBIT - IIAM TO 5PM
CAMP CANAM MINI CAMPS - I2PM TO 4PM
ROYAL LEPAGE MECHANICAL BULL - I2PM TO 4PM

ENTERTAINMENT

KISLING FARMS PETTING ZOO - 11AM TO 3:30PM
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With profound sadness, we the family of Nolan, announce that on July 11th, 2022, our family "mountain man" left this earthly plane.

Nolan was born in Calgary and raised on the family farm close to Nightingale, Alberta. Nolan was a skinny little boy who would have growth spurts where his pants were 6" too short. This certainly frustrated Mom and Dad who had to keep him in pants. Nolan finally stopped growing taller around age 18 and filled out in his 20's. As a child, he loved to play war with soldiers, toy army equipment and toy guns. He spent many a day blowing up model tanks with firecrackers. As he grew up, his interest turned to real guns. At one time, he had quite the collection. Nolan was a free-spirited man and a bit of a hippy. He wore his hair long for most of his adult life, wore a mustache, and as he got older, decided a beard was also in order, thereby earning the title of "our mountain man". Nolan attended Samuel Crowther School from grades 1 to 9 and then transferred to Drumheller where he completed his high school and took automotives. Like our dad, he was very mechanically minded.

Once Nolan graduated high school, he followed his older brother Bill into the print industry. He worked as a newspaper pressman for most of his adult life and was exceptional at it. Nolan started at North Hill News and over the years, worked for Canadian Publishing, Transcontinental Printing and The Calgary Herald. His ability to operate and work on all types of presses had his employers sending him to British Columbia, Ontario, and even to Memphis, Tennessee to train pressmen and/or set-up or fix presses that no-one else could.

Nolan married Terryl Mill and together they welcomed two sons. Nolan believed being raised in the country was the best thing for his boys and spent most of his adult life commuting to work in Calgary, which was not easy working 12-hour shifts which swung from days to nights. Nolan was very proud of the men his

After Dad died in 1976. Nolan helped Mom with farming and managing the livestock while working full time. This continued for many years until he finally convinced Mom to retire and rent the land.

Nolan was devoted to his family and went to see Mom every day in the hospital before she passed, making sure she was taken care of and brought her treats. He always took the time to visit a bit when he met someone he knew.

Nolan was a kind and generous person, always willing to help where he could. If he had a dollar and thought you needed it more, he would give it to you. Stories have been shared over and over from friends and family whom he helped throughout the years. Since his passing there have been many, many comments about what a "good man" he was, and this is the best way to be remembered. We know he has left a big hole in our family - we will miss his smile, his humor, his sayings and just being there.

Nolan is survived by his sons - Dillon (Sandi) and David (Laura); grandchildren - Malcom and Clare, stepgrandchildren - Samantha and Josh; sisters - Jude Morgan (Don) and Janet Frederick (Ken); mother-inlaw Patricia Mill; brothers-in-law - Brad (Jo-Anne) and John (Nancy) as well as numerous nieces and

Nolan was predeceased by his wife Terryl Frederick, father Archie and mother Hazel Frederick, brother Bill Frederick, father-in-law Bill Mill.

As per Nolan's request, there will be no funeral or service. In memory, donations may be made to The Canadian Liver Foundation at Suite 309, 1010 - 1 Ave N.E., Calgary, AB T2E 7W7 or to a charity of your choice.

Rest in peace Nolan, knowing that you were loved.

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