

THE BRETON BOOSTER

WINFIELD HEALTH CENTRE CLOSURE

more information...

by Heather Kipling, Communications Director, Central Zone, AHS

Alberta Health Services (AHS) has made the difficult decision not to renew our lease on the Winfield Community Health Centre when it comes up for renewal at the end of June. Currently, the health centre provides home care services, and a visiting public health clinic once a month.

While we acknowledge that this is disappointing news for the community, the remote location of the community health centre and its lack of supporting services in the same location has made it challenging to recruit and retain staff for many years. Job postings have received no applications despite repeated recruitment efforts.

Patients who utilize the health centre will continue to receive the care they need close to home. Home Care services will continue without interruption, and all home

care clients (approximately 102 clients) will be reassigned to either Drayton Valley, Rimbey, Wetaskiwin or Ponoka based on the location of their home.

The Public Health services that have only been provided at the site once a month by travelling staff will continue to be provided at other nearby health facilities. Efforts to coordinate appointments across services will be made for clients to help minimize travel to nearby communities so multiple needs can be addressed in a single visit.

Relocating services to larger healthcare sites will result in enhanced, high-quality care aligned with current best practices. Patients will have improved access to other health services under the same roof. More staff to draw from at more established sites also means more continuity in scheduling and maintaining client appointments.

Most residents are already travelling to other communities where they have access to a full slate of medical services well beyond what Winfield has to offer. There will be no job losses, and staff will be reassigned to nearby communities.

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Sudoku Answers from May 1 Issue

The object of the puzzle is to fill the remaining squares, using all the numbers 1-9 exactly once in each row, column, and the nine 3 x 3 subgrids.



Village of Breton Employment Opportunity

The Village of Breton is seeking an individual for the following employment opportunity. Applicants must have a valid Class 5 Drivers Licence and steel toed boots. Familiarity with equipment operation is preferred and will be considered an asset.

Public Works Ground Maintenance Worker

May, 2024 to September, 2024
Full time seasonal position only

Duties include but are not limited to grass cutting, painting, park maintenance, tree/shrub planting & watering, and other duties that may be assigned.

Wage grid: \$ 15.00 - \$ 20.00
depending on qualifications

Resumes can be:

- dropped off at the Village Office,
- mailed to Box 480, Breton, AB T0C 0P0,
- faxed to 780-696-3590, or
- emailed to admin@breton.ca

Resumes for all the positions advertised will be accepted until suitable candidates are found and only those selected for interview will be contacted.



Summer Employment Opportunity

The Village of Breton is seeking fun and friendly individuals to be employed at the Scoops ice cream shop. Students are encouraged to apply for this part-time employment opportunity. Must be reliable, self motivated, available to work weekdays as well as weekends, and most importantly provide friendly customer service.

Ice Cream Shop Attendant June - September

Duties include but not limited to: scooping ice cream, customer service, POS, cleaning and other duties that may be assigned.

Resumes can be:

- Dropped off at the Village Office
- Emailed to scoopsbreton@outlook.com



Third Annual Tomato Plant Giveaway

When:

Thursday and Friday, May 9 and 10

Time:

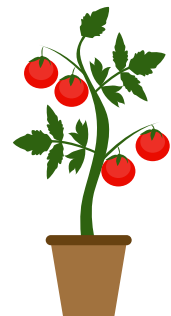
10 a.m. to noon –
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Where:

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UPCOMINGSPECIAL EVENTS (Breton, Thorsby, Warburg & Surrounding Areas)

May 9, 23 Jun 6, 20 July 4, 11 & 25 - Golden Spur Gymkhana 2024 in Breton. Gates Open 5pm, starts at 6:30pm. Email goldenspurgymkhana@gmail.com for more info.

May 10 - Strawberry Tea Fundraiser at the Calmar & District Senior Citizens Club from 9am - 3pm. \$8 per piece, Contact Terry at 587-3636 or tbalaban@telus.net

May 11 - Mother's Day Tea Party at the Thorsby Community Centre from 1-4pm. Monetary donations appreciated. Sponsored by the Thorsby Cultural & Historical Society.

May 11 - Community Yard Sale in the Breton Community Hall from 10am - 2pm. Tables are \$5. To book a table call the Breton Village office at 780-696-3636 or email admin@breton.ca

May 11 - Ride for Mom - Starts at Blackjacks Roadhouse in Leduc. Go to www.rideformom.ca for information or registration. Raising money for Leduc Victim Services. Bikers will stop in Breton at the Community Yard Sale around 12pm

May 12 - Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast at Centrelodge from 8:30am - noon. Bring your mom and enjoy!

May 12 - FREE Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast at Lindale Hall from 9-11:30am.

May 12 - Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast from 8-11 am at the Mulhurst Bay Community Hall. Adults \$10, Children 7 to 12 years \$5. 6 and under FREE. Everyone Welcome- (cash only)

May 15 - Spotlight Fair Family Event at the Breton Community Centre from 9am-2pm. Free family event for parents, caregivers and children ages 0-6. Pre-register on eventbrite or contact Breton FCSS 780-696-3636.

May 17-19 - Slow Pitch Tournament and Beer Gardens at the Arctic Spas Rec Centre. Hosted by the Thorsby & District Chamber of Commerce

May 18 - Thorsby May Long Family Fun event – 12pm-4pm Free family event with entertainment & activities, Parade and more at the Arctic Spas Rec Complex. Contact Kelley Probe at 780-780-4041 for more info.

May 18 - Corn Hole Tournament, Beer Gardens, Meatball Supper, 50/50 at the Thorsby Community Hall hosted by the Thorsby Historical Society. To register or for tickets call/text 780-217-9394 or thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com

May 19 - Pancake Breakfast by the Thorsby Lions Club at the Lion's Campground 9am - 12pm.

May 25 - Kids Night Out 2024 by Miss Joanne's School of Dance at the EPAC in Drayton Valley at 2pm. Tickets \$25 each at Heads Up Hair in Breton or Miss Joanne's.

May 25 - Sight Unseen Art Exhibit Showcase at the Zyp Art Gallery in Calmar at 3pm. Exhibit runs from May 3 - July 31.

May 25 & 26 - Thorsby Haymaker Rodeo. Saturday Slack 9am, Performance 5pm, Sunday Performance 2pm. Tickets at door. Call 789-3829 for more info or to sponsor.

May 26 - West 39 Minor Hockey AGM 6:30pm at Arctic Spas Recreational Complex

May 26 - Tom's Walk for Mental Health 2024 at Devon Voyageur Park from 1-5pm. For more information, please contact toms.walk4mh@gmail.com

May 27 - Lindale Hall AGM at 7pm.

June 4 - Warburg Seniors Luncheon - More details to follow

June 5 - FREE Older Adult Learning Day at the Breton Community Centre for a day of learning, laughter, socializing & lunch! Register with your local FCSS - Breton 780-696-3636, Warburg - 780-848-2828, County Wetaskiwin 780-352-3321.

June 7 - Mulhurst Bay Walk for Cancer at 5pm. Meet at Mulhurst Community Hall.

June 8 - Wheels in Winfield Show & Shine, 10 am - 3 pm. For further information, contact Kevin Johnson at 780-908-0607 or Albert Brandl at 780-696-2527.

June 8 - The Wizard of Oz Junior production by Miss Joanne's School of Dance at the EPAC in Drayton Valley at 2pm & 6pm. Tickets \$25 each at Heads Up Hair in Breton or Miss Joanne's.

Pick up your FREE

"Community Connections" booklet

at the Breton Village Office, Brazeau County Office, CE Media Thorsby, Leduc County Office, Thorsby Town Office, Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex and the Warburg Village Office

Or go online to www.community39.com

You will find information on our local communities including maps, contacts, rental facilities, community groups and supports and more....

Breton Community Yard Sale

Breton Community Centre

May 11, 2024

**10am - 2pm
(set up 8:30am - 10am)**

Tables are provided for a fee of \$5.00. All monies from the purchase of a table will be donated to the Ride for Mom.

The Ride for Mom is a domestic violence awareness motorcycle ride that raises money for Leduc Victim Services (who cover Breton area). The ride will be stopping at the Community Centre for about an hour the day of the ride. This will bring approximately an additional 300 people to the yard sale!

So if you have items or a product you would like to sell, this is an opportunity for you to have an additional 300 people at your table for only \$5.00.

To book a table please email admin@breton.ca or call the office at 780-696-3636 option #2.





PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS
(Breton & Surrounding Areas)

****Please note - all events are subject to change**

MONDAYS

BUS TO DRAYTON VALLEY (AQUASIZE OR WALMART) - Leaving Warburg & Breton on Monday mornings. Registration must be completed the Thursday prior to the Monday trip to save your seat. Contact Warburg FCSS at 780-848-2828.

CARDS & FLOOR CURLING at the Breton Golden Age Club at 1pm (\$3)

TUESDAYS

YOGA FOR WELLNESS - Every Tuesday from 10 -11 am at the Breton Community Centre until May 29. Adult Only. Instructed by June Knobel. \$2 drop in fee.

CHILDREN'S GYM TIME - FREE Drop in for 0-6 years old from 10am -11:30am at the Breton Faith Covenant Church. Hosted by Brighter Futures. For more info 780-514-5070.

FLOOR CURLING at the Breton Golden Age Club at 12:30pm

FOOT WELLNESS services the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month in Breton. Services include nail care, pedicures, detox treatments. Contact Christa at 780-514-5640 or online www.yourintrinsicement.com/copy-of-services to book.

KNIT & KACKLE - meet to knit and crochet items to be give to non profits. No experience necessary. The 2nd Wednesday of the month at the Breton Faith Covenant Church at 1pm. Contact Gaylene at 780-696-3597

BRETON BOOK CLUB meets at the Library the second Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm from September until June. All readers are welcome to join the conversation!

WEDNESDAYS

JUNIOR GOLF PROGRAM at the Breton Golf Course every Wednesday (weather permitting) starting May 15. Call 780-696-3531 or message Breton Golf Course Facebook page.

FRIDAYS

JAM DANCE & CARDS NIGHT at the Buck Creek Community Hall the first Friday of every month.

SATURDAYS

CRIB at the Breton Golden Age Club on Saturdays at 12:30pm. Contact Larry at 780-975-8755

COMMUNITY GROUPS & MEETINGS
(Breton & Surrounding Areas)

MONDAYS

BRETON & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY - Monthly meetings the 4th Monday at 7pm at the Breton Museum. Jan-June & Sept-Nov. 780-898-1155 or bretonmuse@yahoo.com

BRETON GOLDEN AGE CLUB - Meetings are the first Monday of the month at 11am (except July & August). 780-898-1651 or dwaymon@telus.net

BRETON ROYAL PURPLE ELKS NO. 285 - the third Monday of the month at 7:30pm at the Community Hall (except July & August) 780-514-4273 or bretonrp285@gmail.com

WEDNESDAYS

BRETON MUNICIPAL LIBRARY BOARD - Meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6pm (except July & August). 780-696-3740 or bretonlibrary@yrl.ab.ca

BUCK CREEK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION - Meetings at the hall the first Wednesday of every month at 8pm. 780-542-6604 or buckcreekhall@gmail.com

THURSDAYS

BRETON AG SOCIETY - Meets the second Thursday of every month (except July & August) at 7pm at the Community Centre. 780-202-0140 or bretonagsociety@gmail.com

BRETON ELKS 402 - at 7:30pm every 3rd Thursday of the month (except July & August) at the Community Centre. 780-898-3557 or bretonelks402@gmail.com

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

WELCOME TO BRETON - We want to help newcomers feel welcome by giving you a package of promotional and informational items from local businesses and community organizations. We look forward to meeting you! Call or text: Diane - 780-514-4273

MEMORIAL PLAQUE - Anyone wanting to put their loved ones name on the memorial plaque at the Breton Cemetery can contact Diane with the Breton Royal Purple Elks at 780-514-4273 for more information.

Warburg Legion Branch 205 will be closed for renovations from April 26 – May 10. There will be no functions until further notice! Thank you for your patience! Call Max 780-263-0350

Community Events & Information is FREE to advertise

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Breton and Area FCSS is now offering Counselling Subsidies for services with Karunia Counselling, Leduc, AB. Appointments are available by phone, virtual meetings online or in person.

Individual Couples Family Sessions

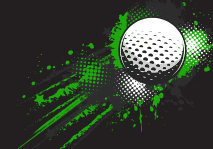
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FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT BRETON FCSS AT 780.696.3636

This program is supported by Breton and Area FCSS for residents residing in the Village of Breton, and Brazeau County Divisions 5 & 6

BRETON JUNIOR GOLF PROGRAM 2024

Ages 6-18 are welcome.



Breton Jr. Golf will begin on Wednesday, May 15 (weather permitting). Cost for the season will be \$75 and this will include lessons, prizes, a golf shirt and a year end pizza party.

Coordinator/coach is former LPGA pro, Sue Wright-Amendt.

Sue will focus on basic swing mechanics, full swing, chipping, putting and rules of golf / etiquette.

You can register by calling the pro shop at 780-696-3531 or texting Darren at 780-514-9228. You can also send a message on the Breton Golf Course Facebook page.

We will require a parent to provide an email and cell # for emergency contact.

We ask that all juniors attending wear a collared golf shirt, shorts/pants, running shoes or golf shoes. Also bring a water bottle and a coat or rain gear.



Miss Joanne's School of Dance

KIDS NIGHT OUT 2024

SATURDAY MAY 25TH @ 2PM

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Community Volunteer Income Tax Program - FREE INCOME TAX PREPARATION - For Low Income Persons, Families, seniors and students. You need to file your income tax each year, even if you have no income to report. By doing this you may receive benefits that you did not know you were eligible for. Also, in the event of the death of your spouse, benefits can easily be transferred to you, if you have filled a return for the last calendar year. If you did not file a tax return in 2023 you may not be receiving benefits from the government that you are eligible for. We will continue to file Income Tax Returns for those that did not meet the deadline of April 30th.

Yoga for Wellness - Will continue for the month of May, 10:00 - 11:00 am, Breton Community Center. Gentle flow yoga to help strengthen and relax the body and the mind. Pose sequences, meditation and breath work also promotes flexibility, balance, as well as, mind and body wellness. Adults of all ages are welcome; however, class content was developed with age 55 plus in mind. Instructed by June Knobel, Certified Yoga Teacher with, Yoga Association of Alberta. \$2 drop in fee

The Adult Exercise Program has ended for the spring. Watch for this class to be starting up again in September.

Busing to Aquacise or Walmart in Drayton Valley - Monday Mornings- Together with Warburg FCSS the bus will arrive in Breton at 9:15 to head to the Drayton Valley Gentle Aquacise class. Returning at 11:30. Purchase a 5 ride Bus pass for (\$36) or 10(\$72) bus pass from the Village of Breton office. Register with Shauna the Thursday prior to the Monday class to save your seat on the bus. If you register with the Active 55 program (at the pool) and live in Brazeau County (including the Village of Breton) there is no cost for the Aqua Size class. If you do not qualify for Active 55 the cost for the aquacise class is \$7.50 or a 10 card pass for \$67.50. We must have at least 8 riders to make a trip. The bus will also make a stop at Walmart for those that would like to shop for 1 hr.

Walking Group - Now that the weather is warming up this group has ended. Watch for details in the fall for a new start date. Thank you to Kasey and Lorraine for spearheading this group.

Spotlight Fair - Wednesday May 15, 2024 - We invite all caregivers, parents and children to join us along with the Brazeau Parenting Coalition and Wildrose School Division for a fun filled learning day. Featuring speakers on Chaos to Calm by Behavioral Specialist Candice Larson, Developing Language Skills Through Picture

Books by Leah Odynski and Danielle Spencer, along with the opportunity to connect with program and service providers in our community. The children will have a play area and we are also having Forever Friends Puppets join us for some entertainment. This is a FREE event, but we do ask that you register through Eventbrite at www.eventbrite.com/e/spotlight-fair-a-family-event-tickets-884959837697?aff=ebdssbdestsearch so that we can plan food and childcare. This is open to all families in the area. For more info, please contact Breton FCSS at 780-696-3636. Please pre-register so that we can accommodate you for lunch and childcare.

Older Adult Learning Day - Join us Wednesday June 5, 2024 at the Breton Community Centre for a day of learning, laughter, socializing and lunch! This is a free day for anyone in the Breton, Warburg, Brazeau County or Wetaskiwin County area to gather. Topics are still being confirmed but we do know that we will be able to learn the latest information on Frauds and how to prevent them, up to date information on being prepared for an emergency along with a few others! Please register with your local FCSS program - Breton FCSS - 780-696-3636, Warburg FCSS - 780-848-2828, County Wetaskiwin FCSS - 780-352-3321. Bring a friend!

Summer Youth Program - We have been working to put together a fun filled, learning summer activity calendar for families and youth in our community. Watch for the calendar to come out in late May. Activities will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays. Each week in July and August. Activities will include crafts, cooking, waterslide daze, games, movies, swimming and bowling trips. Watch for further details on these activities and more. Thank you to the following for their generous donations to our program:

***Breton Royal Purple & *Breton ELKS**

If you would like to support the Summer Youth Program by donating, please contact the Breton FCSS office at 780-696-3636 or fcss@breton.ca

Bus to Swim - Summer 2024 - It is never too early to start thinking about Summer activities. July 15-19,2024 bus leaves Warburg at 10 am, stops in Breton at 10:15, swim lessons 11-12, then bus leaves at 12:10 from Pool to return home. Please arrive 5 minutes early as the bus will be leaving at 10 am SHARP. Cost: \$41 bus for one week+ swimming lessons \$55.00 = \$96.00 total. Bus to Swim is for youth ages 5+. 4 parent volunteers (must be attending all week) for the bus to swim are needed. If you sign up to volunteer, we will give you \$20.00 off one child's registration for helping us out.

You can register online at www.docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSenD8cs0VmrMlIlqbgZlqfBZwFzjM7-ly_ApU-DtHBkAmc2g/viewform

or at either the Warburg FCSS office - Shauna (780-848-2828) or fcss@warburg.ca or Breton FCSS office - Deanne (780-696-3636) or fcss@breton.ca

Confirmation of registration is made upon payment. Please send all E-transfers to office@warburg.ca or pay at either Village office.

Community Information Night - Celebrate Breton & Chili Cook Off - Thursday September 26, 2024. This will be a time for community members to plan their fall activities, volunteer commitments and know of all the services available in and around our community, along with learning about the great businesses we have in our area. Breton FCSS will be coordinating this evening. We are adding a twist to this year's event and inviting any groups / businesses that would like to be a part of a Chili Cook Off. The Cook Off will be organized by the Breton Agricultural Society. Save the date and plan to join us that evening. More details will follow. Anyone attending the evening will sample and judge the Chili entries.

This evening is designed to do the following:

- * To give your agency / organization the opportunity to let the community know who you are and what services and/or purpose you give to the community and surrounding area.
- * If you hold a registration night for your group this could be done at the same time.
- * If your agency is in need of recruiting new members or volunteers this would be a time for community members to see what groups are operating and decide where they would like to commit some of their time.
- * Promote your business or services that you provide to the area. Use it for staff recruitment.

More details will come out soon. We look forward to showcasing all of the great businesses, groups and opportunities in the Breton area.



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Thursday May 9, 2024

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Thank you



Donald "Don" Victor Stannard

May 24, 1933 – April 27, 2024

With sadness we announce that Donald "Don" Victor Stannard of Rimbey, Alberta passed away peacefully at the Rimbey Hospital and Care Centre on Saturday, April 27, 2024, at the age of 90 years.

Don was born on May 24, 1933 in Vulcan, Alberta. He was the ninth child of ten children born to John and Blanche (née Booth) Stannard. In his lifetime, Don was a dedicated logger, farmer, and rancher. He farmed in the Winfield, Alberta area for sixty years. Don's lifestyle wasn't just about caring for the animals or the land, but about sincere beliefs and values passed down through the generations to ensure things are left better for those yet to come. He leaves behind a lasting legacy...

Don will be remembered by his children Vickie Schultz of Red Deer; Kelly Stannard of Eckville; and Jody (Calvin) Leslie of Winfield; three grandchildren Rhonda (Donnie) of Olds; Colin of Winfield; and Tabitha (Tyler) of Simi Valley, California; as well as two treasured great-granddaughters Camdyn and Presley of Olds. He will also be greatly missed by his brother Joe (Dolly) Stannard of Spruceview. Don was predeceased by his partner and best friend Elaine Dorchester; son-in-law Barrie Schultz; six brothers and two sisters; in addition to the mother of his children Georgina. As well, he will be missed by Elaine's family, her daughter Laura (Dennis), and her son Wes (Mary) and their families; along with numerous nieces and nephews; and many good friends and neighbours.

**A Celebration of Don's Life will be held at the Rimbey Seniors Drop-in Centre,
5110 – 53 Avenue, Rimbey on Friday, May 24, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.,
with Pastor Marco Williams-Ste-Marie officiating.**

*If desired, memorial donations in Don's memory may be made directly to Arthritis Society Canada, Suite 1700, 393 University Avenue, Toronto, Ontario M5G 1E6 (www.arthritis.ca).
Condolence messages may be forwarded to the family by visiting: www.ofc-ltd.ca*

Service and Cremation Arrangements for
the Late **Donald "Don" Victor Stannard**
entrusted to the care of

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Rimbey, Alberta  (403) 843-4445



Ethel Hayes

September 4, 1939 – April 24, 2024

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our beloved mother, grandmother, aunt, cousin and friend, Ethel Hayes, who left us peacefully on Wednesday, April 24 2024, at the age of 84 years.

Ethel was born on September 4, 1939. She was a beacon of light and the heart of her family. Ethel lived her life with incredible adventure, grace, and a sense of humor that brought joy to everyone around her. She was the epitome of kindness and her love for her family was infinite. Ethel spent her years dedicated to her family and the farming operations she shared with her husband, Vant Hayes. She was a respected member of the community.

Ethel's family would like to express their deepest gratitude to the home care staff that took such great care of her over the years, both on the farm by Breton, Alberta and in Innisfail, Alberta for their unwavering kindness and support during her final days.

She is lovingly remembered by her two daughters, Peggy (Greg), Christie-Leanna (Christopher), her six grandchildren, Saldana, Shiloh, Shaka, Austin, Dakota and Tristan. Ethel will also be deeply missed by her great grandchildren, Alannah, Denver, Keada, numerous nieces and nephews as well as cousins and friends. She was predeceased by her husband, Vant Hayes, her sister, Joyce, and her parents, William and Freida.

Ethel may have left this world, but her spirit and love will forever remain in our hearts. We will always remember her infectious laughter, her warm hugs, and her unwavering faith and strength. Her memory will continue to inspire and guide us every day. Rest in peace Ethel. You will be greatly missed, but your legacy of love, kindness, and compassion will live on forever.

A Funeral Service will be held at the Breton Community Centre, 4715 50 Ave, Breton, Alberta on Monday, May 13, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. A visitation will be held prior to the Funeral Service from 12:00 p.m. to 12:45 p.m.

If desired, Memorial Donations in Ethel's honor may be made directly to the Vant Hayes Memorial Scholarship Fund at ATB Financial, 4923 50 Ave, Breton, Alberta, T0C 0P0 or by phone at 1.780.696.3664.

Condolences, memories and photos may be shared and viewed at www.heartlandfuneralservices.com.

Arrangements in care of: Heartland Funeral Services Ltd.,
4415 – 49 Street, Innisfail, Alberta. Phone: 403.227.0006



Brazeau County

2024 HERBICIDE REBATE PROGRAM

Brazeau County is incentivizing the control and destruction of both noxious and prohibited noxious weeds, as listed in the Alberta Weed Control Regulations, by offering county residents a 50% rebate for herbicide purchased for controlling these weed species. To apply for this program a completed application form along with an itemized receipt must be submitted by September 30th, 2024.

Application forms can be picked up at the Brazeau County office, or on the website www.brazeau.ab.ca. For more information contact Greg Cameron at gcameron@brazeau.ab.ca

Deadline to apply is September 30th, 2024.

No late applications will be considered.

IMPORTANT DATES

- May 9** | Council Meeting | 9:00 a.m.
- May 14** | Municipal Planning Commission meeting | 11:00 a.m.
- May 15** | Agricultural Service Board meeting | 1:00 p.m.
- May 20** | Brazeau County Administration Building closed | Victoria Day
- May 21** | Council Meeting | 9:00 a.m.
- June 4** | Council Meeting | 9:00 a.m.

IT IS EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WEEK IN CANADA

Please visit the Brazeau County Facebook page and www.brazeau.ab.ca/emergency for links to resources

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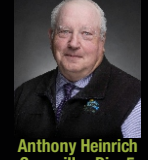
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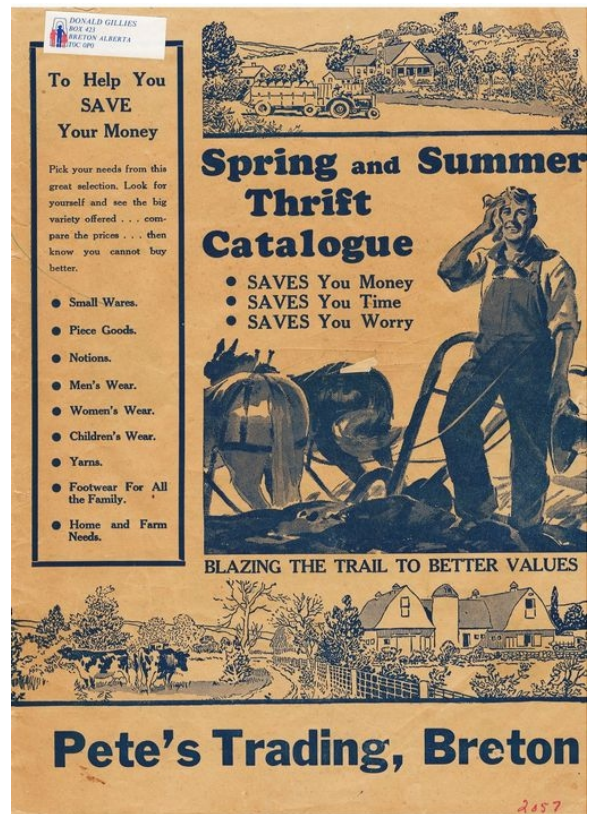


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BLAST FROM BRETON'S PAST

Pete's Trading Store

Breton Museum Facebook - May, 2024



A Spring and Summer Catalogue. There is no date on the catalogue, but would have been from the 1940's. Notice the address label of Don Gillies. Don was a founding member of the Historical Society and one of the many who established the Breton Museum. He was a wealth of information on the history of the area. I sure do miss being able to ask the many questions that I cannot answer.

For just about 100 years there have been numerous business's that have operated in Breton. Some were part of the community for many years, others for a shorter period of time. Likely, only be a few people in Breton today that will remember Pete's Trading Store.

The museum is fortunate to have a seasonal catalogue and a calendar from this business, but little other information on Pete Nikiforiuk or his business. He ran his store sometime during the 1940's. The store was located on the south side of Main Street and was one of several businesses which burnt in the late 1940's.



The museum tries to find examples of complete calendars that are in good condition, however the museum accepted this calendar from Pete's Trading Store even though it had the calendar months missing. It is the only example of the business that has been offered to the museum. Also the subject matter was somewhat unique. While we don't know the year of the calendar, it is likely during WW II (1939 -1945). Notice the Union Jack flag, airplanes and naval ships depicted along with the beaver. An artifact as simple as a calendar can give the museum considerable information about what a business sold.

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APPROVED, subject to the following conditions:

1. The development must comply with Land Use Bylaw No. 13-02.
2. The development must comply with the Village of Breton Bylaws.
3. The development is subject to the Building Safety Codes Act, including permits and inspections. A copy of all final inspections must be submitted to the Village Office.
4. Before any work is performed, all necessary permits and notices must be applied for and received including Alberta One Call.
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Date of Decision: April 29, 2024

Date of Issue of Development Permit: May 13, 2024

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WARBURG CURLING CLUB NEWS

This years' curling season ended on Tuesday, March 26th with a delicious potluck supper and AGM followed by a sudden death playoff between the Monday and Thursday night league champs with team Nickel beating out team Tomaszkeski.

The Tuesday night Sturling playoff was held the same night with team Meinczinger/Nemeth winning over team McCullough with overall points for and against.

Tuesday night Sturling (6 end - 2 man team curling) was a hit. This style of play has made curling possible for anyone who would enjoy a shorter game with less sweeping. It is a great night out with a lot of socializing and fun. The club anticipates another great season of sturling and invites everyone to come and try it out – no experience needed.

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We are excited to announce that JUNIOR CURLING will be starting for 2024/25 curling season. We have volunteers who will be coaching Junior Curling. Brooms, helmets, and shoes are supplied. Watch for more information later in the year.

The out-going President, Rob Tessier did a terrific job over the past two seasons – **Thank You Rob.** Also a huge Thank You to Lynn Cherwonka who gave the concession, bar and foyer a great new paint job as well as cleaning and tidying the lobby.

CURLING FEES (if paid AFTER October 1st)

League Nights \$1,100/team

Waiver fee is included in league fees. Skips are responsible for collecting and paying fees.

Sturling \$275/team

Waiver fee is included in league fees. Skips are responsible for collecting and paying fees.*

Senior Men's \$7.00/person per day

Drop-In *Waiver must be signed – no fee.*

Spares \$10.00/night to be collected by the skip, and one-time \$25.00/person waiver fee.

**All curlers must sign an insurance waiver before curling.*

EARLY BIRD FEES can be paid by cash, or e-transfer to:

warburgcurling@gmail.com or by cheque mailed to:

Warburg Curling Club, Box 194, Warburg AB T0C 2T0

For information on half season curling or ice rental call or text Hugh Cherwonka 780-898-8651.

WCC is holding a Beer Garden in the park on Heritage Day, June 22.

VOLUNTEERS are needed for 2 hour shifts and set-up and tear-down.

Call or text Hugh Cherwonka at 780-898-8651 to volunteer.



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The Village of Breton now has **Organic Bins (Green Cart)**. The first pick up was on Monday, May 6 and is scheduled for alternating Mondays.

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ALBERTA RELEASES DROUGHT RESPONSE PLAN

May 02, 2024 - Alberta Government News

Alberta's government is releasing its 2024 Drought Response Plan to help support Albertans through any drought conditions this year.

Alberta's new 2024 Drought Response Plan will help guide the province through any and all drought conditions. This is a plan covering everything from conservation plans and water-sharing agreements to declaring an emergency and prioritizing water for human health and safety. It will help make sure that Albertans, communities, farmers, ranchers and businesses get the support they need, whatever the weather.

"This spring has brought much-needed moisture to many areas of the province, and new forecasts showing increased precipitation are a cause for optimism. However, we must remain prepared for drought now and into the future. Alberta's Drought Response Plan is foundational to that work and will help our province respond to all levels of drought for years to come."
Rebecca Schulz, Minister of Environment and Protected Areas

Drought Response Plan

Drought conditions can change rapidly and impact different areas in very different ways. The Drought Response Plan will help government, irrigators, communities, businesses and others respond quickly and effectively to a wide range of drought conditions. The plan outlines:

- The five stages of Alberta's drought response.
- The roles and responsibilities of partners, including government, to help everyone collaborate and communicate.
- The regulatory and non-regulatory approaches and tools that may be used in various drought conditions.
- How and when emergencies would be declared, with recognition that declaring an emergency is used as a last resort.

Current situation: Stage 4

Alberta is currently at Stage 4 of the Drought Response Plan. Government is now working proactively with major water users to employ all existing regulatory and non-regulatory tools available. This includes creating water shortage response plans, fast-tracking temporary diversion licenses to allow water to be temporarily diverted from new sources, and the landmark water-sharing agreements announced on April 19, along with other steps being implemented across southern Alberta.

Stage 5: Declaring an emergency

Under the 2024 Drought Response Plan, Alberta would

only declare an emergency under the Water Act as a last resort. Should the government declare an emergency, Albertans should be advised that:

- Emergency declarations are temporary and allow government to prioritise water uses.
- Emergency declarations do not replace the regulatory requirements of the Water Act.
- Emergency declarations only apply to a specific location. This could range from a small geographical area within a sub-basin to the entire South Saskatchewan River basin or province, depending on the severity of a drought.

There are three triggers that would make the province consider declaring an emergency:

- If there is not sufficient water available for the priority uses. Human health and safety is the top priority, followed closely by ensuring sufficient water supplies for critical infrastructure, livestock welfare and critical environmental needs.
- If there is increasing distress from local authorities, or if local authorities are unable to respond to issues caused by drought. For example, if a state of local emergency is declared or if the Provincial Emergency Coordination Centre is activated at level 3 or higher.
- If Alberta's water management system becomes so overwhelmed that staff cannot process or implement regulatory measures in a timely manner, impeding the drought response.

These triggers will be watched closely. Each situation will be considered on a case-by-case basis to determine when or if an emergency declaration is needed.

Alberta has never before declared an emergency under the Water Act. In the event one is declared, Alberta's government, working closely with water users, would temporarily take steps to manage water in the emergency area. Various steps may be needed, depending on the situation. Potential actions could include suspending approvals, registrations or water licenses, and designating the purposes and volumes for which water may be diverted or used.

While drought is a real risk, May and June often come with risk of floods. That's why we have 24-hour monitoring and emergency response, as well as the new \$125-million Drought and Flood Protection Program and investments in wetlands, watersheds and modernizing Alberta's water management system.

Quick facts

- Alberta Environment and Protected Areas is the Government of Alberta's lead agency for drought preparation and response.
- This plan is led by Alberta Environment and Protected Areas but also applies to drought response activities across Alberta Agriculture and Irrigation, Alberta Municipal Affairs, Alberta Forestry and Parks and the Alberta Energy Regulator, among others.

Quick facts continued from previous page

- The objectives of Alberta's Drought Response Plan are:
 - Protecting the health and safety of Albertans from the impacts of drought.
 - Minimizing the impacts of drought on Alberta's communities and economy, and the environment.
 - Implementing a proactive, risk-based approach to rapidly assess, prepare for and respond to the impacts of a drought.
 - Ensuring response to drought conditions are agile and adjusted in real time as information changes.
 - Enabling all Albertans to take appropriate action to conserve water and work together.
- The Drought Response Plan is considered a living document and will be updated as Alberta's drought situation changes, or if new actions could potentially improve the response to a drought emergency.
- There are currently 51 water shortage advisories in place for select water management areas across Alberta.



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DRAYTON VALLEY



\$2,900,000

2 storey office bldg, full basement, 3 bay heated garage. Reception area, multiple offices, boardrm w/ kitchenette, executive offices, crew room w/kitchenette, bathrooms w/showers, storage.

BUCK LAKE



\$314,000

0.85 acre, Oakes Bay, knotty pine cabin, 1 bed, 1 bath, loft, 2 tiered front deck, sauna, firepit, 24x26 garage. 30 amp breaker for RV

BRETON



\$127,500

60x130 lot, 2 bed, 1 bath older mobile home, well maintained, covered deck, new deck, vinyl windows, interior recent painted,

BRETON



\$234,900

4 bed, 1 bath home on .27 acre lot backing onto ravine in Breton. Recent upgrades: vinyl windows, 35 yr shingles, laminate flooring

BRETON



\$675,000

159.02 ARCE FARM - Pasture land, spring fed pond, cross fenced. 3 bed 2 bath home. with kitchen island, living room, Covered deck with hot tub new in 2022. a cozy enclosed porch with a wood stove and storage room. 50x50 heated workshop with a concrete floor, 2 livestock shelters, 2 Ritchie stock waterers.

WARBURG



\$895,000

145 acres Recreational - Forest, trout pond, 1920 sq ft home. 4 bed, 3 bath. Titan Wall construction, 32x32 heated workshop, dog run, pigeon coop, Private setting. Annual surface lease revenue.

WINFIELD



\$949,000

158 acres, creek, mature forest, cabin, peace & tranquility! East Poplar Creek flows thru this land. on no exit road.

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BUCK LAKE



\$345,000

0.5 acre, recently completely 2 bed, 2 bath cabin with loft. Short walk to Buck Lake & boat launch. Water well & septic new 2022.

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