# THE BRETON BOSTER

# TOTAL FIRE BAN IN EFFECT FOR BRAZEAU COUNTY & VILLAGE OF BRETON

# **TOTAL FIRE BAN**

IN EFFECT

### **EFFECTIVE NOW - July 11, 2024**

No Fire Ban	Fire Advisory	Partial Fire Ban	Total Fire Ban	

### **NO OUTDOOR BURNING IS PERMITTED**

No wood campfires Exisiting Fire permits are cancelled

#### ALLOWED

Portable propane fire pits Gas or propane stoves and barbecues Catalytic or infrared-style heater



For more information please visit https://www.albertafirebans.ca/ for fire up-to-date fire status or contact the Drayton Valley/Brazeau County Fire Services @ 780-542-0637 during regular business hours.

#### WEED INSPECTION



FYI: Weed Inspectors will be in Breton during the week of July 15 - 19

from the Village of Breton Facebook

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Please be advised due to extremely dry weather conditions, the Drayton Valley/Brazeau County Fire Services is issuing a Total Fire Ban for the area of Brazeau County & Drayton Valley.

The Village of Breton is issuing this same Fire Ban.

#### EFFECTIVE THURSDAY JULY 11, 2024

A total fire ban occurs when the fire hazard in the area is very high. Wildfires can start easily from most causes especially unattended campfires, cooking fires. Wildfires may become serious and difficult to control if not successfully contained while small.

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CHECK OUT BRETON MUSEUMS From Africa to Alberta PART 1: The Back Story Inside this issue...

# Classifieds

#### GARAGE SALES

**GARAGE SALE at 36 Village Green in Warburg**, Friday, July 19 - 12-5 pm, Saturday, July 20 & Sunday July 21 - 10 am -5 pm. Electric bed & chair, collectables, tools, yard equipment, dishes etc.

#### FOR SALE

**RIGHT HANDED GOLF CLUBS & BAG -** 3 Drivers, 7 Irons. Offers. **MINNOW NET** - Catch your own bait fish. 10ft x 3ft complete with weights and buoys. \$50 OBO. Call 780-293-2803.

**2001 OKANAGAN ULTRA LITE** - \$6,500 OBO. Upgraded 22 foot 5th wheel trailer with attachment for short or standard box trucks. Sleeps 5-6. Great condition. 5 tires in excellent condition. Contact 780-991-1795

#### WANTED

**LOOKING FOR PASTURE** for cow/calf pairs. Also looking for hay land and grain land. Contact Levi at 780-312-9891

**DONATIONS NEEDED**! Uniforms from Breton & District WWII vintage for Remembrance Day display. Contact Bob at 587-341-7518. Thank you for helping with the recognition of our local Veterans!

**LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TO DO REGULAR MOWING AND TRIMMING** for the summer/fall months, near Breton. Call or text 780-265-4284 for more info.

WESKAY CATTLE CO. IS CURRENTLY SEEKING PASTURE, HAY OR CROP LAND to lease for the 2024 season and on, competitive prices, on time lease payments. Call Wesley 780-982-1093

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#### Classified Ads are \$5 for 2 weeks

(max. 4 lines or approx. 30 words) GST included



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Sudoku Answers from July 10 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 × 3 subgrids.



#### QUALIFICATIONS

- Attention to detail is a <u>MUST</u>
  - Must be self motivated
  - Must be willing to learn
- > Experience with Corel Draw an Asset
- Must have valid Class 5 Drivers License

### HOW TO APPLY

Please email your resume to Shane at <u>info@cemedia.ca</u> or drop off at

CE Media, 4928 Hankin Street, Thorsby.

\*Only those selected will be contacted for an interview

\*Applications will be accepted until position is filled.

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#### **Responsibilities include:**

- Build pallets
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- Make labels and attach to goods
- Provide customer service
- Wrap goods
- Pack and unpack goods
- Sort, crate and stack goods
- Install, lash and secure goods
- Organize and maintain inventory
- Organize inventories using computerized inventory control systems
- Maintain internal record-keeping system
- Adjust, repair or replace parts and components of automotive systems

#### **Experience and specialization**

- Computer and technology knowledge
- Basic English
- College, CEGEP or other non-university certificate or diploma from a program of 1 year to 2 years
- or equivalent experience
- MS Excel
- Information technology
- MS Windows
- MS PowerPoint
- MS Word
- MS Outlook

#### **Additional information**

- Fast-paced environment
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- Handling heavy loads
- Physically demanding
- Manual dexterity
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- Large workload
- Combination of sitting, standing, walking
- Standing for extended periods

To apply email <u>breanne@involvi.ca</u>

and reference the following job # 2020129





#### UPCOMINGSPECIALEVENTS (Breton, Thorsby, Warburg & Surrounding Areas)

July 18 - Canadian Wildlife Nature Lessons through music, stories & puppetry at the Breton Municipal Library at 3pm. For all ages. Call 780-696-3740 for more info.

July 19 - Outdoor Summer Concert at the Warburg Community Park from 7-10pm

July 19 - Medicine Teachings at the Thorsby Municipal Library at 6pm. Learn about the medicine plants that grow in our area.

<u>July 15 -19</u> - Bus to Swim 2024 for youth ages 5+ at Drayton Valley Pool. Register at FCSS Breton <u>fcss@breton.ca</u> or FCSS Warburg <u>fcss@warburg.ca</u>

July 22 - A Dragon Safari Puppet Show at the Warburg Pioneer Rec Centre from 1:30 - 3pm. Ages 3+ and families. \$5. Register at 780-848-2841 or etransfer to <u>office@warburg.ca</u>

July 25 - Golden Spur Gymkhana 2024 in Breton. Gates Open 5pm, starts at 6:30pm. For more info email goldenspurgymkhana@gmail.com

July 28 - Pancake Breakfast at Sandholm Hall (corner 616X & Hwy 778) from 8am -11am. For more info call 780-389-2381

August 8 - Family & Community BBQ at the Warburg Cloverleaf Manor. Tickets \$5 (6 & under FREE). Please RSVP by July 24 to 780-848-7717.

<u>August 15</u> - Golden Spur Gymkhana Finals - Gates open at 3:00pm and Gymkhana starts at 5:30pm. For any questions or information email goldenspurgymkhana@gmail.com</u>

<u>August 17-19</u> – Festivus of Gravel - "Battle of Thor" themed – Gravel cycling starting and finishing at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreation Complex. Festival with bike shops, food and beer gardens. <u>www.stiedacycling.com/festivusofgravel</u>

August 18 - Pancake Breakfast at Sandholm Hall (corner 616X & Hwy 778) from 8am -11am. For info call 780-389-2381

<u>August 23</u> - Outdoor Summer Concert at the Warburg Community Park from 7-10pm. Featuring Gregory Baldwin

<u>August 24</u> - Thorsby's Car & Truck Show n Shine hosted by Lone Wolf Mechanical. 10am - 5pm. Featuring Mega Trucks, Car Crushing and Tug a War.

August 24 - PBR Buckin at the Brook Bull Riding at Sunnybrook Hotel / Hwy 39. To sponsor event or for more information email <u>sunnybrookwhf@gmail.com</u>

August 25 - Stollery Lemonade Stand Day. Ethen Sweet will

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be selling lemonade at Sandholm Store for the Stollery Children's Hospital Foundation. Charitable receipts available.

August 31 - 47th Annual Lakedell Fair. Rain or Shine 7am -4pm events throughout the day! Thursday, Friday and Sunday events scheduled as well. <u>www.lakedell.org</u>.

<u>September 6, 7, 8</u> - Carnival coming to Thorsby. More details to follow. Hosted by the Thorsby & District Chamber of Commerce.

<u>September 7</u> - Spirit of Thorsby / Thor Statue Reveal hosted by the Thorsby & District Chamber of Commerce. Market, beer gardens, dunk tank & more. Details to follow.

<u>September 12</u> - Warburg Community Awareness Night in Warburg School west parking lot. Email <u>fcss@warburg.ca</u> or call 780-848-2828

September 21 - Gun Show at the Warburg Community Hall. 10am to 4pm. Tables \$25, Admission \$5. Call Darryl at 780-983-4669 or Charlie at 780-898-4147

September 24 - Community Information Night, Celebrate Breton & Chili Cook Off at the Breton Community Hall. Register with Breton FCSS 780-696-3636 or <u>fcss@breton.ca</u>.

October 19 - Genesee Pumpkin Festival hosted by the Genesee Ag Society. Enter your prize pumpkin, sunflower, vegetable or baking. Contact Joanne 780-940-7229

October 19 - Harvest Fest at Strawberry Hall - a family friendly fun filled afternoon with games, supper and dance - phone 780-789-2446 for supper and dance tickets

#### Community Events & Information is <u>FREE</u> to advertise

#### 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....





PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS (Breton & Surrounding Areas)

\*\*Please note - all events are subject to change - <u>some activities</u> are not running during the summer but have not notified us. Please email us at <u>media@community39.com</u> if we have incorrect information.

#### MONDAYS

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

#### TUESDAYS

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. Contact Christa at 780-514-5640 or online www.yourintrinsicelement.com/copy-of-services

#### WEDNESDAYS

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

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

#### FRIDAYS

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

#### SATURDAYS

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

#### **BRETON SUMMER PROGRAMS**

FCSS SUMMER PROGRAMS - Registration online at www.forms.gle/oEufXUbdvSXKQg4c6 or in person at the Village of Breton Office. There is also an online catalog with all the information on this year's programs at www.simplebooklet.com/summerprogramcatalog

BRETON MUNICIPAL LIBRARY SUMMER READING CLUB -Every Monday & Friday from 1pm - 3pm

#### COMMUNITY INFORMATION

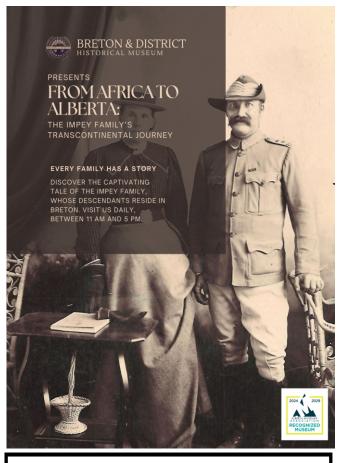
WELCOME TO BRETON - We want to help newcomers feel welcome by giving you a package of promotional and informational items from local businesses and community organizations. We look forward to meeting you! Call or text: Diane - 780-514-4273

**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.

TABS FOR TOTS - The Breton Elks collect the tabs off beverage cans and other recyclable metals. This is sold for scrap and the funds help local hospitals. To donate your tabs or other recyclable metals please call 780-696-3800

**TENT RENTALS** - the Breton Elks have 3- 20x20 and 1- 20x40 tents for rent. Contact Darren Scott at 780-696-3800.





# In Loving Memory of Teena Swain Yuhasz

We will be spreading Teenas ashes at Jim Lachances home on July 20, 2024 at 2pm.

There will be a potluck supper to follow. Please bring a dish to share. A 50/50 draw will take place with proceeds going to the Children's Stollery Hospital.



For more information please call or text Kris at 403-669-1405.



THANK YOU & PARTY!

DENNIS CARSON JANUARY 16, 1953 - NOVEMBER 15, 2023

IT IS WITH GRATEFUL HEARTS THAT WE THANK OUR EXTENDED FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND NEIGHBOURS, FOR THE OUTPOURING OF LOVE AND SUPPORT GIVEN TO US AS WE TRAVEL THE ROAD OF SADNESS AND GRIEF WITHOUT OUR ROCK DENNIS.

WHETHER, IT BE FLOWERS, CARDS, LETTERS, FOOD, VISITS, TEXT MESSAGES, HUGS, THOUGHTS OR PRAYERS, OR FACEBOOK CONDOLENCES... PLEASE KNOW ALL ARE APPRECIATED.

AS DENNIS DID NOT WANT A FORMAL FUNERAL, OUR FAMILY HAS PLANNED A PARTY, TO CELEBRATE AND REMEMBER HIM, IN OUR BACKYARD ON AUGUST 10, BEGINNING AROUND 2:00 P.M.

WE ARE PREPARING FOR A BIG CROWD, RAIN OR SHINE, SO WHETHER YOUR CONNECTION TO DENNIS IS OLD OR NEW, OR THROUGH ANOTHER FAMILY MEMBER, PLEASE ATTEND. BRING A LAWN CHAIR, AND YOUR BEVERAGE OF CHOICE. WE WILL PROVIDE LUNCH, COFFEE, TEA AND SOFT DRINKS.

AS MEMORIES ARE A GREAT COMFORT AND HEALING TOOL, WE ARE HOPING TO HEAR LOTS OF STORIES, ABOUT HOW YOU REMEMBER DENNIS. WE WILL BE ADDING THESE STORIES TO DENNIS'S TRIBUTE BOOK, SO IF YOU HAVE A STORY, WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR IT.

PLEASE EMAIL denniscarson972@gmail.com if you need directions to our backyard.

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE! SHELLY AND FAMILY



Please feel welcome to contact me at <u>fcss@breton.ca</u> or 780-696-3636. Our office hours are Monday to Thursday 8:30am - 4pm.

#### **Summer Youth Programs**

Registration has opened for our Summer Youth Program. We are accepting registrations online at <u>www.//forms.gle/oEufXUbdvSXKQg4c6</u> or in person at the Village of Breton Office. There is also an online catalog with all the information on this year's programs at <u>www.simplebooklet.com/summerprogramcatalog</u>

We have some of our favorite days coming back and some new and exciting days as well. We hope you will join us. Register soon as some program dates are full or nearly full.

Here are the first few activities -

July 18 - Adventure Day - Community Centre - Games, Minute to Win It, Mini Golf - Relay races

July 23 - Water Daze - RV Park - Fun water slide, water games, kiddie pool. Wiener Roast

July 24 (AM) - Bears Paw Ranch - Civic Centre - FULL

July 24 - Craft Time - Civic Centre - Spend the afternoon doing crafts. Under 6 must be supervised

July 25 - Boys Day - Community Centre - Spend the day with your Mom/Aunt/Grandma doing activities, making lunch. *Preregister by July 18* 

July 30 - Smores Ice Cream - Community Centre - Learn how to make Ice Cream to go with your Smores.

July 30 - Combat Laser Tag - Community Centre - Laser tag like you have never seen before on this mobile course. *Waiver must be signed. Outdoors. Ages 8*+

July 31 - Building Day - Community Centre - Build big or small with our interlocking building pieces. Ages 5+ Free

For a complete listing of summer program activities, please check out the online catalog, or pick up a calendar at the Village office or the Breton Library.

**Program Fee Assistance -** The Breton Agricultural Society has generously donated to our program this year and would like to cover program registration fees for those that are in need. Please indicate on your registration form if you would like to be considered for this. All applicants will remain confidential. This information will not be shared by FCSS to anyone including the Breton Ag Society. For more information, please contact Breton FCSS at 780-696-3636 or fcss@breton.ca

# Thank you to the following for their generous donations to our program:

Breton Royal Purple / Breton ELKS / Darren Scott Accounting / WC Trucking / Lindale Truck Service / Sinopec / Wetaskiwin County FCSS / Breton Agricultural Society

#### Community Information Night - Celebrate Breton & Chili Cook Off -Tuesday September 24

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 is organized by the Breton Ag Society. Save the date. More details will follow.

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 coming soon. We look forward to showcasing all of the great businesses, groups and opportunities that evening along with the Cook Off being judged by the community members attending.

#### Sun Safety for Everyone

Summertime involves going outside to enjoy the beautiful weather but it's important to protect yourself and loved ones from the sun's potentially harmful effects.

When possible, stay out of the sun during the peak hours of UV radiation, which are most intense in the morning and afternoon. These rays go through window glass and can penetrate deeply into the skin. They can cause temporary and permanent skin changes, including premature aging, wrinkling, skin damage, and sometimes skin cancer.

To learn more including tips on protective clothing, selecting the right sunscreen, and preventing sun exposure in children, click here.



- Referral to a Dentist or Surgeon

Join Us Again in Completing that Beautiful Smile!

#### **AHS Workshops and classes**

#### Home Safety for Infants and Toddlers

From cribs to cupboard locks to baby-safe foods - it often feels like there are a million things to remember and endless ways for our children to get hurt. However, most injuries are easy to prevent with the right steps. This one-hour online (Zoom) workshop will review simple strategies for building a safe home and explore common injuries seen in children, including falls, poisoning and choking.

This workshop is appropriate for parents and caregivers of children ages 0-5 years residing in Alberta.

• Thursday, Aug. 8 from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

• Tuesday, Sept. 3 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. To register and view other available dates, , <u>www.eventbrite.com/cc/family-workshops-1990069</u> For questions, contact:

Injury.PreventionEdmonton@ahs.ca.

#### **Child Safety Seats for Families**

This online workshop will provide advice and support for choosing, installing, and using child safety seats, booster seats, and seat belts for children of different ages, heights and weights. This workshop is appropriate for parents and caregivers of infants, toddlers, and children up to 13 years who reside in Alberta.

• Thursday, July 23 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. To register and view other available workshops, www.eventbrite.com/cc/family-workshops-1990069

For questions, please contact: Injury.PreventionEdmonton@ahs.ca





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\* BAT PRESENTATION

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Discover our Might Creatures!

\* TOAD & SNAKE WALK WITH AARC FROM 9:30 TO 10:30 PM

\* MOTH TRAP DEMOS & MOTH ID SESSIONS

**★ BUTTERFLY & MOTH DISPLAYS WITH ALG** 

\* BAT DISCOVERY WALK AT 10:30 PM

✤ MOTH LIGHT & SHEET (ALL NIGHT) WITH ALG!

\* MEET THE CREATURE (BAT, SALAMANDER & SNAKE)

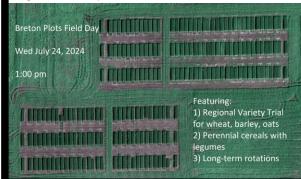
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ALBERTA COMMUNITY

# 러러파 July 24 at 1pm

The Breton Plots unit was established in 1929 near the village of Breton, by the Department of Soils, University of Alberta. They are known worldwide in the Soil Science community and recognized as one of only a few long-term soil study projects in the world. Join crop and forage experts for the annual Breton Plots field tour. No registration required.



### IMPORTANT DATES

August 1 | ALUS PAC meeting | 9:00 am August 5 | Brazeau County Administration Building closed | Heritage Day

August 13 | Municipal Planning Commission meeting | 11:00 am

August 20 | Council meeting | 9:00 am

August 21 | Agricultural Service Board meeting | 9:00 am



780-542-0999



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PLEASE REGISTER IN ADVANCE AS WE HAVE LIMITED SPACE! VISIT WWW.EPBRPARKSCOUNCIL.ORG/EVENT/MOTHS-2024/OR USE THE QR CODE

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### Valerie Constance Klein September 24, 1939 - July 3, 2024

Valerie Klein, born on September 24, 1939, passed away peacefully with her family by her side on July 3, 2024, at the Drayton Valley Health Care Centre. Valerie's life will be celebrated and honored during a Mass at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Drayton Valley on July 12, 2024, starting at 1:00 PM. The service will be a moment of reflection and remembrance for a woman who touched the lives of many. Throughout her years, Valerie dedicated herself to serving others. She selflessly volunteered for the school hot lunch program and was actively involved with the Breton Ag Society and Girl Guides. Her kindness and generosity left a lasting impact on her community.

Valerie was preceded in death by her parents, Rudy and Ruby Diederick, as well as by her sister Maureen Dolman. She is survived by her loving husband, Daniel; her children, Juanita (Steve) Bain, Christopher (Koni) Klein, and Wanda (Cory) Stacey.

In addition to her immediate family, Valerie leaves behind a legacy through her eleven grandchildren – Nikisha and Tyrone Bain, Keaton and Kiana Klein, Ellanna and Colleen Mizner, Ashlyn and Liam Stacey, Chelsea and Carson Gilmore, and Krista Thompson; as well as four great-grandchildren – Walker and Avery Thompson, and Gunner and Brantley Gilmore.

Valerie will also be dearly missed by her sister Denise Watts and other extended family members and friends.

As we mourn the loss of Valerie from our earthly presence, we find solace in cherishing the memories she created and the love she shared. May she rest in peace knowing that she was cherished by many and that her spirit lives on in those whose lives she touched.

Donations in lieu of flowers can be made to: Drayton Valley Community Foundation - Drayton Memorial Health & Seniors Fund

Arrangements in care of Harvey Giesbrecht and Colleen Sekura at Drayton Memorial Cremation and Funeral Services.

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#### EVERY FAMILY SHARES A STORY From Africa to Alberta The Impey Family's Transcontinental Journey

#### Part 1: The Back Story

As the title suggests every family has a story to share. With this in mind, the Breton Museum started on a journey of discovery to develop a temporary summer exhibit. It soon became clear to museum staff, as they researched the information for the exhibit, that this story was a testament to the courage and determination shared by all who seek new beginnings in distant lands. For over one hundred years, and seven generations, the Impey family name has been part of Breton's history. While some branches of the family tree have spread to many parts of the world, a number still remain in the Breton area.

Over the summer, look forward as the museum presents several articles about the Impey family. The museum was fortunate to have several descendants generously provide us with archival information, photographs, personal memories as well as artifacts from the family to help tell the story. We start our exhibit with George Grey Impey and Ida Ann Pringle.

But before we delve into George Grey and Ida Ann's life in Africa and their remarkable journey to Alberta, we wanted to provide a brief background on the families before their arrival in South Africa. George's Grey's paternal grandfather, also named George... there are a lot of George's to keep straight, ... had been a flax spinner and manufacture of sail cloth in Whitby, England. Likely, for new found opportunities in the colonies the family left England in 1844 aboard the ship Horwood, captained by James Gales. The ocean trip would last 85 days before reaching Port Elizabeth in South Africa. One of George's sons, Richard Pullman Impey would marry Hannah Hart and have a family of 13, their youngest son was George Grey Impey was born in 1862. George would be educated first at home by a governess and later sent to Beswick School in Queenstown. During his youth he herded sheep on his father's farm and went transporting freight with an older brother. George Grey also worked for James Hart on his farm.

Often when you start to trace family trees certain surnames start to intermingle between both families. With the Impey and Pringle families the surname Hart shows up through marriages in both families.

Turning now to Ida's side of the family, the Pringle's, we discover that in 1820 Thomas Pringle led a small group

of Scottish settlers to South Africa from Scotland. Thomas's brother William along with his wife and several sons were part of this group. William's son, James Pringle would marry Ann Bowker. James and Ann would have a family of 11 children, the second eldest Ida was born in 1864. Ida wrote there were 13 people to sit down to each meal.

As with George Grev. Ida was educated by a governess during her younger life. Later she was sent to the Midland Seminary for two years where she obtained her teaching degree. After finishing her schooling Ida returned home to her parent's farm at Tembani where her father had a farm with an orange grove. In her written memoirs Ida relates a rather strange tale. Her younger siblings were being taught by a young Scottish woman Miss Beaton. "One evening she asked me to let her tell my fortune, saying I have the gift but I don't always use it. But I want to read yours, ... she took up my hand, and looking said what a long busy life line you have. You will marry the man you love and live a long happy life. You will face poverty, and many dangers but will be together, and will travel to far lands. She was still holding my hand, palm up and stooping looked closer, then said No, no, I can't tell her that, not that. She put my hand down saying sorry, just trouble will be yours, but I cannot tell you."

Oh, the plot thickens! Stay tuned for the next chapter when boy meets girls and the real story begins.



Richard Pullman Impey and wife Hannah Tamplin(Hart) parents of George Grey Impey. Photo courtesy of Julie Stefura great-great granddaughter.

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#### County of Wetaskiwin Partners with Paradox Access Solutions to Build Innovative Parking Lot at Twin Lakes

Released June 24, 2024

The County of Wetaskiwin is excited to announce the completion of a new parking facility at the popular Twin Lakes Campground, addressing long-standing accessibility issues and enhancing visitor experience with cutting-edge technology.

Parking has historically been a challenge at Twin Lakes Campground due to its popularity and sensitive surrounding environment, characterized by a significant depth of peat soils which complicates construction. In response, the County has partnered with Paradox Access Solutions to deploy their innovative Tough Cell technology, a pioneering approach in soil stabilization and load support.

The new parking lot is built atop an impressive nine feet of peat moss. This project not only demonstrates the resilience and versatility of Tough Cell but also underscores the County's commitment to sustainable development practices. The technology allows for the use of recycled and locally sourced materials, reducing the need for transported aggregate and expediting installation processes.

"Our partnership with Paradox Access Solutions represents a strategic move towards innovative and sustainable infrastructure solutions," said Reeve Josh Bishop. "The new parking lot at Twin Lakes Campground will significantly improve access for both residents and visitors, ensuring a safer and more enjoyable experience at one of our most popular sites."

Tough Cell's robust reinforcement capabilities are particularly suited to the challenging conditions presented by the Alberta climate, offering durability against all weather conditions, including the extreme cold of winter.

This project enhances Twin Lakes Campground's accessibility and showcases the County's commitment to

innovative and environmentally r e s p o n s i b l e solutions. Building on this, the next steps include developing a trail plan at Twin Lakes to further enhance the area's recreational opportunities.



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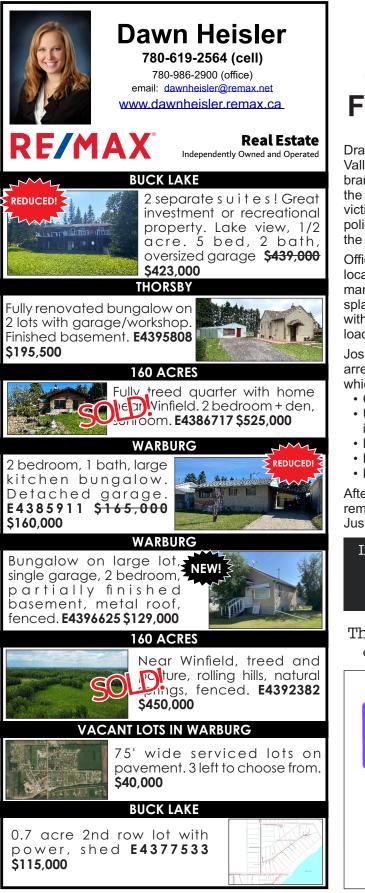
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## DRAYTON VALLEY RCMP ARREST AND CHARGE MALE FOR FIREARMS OFFENCES

Media News July 9, 2024

Drayton Valley, Alta. – On July 8, 2024, at 5 p.m., Drayton Valley RCMP received a report that a male suspect had brandished a firearm from his backpack and pointed it at the victim who was seated in his parked vehicle. The victim did not know the suspect but was able to provide police with a good description and direction of travel for the suspect who left on foot.

Officers responded to the area and the suspect was located walking into the popular Rotary Park, where many children and families were gathered at the local splash park. The suspect was quickly taken into custody without incident. A search incidental to arrest located a loaded firearm and additional ammunition.

Joshua Spiker (27), a resident of Drayton Valley, was arrested and has been charged with 12 offences, some of which include:

- Careless use of a firearm (x2)
- Use of a firearm while attempting to commit an indictable offence
- Pointing a firearm
- · Possession of a weapon for a dangerous purpose
- Possession of a controlled substance

After a Judicial Interim Release Hearing, SPIKER was remanded into custody to appear in Alberta Court of Justice in Leduc on July 11, 2024.



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# BUILDING RESILIENCY FOR ALBERTA BEEF FARMS

July 10, 2024, Alberta News

#### The governments of Alberta and Canada are supporting Alberta Beef Producers in expanding its food safety and certification program.

Alberta is known worldwide for its high-quality, greattasting beef. As Canada's largest cattle producing province, Alberta's beef industry maintains the highest level of food safety, animal care, biosecurity and environmental stewardship, so that Alberta beef remains a premium product around the globe.

Last year, beef was Alberta's largest agri-food export at \$3.9 billion, making up 22 per cent of the province's total. In support of this key industry, the governments of Canada and Alberta are providing Alberta Beef Producers (ABP) with almost \$1.9 million for its on-farm food safety program, Verified Beef Production Plus (VBP+), through the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership.

The VBP+ certification program provides in-person or online training, an on-farm third-party audit, and a certification that helps producers adhere to the highest standards of beef production. Altogether, the program ensures that Albertans feel confident that the beef on their tables is safe and sustainably produced. This funding will make it easier and cheaper to get VBP+ certified, helping Alberta build a stronger and more resilient agricultural sector for generations to come.

"Alberta Beef Producers is a valuable partner that is helping our producers maintain a culture of safe and sustainable beef production. By supporting the refresh of Verified Beef Production Plus, we're recognizing our producers for the great work they are already doing and giving them the support they need to improve their operations." RJ Sigurdson, Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation

"Beef producers right across Alberta care deeply about food safety, animal health and environmental stewardship. This vitally important funding will help them build on their already high standards and become even more sustainable, so they can keep providing topquality, nutritious food to Canadians and folks around the world." Lawrence MacAulay, federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-food

With this funding, ABP is building on its VBP+ program to align with the latest national standards and introduce new financial incentives for producers. Additions to programming include increased community events with producers, new training for youth and targeted outreach to Indigenous-operated beef operations.

Through the new incentive program, farmers and ranchers will have access to a maximum of \$5,000 for approved expenses that help them bring their operation into alignment with VBP+ certification guidelines. Examples of approved activities include audit fees, livestock handling equipment and herd management software. An operation that completes the VBP+ training but has not yet achieved certification can access up to \$2,500 for the same approved expenses.

"Alberta Beef Producers is excited to see government support for the beef industry's dedication to food safety, environmental stewardship, animal care and biosecurity. This funding supports the hard work of producers across this province who continue to deliver the world's best Alberta beef." Brodie Haugan, chair, Alberta Beef Producers

Sustainable CAP is a five-year, \$3.5-billion investment by federal, provincial and territorial governments to strengthen competitiveness, innovation and resiliency of Canada's agriculture, agri-food and agri-based products sector. This includes \$1 billion in federal programs and activities and a \$2.5-billion commitment that is costshared 60 per cent federally and 40 per cent provincially/territorially for programs that are designed and delivered by provinces and territories.

#### **Quick facts**

- The VBP+ certification meets national standards set by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, the Code of Practice for the Care and Handling of Beef Cattle, the Canadian Beef Cattle On-Farm Biosecurity Standard and Sustainability indicators of the Canadian Roundtable for Sustainable Beef.
  - 394 Alberta farms are VBP+ certified.
  - More than one million acres of native grassland in Alberta is managed by VBP+ certified operations.
  - One in five beef animals in Alberta have been raised on a VBP+ Certified farm.
- The Sustainable CAP framework provides flexibility for provinces to develop and deliver programs that meet their priorities and the needs of their agriculture and agri-food sectors. Programs align with five priority areas:
  - building sector capacity, growth and competitiveness
  - climate change and environment
  - science, research and innovation
  - market development and trade
  - resiliency and public trust
- In alignment with the resiliency and public trust priority area, Canada and Alberta's government are supporting the VBP+ program to ensure producers can participate in training and certification that will help them implement risk mitigation strategies for operational risks.







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### SUPPORTING ALBERTA'S YOUNGEST STUDENTS

#### July 11, 2024, Alberta News

New screening tools for Alberta's youngest learners will ensure they continue succeed in the classroom by identifying any learning gaps early.

Alberta's government is building an education system that ensures no student falls through the cracks. Through a phased-in approach, students in kindergarten to Grade 5 will be assessed on their foundational literacy and numeracy skills. Beginning fall 2024, teachers and educational staff will be able to identify areas where students may need an extra hand earlier on in a student's education journey.

"Supporting our youngest learners as they develop essential literacy and numeracy skills is fundamental for their success in school and life. These skills are the foundation for living, working and succeeding in our modern world. These additional assessments will tell teachers, schools and parents about potential learning issues and better position them to support students." Demetrios Nicolaides, Minister of Education

Under the new requirements, beginning in fall 2024, students in grades 1 to 3 will be assessed twice a year, and students receiving extra support will be assessed a third time in June to monitor their progress. In January 2025, an early literacy and numeracy screening will be introduced for kindergarten students, and in September 2026, there will be new screening requirements for students in grades 4 and 5.

"Research studies around the world have clearly shown that there should be early screening and frequent monitoring of children's reading and mathematics performance. Alberta's new framework for Early Learning Assessments is perfectly in line with this research. Early screening and monitoring of children's literacy and numeracy skills is a human right, and I am happy to see Alberta's government prioritize this." Dr. George K. Georgiou, Professor, Faculty of Education, University of Alberta

Alberta's government is committed to ensuring each and every Alberta student has a supportive learning environment where they thrive. The new early years assessment framework was developed with input from school authorities, academic experts and other education stakeholders. School authorities will be provided with a list of approved assessments for staff and will have the autonomy to select the screening and assessment tools needed to support their students. The assessments will enable school authorities to make local decisions to better support students' specialized learning needs.

#### **Quick facts**

- Budget 2024 allocated \$10 million in Learning Disruption Funding, which school authorities can use to provide learning interventions to students assessed as requiring additional literacy and/or numeracy supports.
- Beginning September 2024: screening assessments for all students in grades 1 to 3 in September and January, with an additional assessment in June for students requiring additional supports.
- Beginning January 2025: new screenings for all kindergarten students in January.
- Beginning September 2026: new screening requirements for grades 4 and 5 students.



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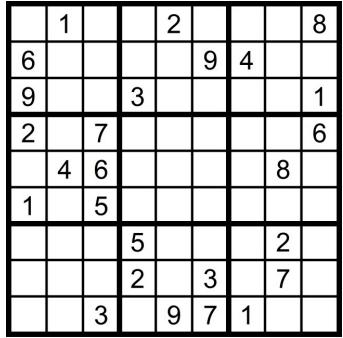
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