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Thorsby, Warburg & Area NEWS

previously the Thorsby Target & Warburg Bugle

SPRING IS COMING!! Registration is now open for spring sports.

Thorsby Baseball Season 2025

Register at www.page.spordle.com/thorsby-minor-ball/register, check out Facebook or email Sherri at lola_rmt@hotmail.com.

Deadline to register is March 21.

Thorsby Soccer Club Outdoor Season 2025

Visit website at www.thorsbysoccerclub.ca, check out Facebook or email thorsbysoccer@gmail.com.

Registration closes March 16.

Warburg Soccer Club Outdoor Season 2025

Pick up registration at the Warburg Village Office, check out Facebook or email warburgsoccer2022@hotmail.com

Did you know that there are Recreation Assistance Programs to assist families in financial need. Keep in mind there are eligibility requirements, funding

limitations and time lines for each program. It is recommended to reach out early for the best outcome!

For Children & Youth

Jumpstart - funding support towards organized, sustained programs that involve a sport or physical activity. Go to www.jumpstart.canadiantire.ca or email jumpstart@cantire.com

Sport Central - sports and recreation equipment for children ages 4-17. Go to www.sportcentral.org or contact Leduc FCSS at 780-979-2385 to inquire about a referral. **Must be eligible*

KidSport - Leduc & Leduc County - funding towards sports. Go to www.kidsportcanada.ca/alberta/leduc-and-county or contact leduc@kidsport.ab.ca

For All Ages

Recreation Assistance Program - Free annual membership to the Leduc Recreation Centre (LRC) or funding to purchase LRC passes and program registration for Leduc County residents excluding Calmar, Thorsby and Warburg. Go to www.leduc.ca/recreation-assistance-programs or contact fcss@leduc.ca

Thorsby Indoor Soccer wraps up after their first ever season!

Thorsby Soccer Update inside this issue

picture supplied by Thorsby Soccer



Spring
forward

Set your clocks one hour
ahead on March 9, 2025

Classifieds

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WANTED CONCRETE RUBBLE

Contact Alex 780-905-9200 or 780-789-3843

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*Sudoku Answers
from February 28 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.

**THORSBY & DISTRICT
CULTURAL & HISTORICAL
SOCIETY**

**ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING**

MARCH 10, 2025

7:00 P.M.

**THORSBY COMMUNITY
CENTRE**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO
ATTEND**

SEASONAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The **County of Wetaskiwin** is seeking applications for the following seasonal positions:

Posting 2025/03:

- 2 x Public Works Labourer May 1 - August 31, 2025

Posting 2025/04:

- Public Works Equipment Operator May 1 - October 31, 2025

Posting 2025/05:

- 2 x Public Works Gravel Program Labourer May 1 - October 31, 2025

For further information and position requirements, visit our website www.county.wetaskiwin.ab.ca/jobs

Applications can be emailed directly to
cbrooks@county10.ca.

Please include Posting Number on application.

DEADLINE for applications:
Friday, March 21, 2025 at
12:00 noon



Volunteer Income Tax Program Now completing 2024 income taxes

The **Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP)** is now completing 2024 income taxes free-of-charge for people with low to modest income and a simple tax situation. This can include seniors, students, social assistance recipients and newcomers to Canada. *The volunteer program does not complete returns for people who are deceased, bankrupt, or have business, farming or rental income. Assistance to complete past year tax returns is also available.*

In order to be eligible to receive the **Guaranteed Income Supplement, GST Tax Credit, Canada Child Benefit, Canada Workers Benefit or the Canada Carbon Rebate**, your 2024 tax return must be filed. Income taxes are due by April 30.

To find out if you are eligible for this program or to make an appointment, please contact your local CVITP Coordinator:

Leduc County or Thorsby: 780-979-2385

New Sarepta: 780-941-2382

Calmar: 780-985-3604 ext. 233

Warburg: 780-848-2828

City of Leduc: 780-980-7109



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COMMUNITY EVENTS & info

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS (Breton, Thorsby, Warburg & Surrounding Areas)

March 9 - Warburg Skating Club presents 'Skating with Pixar' at the Warburg Arena at 1pm.

March 12 - Macrame Hanging Planter Class in Warburg from 6-8pm. \$25 per person. Maximum 8 people so register now. Call Warburg FCSS at 780-848-2828

March 13 - Friendship Bracelet Making at the Warburg Library from 3-4:45pm.

March 14 - Ladies Night at the Warburg Curling Club at 7pm. All experience welcome. Register by emailing warburgjcurling@gmail.com by March 10. \$10.

March 15 - Ice Golf Tournament at Mulhurst Bay from 10:30am - 4pm with dinner and dance to follow. Go to www.icegolf.ca for more information. Registration Required.

March 15 - Tree of Life Suncatcher at Warburg Pioneer Rec Centre from 11am-3pm. Visit the Warburg town office, fcss@warburg.ca to register. Deadline to register is March 5. Adult \$70, Kids age 10+ \$40, Kids under 7 \$20

March 15 - Thorsby's Own Wrestling Sensation! Darren "Bacon" Letilly coming to Thorsby. Advance tickets available at Ruhr Valley Lumber or call Marlene at 780-217-9394.

March 15 - St Patrick's Day Supper at Telfordville Community Centre. Doors open at 5pm. Magician, Green Refreshments, Contact 780-940-8499 for tickets or info.

March 16 - Divine Liturgy on Sunday at St. John The Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church in Thorsby at 10:30 a.m. For further information, contact Dan at 780 789-3698

March 17 - After School Soccer at the Warburg High School Gym for grades 4, 5, 6 from 3-4:30pm.

March 19 - Stew & Buns at the Warburg Seniors Centre at 12pm. \$10

March 19 - Community Crockpot Class at the Breton Community Center from 7pm - 8:30pm. \$5/person you are cooking for/session. Pre-registration required email manager@brighterfutures.ca

March 21 - Spring Fling Dance at the Breton Community Centre, Doors open at 7pm, Tickets \$40 each. Available at Breton ATB or contact 780-202-0140 or 780-898-6898

March 21 & 22 - Warburg Mixed Curling Bonspiel. Contact warburgcurling@gmail.com to register.

March 28 - Fraud Alert: Protecting yourself from Fraud & Deception at the Calmar Legion. Registration required at 780-979-2385. Hosted by Leduc County FCSS.

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March 30 - Reckless Ranch Rendering - at Warburg Pioneer Ag Society from 1-3pm. Turn fat into tallow. Purchase tickets in advance at www.recklessranch.ca

March 31 - Owl Cup Clay by Clay for Kids from 3-5pm at the Warburg Hall. \$25. Pre-register at the Warburg Village office or call 780-848-2828.

March 31 - Lantern with Fused Glass Panels by Clay for Kids from 3-5pm at the Warburg Hall. Pre-register at the Warburg Village office or call 780-848-2828.

*Community Events & Information
is FREE to advertise*



Thorsby Seniors Crib Results!

March 3 Crib scores:

1st Place: Elaine Blair - 946

2nd Place: Jean Kile - 938

3rd Place: Elaine Matear - 931

High Hand of 24: Marie Gutenberg and Lloyd Snider

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WINNERS!

Next crib event:

Monday, March 10 at 1:00 pm

Thorsby Seniors Center / Admission \$7.00



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St. Patrick's Day

March 15, 2025

Doors open at 5:00pm

Supper at 6:00pm

\$10 per person

(Under 10 years old FREE)

*Magician

*Green Refreshments



Contact: 780-940-8499
for information

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Working Well online workshop

Understand why it's important to care for and maintain your water well.

Join Leduc County and the County of Wetaskiwin for an online workshop about water wells. During the online workshop, you will learn:

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- ▶ How to protect your well from contamination
- ▶ How to test your well water
- ▶ How to properly operate and maintain your well
- ▶ What to do with old, abandoned wells

▶ **Date:** Tuesday, March 18, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

▶ **Location:** online via Zoom

▶ **Register online:** leduc-county.com/working-well



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March 28th to April 2nd

Kelvin & Debbie Riley - Rimbey
April 18th to 21st

Neat Stuff Antiques - Drumheller
April 25th to 28th

JC Drilling, Welding & Fabrication - Lacombe
May 1st to 5th

Harold & Alice Stumpf - Eckville
May 2nd to 6th

Realignment Auction - Camrose
May 9th to 12th

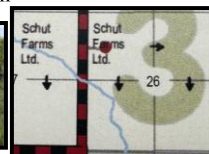
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May 9th to 13th

Estate of Denis Mercier & Laureen Morck - Round Hill
May 9th to 13th

Dan Hart (Dan's Trucking) - Rocky Mtn Hse
May 23rd to 27th

Estate of Lewis Andrews - Fort Saskatchewan
June 6th to 9th

Estate of Ernie Glasel - Buck Lake
July 11th to 15th



PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS (Thorsby, Warburg & Surrounding Areas)

****Please note - all events are subject to change. Please email us at media@community39.com or call 780-434-7446 if we have incorrect information.**

MONDAYS

Bus To Drayton Valley (AquaSize or Walmart) Must pre-register. Contact Warburg FCSS 780-848-2828

Crib at the Thorsby Seniors Centre every Monday at 1:00pm

Lego Club at the Thorsby Recreation Centre from 3 - 4:30pm.

Mom Group (Warburg) on Monday mornings from 9:30am - 11am in the Village of Warburg office basement.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) - Mondays at 9am, Thorsby Seniors Centre. Jane 780-789-3789 or Cheryl 780-848-7673

TUESDAYS

Family Bingo - Tuesday nights at the Mulhurst Legion Hall. Games start at 6:30 pm

Hero Kids - Every 2nd Tuesday at Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex.

Music Jam Session on 4th Tuesday of the month at the Calmar Seniors Centre 1-4pm. 4916 - 50 Ave

Pickle Ball every Tuesday at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex from 9:30am - 11:30am

Pickup Basketball (16+) on Tuesday Evening at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex. (\$5)

Quilting at the Warburg Seniors Centre on Tuesdays from 9:30am-2pm. \$2. Contact Nancy 780-848-7756

Seniors Bowling - Tuesdays at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex at 1pm (\$5)

Seniors Coffee & Craft at the Thorsby Seniors Centre from 1-3pm. Open to all seniors.

Volleyball (18+) drop in at Warburg High School Gym on Tuesdays from 7 - 9pm (\$2). Contact fcss@warburg.ca

WEDNESDAYS

Busy Brushes on Wednesdays from 10 - 2pm at the Warburg Cultural Center. \$5/class. Call Linda 587-590-0378.

Coffee Time at Rundle's Mission every Wed. 9:30-11 am. Come meet your neighbors and socialize. All welcome!

Cards at the Warburg Seniors Centre at 1pm every Wednesday (\$2)

English Language Conversation Circle every Wednesday at 6pm at the Thorsby Municipal Library.

Open Gym Nights at the Thorsby Recreation Centre every second Wednesday from 5 - 6:30pm

Pickleball - Every Wednesday from 7 - 9pm at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreation Complex

Parent & Tots Group - Every Wednesday from 9-11:30am at the FRN Modular next to Arctic Spas Rec Complex in Thorsby Ages 0-6 years old.

Soup & Sandwiches at the Thorsby Seniors Centre starting at 11:30am on the 2nd Wednesday of the mth except December.

Soup & Sandwiches at the Warburg Seniors Centre every 3rd Wednesday at 12pm except July & August (\$10)

Tai Chi at the Warburg Community Hall, Wednesdays 10am to

11am, \$2. 780-848-2841 or office@warburg.ca

Teen Time at the Thorsby Library the 4th Wednesday of the month from 3:30 - 4:30pm

Thorsby Library After School Program (Kindergarten to age 6) 2nd Wednesday of the month from 3:30 - 4:30pm

Warburg Treasure's Thrift Shop is Open Wednesdays from 10am - 4pm at the Warburg Community United Church.

Slow & Strong Yoga - Every Wednesday morning from 10 - 11:30am in the dance studio at Arctic Spas rec complex. \$15 drop in per class.

THURSDAYS

Bingo at the Thorsby Seniors Centre every Thursday at 7pm.

Floor Curling at the Warburg Pioneer Centre at 1pm on Thursdays (\$2).

Pickleball at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex from 9:30am - 11:30am

Pickleball drop in at the Warburg High School Gym from 7-9pm \$2

Sandholm Square Dance Club - on Thursdays 7 - 9:30pm at the Sandholm Hall. Contact 780-238-5844 or 780-389-2381.

Sew Heavenly Quilters meet at 10am on Thursdays at the Warburg Cultural Centre. \$5

Thorsby Seniors Thrift Store - Open Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10am-3pm. 780-996-5131.

FRIDAYS

Coffee in the Valley at Telfordville Community Centre on the first and third Friday of each month from 9 - 11am. No charge.

Community Socials are held the last Friday of each month at the Mulhurst Legion #246 at 7pm.

Fun with Friends Story time at the Thorsby Municipal Library every Friday from 10:30am - 11:30am. Age 0-5 with caregiver

Music Jam Sessions at the Warburg Seniors Drop in Centre the 2nd Friday of the month 1-4pm. All are welcome.

Thorsby Seniors Thrift Store - Open Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10am-3pm. 780-996-5131.

Warburg Legion - Open Fridays from 5-10pm. Pub Night on the 3rd Friday of the month. Call Max 780-263-0350 for info.

SATURDAYS

Farmer's Market at the Mulhurst Bay Community Hall every Saturday 11-3pm. Contact Carol 587-920-2065.

Pie & Coffee from 1pm - 4pm at the Warburg Museum on the first & third Saturday of every month. Or arrange a tour through Susie 780-848-2507 or Joan 780-621-7174

Thorsby Music Jam - on the 3rd Saturday of the month at the Thorsby Community Hall **CANCELLED FOR FEBRUARY & MARCH**

Thorsby Seniors Thrift Store - Open Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10am-3pm. 780-996-5131.

SUNDAYS

Gospel Music Jam at New Life Christian Fellowship on the 1st Sunday of the month from 2 - 4pm. Call 780-789-4171

Pancake Breakfast by the Thorsby Lions Club the first Sunday of the month at the Senior's Centre 9am - 12pm.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Drive happiness is a non-profit organization that provides assisted transportation services to older adults through the help of volunteer drivers. We have riders in Calmar, Devon, Leduc, Leduc County, Thorsby & Warburg and need drivers. Call 780-424-5438 or 1-888-336-4503 or contact your local FCSS for info.

Join Us! Public Open House



Proposed amendment to Leduc County Land Use Bylaw 7-08

Capital Power has applied (Application TA25-0001) to Leduc County to amend the Land Use Bylaw 7-08, Section 9.16.3 of the Genesee Power Project Overlay District, to **add Information Service land use** to the list of existing Permitted Uses to accommodate additional business development opportunities such as a data centre.

Join Capital Power and Leduc County at a public open house to learn more about the proposed amendment to Land Use Bylaw 7-08 and to provide your feedback.

Thursday, March 13, 2025
2:30 pm to 7:30 pm
Genesee Community Hall
51020 Range Road 30
Leduc County, AB T0C 2M0

Amendment Details & Ways to Provide Feedback

Details of the proposed amendment, including other ways to provide feedback, can be found on the Leduc County's website (www.leduc-county.com).

Capital Power will be sharing more information, hosting project-specific open houses, and providing opportunities to ask questions and provide feedback about a proposed data centre project later this year.

Can't make the open house? Contact us anytime.

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Calling all parents with children 0 to 6 years of age!



Our **Early Childhood Resource Fair** offers a fun-filled morning that includes a bouncy castle, snacks and smoothies, door prizes and draws for everyone! There will be resource tables with information along with special activities such as story times, puppet shows, infant and toddler massage and much more!

Save the date: April 7, 2025

Time: 10 a.m. to noon

Location: Thorsby Arctic Spa Recreation Centre

Registration: not required, so come on by to join in the fun!

This event is sponsored by Leduc County, Arctic Spas Recreation Complex in Thorsby, Alberta Health Services and Thorsby Municipal Library.

For more information and to ask questions, email frn@leduc-county.com to get answers.

Don't miss this opportunity designed for you and the little ones in your life.

Everyone welcome!



Bradley Colin Scheetz

March 30, 1964 - March 1, 2025

It is with great sadness that we announce the unexpected passing of Bradley Colin Scheetz. He passed away peacefully on March 1, 2025 at the age of 60.

Bradley is survived by his parents: Janet (Mike) Bryant and Ewald (Bernie) Scheetz; siblings Dean (Ivy) Scheetz, Pamela (Art) Arfmann, Robert (Katie) Bryant and Shelly (Fred) Goertzen. He is also survived by several nephews, cousins and extended family.

The family would like to thank the staff at the University of Alberta Hospital for their care and compassion in his last few days.

A visitation will be held on Friday, March 7, 2025 from 7:00pm to 9:00pm at Pointe West Funeral Home 15305 - 112 Ave Edmonton.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, March 8, 2025 at 1:00pm at Bethel Lutheran Church, 298 Bethel Drive, Sherwood Park.

Interment will be held at Glenwood Cemetery with lunch to follow at Wycliff Bible Chapel 169 - 22560 Wye Road Sherwood Park.

In lieu of flowers, a donation can be made to HART, Humane Animal Rescue Team or the CNIB. To leave messages of condolence, please visit www.pointewestfuneral.com



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In partnership with *Karunia Counselling*, this five week session will be facilitated by a Registered Psychologist and a Registered Social Worker.

- ▶ **Dates:** Wednesdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30
- ▶ **Time:** 10 to 11:30 a.m.
- ▶ **Location:** Calmar Program Centre, 4815 49 Street, Calmar, AB
- ▶ **Register:** contact Kristin at **780-955-6421** or kristin@leduc-county.com or register online at www.leduc-county.com/walking-with-grief



Chester Joseph Drewniak

October 8, 1934 - February 19, 2025

The family of Chester Drewniak is saddened to announce that Chester passed away peacefully on February 19, 2025 with his loving family by his side.

Chester is survived by his wife of 59 years Stephe; sons Carnel (Angie), Bradley (Monique), Darren (Connie); grandchildren Kodi, Clinton and Clayton; sister Jean Cowie; brother Adolph Drewniak; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Chester was predeceased by his parents Joseph and Stella Drewniak, sisters Angie Heinz and Wanda Jenson.

Born in Telfordville on October 8, 1934, Chester was passionate about farming and being with his grandchildren. Chester also enjoyed his many holiday trips they had gone on, and also having coffee with his friends.

Funeral Service will be held on Saturday, March 8, 2025 at 11am at Our Lady of Victory Parish Thorsby, Alberta. Luncheon to follow the interment at the Thorsby Community Centre.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to STARS.

Serenity Funeral Service in care of arrangements.



Condolences: www.serenity.ca
Serenity Funeral Service, Leduc (780) 980-3688

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Submitted by Shirley Dool

It has been a couple of busy months for our seniors in this new year. At our January meeting, Cash Shaver came to tell us about his plans for the next six months. Cash competes in a type of Skeet Shooting and is hoping to compete in the 2028 Olympics. Our senior club will provide him with a yearly sponsorship until he reaches his dream of the Olympics.

Every third Tuesday of the month, from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM, seniors are invited to attend a coffee and craft get together. You don't have to bring a craft to participate. You can come and work on a puzzle, play cards or play shuffleboard, or just come for a visit. This is open to all seniors in the area.

A Drumming Circle was held in January with Delena Rose supplying the drums and instruction. It was greatly enjoyed by all who attended, and we are hoping to have another sometime in the future.

On Valentines Day the seniors held their second Wine and Cheese party. It was a huge success as every one participated in a game, and held a Shuffleboard Tournament. Everyone had a great time, as some of us had never played Shuffleboard before. Another Wine and Cheese party will certainly be happening again.

The Senior Club members get a bit of their event tickets reduced when we go as a group. If we travel a distance, our transportation by bus is covered. In the month of January, a group of our members attended the Malanka at the Community Hall, put on by the Thorsby Historical Society, and in February we also had members attending the Country Music Legends, put on by the Thorsby Tiny Tots. Both events were enjoyed by all attendees.

At our February meeting we had two guests to talk about ways to utilize our Greenhouse. Barry Rasch from Community in Bloom and Cynthia Winfield spoke about starting various plants in the greenhouse for the purpose of resale. Barry spoke on purchasing hanging pots for resale as well as having a class on how to build your own hanging planter. Cynthia has offered to start the plants and then the seniors could hold a plant sale.



The Thrift Store has been very busy, and appreciates all donations. A reminder though, is that they can not accept furniture of any kind, as there is no space for it. It then has to be hauled to the dump, which is an unneeded expense for our group. Hours of operation are Thursday, Friday, and Saturdays from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM, and there is a

donation box on the side of the building for drop offs.

If you are looking for a night out, Bingo is held every Thursday night, with doors open at 6:00 PM.

Soup and Sandwich happens on the second Wednesday of the month, starting at 11:30. There is always a delicious choice of two different soups and sandwiches for \$8.00.

Our monthly meetings happen on the last Wednesday of the month. We start at 12:00 with a potluck meal, and the meetings begin at 1:00 PM. If you would like to join in on all the fun, memberships for anyone 55 years or older, are only \$10.00 per year.



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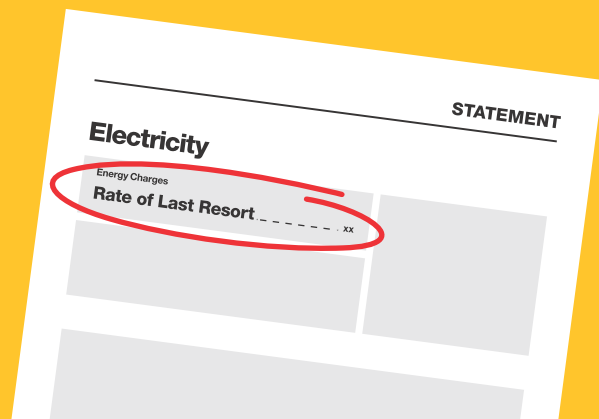


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THORSBY SOCCER CLUB UPDATE

The first ever season of indoor soccer in Thorsby came to a close in a year end tournament March 1st in Leduc. Launching a new sport can be daunting but thanks to the efforts of some amazing volunteers it was a huge success. The almost 75 players registered exceeded expectations, with players ranging from U5 to U15 and kids from Warburg and Calmar helping to boost numbers.

The idea of offering indoor soccer has long been a dream of Thorsby Soccer Club to provide year-round opportunities to members but lack of access to traditional facilities has been a challenge. However, the introduction to the modified Futsal rules indoor soccer which is rapidly growing in the region was a game changer. Futsal allows for the use of heavier balls, smaller nets, and is designed to be played in school gyms. Thanks to the Rec Complex staff and Blackgold School Division, especially the custodians at the Elementary and High School's who accommodated practices and games. There was a learning curve for players, coaches, and refs but overall everyone took to the game exceptionally well. U5 and U7 teams practiced weekly while U9 to U13 teams practiced and played weekend games against Leduc and Devon teams. The season was planned to run in two-8 week segments from October to March with a break for the month of December which seemed to be appreciated by all families. Despite being by far the smallest community in the league Thorsby had the largest teams and all ages medalled in their league wrap up tournament.


As with every community sports group, it wouldn't be possible without the efforts of volunteers. Indoor soccer coordinator Mary-Ann Rosenau stepped up to oversee the entire season and it wouldn't have been possible without her! Several first time coaches also came forward to make the season a success and all the

players sure appreciated it.

There will be some lessons learned as with every new endeavour but indoor soccer will be back bigger and better in fall 2025. Look for registration to open in the summer for a planned start in late September. Thanks again to everyone who made the inaugural season a success!

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Alberta pushes back on illegal U.S. tariffs

Alberta News, March 5, 2025

Alberta's government is implementing a proportionate, measured response to U.S. tariffs and taking decisive action on internal trade with free trade and mobility agreements.

As part of its non-tariff retaliatory measures, Alberta is altering its procurement practices to ensure Alberta's government, as well as agencies, school boards, Crown corporations and Alberta municipalities, purchase their goods and services from Alberta companies, Canadian companies or countries with which Canada has a free trade agreement that is being honoured.

"I will always put the best interests of Alberta and Albertans first. These non-tariff actions are measured, proportionate and put an emphasis on defending Alberta and Canada against these economically destructive tariffs imposed by U.S. President Donald Trump, while breaking down restrictive provincial trade barriers so we can fast-track nation building resource projects and allow for the unrestricted movement of goods, services and labour across the country. I understand this is an uncertain time for many Albertans, and our government will continue to do all it can to prioritize Alberta's and Canada's world-class products and businesses as we face this challenge together. I also look forward to working with my provincial counterparts to help unite Canada and ensure free and fair trade throughout our country." Danielle Smith, Premier

Alberta's government has also directed Alberta Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis to suspend the purchase of U.S. alcohol and video lottery terminals (VLTs) from American companies until further notice. This will ensure Alberta and Canadian brands take priority in restaurants, bars and on retail shelves.

"We are committed to putting Canadian businesses first. By suspending the purchase of U.S. produced alcohol, slot machines and VLTs, we are ensuring that Alberta and Canadian brands take priority in our restaurants, bars and retail stores. We will continue to take bold steps to support local industries and strengthen our economy." Dale Nally, Minister of Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction

To encourage the purchase of stock from vendors in Alberta, Canada and other countries with which Canada has a free trade agreement, the government will help all Alberta grocers and other retailers with labelling Canadian products in their stores. In the coming weeks, Alberta's government will augment these efforts by launching a "Buy Alberta" marketing campaign. Spearheaded by Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation RJ

Sigurdson, this campaign will remind Albertans of their options for local food and the importance of supporting Alberta's agriculture producers and processors.

"Alberta's agriculture producers and processors are the best in the world. Although these U.S. tariffs are incredibly concerning, this "Buy Alberta" campaign will put a spotlight on Alberta's farmers, ranchers and agri-food businesses and support Albertans in choosing goods from right here at home." RJ Sigurdson, Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation

Building on Alberta's reputation as a leader in removing barriers to trade within Canada, Alberta's government will continue to push other provinces to match our ambition in providing full labour mobility and eliminating trade barriers through work like mutual recognition of regulations. This will allow for goods, services and labour from other provinces to flow into and out of Alberta without having to undergo additional regulatory assessments.

"While no one wins in a tariff war, this situation underscores the need to develop Canada's trade infrastructure and the diversification of our trading partners and could be the catalyst to unlocking Canada's true potential. As we look at how best to support Albertans and our businesses, we must also work to reduce internal trade and labour mobility barriers while expanding markets for Alberta energy, agricultural and manufactured products into Europe, Asia, the Americas and beyond. Albertans and Canadians are counting on us." Matt Jones, Minister of Jobs, Economy and Trade

Alberta's government is also focused on doubling oil production. With U.S. tariffs in place on Canadian energy products, Alberta is looking elsewhere for additional pipeline infrastructure, including east and west, in order to get our products to new markets.

Alberta's government will continue to engage with elected officials and industry leaders in the U.S. to reverse these tariffs on Canadian goods and energy and rebuild Canada's relationship with its largest trading partner and ally.

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Alberta pushes back on illegal U.S. tariffs - continued

Quick facts

- On March 4, U.S. President Trump implemented a 25 per cent tariff on all Canadian goods and a 10 per cent tariff on Canadian energy.
- The U.S. is Alberta's – and Canada's – largest trading partner.
- Alberta is the second largest provincial exporter to the U.S. after Ontario.
 - In 2024, Alberta's exports to the U.S. totalled C\$162.6 billion, accounting for 88.7 per cent of total provincial exports.
 - Energy products accounted for approximately C\$132.8 billion or 82.2 per cent of Alberta's exports to the U.S. in 2024.
- About 10 per cent of liquor products in stock in Alberta are imported from the United States.
 - U.S. products represent a small minority of the beer and refreshment beverage categories; however, a significant number of wines originate in the U.S.
 - In 2023-24, about \$292 million in U.S. liquor products were sold in Alberta.
- Alberta has been a longstanding supporter of reducing barriers to trade within Canada. In 2019, the province removed 21 of 27 exceptions, including all procurement exceptions, and narrowed the scope of two others. Since then, the province has only added 2 exceptions, which allow for the management the legalization of cannabis.
 - Removing party-specific exemptions has helped facilitate even greater access to the Alberta market for Canadian companies in the areas of government tenders, Crown land acquisition, liquor, energy and forest products, among others.



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Vehicle Theft	3
Fraud	12
Break and Enter	2
Assault	7
Impaired	0
Recovered Vehicles	0
Missing Person	1

FEBRUARY HIGHLIGHTS:

Brazeau County, Alta. - On February 1, 2025, Breton RCMP responded to a report of a male pointing a firearm and threatening another male at a residence in Warburg, Alta. Prior to departing the property, the male with the firearm smashed the windows on the vehicle belonging to the other male. Breton RCMP later located the suspect vehicle in Brazeau County, Alta. With the assistance of the RCMP Emergency Response Team, a traffic stop was conducted where police located the suspect. As a result of this investigation, Michael Meilleur (33), a resident of Brazeau County, was arrested and charged with the following:

- Possess a weapon for a dangerous purpose
- Use an imitation firearm while uttering threats
- Intimidation
- Mischief obstruct enjoyment of property
- Mischief damage to property
- Assault
- Uttering threats

After a Judicial Interim Release Hearing, Meilleur was released and has a court date at Alberta Court of Justice

in Breton on March 26, 2025.

Thorsby/Breton RCMP warns drivers of the dangers of distracted driving

Thorsby, Alta. - Distracted driving is still one of the leading causes of motor vehicle accidents which is why it is so important to stay focused when behind the wheel. When most people think of distracted driving, the first thought is cellphones, but distracted driving can include everything from overly loud music to an overcrowded car and even a pet riding shotgun.

Thorsby/Breton RCMP recommend the following tips to prevent being a distracted driver:

- Keep the volume of music in your car low. This is important so that you are able to hear things like emergency vehicles as they are approaching.
- Program your GPS, adjust mirrors, and set up music or podcasts before starting to drive.
- Secure loose items like bags, drinks and other objects so they do not distract you by moving around.
- Make sure that you put your phone down. If you receive a call and it is important, make sure to drive to a safe location and then park and take the call.
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Alberta RCMP marks Fraud Prevention Month

RCMP Alberta Media Relations, March 5, 2025

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- Relationship scams, such as romance scams, grandparent scams, and extortion scams. Remember, never send money to people you meet while online.
- Investment scams. This includes investment fraud via social media, Ponzi or pyramid schemes, cryptocurrency schemes, real estate scams, and offshore investing schemes. To avoid these, be wary of high-pressure sales tactics and pitches made over social media. Always seek advice from an independent professional, or even a lawyer if considering an investment. The Alberta Securities Commission's Checkfirst.ca is also a great resource for learning about best practices for investments and avoiding investment scams.
- Online scams and fraud. This includes phishing emails, job scams, buy and sell fraud, lottery/prize scams, tech repair scams, and impersonation scams. To stay safe from these scams, be cautious when sharing personal or financial information online. If something sounds too good to be true, trust your gut and report it to your local police.
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BRETON



\$218,000

3 bedroom, 2 bath home. Updates: Vinyl windows, flooring, both bathrooms, shingles. Decks added recent years. Garage

BRETON



\$115,000

15 acres, no time requirement to build. Fenced on two sides. Ample space to have some animals.

BRETON



\$225,000

For your business! Office building on main street, attractive street frontage, wheel chair access. Front reception area, office areas

BRETON



\$159,900

Private 30 acres, trees, small pond, open area. Ideal for retreat or your dream home. Approx 10 min to Breton, 30 min to Drayton

LOTS IN BRETON at DEER CROSSING ESTATES

2 lots still available.
No time requirement to build,
GST included in price.
\$35,000/lot

BUCK LAKE



\$184,900

.66 acre lot at Oakes Bay Estates. Gas, power, water well, septic tank, screened gazebo, storage shed.

BUCK LAKE



\$399,900

Beautiful home, natural woodwork, 3 bed 1 bath, hot tub, firepit, double detached garage, share in community dock for your boat.

BUCK LAKE



\$339,900

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

MULHURST BAY



\$239,900

5.07 acre parcel, partially treed, triple bay, insulated garage, Pond. Your own private campground or build your dream home

VACANT LOT

Large lot backs onto golf course with 159 ft of golf course frontage. Natural trees for privacy. Newer neighborhood, no time restrictions to build, modular homes are acceptable (restrictive covenant applies). GST included
BRETON \$49,900

DRAYTON VALLEY



\$299,900

9 acres - building spot for your dream home. Located just minutes west of Drayton Valley. Creek in enviro res north boundary

DRAYTON VALLEY



\$689,000

126 acres west of Drayton Valley. Mix of hay land, trees and creek. Annual surface lease revenue \$6552—amount being verified.

DRAYTON VALLEY



\$749,000

1.1 acre lot comes with a 9000+ sq ft building with 3 office bays each with its own shop bay. Adjacent 1.1 acre lot also for sale.

DRAYTON VALLEY



\$895,000

Awaiting your development - 10 acre parcel zoned Rural Industrial minutes east of Drayton Valley with great access to Hwy39/22.

ALDER FLATS

NEW



\$179,900

2 bed, 1 bath. new flooring, counters, backsplash, doors, SS appliances, lighting, furnace, electric panel, Hardie Board siding



161 acres, Modeste Creek, sense of privacy, serene atmosphere, 2 ponds & a meadow, haven for birds, wildlife, a nature oasis. 4 bedrm, 3 1/2 bath home, ICF walkout basement. Easy care landscaping, fire pit/picnic spot by large pond, trails thru trees, a heated insulated shop, w/att 3-bay garage (3-pce bath), storage sheds, older garage, log cabin. Antique machinery, lawn benches & tables included. Most household furniture can be included with the property, making it a truly remarkable and turnkey opportunity for the next owner. Located west of Breton

RV LOTS on Pigeon Lake

Own your own RV lot with direct access to Pigeon Lake in a gated, private community. 1.63 acre lots. Condominium Property with natural gas, electricity and sewer at the lot line. Common property includes road and lake front area with 240' of lake frontage. Low condo fees of \$50/mo. Great Opportunity to Be at the Lake at a Great Value! GST applies to purchase price

4 Lots offered at \$130,500 to \$157,500 + GST per lot

DRAYTON VALLEY



\$750,000

11 ARCES - Spacious bi-level family home w/ partially finished basement (2 bedrms up/2 bedrms down). Heated shop, quonset (power & concrete floor), 2 automatic waterers. Annual surface lease revenue.



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