

Summer in Redwater: Something for Everyone



By **Shelley
Winger**

Families looking for ways to stay active, learn new skills, and make memories will find no shortage of opportunities in Redwater this summer.

The Town of Redwater, Redwater HYPE, the Redwater Public Library, and local recreation facilities have teamed up to offer a wide variety of programs and events for residents of all ages throughout July and August.

Children can take part in HYPE day

camp featuring everything from outdoor adventures and creative arts to cooking, science, water activities, and field trips. Popular programs such as Off Grid Kids encourage youth to unplug from technology and explore nature, while programs like Ride N Swim combine physical activity with outdoor fun and a refreshing dip in the pool. Families can also enjoy free community events such as Popsicle Playground, held at local parks throughout the summer. These drop-in mornings offer games, crafts, activities, and frozen treats while giving families an

opportunity to connect with neighbours and friends.

The Redwater Public Library is once again offering an exciting lineup of summer programming. Children can participate in the Carried Away Summer Reading Program, earning rewards while tracking their reading throughout the summer. Weekly activities include crafts, science projects, storytime, movie nights, and hands-on learning experiences designed to inspire creativity and curiosity.

For those looking

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Feledichuk Curran ball tournament brings a crowd



By **Brandie
Majeau**

Thorhild County was packed with excitement as over a dozen teams competed at the annual Feledichuk Curran Memorial Ball Tournament over the weekend of June 12-14. The event is held in honour of the Feledichuk and Curran families who were known for their passion for athletics and dedication to community life and drew slow-pitch teams from across the region. This year marked its tenth anniversary and was something to be celebrated.

Families, friends,

and players arrived in campers and packed the local campground and old school site, as they brought with them their athletic skills but also a sense of fun and individuality. Teams sported creative costumes and outfits, adding a festive flair and a bond that only comes from coming together as team mates. These are the things that defines this tournament. Spectators lined the fields, sharing stories, laughter, and applause as teams battled in friendly yet enthusiastic matches.

The Annual Feledichuk Curran Memorial Ball Tournament always brings a weekend of baseball to Thorhild

and has moved beyond the enduring legacy of the Feledichuk and Curran families. The proceeds from the tournaments support youth sports and local initiatives, with this year's fundraising efforts dedicated to the Field of Dreams project, a plan to build a third ball diamond in Thorhild County. Organizers say the addition will provide even more opportunities for young athletes. The tournament's impact resonates throughout the entire community.

Local businesses also benefited from the influx of visitors, with cashiers and workers

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Alberta RCMP gives reminders for sharing roadways with commercial vehicles

RCMP Press Release

As traffic increases over the summer months, the Alberta RCMP would like to remind commercial and passenger-vehicle motorists how to share our provincial roads responsibly. Sharing roadways with, or operating, semi-trucks, tractor-trailers, busses, or other commercial vehicles, requires extra caution, especially during summer months when

traffic increases. Help avoid a collision involving a commercial vehicle by following the below tips:

Commercial vehicle drivers:

- Always complete trip inspections to ensure your vehicle is in proper operating condition.
- Always carry the required inspection certificates.
- Stay alert while driving and pull

over when tired.

- Pre-plan your trip and help ensure your safety by staying updated on road, traffic, construction, and weather conditions.
- Maintain a safe following distance with other vehicles.
- Be aware of blind spots and make wide turns safely.
- If you are hauling or transporting cargo, ensure that it is properly secured.

Passenger vehicle drivers:

- Stay far enough behind big trucks to see both of its side mirrors. If you can't see the truck driver, they can't see you.
- Increase your following distance behind larger vehicles to see oncoming traffic.
- Oncoming commercial vehicles can create strong wind gusts, large splashes in wet conditions, or sprays of rocks and

debris. Practice defensive driving and brace when they are passing.

- Leave extra space when passing or changing lanes in front of a commercial vehicle as they require more time to slow down or come to a stop.
 - Stay back when large vehicles are indicating right or left, as they require a wide turning radius.
- "A variety of vehicles

share our roadways every day, and it's everyone's responsibility to keep each other safe," says Sgt. Darrin Turnbull, Alberta RCMP Traffic. "Commercial vehicles need more time and space to operate safely due to their size and weight. Help avoid a collision with one of these vehicles by practicing extra caution around them and by giving them extra space."

PUBLIC NOTICE
VILLAGE OF WASKATENAU



Take notice that the following Development Permit has been issued under Land Use Bylaw #686-2021 of the Village of Waskatenau:

Proposed	Legal Description	Street Address
Shed	Lot 12, Block 1, Plan 4934 CD	5070 – 50 Street Waskatenau, Alberta

Any person claiming to be affected by the said development may appeal to the Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (ISDAB) by serving written Notice of Appeal to the ISDAB Clerk of the Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board at Box 310, Smoky Lake, Alberta TOA 3C0 within fourteen (14) days.

Dated: June 15, 2026

Bernice Macyk
Development Authority, Village of Waskatenau
Box 99, Waskatenau, Alberta, TOA 3P0, Phone (780) 358-2208

Notice to Smoky Lake County Ratepayers
Mailing of Combined Assessment and Tax Notices 2026

Notice is hereby given that the combined tax and assessment notices have been mailed as of June 8, 2026 to all property owners in Smoky Lake County. In accordance with Section 311 of the Municipal Government Act, Chapter M-26 R.S.A. 2000, all persons are deemed to have received their combined tax and assessment notices as a result of this notice.

The assessment roll is open for inspection at the County Office, 4612 McDougall Drive, Smoky Lake, Alberta during the business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, by appointment. Please call the County Office at 780-656-3730 to arrange for an appointment to inspect the assessment roll. Any person who desires to object to the entry of their name or that of any other person upon the said roll or to the assessed value placed upon any property must by August 24, 2026, lodge their complaint(s) in writing to the Chief Administrative Officer of Smoky Lake County.

A 12% penalty will be applied to any current taxes owing after **October 31, 2026**.



If you do not receive your tax notice or have any other questions, please contact the County Office at 780-656-3730.

DATED this 10th day of June, 2026.

Chyenne Shaw
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Sophia (Sophie) Mary Panich

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Sophia (Sophie) Mary Panich on May 25, 2026, at the age of 76.

Sophie was born on July 15, 1949 to Jan and Mary Bruchal



Sophie's greatest joy was her family, especially her grandchildren. She rarely missed an opportunity to attend their sporting events, dance recitals, and activities, always cheering the loudest

from the sidelines. Many happy memories were made around her kitchen table, where she lovingly prepared her famous cabbage rolls, borscht, and countless meals shared with family and friends.

Sophie will be remembered for her generosity, compassion, unwavering support, and the love she gave so freely. Her warm smile, welcoming nature, and dedication to those she loved will be deeply missed and forever treasured.

In 1975, the young family of four moved to Waskatenau, Alberta before settling on the family farm near Abee in 1979, where they welcomed two more children.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 1:00 pm on Saturday, July 18, 2026, at the Newbrook Community Hall. In honor of Sophie's love of baseball, an informal ball game will follow the celebration. As her grandchildren take the field, we know Sophie will be cheering them on from above.

Sophie was a devoted Wife, Mother, Baba, Sister, and Friend whose kindness, strength, and love touched everyone who knew her.

Though she is no longer with us, her memory will live on in the hearts of all who knew and loved her.

She is lovingly remembered by her husband of 56 years, Jim; her children, Leon (Barbara), Tracy (Cori), Laurie (Jamie), and Christy (Brennon); and her eight cherished grandchildren. She is also remembered by her extended family and many dear friends.



Members of Sturgeon County Emergency Services pose with certificates after being recognized by Alberta Health Services for their outstanding work. The team was recently honoured for its quick thinking, teamwork and dedication to serving the community. **Sturgeon County photo**

Anthony "Tony" Cramer

It is with great sadness that the family of Anthony "Tony" John Cramer announce his sudden passing on June 15, 2026, at Redwater, AB, at the age of 75.



He will be forever missed by his loving wife, Lori, and his children, Robert, Keith, and Chantel (Kyle) Gardner. Tony is also survived by his brother Carl; sisters, Gloria (Dennis) Flaska, Melvina (Greg) Dobey; and numerous nephews and great-nephews and great-nieces.

Tony had a special, soft spot in his heart for the love of dogs and cats. He loved his dog, Miah, his cat, Wiggles, and a special Springer Spaniel, Remi.

He was predeceased by his parents, Stella and Everett Cramer; brother, Steve; sister-in-law, Gloria Cramer; brother-in-law, Robert James Young; and parents-in-law, Bob and Jean Young.

Tony spent 40 years working at Agrium in Redwater and farming fulltime as well. Whenever he had time, Tony and Lori would do some travelling, which they both enjoyed.

Cremation has taken place and, as per Tony's request, there will be no viewing or funeral.



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NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR 2026 VILLAGE OF WASKATENAU PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

Notice is hereby given that the combined tax and assessment notices have been mailed as of **June 22, 2026** to all property owners in the Village of Waskatenau. In accordance with Section 311 of the Municipal Government Act, being Chapter M-26.1, R.S.A. 2000, and amendments thereto, all persons are deemed to have received their combined tax and assessment notices as a result of this notice.

The assessment roll is open for inspection at the Village Office, 5008 - 51 Street, Waskatenau, Alberta during the Business hours 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Thursday. Any person who desires to object to the entry of his name or that of any other person upon the said roll or to the assessed value placed upon any property must, by August 29, 2026, lodge their complaint(s) in writing to the Chief Administrative Officer of the Village of Waskatenau. Complaint forms are available at the Village Office and must be accompanied by a \$50.00 fee at the time of filing.

A 12% penalty will be applied to any current taxes owing after July 31, 2026.

If you do not receive your tax notice or have any other questions, please contact the Village Office at (780) 358-2208.

Dated this 22rd Day of June 2026

Bernice Macyk, CAO
Village of Waskatenau, Box 99, Waskatenau, Alberta, T0A 3P0
780.358.2208, Email: waskvillage@mcsnet.ca



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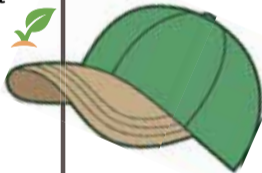
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Community Events Calendar

July 2026

Sun Mon Tues Wed Thur Fri Sat

	<p><i>Redwater Museum Summer Hours</i> Monday to Saturday 10:00 am - 4:00 pm</p>	<p>Happy Canada Day! Town Offices Closed</p>	<p>2 Intermediate First Aid Training 8:00 AM-4:00 PM Pioneer Club - Coffee & Pool 9:00-10:30 AM Library - Toddler Time 10:00-11:00 AM</p>	<p>3 Intermediate First Aid Training 8:00 AM-4:00 PM Legion - Pub Night 5:30 PM-2:00 AM</p>	
<p>5 Pioneer Club - Pancake Breakfast 9:00-10:30 AM Bronze Medallion course July 6 to 9 9:00am - 2:00pm</p>	<p>6 Pioneer Club - Coffee & Pool 9:00-10:30 AM Pioneer Club Monthly Meeting 1:30-2:30 PM</p>	<p>7 Ag Society - Farmer's Market 4:30-7:00 PM Regular Council Meeting 6:30-10:00 PM</p>	<p>8 Word on the Block with Ice Cream! 11:00 AM-3:30 PM Art Society - Artful Wednesdays 1:00-4:00 PM Pioneer Club - Community Supper. Call to book: 780-942-3772 5:00-8:00 PM</p>	<p>9 Library - Toddler Time 10:00-11:00 AM Pioneer Club - Curling & Coffee 1:00-3:30 PM</p>	<p>10 Legion - Pub Night 5:30 PM-2:00 AM</p>
<p>12 Register on Perfect Minds Bronze Cross course July 13 to 16 9:00am - 2:00pm</p>	<p>13 Pioneer Club - Coffee & Pool 9:00-10:30 AM</p>	<p>14 Ag Society - Farmer's Market 4:30-7:00 PM</p> 	<p>15 Shopping Bus 9:30 AM-3:45 PM Art Society - Artful Wednesdays 1:00-4:00 PM</p>	<p>16 Pioneer Club - Coffee & Pool 9:00-10:30 AM Library - Toddler Time 10:00-11:00 AM</p>	<p>17 Legion - Pub Night 5:30 PM-2:00 AM</p> 
<p>19 Register on Perfect Minds</p> 	<p>20 Pioneer Club - Coffee & Pool 9:00-10:30 AM</p>	<p>21 Ag Society - Farmer's Market 4:30-7:00 PM</p>	<p>22 Art Society - Artful Wednesdays 1:00-4:00 PM Legion Steak Supper 6:00-8:00 PM</p>	<p>23 Pioneer Club - Coffee & Pool 9:00-10:30 AM Library - Toddler Time 10:00-11:00 AM</p>	<p>24 Legion - Pub Night 5:30 PM-2:00 AM</p>
<p>26</p>	<p>27 Pioneer Club - Coffee & Pool 9:00-10:30 AM</p>	<p>28 Ag Society - Farmer's Market 4:30-7:00 PM</p>	<p>29 Casino Bus 9:20 AM-3:45 PM Art Society - Artful Wednesdays 1:00-4:00 PM</p>	<p>30 Pioneer Club - Coffee & Pool 9:00-10:30 AM Library - Toddler Time 10:00-11:00 AM</p>	<p>31 Legion - Pub Night 5:30 PM-2:00 AM</p> 



SUMMER PROGRAMS GUIDE 2026
Printed copies available at the following locations:
Pembina Place - Town Office - Swimming Pool - Library

VIEW SUMMER GUIDE HERE!

REGISTER HERE!



Annual Golf Tournament
August 6, 2026

Registration Deadline: July 31

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SCHEDULE
7:00-8:00 AM CHECK-IN & BREAKFAST
8:30 AM SHOTGUN START
2:30 PM COCKTAILS
AUCTION
SUPPER

\$50 No Golf Supper

TICKETS \$175
18 Hole Texas Scramble

Register online via the QR code or at the Town of Redwater website. Paper copies are available online or at the Community Services office.
<https://redwater.ca/p/2026-annual-golf-tournament>

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**RURAL ALBERTA PRODUCER SURVEY:
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The Rural Alberta Producer survey is intended to gather input from Alberta farmers and ranchers on the importance of veterinary services to agricultural productivity, animal health, and business viability.



Results may be used to support advocacy efforts to the Government of Canada for the inclusion of veterinarians in the Canada Student Loan Forgiveness Program. All submissions are anonymous.

Complete the survey by scanning the QR code or visit <https://forms.office.com/r/tqj4DJsBhg>

PROPERTY ASSESSMENT INSPECTIONS

Assessors from **Municipal Assessment Services Group Inc. (MASG)** are conducting property assessment inspections beginning July 2026 and will continue through the summer of 2026.

MASG conducts a cyclical inspection of properties to ensure property assessment data is accurate.

The areas this year include townships: 59-20, 60-20, 60-21, 59-22, 60-22.

Assessors will be on-site walking the properties involved and collecting exterior pictures. New subdivisions, new construction or renovations, and new issued development & building permits are some of the components that will be inspected.

Inspections are conducted to ensure accurate and reliable property information. These inspections are authorized by the Municipal Government Act (MGA) (Section 294).

Assessors will be in marked vehicles with the **Municipal Assessment Services Group Inc.** logo on doors and wearing photo ID under the same name.

All inspections will be conducted during normal business hours Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



Municipal Assessment Services Group Inc.

If property owners have any questions, they are encouraged to call the MASG Assessor's office at 1-780-939-3310.

Thorhild County COFFEE WITH COUNCIL

Thursday, June 25, 2026
Radway New Horizons Seniors Centre
5108 - 49th Avenue, Radway
Drop in anytime between 7:00 PM and 8:30 PM

HAPPY CANADA DAY!

Thorhild County Administration Office and Public Works will be closed on Canada Day, July 1.
Enjoy the holiday!

PROPERTY TAXES DUE BY JULY 15, 2026

A friendly reminder that payments for the 2026 property taxes are due by July 15.



We welcome in-person payments; however, please note our County Administration building is closed on Mondays.

If you're mailing your tax payment, be sure to allow ample time for delivery. To learn about tax payment options, please visit www.thorhildcounty.com and click on Services, then "Assessment and Property Taxes."

Bus EXCURSIONS



- JULY 6**
Visit the Londonderry Leisure Centre
- JULY 7**
Shopping trip to Redwater ½ day
- JULY 17**
Celebrate Antique Week with a tour
- JULY 31**
Westlock Shopping & U-Pick Berry Farm

Visit our website at www.thorhildcounty.com and click on the Community tab, then FCSS for details on these Bus Excursions.

All trips require pre-registration no later than the day before the excursion date. To register, please contact Kelly at 780-307-4436 or kelly.patry@thorhildcounty.com

2026 POOL SCHEDULE JUNE 29-JULY 31

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:00-10:00		Life Saving Swim Lessons (8 day sessions)					
10:00-11:00						Water Fitness/Adult Swim	
11:00-12:00						Rental / Program if no rental	
12:00-1:00	Rental / Lane Swim	Maintenance					Rental / Program
1:00-2:00					Maintenance Staff Mtg./ Training		
2:00-3:00							
3:00-4:00							
4:00-5:00	Public Swim	Public Swim	Toonie Swim	Public Swim	Public Swim	Public Swim	Public Swim
5:00-6:00							
6:00-7:00							
7:00-8:00	Rental - if none, Public Swim	Water Fitness		Water Fitness			Rental - if none, Public Swim

July 1 will only have Public Swim from 12:00 - 8:00 PM due to the holiday.



Building Futures students hammer home success



By **Shelley Winger**

A unique hands-on learning opportunity is helping local students build much more than a house.

The Building Futures program, a partnership between Sturgeon Public Schools and San Rufo Homes, recently wrapped up another successful year, giving Grade 10 students the opportunity to earn high school credits while gaining real-world experience in the skilled trades.

Throughout the school year, students worked together as a construction crew, helping build a home from the ground up while completing their core academic courses. Alongside certified teachers, students learned directly from industry professionals, including carpenters, plumbers, electricians, landscapers, project

managers, interior designers, and real estate professionals.

Students participated in nearly every stage of the home-building process, including excavation, framing, plumbing, HVAC installation, electrical work, drywalling, flooring, finishing work, and appliance installation. By the end of the year, participants earned an average of more than 45 high school credits while gaining valuable workplace experience.

The program is open to Grade 10 students attending either Sturgeon Composite High School or Redwater School. Students spend their school days on the construction site while continuing to complete required courses such as English, Math, Science, Social Studies, Physical Education, and Career and Life Management (CALM).

Sturgeon Public Schools recently celebrated the accomplishments of this year's Building Futures crew

and recognized Brodie Baker as the recipient of the Builder of the Year Award.

The award recognizes commitment, work ethic, leadership, and dedication to the program.

According to Sturgeon Public Schools, the success of the program is made possible through strong industry partnerships, including San Rufo Homes and the Build Alberta Apprenticeships Foundation. These partners provide mentorship, expertise, and access to active construction sites, allowing students to experience the trades firsthand.

The Building Futures program is designed to challenge students academically while developing practical skills, creativity, teamwork, and problem-solving abilities. Participants are expected to meet academic standards, work safely, and conduct themselves professionally while on site. For students

considering careers in construction, engineering, design, or other skilled trades, the program offers a unique opportunity to explore potential

career paths while still in high school.

As another house nears completion, Building Futures continues to demonstrate how

education and industry partnerships can create meaningful opportunities for students while helping build the workforce of tomorrow.



Building Futures students celebrate the completion of another successful year of hands-on learning, gaining valuable experience in the skilled trades while helping construct a home from the ground up. **Sturgeon Public Schools photo**



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New this year, a supervised tour for kids 6-12 on their own bus with games, crafts, & activities. Kids under 6 are welcome on the main tour when accompanied by a parent/guardian.

TOUR SCHEDULE

7:30 a.m.	- 8:30 a.m.	Breakfast at Sturgeon Agriplex
8:45 a.m.		Departure Time
9:15 a.m.	- 10:15 a.m.	Nolte Apiaries
10:45 a.m.	- 11:45 a.m.	Folly Fruits
12:00 p.m.	- 1:15 p.m.	Lunch at Copper Creek
1:45 p.m.	- 2:45 p.m.	Alfatec - Legal Alfalfa Products Ltd.
3:00 p.m.	- 4:00 p.m.	Forcade Farms
4:30 p.m.		Return to Sturgeon Agriplex



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to stay cool during the warm summer months, the Redwater Outdoor Pool offers public swimming, lessons, special event swims, fitness programs, and family swim opportunities. Special themed events such as Glow Swims,

Hawaiian Swim Night, Toonie Swims, and Olympic-themed activities provide additional fun for swimmers of all ages. Sports enthusiasts can visit the Fieldhouse throughout the summer to enjoy basketball, hockey, pickleball, badminton, and other recreational activities.

The facility provides a welcoming space for youth to stay active, meet friends, and enjoy friendly competition. From outdoor adventures and creative camps to swimming, sports, reading, and family events, Redwater's summer schedule offers something for everyone.

Residents are encouraged to check with local organizations for registration information, schedules, and

event details as summer activities get underway. Whether you're looking to explore, learn,

play, or simply enjoy time with family and friends, Redwater is ready for another memorable summer.

PROPERTY TAXES ARE DUE
Tuesday, June 30, 2026

Notices were mailed on May 21, 2026. If you have not received your notice, email taxation@sturgeoncounty.ca.

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Eric Lega



Denver Lyons



Stella Macklin



Joseph Olson



Nevaeh Ottley



Dylan Siebold



Brandan Tarlsan



Ruby May Tello



Michael Topolniski



Celina Boyes



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Isabella Lahti



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Smoky Lake Lions looking for new members



By Brandie Majeau

The Lions Club of Smoky Lake has been an essential part of community service since 1947 and is making a renewed call for new members as it faces the challenge of filling the shoes of its aging membership. With decades of contributions to local, regional, and international initiatives, the club is at a crossroads, looking to inspire a new generation to carry its legacy forward.

Founded and sponsored by the Andrews Lions Club, the Smoky Lake chapter has been a driving force for positive change in the area. From providing a para-transit bus and supporting Memorial Park to organizing pancake breakfasts and donating to the food bank, the club's impact is felt across every corner of the community. Other local projects include



funding public skating, swimming lessons, medical equipment, playgrounds, and scholarships, as well as offering volunteer security at public events and maintaining drop-off bins for clothes and toys. But the Lions' reach extends well beyond Smoky Lake. Internationally, the club supports major initiatives such as the CNIB, Lions Eye Bank, Guide Dogs programs, disaster relief, World Site Programs, and diabetes awareness through the Cavalcade.

"Lions Clubs are unique," reads a recent brochure. "Lions clubs support sight programs, assist the disabled, feed the hungry,

and provide disaster relief," but each club also "Choose their own projects and activities," based on the needs and interests of its members and community.

Membership in the Lions Club is about more than volunteering. Members gain valuable skills, develop leadership abilities, and forge connections with community members and Lions around the world. The club highlights the personal and professional growth that comes with service, as well as the satisfaction of making a real difference.

With its motto "We Serve," the Smoky Lake Lions Club is inviting community-minded individuals to join their ranks. "Help us—help

you!" they urge. As the club looks to the future, it hopes to ensure that its tradition of service continues for generations to come. The Lions Club of Smoky Lake is actively seeking new members. Like many organizations, as members age and step back from duty there are often times when there are not enough members of a younger generation stepping in to fill these spaces.

They are actively campaigning to increase awareness of who they are and what it means to be a Lion. For anyone interested in more information about becoming a Lion please find them on their social media pages or phone 780-777-2709.



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Thorhild trade show sees record numbers



By **Brandie Majeau**

The town of Thorhild wasn't quite quiet on June 13 as its annual trade show returned for another successful year, drawing families and visitors from everywhere for a Saturday packed with entertainment, local flavour, and small-town fun. The event, which has become a staple of the town's social calendar, was made

possible through the dedicated efforts of volunteers and the collaboration of the Feledichuk Memorial Ball Tournament and the Thorhild Community Association and the generosity of sponsorships.

This year's trade show featured over 40 vendor tables, showcasing a huge span of local businesses, artisans, and community organizations. Attendees browsed everything from handcrafted goods to home services.

Children were treated

to an unforgettable experience in the Little Dipper Daycare's Kid's Fun Zone, which transformed the arena into a wonderland of giant games, a petting zoo, face painting, and prizes. The laughter of young visitors echoed throughout the venue as they tried their hand at carnival games and enjoyed creative activities. For aspiring cowboys and cowgirls, Little Rodeo Pro provided a thrilling opportunity to compete in barrel racing, calf roping, and even bull

riding, with kids eager to outdo each other's times.

The fun didn't stop there, an indoor snow cone truck ensured that energetic children could cool off after bouncing in the inflatable castles, or families could go on a search to find the local lemonade stands and their unique lemonade blends set up for Lemonade Day on June 13.

Throughout the weekend, the Thorhild Agricultural Society also organized a town-wide garage sale, giving residents the chance to hunt for treasures and connect with their neighbours. Meanwhile, the Thorhild Community Association hosted a perogy dinner featuring mouth-watering Ukrainian delights from Zena's Catering. Plates piled high with hot, fresh perogies quickly sold out

as crowds poured in.

As the sun set, those looking for the day to last a little longer gathered for a family dance featuring acclaimed musician Travis Dolter, who is soon to perform at the Big Valley Jamboree. Dolter's energetic set, supported by his band and a guitarist who proudly hails from Thorhild, kept the dance floor filled with two-stepping locals and visitors.

The festivities concluded with a breathtaking fireworks display, a fitting finale that lit up the night sky and was a reflection that celebrated the teamwork and volunteerism that brought the weekend to life. This year's trade show brought in record numbers and a hope that it continues to grow.



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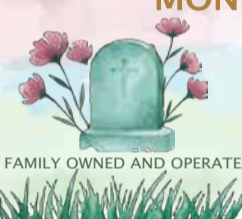
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Paly-Moell, Patricia Lucy

MAY 13, 1945 - JUNE 11, 2026

It is with profound sadness that the family of Patricia Lucy Paly-Moell announce her sudden passing on June 11, 2026 in Thorhild, AB at the age of 81 years. She will be forever missed by her loving husband, Charlie, of 24 years.

Pat will be remembered for her love of gardening, needlework and her pets which included cats, horses, and assorted four legged friends. Her deepest pet love was for small, indoor dogs who provided her with much joy throughout her years. Pat was an excellent cook and many home cooked meals graced her table. All who knew Pat will remember her fashionable hats, always matching perfectly with her attire. Pat also enjoyed all the friendships she made during her time with the Red Hat

Ladies. Her passion for flowers never diminished as each and every summer her yard was beautifully displayed with colour.

Pat was the eldest of four siblings and leaves behind Clarence, Pauline and Don (Darlene). She was predeceased by her parents Alexander (1981), Annie (2009), brother-in-law, Chris (2017) and sister-in-law, Cheryl (2026). She will be mourned and missed by nephews, nieces, great nephews and nieces, extended family and friends.

A funeral service was held Wednesday, June 17, 2026, in the Thorhild Ukrainian Catholic Church at 10:00 a.m. Interment at Tudor Cemetery followed by fellowship and lunch at the Thorhild Community Hall.

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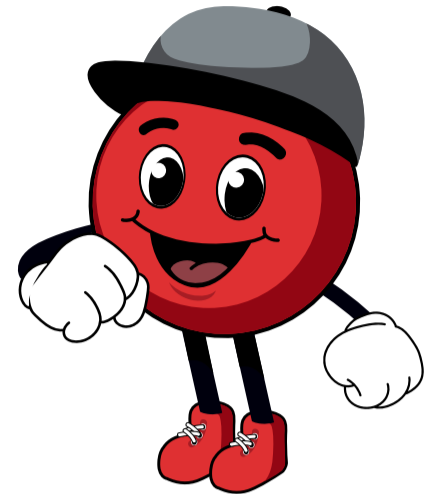


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Smoky Lake RCMP report



By Haylee Winger

The Smoky Lake RCMP Detachment responded to a range of incidents and public service calls during the week of June 8.

Among the calls received was a report of a deceased deer located in the middle of Highway 855. Officers also assisted with a mental health-related matter in which the individual agreed to attend hospital with EMS. An RPACT referral was completed.

Police attended a two-vehicle collision at the intersection of Highways 28 and 36. Minor injuries were reported, and the collision appeared to have occurred when one vehicle rear-ended another while it was turning onto Highway 36.

RCMP, along with Smoky Lake EMS

and Fire Services, responded to a sudden death in the County of Smoky Lake. The death was determined to be non-suspicious.

Members were requested to assist EMS with an elderly woman reportedly trapped between a washer and dryer. However, while en route, RCMP were advised that Fire Services had resolved the situation and police assistance was no longer required.

Officers continued to address an ongoing bylaw matter in the Village of Vilna and also investigated a complaint of uttering threats. The investigation determined that no threats had been made.

A report of possible child abuse at a residence was investigated. Police determined there was no criminal offence, and Child and Family Services was engaged.

RCMP also received a complaint regarding the possible poisoning of cats. The caller was directed to contact the Alberta SPCA.

A wellbeing check was conducted on a mother in the Town of Smoky Lake after concerns were raised when she was not answering her phone. Officers determined she was safe and that no issues were present.

Police responded to a disturbance in the Town of Smoky Lake, where the involved parties were separated and no further problems were reported.

Traffic enforcement initiatives continued throughout the week on local highways.

Additional calls included a 911 hang-up in the Hamlet of Bellis, which was determined not to involve any distress,

and a noise complaint related to activity at Métis Crossing. A review of the applicable bylaw indicated noise restrictions did not take effect until 2 a.m. on weekends.

RCMP also received a concern regarding the need for additional reflective markers near the Smoky Lake Fire Hall where a roadway is partially closed.

Officers responded to a report of a person walking on Highway 855; however, due to a one-hour delay in reporting, patrols were unable to locate anyone in the area.

A trespassing complaint in the Hamlet of Spedden was also investigated.

Anyone with information regarding a crime is encouraged to contact the Smoky Lake RCMP at 780-656-3550 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

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 remarking on the larger crowds and steady business throughout the weekend. The tournament brings

a welcome boost to the local economy, as guests stop by restaurants, stores, and convenience stores between their games. The tournament

works and continues after a decade thanks to the families, volunteers, players, and supporters who make the event possible year after year.

Their hard work and dedication ensure that the Feledichuk Curran Memorial Ball Tournament remains an event to look forward to.

As the dust settled and the last teams packed up their bats and pulled off their gloves to head home, there was a sense of accomplishment that

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Representatives from STARS Air Ambulance accept a contribution from Sturgeon County during a June 17 council meeting. STARS responded to 97 calls in Sturgeon County in 2025, and the County contributed \$50,000 this year to support the organization's life-saving emergency medical transport services. **Sturgeon County photo**



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