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County of Grande Prairie Municipal Election October 18th Your vote. Your voice.

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YOUR VOICE MATTERS - MAKE SURE YOU VOTE!

The County of Grande Prairie encourages residents to vote in the upcoming municipal election on October 18 or at Advance Polls on October 13 and 16. This is your opportunity to influence the Council that makes decisions about policies and programs that impact our communities and the lives of County residents.

With only 24 per cent of eligible voters in the County of Grande Prairie casting a ballot during the 2017 municipal election, the County hopes to see a larger voter turnout this October 18.

Members of Council are responsible to set the direction for the County and make critical decisions on matters including tax rates, operational and capital spending, road maintenance, sports and recreation programming, garbage and recycling services, and bylaws for issues such as animal control, regional enforcement services, public works projects and community planning and development.

Voting only takes a few minutes and is the easiest way to have an influence on those who will lead the County and play a large part in shaping our future direction.

For all your County election information, visit www.countygp.ab.ca/elections, or contact Legislative Services at 780-532-9722 or legislativeservices@countygp.ab.ca.

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When can I vote?

ADVANCE VOTING: OCTOBER 13 & 16, 2021

Advance voting is when you cast your ballot before Election Day. The County of Grande Prairie will be offering two advance voting dates.

ELECTION DAY: OCTOBER 18, 2021

Polling stations will be open from **10:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.**

Polling station information is included on page 3.

Who is eligible to vote?

VOTER ELIGIBILITY

You are eligible to vote in the election if:

- You are at least 18 years old;
- You are a Canadian Citizen;
- You reside in Alberta and are a resident of the County of Grande Prairie and the division on Election Day;
- You have acceptable voter identification;
- You have not voted in this election before; and
- You sign a declaration that you meet these requirements.







County of Grande Prairie Municipal Election October 18th. Your vote. Your voice.

What do I need to vote?

ACCEPTED VOTER IDENTIFICATION

Proof of identity and current residence is required to be able to vote in municipal elections.

Any of the following documents that include your name and address on it will be accepted as valid proof:

- Photo identification issued by a Canada government or agency, whether federal, provincial or local;
- Bank/credit card statement or personal cheque;
- Government cheque or cheque stub;
- Income/property tax assessment notice;
- Insurance policy or coverage card;
- Letter from a public curator, public guardian or public trustee;
- Pension Plan statement of benefits, contributions or participation;
- · Residential lease or mortgage statement;
- · Statement of government benefits;
 - E.g. employment insurance, old-age security, social assistance, disability support, or child tax benefit;
- Utility bill
 - E.g. telephone, television, electricity, gas or water;
- Vehicle ownership, registration or insurance certificate; or
- A person may validate your identity and your address by accompanying you to the voting station and filling in the appropriate form.

If a voter's identification shows a post office box number as the address instead of a residential or legal address, it can be accepted as verification of current address if it is in reasonable distance to the voting jurisdiction. The address does not have to be in the voting division.

What if I am unable to vote during Advance Polls or on Election Day?

HOW TO APPLY FOR SPECIAL BALLOTS

Applications for Special Ballots, commonly referred to as mail-in ballots, officially opened August 1, 2021, and will close at 4:30 p.m. on the Friday before Election Day, October 15, 2021.

Special Ballots are available only to those who are unable to vote at an advance vote or at the voting station on Election Day for any of the following reasons:

- Due to a physical disability;
- You are absent from the local jurisdiction (example: away from the County of Grande Prairie or the division you reside in); or
- You are an Election Officer, candidate, official agent or scrutineer who may be located at a voting station on Election Day outside of your place of residence.

Eligible voters will find the Special Ballot fillable application online under the "Information for Voters" section found at **www.countygp.ab.ca/elections** or can request one from the Returning Officer by email at **legislativeservices@countygp.ab.ca** or phoning **780-532-9722**.

Special Ballots will be mailed to voters, or available for pickup, following the close of nominations on Monday, September 20, and must be returned to the office of the Returning Officer no later than 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, October 18.

Where do I vote?

POLLING STATIONS & LOCATIONS

Eligible voters can cast their vote at a voting station of their choice during the Advance Vote or within their division on Election Day.

Not sure what electoral division you are in or where voting stations are located? Review the Electoral Division Map found on page 4, use our Voter Information Map found on our election webpage at www.countygp.ab.ca/elections, or contact Legislative Services at legislativeservices@countygp.ab.ca or 780-532-9722.

Polling stations for Advanced Polls on Wednesday, October 13 and Saturday, October 16:

DIVISION	LOCATIONS	HOURS	
All Divisions	Evergreen Park, TARA Centre Hythe Legion Sexsmith Civic Centre	Wednesday, October 13, from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, October 16, from 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.	

Electoral Divisions

DIVISION	LOCATIONS	
Division 1	Bezanson Memorial Hall 9901 - 100 Avenue, Bezanson Evergreen Park, TARA Centre 55051 TWP RD 710, County of Grande Prairie	
Division 2	Grande Prairie Alliance Church 15502 102 Street (Whispering Ridge), Grande Prairie Sexsmith Civic Centre 9917 99 Avenue, Sexsmith	
Division 3	Evergreen Park, TARA Centre 55051 TWP RD 710, County of Grande Prairie	
Division 4	Evergreen Park, TARA Centre 55051 TWP RD 710, County of Grande Prairie Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum 9301 - 112 Avenue, Wembley	
Division 5	Beaverlodge & District Senior Citizen's Association (Lossing Centre) 301- 10th Street, Beaverlodge Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum 9301 - 112 Ave., Wembley	
Division 6	Beaverlodge & District Senior Citizen's Association (Lossing Centre) 301- 10th Street, Beaverlodge Hinton Trail Community Hall 702002 HWY 722, County of Grande Prairie	
Division 7	Demmitt Hall 744041 RGE RD 132, County of Grande Prairie Hythe Legion 9818 100 Avenue, Hythe	
Division 8	Hythe Legion 9818 100 Avenue, Hythe La Glace Arena 9802 100 Street, (HWY 724), La Glace Sexsmith Civic Centre 9917 99 Avenue, Sexsmith	
Division 9	Sexsmith Civic Centre 9917 99 Avenue, Sexsmith Teepee Creek Hall 33071A HWY 674, County of Grande Prairie	
All polling stations will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Election Day		

VOTING FOR RESIDENTS OF LAKEVIEW SENIORS CENTRE

On Election Day, October 18, 2021 election staff will be on site from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for residents of the Lakeview Seniors Centre in Clairmont to vote for their divisional Councillor, and in the Senate and Referendum vote.

Who is running?

OFFICIAL LIST OF CANDIDATES

DIVISION	CANDIDATES	
Division 1	Frayn, Amanda	
Division 2	Balderston, Kurt Karbashewski, Darcy Rycroft, Talbot Tharp, Thomas	
Division 3	Beaupre, Leanne (Incumbent)	
Division 4	Hietland, Maurissa Maple, Calvin Zimmerman, Steve	
Division 5	Gingles, Kevin Hill, Robert Marshall, Bob (Incumbent)	
Division 6	Harris, Peter (Incumbent)	
Division 7	Peterson, Brian	
Division 8	Rosvold, Karen (Incumbent) Van Eerden, Cheryl	
Division 9	Badger, Pam M. Badry, Dwayne Chrenek, Robert (Bob) Runhart, Sheryle	

ACCLAIMED CANDIDATES

The following divisions have only one candidate and have been acclaimed, therefore there will be no vote for a municipal Councillor in these locations. Polling stations will still be available to vote in the provincial Referendum and Senate Elections.

Frayn, Amanda
Beaupre, Leanne (Incumbent)
Harris, Peter (Incumbent)
Peterson, Brian

Check out our Voter Information Map

Find out who is running in your division, the nearest polling station to vote at Advanced Polls and on Election Day, and more at **www.countygp.ab.ca/elections.**





From the Province of Alberta:

SENATE ELECTIONS & REFERENDUM QUESTIONS

When Albertans go to the polls during municipal elections, they will also have the opportunity to elect three Senate nominees.

Albertans will also vote on the following two provincial topics:

- Should section 36(2) of the Constitution Act, 1982 Parliament and the government of Canada's commitment to the principle of making equalization payments be removed from the constitution?
- Do you want Alberta to adopt year-round Daylight-Saving Time, which is summer hours, eliminating the need to change our clocks twice a year?

On behalf of the Province of Alberta, the County of Grande Prairie will also be conducting the Senate Election and Referendum Vote for the Horse Lake First Nation, Horse Lakes 152B. Residents of Horse Lake First Nation may participate at their nearest polling station. Polling stations are listed on page 3.

For more information about the Senate Elections and Referendum questions, visit www.elections.ab.ca.

It's Snow Time what you need to know this winter season



When the snow falls, County crews move into action to keep everyone moving safely across our over 3,600 km of paved and gravel roads.

Efforts are made to clear all rural roads within five days following a significant snowfall. Multiple heavy snowfall events may affect this cycle; however, crews work as efficiently as possible.

The County's dedicated snow removal crew operates 20 graders, five plow trucks, three large tractors, and three loaders, clearing and maintaining more than 3,600 km of paved and gravel roads. These crews are divided into two areas – one dedicated to rural roads and the second for hamlets and some residential areas.

RESIDENTIAL SNOW REMOVAL

Hamlets and some designated residential neighbourhoods in the County are cleared by a specific crew and equipment. Neighbourhoods with curb and gutter along the streets are subject to temporary parking restrictions throughout the winter to ensure a safe and efficient snow removal process:

- The Hamlet of Clairmont, from 100 Avenue to 113 Avenue
- Subdivisions of Whispering Ridge & Westlake Village in the Hamlet of Clairmont
- · Subdivision of Wedgewood, or
- Subdivisions of Maple Ridge & Taylor Estates

Pay attention to signage at the entrance to your neighbourhood that will notify you when a parking ban is in effect. When "No Parking" signage is visible, parking is not allowed on roadways between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. so crews can clear the roads.

Live in one of these neighbourhoods?

Visit **www.countygp.ab.ca/snowremoval** and select subscribe to page updates to receive email notification of temporary parking bans.

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A SAFE SNOW REMOVAL SEASON

To ensure we can clear snow quickly and safely, residents and businesses are asked to do their part.

- During periods of heavy snowfall or other extreme weather conditions, please have patience as crews work to clear snow from your area as quickly as possible.
- Please use extreme caution and reduce your speed when approaching plows, graders, and other snow removal equipment.
- Remember to keep snow and ice off roadways. County bylaws prohibit pushing snow onto or across roadways, or onto any other property other than your own. If windrows freeze, they can cause accidents, or damage County equipment and private vehicles.



SENIOR SNOW REMOVAL PROGRAM

Residents aged 65 or older, or individuals with disabilities who live on two or more acres of land and, who have difficulty clearing their driveway can apply to the Senior Snow Removal Program. Following a snowfall event, once County roadways are cleared, crews will clear driveways of the more than 400 residents who are supported by this program. Remember, private driveways cannot be cleared upon request, so make sure to register for the program if you qualify.

Age 65+

Contact Public Works at 780-532-7393 to register.

Residents with a Physical Disability

Contact Family and Community Support Services (FCSS). at **780-532-9727** to register.

PAVED TRAILS

The County's Parks & Recreation department clears snow from the County's paved trail network. Visit **www.countygp.ab.ca/trails** for up-to-date status reports on trail maintenance (clearing and salting) actions.

PROVINCIAL HIGHWAYS

Clearing snow from primary (single digit) and secondary (double digit) highways is done by Alberta Transportation. For updated highway reports, call or visit **511 Alberta**.

Be a Good Neighbour this Winter

FOLLOW THE COMMUNITY STANDARDS BYLAW

The County's Community Standards Bylaw lays out rules for homeowners and residents to make sure our communities are safe for everyone during the snowy season.

CLEAR YOUR SIDEWALKS WITHIN 24-HOURS

Once snow falls, you are responsible for keeping a clear sidewalk in front of the property you own or rent.

- Property owners and occupants must remove snow and ice from public sidewalks adjacent to their property within 24-hours of a snowfall.
- Keep the snow on your property. It is illegal to clear snow onto roads as it can freeze and create a major safety hazard.

KEEP FIRE HYDRANTS CLEAR & ACCESSIBLE

When responding to a fire, access to water can make the difference in saving homes and lives.

If you live next to a fire hydrant, you are responsible to keep it clear of snow and accessible for emergency services personnel.

"The time it takes our crews to dig out a snow-covered hydrant could save your house or your neighbour's," says Deputy Fire Chief Bart Johnson. "It's essential that we can work as quickly as possible once we are at the scene of a fire."

DIRECT YOUR DRAINAGE

Sump pumps, eavestroughs and any type of pump drainage on your property must drain within your own property lines. To avoid creating ice patches and other hazards, do not drain onto trails, sidewalks or other public lands.

Failing to follow this rule can lead to fines or other penalties for repeat offenses.

REPORTING

Concerned that the Community Standards Bylaw or other County bylaws are not being followed? Report an incident to Regional Enforcement Services at **780-532-9727** or online at **www.countygp.ab.ca/report** using the "Report an Occurrence" form.

Read more about the Community Standards Bylaw at www.countygp.ab.ca/csb.







Lightcatch App: Creating Safer Places to Live and Work

As a resident or business in the County, you now have more power than ever before to stop crime in its tracks.



In March, the County of Grande Prairie approved \$50,000 in funding for Beaverlodge District Rural Crime Watch (BDRCW) to support a oneyear pilot project using the mobile app Lightcatch as a tool to prevent crime throughout the County.

The mobile app can be very effective at stopping crime before it happens. Users who report suspicious behavior right away can lead to additional confirmations from others nearby. When the 911 call is made to RCMP, police may have already received photos via the Lightcatch app, along with multiple confirmations and clear locations of suspects.

Reports show that theft recovery rates have improved from below 25 per cent to over 80 per cent in areas where the Lightcatch app is actively used. According to Lightcatch, community-driven efforts using the system have resulted in the prevention of hundreds of thousands of dollars in insurance claims across Alberta over the last 12 months.

The first post made on the app from a Crime Watch member resulted in 12,000 views and deterred a well-known repeat offender operating in the area.

"I see this as the way of the future," said Leanne Van Wagner, President of BDRCW.

The partnership provides additional benefits, such as free training on how to use the app, extending crime prevention activities to more than 27,000 residents and organizations across the County.

Download the Lightcatch app from the Apple store or on Google Play.



Welcome, Hythe!

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Council was joined by County staff in welcoming the newest members of the County during an Open House event in September.

Have questions about the Hythe transition? View our frequently asked questions at **www.countygp.ab.ca/hythe.** While there, sign up for updates to receive ongoing information.

County of Grande Prairie: A Leader in Policing, Community Safety Programs

The County of Grande Prairie has a long history of being a leader in policing programs – from being one the first rural municipalities to have their own rural police service supplemental to the RCMP in 1977, to being the first and only municipality to have a fully-integrated RCMP enhanced policing, in place since 2008.

The County continues to be leader in community safety and currently has an active and vibrant policing program spanning all levels of the policing continuum – RCMP Enhanced Policing, Peace Officer Level 1 and 2, and Bylaw Enforcement Officer. The County is also collaborating with the RCMP to explore building a rural RCMP detachment in Clairmont with a plan of Regional Enforcement Services working out of the facility for a more seamless service delivery.

This year, the County contracted a total of eight RCMP enhanced police members in various portfolios:

- County Integrated Enhanced Policing Unit
- Grande Prairie Special Investigative Unit
- Grande Prairie Crime Reduction Unit (CRU)
- Grande Prairie General Investigative Unit Drug Section
- Beaverlodge Detachment

There are two benefits of the Grande Prairie Rural RCMP using the RCMP Enhanced Policing Office in the County Clairmont Community Services Building as a "jumping off point" satellite office: first, it provides the rural officers a safe place to work outside the city, and second, it begins to build the relationship with Regional Enforcement officers in advance of our new integrated detachment.

The current RCMP enhanced policing agreement is in effect until March 31, 2025.



Communities across the County are looking for locals to make a difference. Protect lives and livelihoods by joining the Regional Fire Service!

Recruitment for paid responders (paid volunteer firefighters) is underway to support the Bezanson, Hythe, La Glace and Teepee Creek stations as well as the Sexsmith Fire Department.

Career or previous experience are not factors in firefighter recruitment. Individuals from a wide variety of backgrounds who are committed to learning new skills, being part of a team and making a difference in their community are invited to apply.

"Paid responders are regular people in our communities who come from all walks of life and bring different skills and experience," said District Fire Chief Nolan Jespersen. "They are your co-workers, your neighbours and your friends. On-Call firefighters are paid for emergency response, station duties and training.

"Our supportive team environment focuses on protecting our communities and offers flexible working options – as little as a few hours a month – and free professional training," said Jespersen. "Our firefighters are trained to professional standards, ready to provide fire and rescue services throughout the County of Grande Prairie. If you feel you have the skills to serve the community in this capacity and meet the criteria, I encourage you to apply today."





MEET THE COUNTY'S NEWEST STATION CAPTAIN

Matt Fisher joined the County of Grande Prairie Regional Fire Service (CGPRFS) as a Station Captain on July 1 when Hythe officially became a Hamlet in the County of Grande Prairie. A familiar face at the Hythe Station No. 4 since 2011, he brings ten years of firefighting and station leadership experience to the role.

"Over the years, my family has been very involved in firefighting. I was searching for a purpose and after learning what the job entailed, I felt it was my calling. Seeing the direct impact on people's lives keeps me committed to the role. In working with the County, I look forward to accessing more resources, equipment and training to further enhance my skills."

Long-time member of the team at Hythe and new Lieutenant for the County Regional Fire Service, Scot Lykins says about joining a rural station:

"I grew up around the volunteer fire department and up until recently, did not think I could be a volunteer firefighter as I did not start my training until I was well into my papa years. Instead, it has given me a way to interact with the community and stay fit. My youngest son always wanted to be a firefighter, and when he passed away in 2018, I joined the department in honour of him. It has been, and continues to be, amazing. I look forward to firefighting with my grandchildren and getting to know the people who make up our great community."

ANSWER THE CALL TODAY

More information and application details are available at: **www.countygp.ab.ca/paidresponders** or by calling District Fire Chief Nolan Jespersen at **780-532-9727**.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- Live within 15 minutes from applicable fire station
- 18 years of age with a Grade 12 education
- Alberta Driver's License with a safe driving record demonstrated in a Driver's Abstract
- RCMP Criminal Records Check
- Doctor's letter confirming medical fitness to perform firefighting duties

BENEFITS:

- · Help your community and connect with community members
- Flexible work schedule
- Free and transferable training, including advanced medical training, driver training and more
- WCB and life insurance coverage

Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety this **Holiday Season**



Hear a beep, get on your feet! A BEEPING ALARM means smoke or carbon monoxide is present get out, call 9-1-1, and stay out. Learn the sounds of fire safety at fpw.org.

Even though October 3 - 9 was Fire Prevention Week in the County of Grande Prairie, it's always a good time of the year to learn about and practice fire safety! Check out the following tips from Regional Fire Service this fall and holiday season:

- Learn the sounds of fire safety Know the difference between a beep or chirp coming from your smoke or carbon monoxide detectors and what action you need to take. This knowledge could save your life. Learn more at www.fpw.org.
- · Fall and spring are great times to change your smoke detector batteries each year. Working alarms save lives.
- · Be careful with the placement of candles and décor during the fall and holiday season. Blow out and unplug all lights and decorations before bed or prior to leaving your house.
- · Check electrical cords for wear damage before plugging them in.
- · Ensure your live tree is well watered and disposed of right after the holidays.

DID YOU KNOW:

The top three days for home candle fires are Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Day.



How to Reach County Regional Enforcement Services

Do you have questions, concerns, complaints? Would you like information regarding traffic safety and enforcement? The following is a list of important contacts in the event you ever need to reach Regional Enforcement Services. Feel free to tear away this contact information and place it in a familiar place for your reference.

Phone: 780-532-9727 Email: enforcementservices@countygp.ab.ca Online: www.countygp.ab.ca/occurrencereporting Secure Fax: 888-779-5895

How to Reach the Grande Prairie Regional Animal Care Facility

For animal shelter, pound services and adoptions:

Phone: 780-830-0199 Email: regionalpound@countygp.ab.ca Fax: 780-532-4745

How to Report a Drug House

Phone: 780-830-5889

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Online: www.countygp.ab.ca/drughouse

For Emergencies	
EMERGENCIES (POLICE, FIRE & EMS)	911
RCMP GRANDE PRAIRIE	780-830-5700
RCMP BEAVERLODGE	780-354-2485
LITTER – CROWN LAND/TRAILS	1-800-222-6514
WILDLIFE EMERGENCIES	1-800-642-3800
PUBLIC LANDS ABUSE	1-800-642-3800
REPORT A POACHER	1-800-642-3800
REPORT A DRUG HOUSE	780-830-5889
SAFE COMMUNITIES (SCAN)	1-866-960-SCAN (7226)
WILDFIRE HOTLINE	310-FIRE (3473)
ENVIRONMENTAL EMERGENCIES	1-800-222-6514
PUBLIC WORKS EMERGENCIES	780-532-7393
ALBERTA SPCA	1-800-455-9003
DANGEROUS GOODS	1-800-272-9600
POISON AND DRUG INFORMATION	1-800-332-1414
PET POISON	1-800-213-6680
ANIMAL POISON	1-888-426-4435
OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY	1-866-415-8690
CHILD ABUSE HOTLINE CRISIS UNIT	1-800-638-0715
CANADIAN NATIONAL (CN) RAIL	1-800-465-9239



County Assessors Conducting Property Inspections

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You may have noticed County of Grande Prairie assessors out and about as they continue to conduct annual property inspections. Inspections fairly and accurately determine all characteristics of the property in order to determine property value.

Assessors will always drive County-marked vehicles and carry visible County identification. Upon arrival at your property, assessors will obtain assessment information from you. If you are not at home, callback cards may be left at your door. Property inspections occur between July to January, annually.

For more information, visit **www.countygp.ab.ca/assessment.** If you have any questions, call the Assessment department at **780-532-9722.**

WHAT TO EXPECT

When County Assessors visit your property, most inspections will be conducted outdoors. Assessors will take photographs of the property. In more complex properties, assessors may require indoor inspections.

Assessors will be:

- inspecting new developments, based on permits acquired from the County
- inspecting year-to-year progress of a building project
- inspecting status of parcels of land, considering legislation set out in the Municipal Government Act and associated regulations
- verifying sales information as annual valuation is based on market value
- following up on requests to re-evaluate and verify all information collected on a property

Recycling and Waste Management Facilities Holiday Hours

The County of Grande Prairie wishes to inform County residents that the County landfill/transfer station holiday hours between December 24, 2021 and January 1, 2022 are as follows:

CLAIRMONT CENTRE FOR RECYCLING AND WASTE MANAGEMENT

OPEN: December 27 - 30 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. CLOSING EARLY: December 24 & 31 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. CLOSED: December 25 & January 1

DEMMITT TRANSFER STATION CLOSED: December 25 & January 1

ELMWORTH TRANSFER STATION CLOSED: December 25 & January 1

TEEPEE CREEK TRANSFER STATION CLOSED: December 25 & January 1

Regular hours of operation will resume January 3, 2022.

WEST GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL LANDFILL OPEN: December 28 - 30 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. CLOSING EARLY: December 24 & 31 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. CLOSED: December 25, 27 & January 1

Regular hours of operation will resume January 4, 2022.

Recycling and Waste Management Facility Regular Hours of Operation

CLAIRMONT CENTRE FOR RECYCLING AND WASTE MANAGEMENT Monday to Saturday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

WEST GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL LANDFILL Tuesday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

DEMMITT TRANSFER STATION Wednesday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

ELMWORTH TRANSFER STATION Wednesday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

TEEPEE CREEK TRANSFER STATION Tuesday and Thursday from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Visit **www.countygp.ab.ca/recyclingprograms** to learn more about the County's recycling and waste management facilities and various recycling programs. For landfill and transfer station information, please call our Landfill Information Line at **780-513-3967.**

Clairmont Resident Sings the Praises of Recycling and Waste Management Centre

A simple mention of the word 'recycling' brings up a childhood memory for Clairmont resident Kathy Miles.

As one of six children, Kathy says the lessons taught by her single mother on the importance of reusing items and not letting anything of value go to waste have remained with her to this day.

Kathy is quick to highlight the merits of the Clairmont Centre for Recycling and Waste Management's (CCRWM) 'Shelve and Share' Program where residents can drop off good quality items to pass on to a new home, Monday to Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

"It's keeping items out of the landfill. There are also a lot of people in need who could use items that are still in perfectly good working order."

The CCRWM also makes recycling easy, with clearly marked and easyto-access areas for all recycling, including, but not limited to, cardboard, plastic, tin, wood, and metal items. Once recycling has been dropped off, the household garbage bins are also easily accessed.

She notes that the staff are helpful in getting residents on to the recycling program and are willing to answer any questions or offer a hand with sorting and prepping items for recycling.

Kathy offers tips to County residents on preparing for a trip to the CCRWM.

"On a daily basis, separate your wood products into a pile, keep your wire together and stack your cardboard. Each respective bin is in a row, along with a bin for garbage, so it's very easy to do, especially if you pre-sort your items at home."

Let's all do our part for the environment by reducing our household waste, ensuring items that can be reprocessed or reused are properly sorted and disposed of. Visit **www.countygp.ab.ca/LandfillHours** to learn more about the Clairmont Centre for Recycling and Waste Management.

COMING UP IN RECYCLING AND WASTE MANAGEMENT

Stay tuned for upcoming changes to the County's Landfill Access Tag program. This program allows all County residents to apply to receive a tag to present at the Clairmont Centre for Recycling and Waste Management for free disposal of household waste. Learn more at www.countygp.ab.ca/LandfillSolarPower/

Interim Budget Meetings



Every December, County Council holds special meetings to review financial plans for the upcoming and following years.

The interim budget meetings provide an opportunity for Council to review the planned budgets. The final budget meetings, which finalize all the numbers, take place in the spring. Interim meetings for the 2022 budget:

December 8, 9 & 10 10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

If you have any questions, contact Financial Services at **780-532-9722.**



County Office Holiday Hours

The County Offices will be closed from December 24, 2021 to January 3, 2022, inclusive.

All essential services will be maintained during office closures. Online services can be accessed at any time at **www.countygp.ab.ca**.

Regular office hours will resume on **Tuesday, January 4, 2022.**

If you have any questions, please contact **780-532-9722.**





Christmas Tree Disposal Available for Curbside Recycle and Waste Collection Customers



Just like last year, residents who receive curbside recycle and waste pickup services, who are billed for waste and recycle collection through an Aquatera utility bill, will be able to dispose of their Christmas Trees until January 14, 2022. It's simple: place your tree(s) one metre from your waste cart on your regular collection day.

Prior to Christmas Tree collection:

- · Only include live trees, not artificial trees
- Ensure all decorations, tinsel and lights are removed
- Cut your tree down to lengths of four feet or less to fit in collection trucks
- Place no more than two trees out per household

County residents without curbside waste and recycle collection services, or with artificial trees to dispose of, can bring their trees to the Clairmont Centre for Recycling and Waste Management free-of-charge by showing their landfill tag. Don't have a landfill tag? Find out how to get one at

www.countygp.ab.ca/landfillaccess.

Circular Economy Extends Life Cycle of Products



A circular economy is one where products have a longer life cycle, ending with as much material as possible being recycled, recovered and returned to the manufacturing process.

At the Clairmont Centre for Recycling and Waste Management, as much waste as possible is diverted from the landfill by providing recycling programs for a number of items, including electronic waste, appliances, paint, twine and grain bags.

It is based on three principles:

- **1.** Eliminating waste and pollution:
 - Using manufacturing processes where waste and pollution are not created in the first place.
- **2.** Keeping products and materials in use:
 - Designing durable products that can easily be fixed, or with materials that can be recycled for re-use.
- 3. Regenerating natural systems:
 - Avoiding the use of non-renewable resources where possible, using renewable energy instead of fossil fuels.

For a full list of accepted items, and more information visit **www.countygp.ab.ca/recyclingprograms.**

Curbside Waste & Recycling Collection Schedule Changes for the Holiday Season



County residents should note that there will be no changes to the schedule for waste cart and blue bagged recyclable collection during the holiday season.

If you have any questions, please call the Landfill Information Line at **780-513-3967**. For more information on the County's recycling and waste management facilities and programs, visit **www.countygp.ab.ca/recycleprograms**.

Winter Activities for Families and Seniors

FCSS Support Services Support Services URE Build Albertans County of Grande Prairie



PARENT AND TOT PLAYGROUPS

Are you a parent or caregiver for a child, or children, ages 0 to 6? Drop into a parent and tot playgroup near you!

This free program provides a safe and trusting environment for parents to connect with other parents, children to play and interact, and participants to have fun, learn and grow together.

Bezanson Parent and Tots

Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. - 12 p.m. Knelsen Centre in Bezanson For more information, contact **780-933-0964**

Clairmont Parent and Tots

Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. - 12 p.m. Wellington Resource Centre in Clairmont For more information, contact **780-567-2843**

Learn more about Early Childhood Development Programs through County FCSS at www.countygp.ab.ca/parentandtot.



STAY ACTIVE WITH THE SENIORS WALK AND TALK PROGRAM

We all know the winter months can be long and tiring, especially without dedicated time to be active and enjoy social interaction.

The Seniors Walk and Talk program runs Wednesday and Thursday mornings from October to May each year, providing those age 60+ with an opportunity to enjoy some aerobic activity, coffee and connection with friends in a safe, ice-free environment over the winter season.

Gymnasium in the Knelsen Centre in Bezanson Wednesdays from 10 a.m. - noon Runs from October 6, 2021 - May 11, 2022

Happy Trails Track at the Crosslink County Sportsplex Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. - noon Runs from October 7, 2021 - May 12, 2022

Entry is free. For more information about the program, visit www.countygp.ab.ca/SeniorsWalkAndTalk.

KEEP IN TOUCH – SENIORS INVITED TO REGISTER FOR WEEKLY TELEPHONE VISITS

Are you over the age of 50, feeling lonely and would like to talk? Do you need assistance with finding resources? Seniors are invited to reach out for

connection and support by registering for weekly telephone visits with the County of Grande Prairie's Keep in Touch (KIT) program volunteers.

"Loneliness and isolation for seniors have long been identified as areas of concern and have been recognized as a global public health issue," said Dale Bond, Home Support Coordinator with Family and Community Support Services (FCSS).

A weekly call from a trusted friend can make a big difference in how we feel. Knowing that someone cares and is there to share stories and laugh is comforting and meaningful in so many ways.

"Our volunteers look forward to the connections they will form in their conversations with residents," added Bond. "It is our hope that seniors experiencing loneliness and isolation will reach out and register soon, to begin feeling the immediate benefits of this support."

Seniors interested in receiving weekly telephone visits may register online at **www.countygp.ab.ca/KIT** or by calling FCSS at **780-532-9727**.



All programs are subject to current COVID-19 protocols.



Enjoy the Great Outdoors this Winter!



RECREATION PROGRAMS

The County of Grande Prairie offers plenty of options to stay active, unwind and enjoy time with family and friends this fall and winter. Bundle up, head outdoors and experience a variety of natural landscapes and activities. Who knows – maybe one of the following options will become your new favourite pastime? To learn more about County recreation programs, visit www.countygp.ab.ca/RecreationPrograms.

SNOWSHOE RENTALS

Are you looking to explore the great outdoors for a day or weekend? Maybe you're interested in trying snowshoeing, like Kourtney Commandeur and her mom Danielle, before you invest in a set for yourself. Look no further! Snowshoe rentals are available through the County on a first-come, first-served basis (limited quantities are available).

"When we went snowshoeing through the County's snowshoe rental program, the process was so straightforward, said Kourtney Commandeur.

"County staff gave a full rundown on what to do, which was really helpful since it was the first time my mom and I had ever been snowshoeing. It was a great way to get outside in winter and I recommend that others try it too. My mom and I had such an enjoyable experience that we have since purchased our own sets of snowshoes."

RENTAL FEES	SIZES AVAILABLE	PICK UP AND DROP OFF DETAILS	
 Full Day - \$10/pair Weekend or 2-day rental - \$15/pair Week-long rental - \$50/pair A refundable deposit of \$50 is required 	• Large – Up to 300 lb • Medium – Up to 200 lb • Small/Children – Up to 150 lb	 Monday to Friday Community Services Building in Clairmont 8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Excluding statutory holidays 	

HOW TO RESERVE Reserve online by visiting www.countygp.ab.ca/snowshoerentals.

TRAIL BLAZING

Did you know, the popular paved trail systems across the County are maintained during the winter months? Trail systems in Clairmont, including Westlake and Whispering Ridge, Wedgewood, Evergreen Park, Carriage Lane, The Dunes, Taylor Estates, Maple Ridge, and the County Sportsplex Pond are cleared and salted by County staff during the snowy months.

We have a leave no trace philosophy:

- Please ensure you are picking up after yourself, including any pet waste and disposing of at the nearest waste receptacle. Pets should be always on leash. We also have pet waste bag dispensers at the head of each trail.
- Motorized equipment, overnight parking or camping, campfires or chopping down trees are not permitted in the parking lots and/or on paths.

It's easy to check the status of trail maintenance. Visit www.countygp.ab.ca/trails to stay up to date.



VISIT OUR DAY-USE PARKS

The County of Grande Prairie is a winter recreation paradise! Looking for some dedicated space to try snowshoeing, cross country skiing or a winter wiener roast? Day-Use areas of County parks are open to the public for the following hours and activities:

PARK	DAYS OPEN	HOURS AVAILABLE	AMENITIES AVAILABLE	IDEAL ACTIVITIES
Bear Hill	Daily*	8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	Trails, Picnic tables Pedestal grills, No firewood (bring own wood or charcoal), Porta-potty	Snowshoeing Cross country skiing (no tracks set) Picnics Marshmallow and hot dog roasts Dog walking (on leash only)
Bear Lake	Weekends & statutory holiday Mondays only*		Outhouses, Group shelter (rentable), Firepits, Firewood, Picnic tables	
Hommy	Weekends & statutory holiday Mondays only*		Outhouses, Trails, Firepits, Firewood, Picnic tables	
Kleskun Hills	Daily*			
Pipestone Creek	Weekends & statutory holiday Mondays only*		Outhouses, Trails, Firepits, Firewood, Picnic tables, Gazebos (rentable), Group shelter (rentable)	
Demmitt	Daily*	24 hour access	Washroom	Rest stop

*Note: All parks are closed when outdoor temperature drops below -20C with the windchill or cooler.

For park locations, directions and other details, **visit www.countygp.ab.ca/parks**.



Got ice? We can help!

There's nothing like gliding across the ice at an outdoor rink on a frosty winter day.

The County of Grande Prairie makes it easy for that to happen.

The Seasonal Neighbourhood Ice Surface Program allows temporary ice surfaces to be constructed in communities with greenspace that is owned and managed by the County of Grande Prairie (also known as Municipal Reserve greenspace).

The program requires a volunteer group of four people minimum to apply to the County. The Parks and Recreation department will conduct a pre-inspection of the site. Once the application and pre-inspection is approved, the group is responsible for building, flooding and maintaining the ice surface over the winter.

"COVID-19 made for a tough year, so our Ice Age skating surface was a great way for us to give back to the community in 2020, said Linden Roberts, Executive Director of the Phillip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum.

"We felt completely supported with the help we received from the County of Grande Prairie and the Town of Wembley. County staff gave us positive advice, and with the help we received from the community, this year will make for an even better winter of skating, given that we can now invite visitors inside the museum.

"The community will get to use our outside spaces and enjoy



the restaurant right beside our ice surface where they can come inside to warm up and enjoy a hot drink and a meal.*

To help groups get started, they can apply for up to \$1,000 to purchase material for boards or have water trucked in if a special standpipe is not present on site.

Visit **www.countygp.ab.ca/icesurfaces** or contact Parks and Recreation at **780-532-9727** for details about the County's Ice Surface grant program and to apply.

*Subject to current COVID-19 protocols.



Kind Heart Awards 2021 THANK YOU FOR GOING THE EXTRA MILE

Know an individual who goes the extra mile and helps make the County a great place to live? Nominate them for a Kind Heart Award at **www.countygp.ab.ca/kindheartprogram.** Join us in congratulating some of our 2021 recipients.



Faith Collins (left) was recognized for baking treats for her class. During the pandemic, she also wrote letters to seniors and encouraged her classmates to get involved. She continues to visit the Amisk Court and Hythe residences. Councillor Peter Harris and her nominator, Krystle Bush were on hand for the presentation.







Sandra Petherbridge received a Kind Heart Award from Deputy Reeve Peter Harris, for being there every time a family is in need, arriving with a meal or organizing fundraising auctions for those with health issues.



Councillor Peter Harris presented a Kind Heart Award to Brad Miller, Wanda and Shawn Pandachuck, Keith Longson and Eric Anderson for bringing the Elmworth rink to life this past winter.

Councillor Daryl Beeston presented an award to Rich Jack who was nominated by his neighbour for always helping clear driveways, sidewalks and paths in the Whispering Ridge and Westlake neighbourhoods.





County Recognizes Long-standing Clairmont Volunteer Congratulations to



Congratulations to Rhonda Heck on being named the 2021 Clairmont Volunteer of the Year, an annual award presented to a nominee who has demonstrated dedication and excellence in volunteerism within the Hamlet.

Heck, a Clairmont resident of over 45 years and lifelong volunteer, is being celebrated for her contributions to local organizations including the Clairmont Senior's Centre where she has served three consecutive terms as Vice President, the Clairmont Agricultural Society, Communities in Bloom, Bear Creek Folk Festival, minor hockey, social clubs, and many community events.

"I have had the pleasure of meeting and working with so many great people while volunteering," said Heck. "Volunteering brings people together and is what keeps our communities alive."

The award is organized by the County's Wellington Resource Centre, Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) Office.

Nominations open for the 2022 Clairmont Volunteer of the Year Award in March. Visit **www.countygp.ab.ca/wrc.**

Recognize a Farming Family who is Outstanding in their Field

Do you know an amazing farming family living in the County of Grande Prairie? Are they committed to their community and agriculture? Consider nominating them as the Farm Family of the Year!

The County of Grande Prairie and Peace Country Classic Agri-Show partner each year to recognize a family who has made significant contributions to agriculture and represents strong values in farming and community involvement.

*The winning 2022 Farm Family will be honoured at the Peace Country Classic Agri-Show during the Annual Banquet event on March 11, 2022.

THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT NOMINATIONS IS DECEMBER 1.

*Event is subject to current COVID-19 protocols



2020 Farm Family Award Recipients - Halcourt Land and Cattle Company

HAVE A FAMILY IN MIND?

Complete a nomination package, available online or in-person, and return it to the County's Agriculture department.

Nomination packages are available online at **www.countygp.ab.ca/farmfamily** or can be picked up at the County Community Services Building during business hours (8:30 a.m. - noon, 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, excluding statutory holidays).

For more information, contact Agricultural Services at **780-532-9727.**

Introducing "The Lendery" A NEW LIBRARY SERVICE IN CLAIRMONT



Clairmont residents Khloe Saunders and her mother Krystal Cook pick up their library order at the Lendery located in the Wellington Resource Centre.

Clairmont and area residents now have a more convenient way to borrow library books and other items, thanks to a partnership between the Grande Prairie Public Library (GPPL), County of Grande Prairie Community Libraries, and the Peace Library System. The Lendery opened last summer in the Wellington Resource Centre (WRC).

WHAT IS THE LENDERY?

A set of secure smart lockers that allow library members to request items and have them delivered right to Clairmont.

WHO CAN USE THE LENDERY?

Anyone with a valid membership at any local library can use the lockers. Clairmont residents are encouraged to visit GPPL at any time to obtain a free membership.

WHERE IS THE LENDERY?

The lockers are located inside the WRC, adjacent to Clairmont Community School. If you enter through the main WRC doors and head left down the hall, you can't miss them.

HOW DO I USE THE LENDERY?

Follow these three simple steps:

- Visit www.gppl.ca or download the TRACpac app available through Google Play or the Apple Store on your smart device, to search for items and place requests, selecting "Clairmont – Grande Prairie Public Library" as your pick-up location.
- 2. When you receive a phone, email, or text notification, head over to the WRC to pick up your items. When you scan your library card and enter your PIN, the locker holding your items will pop open.
- **3.** When you're done with your items, return them to the drop bin in The Lendery or drop them at any other public library.

WHEN CAN YOU ACCESS THE LENDERY?

You are welcome to pick up or return your items during regular hours at the WRC of Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., closed between 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. and on all statutory holidays.

If you need help, the friendly library staff at GPPL are available to walk you through the process. Reach them at **780-532-3580** or **info@gppl.ca**.

*Subject to current COVID-19 protocols



Are you interested in energy industry activity in the Wapiti area?

Check out the Wapiti Area Synergy Partnership (WASP) at **www.wapitiasp.ca** to find out about opportunities to connect with area industry representatives, learn about upcoming projects, attend meetings, and watch expert presentations.



Clairmont Addressing: What We Heard and Next Steps

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Starting in late 2020, the County surveyed residents and businesses in Clairmont about potentially readdressing the Hamlet. With over 500 respondents, feedback on the proposal varied. While most respondents did not support readdressing the Hamlet, several issues and areas of concern were highlighted. Read the detailed What We Heard Report summarizing the public consultation results at www.countygp.ab.ca/addressclairmont.

This summer, results of the public consultation were presented to County Council who directed Administration to continue investigating addressing challenges in Clairmont, including consulting with the business community and other stakeholders, exploring concerns identified by respondents and how to avoid future issues. The final findings and recommendations will be presented to County Council for consideration.

Find more information, and stay up to date on the project by subscribing to receive project updates at www.countygp.ab.ca/addressclairmont.

Be The First To Know About Noxious Weed Concerns - REGISTER YOUR RENTED LAND

DID YOU KNOW?

The County offers a registration service for farmers who rent land. Under the Weed Control Act of Alberta, landowners and/or occupants are to be notified when there are regulated weeds on their property. Many farmers rent significant acres each year, and if there are weed concerns, the landowner listed in the County taxation records, and not the renter, is contacted.

If you are a producer renting land and want to be first to be informed about noxious weed concerns, complete the online 'Register Rented Land' form at **www.countygp.ab.ca/vegetation** or contact the Agriculture department at **780-532-9727**. All information will only be used for the stated purpose and will not be shared.

Agricultural producers will soon be able to submit online an annual Weed Management Plan that will cover control and/or eradication techniques to be used on site-specific agricultural lands, the type of noxious and/or prohibited noxious weeds targeted, the timing of control/eradication, and the location. All Weed Management Plans will be reviewed by the Agricultural Fieldman prior to acceptance.



Supports and Networking Opportunities for Local Business

Through our commitment to support business expansion and long-term success, the County's Economic Development team is always connecting with and listening to the local business community. Whether it's a large corporate organization, or a small family-run business, there are opportunities to grow and succeed as a business based in the County of Grande Prairie.

COUNTY OF GRANDE PRAIRIE BUSINESS SUPPORT NETWORK

Are you a local business, organization or government based in the region? Check out what the County of Grande Prairie Business Support Network (BSN) has to offer.

Held monthly, County BSN events are an open and positive venue for business professionals to collaborate and exchange ideas and information on current labour market trends, and to address workforce development, attraction, and retention challenges.

Past events have included an economic update from Vice President and Chief Economist for ATB Financial Todd Hirsch, human rights in the workplace, navigating the COVID-19 pandemic, cyber security, and more.

The County BSN is currently seeking County businesses in agriculture, forestry, commerce, industry and retail to serve as steering committee members. To express your interest, contact Hetti Huls, Economic Development Coordinator at hhuls@countygp.ab.ca.

For a list of upcoming events and additional information, visit **www.countygp-bsn.eventbrite.com**, or email Hetti Huls.

CUSTOMER SERVICE IS KEY: CUSTOM COURSES FOR LOCAL BUSINESSES

The opportunity to be formally recognized for excellent customer service was highly requested in both our formal and informal interviews with local entrepreneurs, businesses, managers and front-line staff.

In response, the County of Grande Prairie Business Support Network has partnered with Grande Prairie Regional College (GPRC) to offer the Service Excellence Bue Pin Certificate. With support from Alberta Labour and Immigration and the Grande Prairie Regional Tourism Association Destination Marketing Fund, we have been able to fully fund 75 customer service staff and 25 management/supervisor spots for employers looking to certify their front line or managerial staff.

To become certified, participants undertake several courses on customer service topics which are designed to be completed while balancing a full workload and life. Read more about the certification details and funding at **www.countygp.ab.ca/bsn.**

Once completed, the individual staff members are Blue Pin Certified and receive a lapel pin and certificate indicating to the public and customers their commitment to excellent customer service. The participating businesses are provided with door signage to show their support of the program.

For program details, contact Economic Development Coordinator Hetti Huls at hhuls@countygp.ab.ca.



The Customer Service Blue Pin Program is an excellent opportunity to build on skills you already have to improve your customer service, no matter what industry you're in. Instructors offer a good mix of class discussions, breakout rooms and real-life examples to help keep you engaged and apply it to your everyday work.

– Kara Conway



Members of the Service Excellence - Blue Pin Program

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CONTROL PHILIP J. CURRIE DINOSAUR MUSEUM WHAT'S ON THIS FALL





October 31 | Halloween at the Museum

Trick or treat at the museum. Dress as your favourite dinosaur. Participate in games and activities. Visit the museum website at **dinomuseum.ca** for more information.

Visit The Ice Age Rink For Free Skating

Book a fire pit and enjoy hot chocolate by the fire from the Café on 43. The Ice Age Rink will open as soon as the weather is cold enough to prepare ice. Watch our website at **dinomuseum.ca** for opening dates.

Christmas at the Museum

Our gift shop offers gifts for the budding palaeontologist in your family. This winter, we will also feature local crafts with a dinosaur theme.

Want to Learn More about Palaeontology?

Our ongoing Virtual Speaker Series features talks by palaeontologists from around the world. Visit the museum and watch in the theatre or watch from home on YouTube – search Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum and subscribe to our channel.

Host your Christmas Party at the Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum

Did you know that you can rent the museum for Christmas parties? Rent all or part of the museum for your event. The museum can accommodate any size of party. Catering is available through Café on 43. Contact the museum at **visitorservices@dinomuseum.ca** for pricing.

We are Open for School and Group Visits. Book Your Visit Today.

Schools and organizations can book exclusive field trips Monday through Wednesday. Field trips are also available on Thursdays and Fridays. Please visit the museum website or contact Visitor Services at

visitorservices@dinomuseum.ca for information about available programs.

Learn About the Research in the Region

A tyrannosaur footprint, a skull and other fossils were collected during the summer of 2021. The museum will be displaying these new finds this winter.

*All programs are subject to current COVID-19 protocols.

Visit www.dinomuseum.ca for more information.

CR*SSLINK COUNTY SPORTSPLEX

Come Play!

The Crosslink County Sportsplex has a program for everyone!

780-830-7407 | info@cgpsportsplex.com | www.crosslinkcountysportsplex.com

INDOOR MINOR SOCCER FUN LEAGUES

Register your children this Fall for fun-filled Saturday leagues that accommodate all skill levels. Participants will be split into age groups, and all will have fun with the drills and games we have planned! Registration includes a t-shirt and a season-ending medal.

TENDER TOTS

Come play in the Trican Fieldhouse from 9:00 a.m. to noon every weekday starting October 2021 - walk the track or socialize with friends and/or other parents while your child plays with our variety of toys and balls on the indoor turf field. Bring the kids in for extreme fun on the Bouncy Castles on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays! Also, no school on Fridays? Join us on most Fridays until 2 p.m.!

WINTER BREAK AND SPRING BREAK CAMPS 2022

Winter Break Camp, January 3 - 7 | Spring Break Camp, March 28 - April 1 Kids aged 5 to 12 are invited for a week of fun-filled activities. Kids will experience games, crafts, recreational sports, as well as skating on our indoor ice rink. Our camps are designed to spark the imagination, confidence, independence, and communication skills of all our campers. Watch our website for more information and upcoming registration:

www.crosslinkcountysportsplex.com.

Other programs that are offered at the Crosslink County Sportsplex:

• Active Tots - Montessori Sports Academy for 3-5 year olds · Be Yoga Fly - Aerial Yoga for all ages

For more information, call the Crosslink County Sportsplex at 780-830-7407.

BOOK YOUR NEXT PARTY OR EVENT AT THE SPORTSPLEX!

The Crosslink County Sportsplex is the place to be for your next party or event. You can book the ice rink or fieldhouse with the option of adding the bouncy castles. Leave the catering to either Quick Meal or the Over-Time Family Sports Lounge. Contact us at 780-830-7407 or email info@cgpsportsplex.com for more information about party costs, packages, and to secure your booking.

For more information about the Sportsplex and the programs and events available, visit crosslinkcountysportsplex.com, or contact 780-830-7407 or email info@cgpsportsplex.com

*All services, programs and events are subject to current **COVID-19** protocols.

GET FIT WHILE HAVING FUN!

Sign up or drop in today for one of these exciting programs offered at the Crosslink County Sportsplex:

- · Parent & Tot Skate
- Public Skate
- 15+ Stick & Puck/Shinny
- 11 14 Stick & Puck
- 10 & Under Stick & Puck
- Learn to Skate
- Indoor Minor Soccer Fun League
- Fieldhouse Drop-Ins
- Tender Tots (weekday parent & tot program)
- Bouncy Castle Days
- Indoor Batting Cage
- Seniors Walk & Talk (Free on Thursday mornings during October 2021 - May, 2022)

To register, or for more information about programs and drop-in activities, including class descriptions, times, and locations, visit www.crosslinkcountysportsplex.com.



Return undeliverable Canadian addresses to: The County of Grande Prairie No.1 10001 - 84 Avenue, Clairmont, AB T8X 5B2





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