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A Night at the Northpole



The second annual A Night at the North Pole event was a big success. The Town of Whitecourt event featured Christmassy favourites like Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus, the Grinch, and live Christmas carols with a few new additions like wagon rides and Jack Skellington. The Forest Interpretive Centre grounds were transformed into a winter wonderland for the event. See story page 2.



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Hanging with some Christmas celebrities at the recent "North Pole" event at the FIC



Jack Skellington was a huge hit!



A great night out for the Garrett family.

By Serena Lapointe

After an immensely successful kick-off last year, the Town of Whitecourt held their second annual "A Night at the North Pole" event last weekend. Initially created as a way to get people together outside during indoor restrictions without the issue of having people unable to enter the AJMC, the Town decided to use the expansive open grounds at the Forest Interpretive Centre.

This year, the staff brought in a couple of new things and were able to use an area they weren't able to previously. "Last year, we really wanted to use the barn, but we couldn't figure out how because there's no power down there or anything like that. So, we thought maybe we could make the wagon rides work. We will see how it goes, and maybe for next year, we can build on it if it's an

option. We love that we can use the red barn this way because it's just gorgeous," explained Emma Harper, Recreation Coordinator for the Town of Whitecourt.

Red barns are synonymous with Christmas, popping up in numerous holiday movies, including most of the sometimes cringy but always addicting films made by a well-known card company. "It was meant to be. People

were already lining up to go on a ride before Cactus Patch Ranch got out there and were ready to take people around the loop. There was excitement right away. It's definitely the most popular thing so far tonight."

Harper said that they added in more lights and that, being the second time around, it was easier to organize everything and set it up. "It's always a big task for us, so it was nice

that it was a bit easier this year." They also brought in a few new performers, including the talented trio, The Sugar Plums. Santa and Mrs. Claus utilized the deck of one of the outer buildings, posing for pictures with children and hearing about their wish lists ahead of Christmas morning. The Grinch made the rounds, too, bringing out the giggles in guests.

One towering guest that was new this year was Jack Skellington. The main character from The Nightmare Before Christmas was up on stilts and had guests in awe as he maneuvered the snowy terrain with ease. "We are so happy to have him here with us. It's a neat addition this year," said Harper.

Outside of the new guests, the event featured many of the same popular

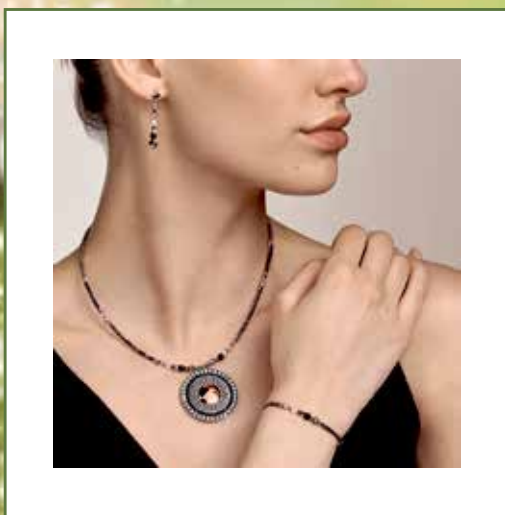
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things, including a craft station (provided by BGC Whitecourt & District), elf games, and fire pits to warm up by while sipping hot chocolate provided by Tim Hortons. "We added a bit here and there, but overall, we kept it similar to last year because it went over so well. We wanted to keep a good thing going."

As families walked the grounds, listening to Christmas carols and taking in the sights, Harper said it was a joy to see people enjoying themselves. "It's always a nice surprise when you get a lot of people out at an event. Last year, we were expecting quite a few people with things just opening back up, and we were able to offer something, and we knew that people would be excited to do something finally. It'll be interesting to see how it goes this year and if we see more people or the same number of people as last year since many more things are happening now, and people are busy again."

If the consistent stream of vehicles entering the Forest Interpretive Centre parking lot was any indication, the event was once again a big hit. "It's so much fun to do events like this where everyone can come together and participate. It's open, and we have lots of space and can have different activities happening that people will enjoy. It's great to see families out and having fun together. It's heartwarming."

Hearing the jingle of bells as the wagon circled the cleared path by the barn was the icing on the cake. "It just makes sense to have some kind of animal at a Christmas event, like horses, because it adds that extra bit of magic. The wagon ride was pretty high on our list of things to have this year, and I'm so glad it worked out and that people are enjoying it."

After a super chilly evening the night before for the Chamber's Santa Claus Parade, Harper said they had their fingers crossed that Mother Nature would warm things up a bit. "The weather makes all the difference on how many people you get and whether or not they will stay and enjoy the event. It's great when it works out, and we see so many people hanging out, having fun, and feeling that sense of community. It's a great night!"

Fixing rail accessibility issues to help support the industries that rely on it

By Serena Lapointe

During a recent Whitecourt Town Council meeting, the topic of railway advocacy was brought forward. A Request For Decision (RFD) prepared for Council stated that there had been an increasing number of times when the rail system has "failed to meet service obligations," which undermines the competitiveness of local industry that relies on it. Canadian Pacific and Canadian National own and operate railway lines across the province and Canada, a duopoly.

Community leaders and industry representatives have been discussing ways to move toward finding a solution. Led by the Mayor of Grande Prairie, Jacki Clayton, the Community Railway Advocacy Group, which includes Whitecourt Mayor Tom Pickard, is ready to execute a lobbying strategy for both the provincial and federal governments.

"It's a group that has a number of mayors that have been affected by the effects of decreased rail cars for moving product, and of course, that's what moves a majority of our product out of our area," explained Town CAO Peter Smyl. "The group has been working actively for approximately 6-10 weeks and has the opportunity to meet some federal ministers that can do the change. The industry has stepped up and come on board with financial support and is looking for some kind of buy-in from communities."

Municipalities are being asked to throw \$2000 into the hat to help pay for the lobbying compa-

ny, Canadian Strategy Group (CSG). In a letter dated November 12, Alberta Forest Products Association (AFPA) Senior Vice-President Brock Mulligan explained the cost. "We are seeking both advocacy and financial support from our municipal partners to execute the strategy and stand up for our communities and industries. The budget from CSG to execute the strategy is \$35,000 over four months. AFPA is prepared to contribute \$15,000 of this budget," which leaves \$20,000 to raise through community partners. "We anticipate the cost for municipal partners to join this initiative would be \$2,000 - \$4,000 depending on how many are able to commit resources," wrote Mulligan.

Mayor Tom Pickard said that the interest in the group exploded, leading to a lower cost. "I spoke to Brock Mulligan last week. The two thousand is likely going to be more than they will need from us. They were looking for five communities, and at that point, it would have been \$4000 each to make up the \$20,000 that we require. Now it appears numerous communities are actively seeking to participate, and that number is likely to drop, even from the \$2000. If we send \$2000 and it turns out they didn't need it, they will refund each community, so we are each paying the same share of that cost," explained Mayor Pickard.

The rail line accessibility for industry has changed significantly over the last few years. "It's the combination of a war

CN is one of two companies in Canada's rail duopoly.



Rail accessibility issues in rural Alberta are wreaking havoc on industry, keeping made-in-Alberta products from getting to market. Sufficient access to rail is the crux behind an industry/municipality-led lobbying strategy to help fix the problem before it worsens.

in Ukraine, a program by Canadian farmers to feed the world and the realization that to do so requires more rail cars," said Mayor Pickard, adding that getting more rail cars has proven increasingly difficult.

"There's also the Alberta Forest Products Association working on behalf of their group that is looking to rebuild the world. There have been several disasters throughout North America and other places in the world, and there is a significant demand for Canadian wood and fibre products." Mayor Pickard said that accessing the rail system to get products to market has been troublesome for the forestry industry.

"Last fall and during the summer, we had shifts cancelled at major mills in the area because they were not able to get product to market, and it has attributed to issues with sufficient rail capacity. As winter approaches, the trains get shorter, contributing to a reduced number of cars," explained Mayor Pickard.

Asked what the quick

fix is for the issue, Mayor Pickard said it has to do with getting fair and adequate service. "Railways in Canada are Canadian in name only, as they are primarily American-owned. The concern is they appear to be more focused on shareholders than towards Canadians. They have a duopoly, and it's a regulated duopoly with responsibility."

He said that though the lobby is not intended to be loud, it is expected to remind rail companies of their responsibilities as duopolies in the country, the biggest being offering fair and adequate service across the board. "Fair and adequate service does not mean you bid out rail cars and does not mean that you only ship out rail cars to the big centres where there is more return on investment. Fair and equitable service means everyone gets rail cars. That's the lobby's initiative."

Fear of retaliation is one reason an individual company might not want to stand up to a duopoly. The group, complete with

industry representatives and municipal leaders, is a better way forward. "That's why industry, the Alberta Forest Products Association and other industry players have sought the help of the municipalities in this area, particularly Grande Prairie, Slave Lake, Hinton, Edson and Whitecourt, because of our mills and the resources that we send to the world," explained Mayor Pickard.

In his letter, Mulligan stated that money needs to be invested back into the system. "While Canada's railway duopoly continues to make record profits, they are failing to invest those profits back into the people and infrastructure to fulfill their service obligations." He stated that negative impacts are affecting rural Alberta in a big way and that unreliable service "undermines competitiveness" while tarnishing industry reputation as a reliable supplier, which harms jobs. Further updates will come forward as the lobbying strategy gets underway.



Area skiers and snowboarders couldn't have asked for a better Saturday to kick off the season at Eastlink Park last week. The popular winter attraction, boasting arguably the best views of the valley, is a hot spot for activity all winter long, and for a good reason. Families can hang out together, learn new skills and enjoy winter's chill without driving more than fifteen minutes from home. With a nearby bus stop, older kids can meet up with friends and have a fun afternoon trying out new forest trails or tricks. Though the tubing run wasn't open on the first day, it won't be long before it's up and running and ready to go.

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Kids helping kids, a youth hockey team digs deep to support the community's less fortunate



The U15 TRAC AA Wolverines joined by Whitecourt Food Bank and Christmas Hamper volunteers.



The food bank donations moments before being placed inside.

The Whitecourt Food Bank and the Whitecourt Christmas Hamper were the recipients of a fundraiser held by the U15 TRAC Wolverines AA hockey team last week. The youth athletes supported both organizations to help impact more families in their community.

By Serena Lapointe

The U15 TRAC Wolverines AA hockey team recently held their second annual Christmas-related community giveback. The team focused on supporting the Whitecourt Food Bank, and the Whitecourt Christmas Hamper this year. Last year, the youth

hockey club helped sort and prep donations for Rotary's Koats for Kids. Getting the players involved in their community is a big deal to the team and the parents. "Doing this brings them all together and gives them something to look forward to each year. It

enables them to give back to the community. We are always asking the community for help with either raffle tickets or supporting us in other ways, so this is a way for us to give back," explained Joel Cote, parent of player Austin Cote. "You could see the joy

on their faces as they piled their donations together. I think they feel pretty good about themselves." Cote said seeing his son actively participate in such a meaningful event felt good. "I've always been trying to give back and do these types of fundraisers for dona-

tions, and he's always been very helpful and eager to jump in and get it done. It's cool to see him continue that. As a team, I think it's great that the kids get to work together to try and achieve a goal, and I think they've done it. I'm happy for them." When asked how he

feels being part of it, his son Austin said it made him feel good. "It felt really good to go shopping for other people and get them happy on Christmas morning. It's neat that I have no idea who will

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Whitecourt welcomes new director of community safety

The Town of Whitecourt is proud to announce the appointment of Lee Hardman as the new Director of Community Safety. As the Director of Community Safety, Mr. Hardman will oversee emergency management operations, the Whitecourt Fire Department, municipal bylaw enforcement, and community crime prevention programming. This position also liaises with the Whitecourt RCMP Detachment on community policing initiatives. "I am excited to be a part of the dynamic team at the Town of Whitecourt, working with the volunteers, and meeting residents," said Lee Hardman. "I look forward to calling Whitecourt home, raising my family, and enjoying all the wonderful amenities that Whitecourt has to offer." Mr. Hardman brings both emergency and local government management experience to Whitecourt, and most recently worked in the City of Fort Saskatchewan. His well-rounded knowledge and skill set will be an asset to the organization and

community. "Lee brings protective services and municipal expertise to this key role, and I look forward to welcoming him to the management team," added Peter Smyl, Chief Administrative Officer. Mr. Hardman joins the Whitecourt team in his new position in January 2023.

Woodlands County Council recap

Woodlands County Council discussed the following items at their recent meeting of Council:

The Fort Assiniboine Bicentennial Committee is receiving up to \$75,000 from Woodlands County to assist with events in 2023 as the Committee hopes to receive other grant dollars to fund the celebrations. The Committee is planning several weeks of fun, festivities, and education for residents and visitors as they share the area's robust history.

HM Aero was awarded the Airport Vicinity Protection Plan at a value of \$95,767. The plan is a multi-faceted document that aims to protect the safety and operations of the CYZU Airport by surveying the lands inside and outside the airport. The plan will provide guidelines for future and current developments ensuring they align with federal regulations, maximum height structure, noise exposure, and air quality.

A public hearing is scheduled for Development Permit 15-060-2022 for Natural Resource Extraction and Processing (Class 1 Pit) on NE 2-62-5-W5M & Plan 092-9270 Blk 1 Lot 1 for the Council meeting on January 16, 2023, at 5:15 pm, at the Regional Office in Fort Assiniboine.

Council adopted amended Policy 1019 – Council Remuneration after Council reduced their honorarium by 10% in 2020 until Woodlands County offices reopen and Council resumed onsite meetings. As in-person meetings have resumed, the amended policy returns honorariums and professional development allotment to their original rates.

Both Policy 3231 – Winter Operations and Policy

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The Friends of whitecourt society purchased some poinsettias for the Whitecourt Healthcare Centre.



Town of Whitecourt Holiday Schedule

2022/2023 Facility, Public Transit & Dial-A-Bus Hours

DATES	Town Office, Forest Interpretive Centre, Public Works and Utilities Departments	Allan & Jean Millar Centre	Whitecourt Regional Landfill	Whitecourt Transfer Station	Scott Safety Centre	Whitecourt Public Library	Public Transit	Dial-A-Bus	Whitecourt Food Bank
December 23	Closed	Open	Closed	Closed	Open 8:00am-4:00pm	Closed	Regular Service	No Service	Closed
December 24	Closed	Open 9:00am-4:00pm	Open	Open	Closed	Closed	Hourly Service 9:00am-3:44pm	No Service	Closed
December 25	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	No Service	No Service	Closed
December 26	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	No Service	No Service	Closed
December 27	Closed	Open	Closed	Open	Open	Closed	Hourly Service 7:00am-8:44pm	Regular Service	Closed
December 28	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open 10:00am-8:00pm	Regular Service	Regular Service	Open
December 29	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open 10:00am-8:00pm	Regular Service	Regular Service	Closed
December 30	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open 10:00am-8:00pm	Regular Service	Regular Service	Open
December 31	Closed	Open 9:00am-4:00pm	Open	Open	Open 8:00am-4:00pm	Closed	Hourly Service 9:00am-3:44pm	No Service	Closed
January 1	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	No Service	No Service	Closed
January 2	Closed	Open	Closed	Open	Open	Closed	No Service	No Service	Closed
January 3	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open 10:00am-8:00pm	Regular Service	Regular Service	Closed

CURBSIDE CHRISTMAS TREE PICKUP

Christmas Tree Pickup starts January 9, 2023. Crews will be picking up trees from across the community on a weekly basis as time permits.

- There will be no set schedule, and pickup may be delayed due to snow removal activities or other higher priority tasks.
- Please place your tree where you would normally place your garbage. For those residents in cul-de-sacs who place their garbage further out into the street, please don't place your tree where it will obstruct traffic.
- Trees must be free of all decorations and tinsel.
- Please do not place the tree in a garbage or tree bag.

The Whitecourt Regional Landfill also has a drop-off area for you to dispose of your tree.



RESIDENTIAL WASTE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION

There is only one change to the residential waste collection schedule over the holidays:

- **The Hilltop area will be collected on Saturday, December 24. Collection on Tuesday, December 27 is cancelled.**

Pickup in all other areas and days will remain per the regular collection schedule.

Residential recycling collection service will continue per its normal schedule on Fridays throughout the holiday season.

Please ensure your rolling waste cart and recycling items are at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on the designated collection day.

SNOW AND ICE CONTROL

Snow and ice control activities will be conducted throughout the holiday season, as required, for your safety. If you have an after hours emergency, please call 1-866-477-1221.

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get the gifts we bought. I think that's pretty cool." The young hockey player said that working with his team makes the yearly event special. "I like that we do it together and work together because we can collect more gifts that way."

Players went out with their families to purchase gifts for the donations, grabbing toys for the Christmas Hamper and food items for the Whitecourt Food Bank. Cote's teammate Ayden Gaultier said it was important to donate to both organizations, especially at Christmas. "It helps families in need. I think it would feel pretty bad to celebrate Christmas without any presents, so it makes me feel good to know that kids will get to celebrate with presents."

For player Asher Halliday, the joy he gets from donating means a lot. "I want them to have fun. It

wouldn't feel real without presents. It wouldn't feel like Christmas. It makes me feel good to help others and give them a good time for Christmas."

For Christmas Hamper volunteer Val Scott, receiving donations from the youth is special. "Kudos to the boys for stepping up and gathering these gifts for us. It makes us really happy to have the youth part of donating because they really get it now. They realize that they are pretty privileged and that other people aren't, and they understand that better (through doing this)."

Food bank director Lori Coffey shared the sentiment. "I like it when the youth donate at any given time. I like to bring them into the food bank and show them how it works because they usually don't fully grasp it until they see it. This is a good start. This makes them understand that there is a need because some kids don't

even know that. Being kind to your community has to happen at every level, kids and adults. These kids doing it shows they are clearly being parented properly because this passes down and is cool to see. We are very grateful."

As entirely separate entities, the Whitecourt Food Bank and the Christmas Hamper typically don't do joint events, but in choosing to support both, the U15 TRAC Wolverines brought them together. "When the community takes it upon themselves to be so kind and do fundraisers for us, it's amazing. Sometimes we don't even know about the fundraiser until the end. It's great because every little bit helps. Today, we got to work alongside the Christmas Hamper, which is a rarity but also an enjoyment that we can work together even though we have completely separate programs and do the best for the community," explained Coffey.



Adding to the collection of donations by the team.

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3232 – Private Driveway Plowing & Grading were adopted which establishes the County's strategy for snow and ice removal on municipal roadways as well as winter and summer grading of private driveways. Residents provided feedback on the policies at three public consultation sessions in October 2022.

Policy 3219 – Road Use was amended to include a definition for unusual road use as well as public consultation and notification procedures for extended hauling on roads. The policy establishes procedures for road use on Woodlands County roadways, by individuals and companies having extensive or continuous haul projects.

Council has adjusted their regular meeting schedule, which remains every second Wednesday and now includes a rotation of 9:30 am and 5 pm start times and begins February 1, 2023, 9:30 am. Council has moved their January 18 meeting to January 16, 2023, 5 pm, at the Fort Assiniboine Regional Office.

The next scheduled Council meeting is Wednesday, December 21, 2022, 9:30 am. The meetings are held in-person at the Municipal Office in Whitecourt and streamed on the Woodlands County YouTube channel. Agenda packages are available on the Woodlands County CivicWeb Portal.



Each year, the Whitecourt Lion's Club graciously provides funding to the Whitecourt Air Cadets to help assist with program costs. On Wednesday evening, Whitecourt Lion's Club vice president Bob Bell (second from the left) stood alongside four senior-level air cadets from the 721 Hawks Squadron as he handed over a check. Youth who participate in the cadet program do so at no cost, so the generosity of organizations like the Whitecourt Lion's Club is highly impactful and enables cadets to do a lot of fun activities they might not be able to otherwise.

NOTICE OF DECISION

The following development permit has been conditionally approved under the provisions of the Land Use Bylaw.

PERMIT	LOCATION	PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT	DATE OF DECISION	APPEAL DEADLINE
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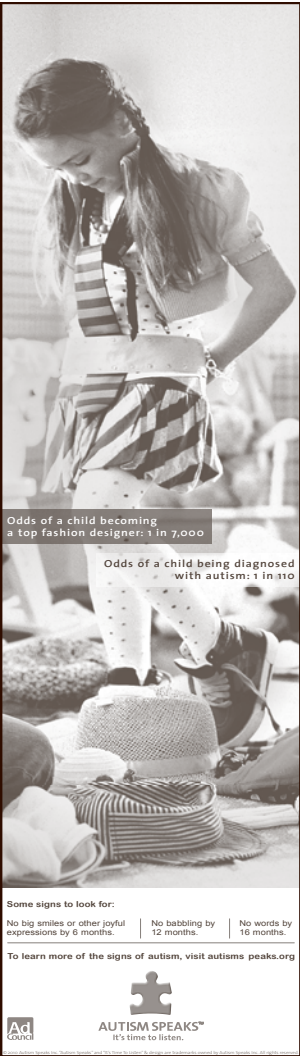




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