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Paddling through history on the Athabasca River

By Serena Lapointe

Dan Moore, chair of the 2023 Fort Assiniboine Bicentennial Voyageur Canoe Brigade, presented to Whitecourt Town Council last week about their plans for this year's river brigade. In 2017, the group held a large event at Rotary Park pond, which included canoe rides for those in attendance, live music, and some historical presentations.

The 2023 Fort Assiniboine Bicentennial Voyageur Canoe Brigade uses massive, 25-foot canoes to traverse the Athabasca River, taking a page right of our history. There are eight to ten people per boat, and each canoe has a ground team to help with logistics that support the paddlers. "So far, we have thirteen boats registered, and we are on track to have twenty boats. That's five boats more than what we had in 2017. From a brigade perspective, this is probably one of the biggest brigades in Canada in the last few years. It's going to be a big one," explained Moore.

Given the number of paddlers per boat, and logistics team members travelling by vehicle, Moore said this year's event could encompass 200-260 participants. Moore joked that it "isn't a bunch of yahoos floating down the river." He explained that the event is very organized, with rules to keep it orderly.

"The brigade is registered through the Canadian Voyageur Canoe Brigade Society, which is a national association. People from all over the country will be participating. I think we've got a boat or two coming up from the States as well."

The event starts with registration in Blue Ridge. "We are going to be camping at the Blue Ridge Recreation Site on the night of July 6 and also the seventh. We will be doing registration and kicking off the safety meetings on July 6. Then, in the morning of July 7, we will be leaving Whitecourt at some point,

from the boat launch and paddling down to Blue Ridge. We want to get down to Blue Ridge early in the afternoon, so we can do a people-on-boats event similar to what we did in Rotary Park a few years ago, except we are doing it in Blue Ridge this time."

Moore said they wouldn't have an event at Rotary Park this year. "Initially, we did, but because of the registration on July 6, it just didn't work out to do an event here in Whitecourt." After the canoes get back into the water in Blue Ridge, they will follow it along, landing in com-

munities along the route. "There's a big event planned for Fort Assiniboine (200th-anniversary celebration). They are hoping to get a couple of thousand people out in Fort Assiniboine for the event." The brigade is set to end in Athabasca on July 13, totalling around 340 km.

He said the municipalities on the stop list provide support, with some providing suppers or breakfasts. "What we are requesting is that the Town of Whitecourt provide a send-off breakfast, not just to participants of the brigade but any members of the public

that want to show up at the boat launch. It could be anywhere from 300 or 400 (people)," said Moore. He said they would have a more concrete number of participants hammered down by the end of May beginning of June. He also asked that someone from the council be at the send-off ceremony to talk about Whitecourt, its history, and its importance as a trading centre along the Athabasca over the last several hundred years.

The entire event focuses heavily on history and the environment. "The Athabasca Watershed Council has been

around since about 2009. We have a mandate under Alberta Environment and Protected Areas to do state of the watershed reporting. We are developing an integrated watershed management plan for the Athabasca River," explained Moore.

The Athabasca Watershed Council supports the three goals of Water For Life: safe, secure drinking water, healthy aquatic ecosystems, and reliable water quality supplies for a sustainable economy. The council's lead role in running the brigade was a natural fit for the mandate. "The Watershed Council of today is different than the Watershed Council of five years ago with help from Alberta Environment and Protected Areas," said Moore. "We are viewed as one of their leading Watershed Councils right now in the province. We are quite proud of our turnaround."

Whitecourt Town Council voted unanimously to allow the mayor or a council member to participate in the send-off ceremony. They also voted to have the Administration work with the brigade group to find ways to provide support for a breakfast event. Whitecourt Town Council will vote on whether to provide the morning meal at an upcoming council meeting once more concrete participation numbers are known.



A snapshot from the 2017 voyageur event at Rotary Park pond.

The Athabasca River is one of 41 Canadian Heritage Rivers designated by the government of Canada. Designated in 1989, the Athabasca River flows for 168 kilometres and is fed by the Columbia Icefield. Indigenous peoples have long used the Athabasca River to hunt, travel, and fish and the river also played a crucial role in the fur trade. An upcoming canoe brigade will help share the immense history and beauty of the river with residents.

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A valiant effort falls just short for the Whitecourt Wolverines

By Serena Lapointe

Following a heart-breaking loss in game five on Friday night, at home in front of their fans, the Whitecourt Wolverines 2022/2023 postseason life has ended. Their second round against the Bonnyville Pontiacs was hard fought from the start, as players continually raised the excitement for the hometown faithful.

Over 550 fans attended the March 31 game, hoping to see their team pull out the win, staving off elimination. The Pontiacs had a 3-1 series lead entering the game and were looking to finish things off on the road. Only one would get their wish.

In the first half of the opening period, both teams skated hard, splitting time between zones. The first goal came at 13:29 into the frame when Bonnyville's Jack Budd scored his third goal of the postseason, assisted by Max Seguin. Bonnyville took two penalties in the period, but the Wolverines couldn't capitalize on either. The first period ended 1-0.

In the second, things opened up as both teams could sense the finality of the game. The Wolverines started skating with a fire beneath their skates as they finished their checks, served up some big hits, pushing Bonnyville players around more than they had in the first.

As things heated up, so did the action on the scoreboard. Yes, there were goals, but penalties were accumulating most. The Pontiacs sat for three while the Wolverines sat for five, including a four-minute penalty against Chase Broda for a slew-foot. Fans did not agree with the call, which appeared more like a dive to many of them, as they screamed their displeasure to the refs. Try as they might, the loyal Wolverines' fans could not persuade them to rescind their call.

Fifteen seconds after

A goal waved off against the Wolverines.

Chase Broda was released from the penalty box, the Wolverines were hit with another penalty, this time against Jonah Bevington for roughing. Again, fans disagreed with the call. A loud chorus of boo's rained down from the stands. Players on the ice collided, pushing and shoving each other near Bonnyville's bench. The volcano of tensions in the arena seemed ready to blow. Unfortunately, Bonnyville scored during Bevington's penalty,

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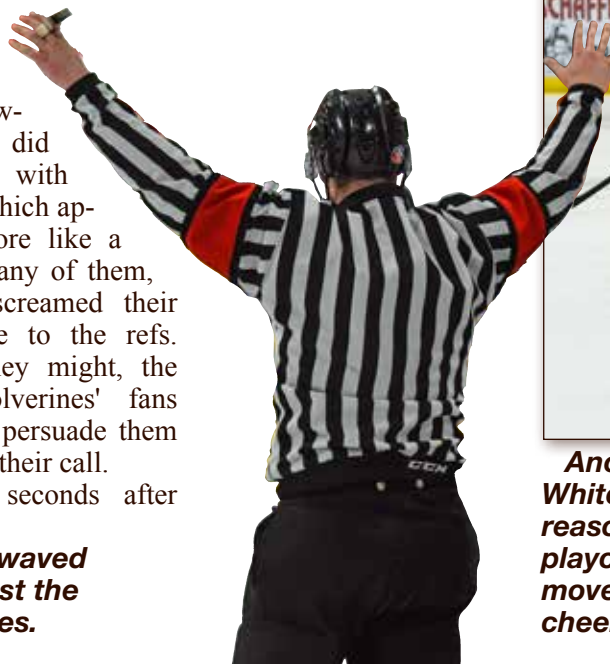
A millisecond before a wicked save by Charette.



Slapshot incoming!



Another great season of hockey has come to an end. The Whitecourt Wolverines played hard all year, giving fans many reasons to cheer throughout the regular season and two rounds of playoffs. Though everyone would've loved to see the local favourites move on to the next battle, fans will have to wait until the fall to cheer on their Wolverines again.



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NOTICE OF DECISION

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Date of Decision: March 23, 2023 **Appeal Closes at 4:00pm:** April 13, 2023

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COMMUNITY CLEAN UP PROGRAM FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY

The Town of Whitecourt is seeking non-profit organizations to perform refuse pickup duties within the community, including highway ditches and boulevards. The refuse pickup schedule will run throughout April to the end of October (weather permitting). At least one group is needed for July and one group for August.

To qualify for the program, groups must provide a written request to the Town, outlining how the funds would be used, confirming dates that the group would be available to perform the work, and providing an address and phone number for two group representatives.

Please note: All those participating in clean-up activities must be 9 years of age or older. All groups awarded projects under the Community Clean-Up Program will be required to abide by all current public health guidelines. Information on protocols will be provided to groups prior to performing scheduled refuse pick up duties.

Groups must provide a minimum of 12 volunteers, with at least one adult for every two youth (aged 9 to 17 years); and must contribute a minimum of 100 person hours of clean-up work to receive payment of \$1,200.00 per group.

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A trip across the pond for some area students next year will bring history to life

By Serena Lapointe

Hilltop High School is planning for the next student trip, scheduled for 2024, and presented its case to the Northern Gateway School Board trustees at a recent meeting. Hilltop principal Brent Northcott and English/Social Studies/Construction/Military Studies teacher Pam Mehl provided a breakdown of next year's trip plans.

"We are proposing a trip that's out of the norm for next year. We usually do our trips on Spring Break, but next year is the 80th anniversary of D-Day and Veterans Affairs Canada is hosting a big event at Juno Beach. We would like our students to be a part of that to experience that history," explained Northcott.

Mehl said that students would experience the Menin Gate and that the trip would overlap WW1 and WW2 as they would also visit the Vimy Ridge Memorial. "We have Juno Beach, Anne Frank's house, and they are going to get the immersion they have from their literature from English class." She said seeing where Anne Frank lived would give students living history. "They can actually be where she was hiding from the nazis. It's a great experience."

NGPS chair Barb Maddigan spoke of one of her children experiencing a similar trip. "One of my kids got to go on that trip with Pam and had a fabulous time. I'm trying to remember the name of

the Canadian comedian that they were swarming on the beach." Mehl and Northcott, with big smiles on their faces, answered in unison that it was Canadian comedian Rick Mercer. Students had spotted him at the Vimy Ridge Memorial, which was a highlight for them.

Mehl said the opportunity to learn from history happens in many ways on these trips. She spoke of when students went to Dieppe. "While we were there, a little old lady came up to us and started speaking in French, saying, 'never let them forget.' One of the kids spoke fluent French, and they were talking to her. She was thirteen when the Canadians hit the beach at Dieppe, and her mother was a nurse. She and her mother were tasked with pulling the injured and dead Canadians off the beach. So, at thirteen, she helped nurse our soldiers back to health," explained Mehl.

"She was standing in front of the kids going, 'don't let them forget what the Canadians did here.' They knew it was a test before D-Day, so it was amazing meeting her. She made a huge impact with our kids. Those opportunities, I can't teach those. They happen on the trip. They learn things that you can't teach in a classroom."

Trustee Steinke asked about the trip's timeline, pointing to the fact that it was planned outside of Spring Break. "Normally, school trips occur

during a Spring Break or something where there is a limited amount of loss of class time, and this one clearly is time specific. We're not going to change dates in history," he grinned. "What provisions are being made to make sure students are not going to fall behind, especially grade twelve students?"

Principal Northcott said that most teachers had their work loaded on Google Classroom and that homework time would be set aside. He said students could work on their studies when they returned to their hotels. Chair Maddigan chuckled, as did other trustees. "There's some disbelief in the room," she laughed as they reacted to students doing homework on a school trip.

Mehl said they've had students bring textbooks along on a trip before but that they highly discourage it. "Generally, the list of names of students is out ahead of time so the teachers know they're going to be away so they would know what concepts the students are going to miss. We do have the ability to issue each one of the children one of the Chromebooks to take with them in their backpacks so they could do it on the Wi-Fi at the hotel."

But, Mehl pointed out, the learning on the trip is directly related to the grade eleven and twelve studies and would reinforce what they've learned in English and Social Studies. "Some

of it is also going to be in Science because they talk about the areas that you can no longer go to in France because they're toxic from the amount of gas and other things."

She said there would be museums and first-hand accounts, including farmers dealing with the remnants of war, like digging up shells and environmental impacts. She said that Veterans Affairs Canada books an entire stadium. "They reconfigure it to look like trenches, maps, and all sorts of things. What they are teaching them reinforces everything that we have done." Unlike other school trips that last nearly two weeks, the trip planned for 2024 has students away for only six days.

Trustee Peck agreed with the trip's importance, calling the learning experience "immeasurable." She said she had concerns about the price, which was over \$5,000. "I know when my children went, it was closer to the

low \$4,000's, and I know with recent trips that we have spoken about them climbing up to the \$4,700 mark. We need to be cognizant of and be careful as to how much we start getting into a cost for families for these trips. Obviously, you can't put a price on these experiences, but to make (them) available to more of our students."

Mehl explained that flights and hotel costs had increased, also food. She said students could do school fundraisers to keep costs down, but not all students take advantage of the opportunity. "Of the 19 kids going to Ireland, I had ten that participated in the first (fundraiser) and six that participated in the second. Some of the kids pay for themselves. Even in previous trips, I've had students pay for all the trips by working at McDonald's." She said the company they use for planning the trips has a monthly payment plan which allows students to

spread out the cost. The sooner they get the green light on a trip, the longer the students can pay for it and the lower the monthly fees.

Trustee Hailes said that students from Fox Creek, who had gone on a school trip, gave a presentation on the experience to their parents upon arrival home. "That was powerful. Each student told a story about what it meant to them. It was amazing what the kids got out of that. Some of it had a lot to do with education, and some of it was just personal growth. It was fantastic. I would encourage that to happen." He also said he would love to see a presentation come to the trustee board. Northcott noted, "we would love to do that."

Hailes motioned to approve, in principle, the Hilltop High School 2024 D-Day 80: Juno and the Road to Liberation International Field Trip to Netherlands, Belgium and France trip, which passed unanimously.



Students at Hilltop High School will have the chance to visit the Netherlands, Belgium, and France next year. Walking through time, exploring history, and learning from locals will make for an unforgettable experience. Everyone had a laugh over students doing homework on a school trip.



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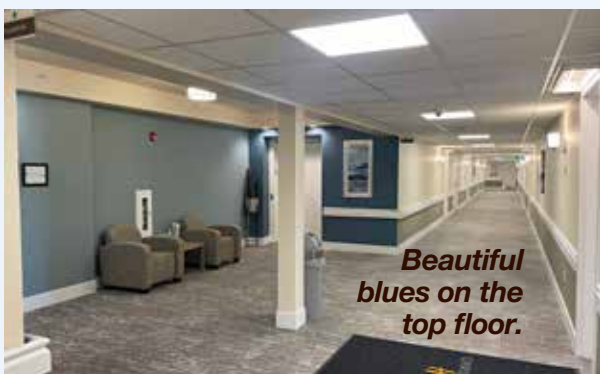


A furnished suite for tours.

The Manor is officially open and taking in residents. On Saturday and Sunday, staff provided tours for those interested in seeing inside the long-awaited complex, which features 19 independent units on the top floor open to anyone interested in calling The Manor home. The first and second floors feature 50 suites (combined) for supportive living and two spacious hospice suites funded by Alberta Health Services. Residents are already living on the second floor, with more on the way soon. The bright, inviting building has pops of colours throughout and thoughtful finishing touches giving it a homey feel that residents will most certainly appreciate.



The main floor eating and common area.



Beautiful blues on the top floor.



A gathering suite.



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taking a two-nothing lead.

Just shy of three minutes later, the Wolverines got on the board thanks to a sniper shot from Tanner Komzak, his first of the playoffs, assisted by Spencer Rheume. Fans went wild. It looked like the Wolverines were getting back on track. The celebration was sadly short-lived. Nineteen seconds later, refs called Whitecourt's Caleb MacDonald for interference. On the ensuing power-play, Bonnyville scored again, making it 3-1.

Before the period ended, Bonnyville and Whitecourt each received two more penalties. Heading into the third, the Wolverine's best chance of tying things up would be to stay out of the penalty box, as two of Bonnyville's three goals had come on the power-play. But that's easier said than done.

The Wolverines fought for their postseason lives in the final twenty minutes of regulation play. It was

now or never, and no one, not the fans or the players, wanted this to be the end. Early on, Wolverine goalie Ben Charette was called for a delay of game penalty, serviced by Cooper Smyl. During the power-play, the Wolverines managed to keep Bonnyville out of their net as Charette did everything but stand on his head.

At the thirteen-minute mark, Bonnyville scored, raising their lead to 4-1. Less than two minutes later, Colby Browne scored his ninth postseason goal, thanks to a great pass from Aiden Long. In the final three and a half

minutes, the Wolverines fought valiantly to score the two goals they needed to tie things up and force overtime, but they couldn't beat the Bonnyville goaltender.

Fans gave their team a big cheer, thanking them for a great season and an exciting two rounds of playoff hockey. Wolverine goalie Ben Charette made 44 saves in the loss and was deservedly crowned the second Vittera Star of the Game, as without his tremendous effort, the score could've been much further apart. Great job, Wolverines! See you in the fall.



A contingent of fans had larger than life cut outs of Wolverine players.



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the side of an Eastbound Semi. Tragically, a passenger in the vehicle, a 26-year-old male resident of Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation was found deceased at the scene. A second passenger a 19-year-old female resident of Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation was taken to hospital with serious non-life-threatening injuries. The driver of the vehicle, a 27-year-old

resident of Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation was also taken to hospital with injuries and later released.

The driver of the semi was uninjured.

RCMP remained on scene for several hours while an RCMP traffic analyst assisted with the investigation. Officers continue the investigation which includes looking at what factor alcohol may have played.

Whitecourt Town Council updates

Whitecourt has created a new grant program that will support small businesses and new entrepreneurs. Whitecourt Launch will provide up to \$10,000 in financial support to those operating home-based businesses wishing to move to a storefront; entrepreneurs opening a new small business; and/or, existing businesses wanting to expand products/services that are

unique and fill identified gaps in our community. Shortlisted applicants will be invited to present a "business pitch" in person to the Economic Development Committee. For more information, visit www.whitecourt.ca/your-town/whitecourt-grant-programs.

National Volunteer Week begins April 16 and Whitecourt has a variety of initiatives planned to recognize

local volunteers. Nominations will be accepted until April 10 for Whitecourt's Annual Volunteer Awards Program that includes five different award categories. For full details on how you can nominate a local volunteer, visit www.whitecourt.ca. Gift cards will also be provided to community organizations to distribute to their deserving volunteer.

It's that time of year again - for spring cleaning! Whitecourt is hosting Free Clean Up Week May 9-13, 2023 at the Whitecourt Regional Landfill.

Whitecourt is also promoting a town-wide Take It or Leave It initiative, which offers residents the chance for unwanted household items to be reused by others, on May 6 and 7. Details on both programs are listed on www.whitecourt.ca.

The 2022 project list as of December 31, 2022 was presented as information to Council. The report outlines capital projects scheduled during the year, and is available for viewing on Whitecourt's website.

The Whitecourt & District Chamber of Com-

merce is hosting the annual Trade Fair May 13 and 14 at the Whitecourt Twin Arenas. Whitecourt will be represented at three booths this year to promote Whitecourt Tourism, the Whitecourt Fire Department and Communities in Bloom.

Whitecourt Town Council has proclaimed June 17 as Lemonade Day. Community Futures Yellowhead East is hosting the 2023 Lemonade Day event that teaches youth how to start, own and operate their own business - a lemonade stand. Registration to

the program is open until June 1, and further information can be found online at <https://lemonadeday.org/northern-alberta>.

Whitecourt has declared May 8-12, 2023 as Economic Development Week.

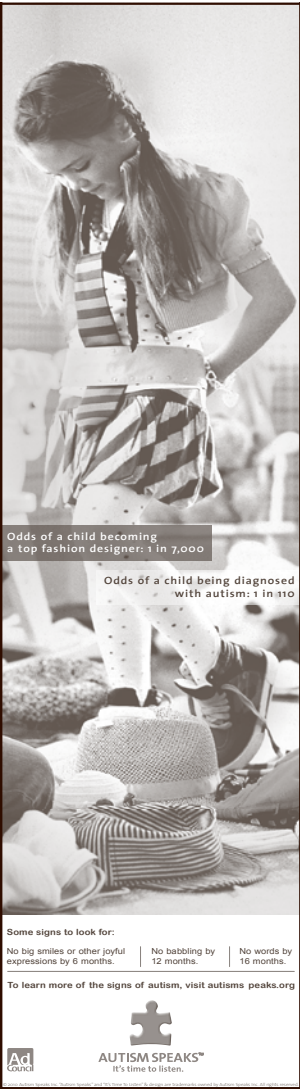
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High	3°C	5°C	8°C	9°C	9°C
Low	-8°C	-5°C	-4°C	-4°C	-3°C
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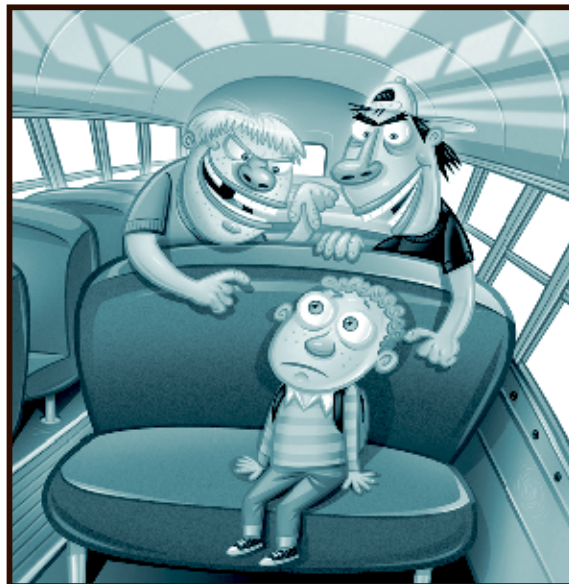


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