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## Whitecourt's Firesmart summer crew has been busy this summer, with one more big project to go



The FireSmart Summer Crew has been hard at work since May 1 and will keep working until the end of this month. The four local men have been working in the bush around town to lower the community's risk should a wildfire creep close. The 2024 FireSmart Summer Crew: Kentner, Labine, Taylor, Parker, and Fire Chief Wynn (center). See story page 4.



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# Attracting investment to Whitecourt and supporting local businesses with marketing and retention strategies



**Promoting Whitecourt and supporting the businesses within it is a big job, but the Economic Development Committee is up for it. Building relationships and collaboratively working with stakeholders, businesses, investors, and community organizations are just some of the things they do. Business collaboration in the downtown is growing.**

**By Serena Lapointe**

Advertising Whitecourt on a regional, provincial and national scale and supporting the business community through retention strategies and initiatives falls into the wheelhouse of the Economic Development Committee. The group, comprised of community members and Economic Development Officer Rhonda Woods, are an active bunch who regularly collaborate with community organizations through partnerships and by supporting events and activities.

One of its most significant tasks is to create and implement an Economic Development and Tourism Strategic Plan. Twice a year, Whitecourt Town Council receives an update on how things are going. Committee Chair Willard Strebchuk joined Economic Development Officer

Rhonda Woods for the summer update at a recent Council meeting. The plan includes five key points: Business Retention & Expansion Strategies, Investment Readiness & Attraction Across Key Sectors, Enhance Whitecourt's Downtown & Create New Energy, Tourism Opportunities & Supports, and Tourism Marketing & Promotion.

Under each key point, the board provided steps, highlighting which ones had been completed and which were still coming. Under the Business Retention and Expansion Strategies point, the board identified that increasing business community engagement, identifying red tape areas, and supporting entrepreneurs through partnerships with Community Futures Yellowhead East were some ways they could address local challenges.

Since January, the

group has created a business visit/outreach schedule, submitted grant funding for the Business Support Network, and met with the Whitecourt & District Chamber of Commerce to identify partnership opportunities. Action steps coming soon include implementing a Shop Local Business Campaign ahead of Small Business Week and tracking business feedback and concerns.

Under the third key point in the plan, Enhance Whitecourt's Downtown and Create New Energy, the committee pointed to ways they could support downtown development and revitalization efforts, encouraging "An active and vibrant downtown," read the package. Ideas included hosting small events, encouraging downtown residential development and working side-by-side with the Chamber.

A recently acquired grant from the Small Community Opportunity Program (SCOP) provided \$70,000 for a market analysis on attraction and retention strategies. Once completed, it will map the business environment and development relevant to Whitecourt, pinpoint gaps, provide insight for developing action plans, and show ready-made marketing investment opportunities. Through conversations with the Downtown Working Group (DWG), Woods said they are also adding another component to the analysis. Along with gaps, they will also seek information on trends in the downtown.

"When we met in January, four main themes came out of that, and we developed some action plans. Business-to-business communication and collaboration was a

really high theme," explained Woods. "They've created their own Facebook group, and they are working business-to-business. We are solely a support, so if there's anything we can support them and get out of the lane and let them do their thing, we will definitely be there. I know there are a number of different events that they are working together on."

Woods said they are also creating a map of what's available downtown and what can be marketed. She said they are doing workshops too. "This fall, we have a video creation and collaborative marketing workshop coming up. They will work one-on-one with businesses on how to get out there, what is trending and where they can market (themselves). Sometimes people aren't sure what's out there and where to mar-

ket," she explained.

One of the points mentioned hotels and the information they provide. Councillor Derek Schlosser asked about it. "It says hotel advertising with in-room guest books and hotel websites. Are those in our local hotels?"

Woods said yes. "It's in our local hotels. We have a quick reference guide that includes everything that's going on, an events listing and things for guests coming in," explained Woods. He asked if that information was at every hotel in the community. Woods again said yes. Councillor Schlosser thanked her for the clarification and chuckled, saying, "I've never stayed in a hotel room in Whitecourt, so I was just curious."

Woods explained that not only is the information available at hotels,

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but they also meet with owners. "In May, we meet with hoteliers and go through it so that they are familiar with it. It's also included in all front lines, so gas stations too. We have 72 books out in the community right now." Chair Strebchuk added that last year, during the fires, when the community saw an influx of people, the committee made sure the hotels were stocked up with guides so that visitors knew what things were available to them during their prolonged stay.

Earlier this summer, the committee worked with influencers to create videos to help with tourism, showcasing things that make Whitecourt a worthwhile spot to come off the highway and visit. In late July, ZenSeekers shared a few posts



**The FIC is a tourism spot for visitors.**

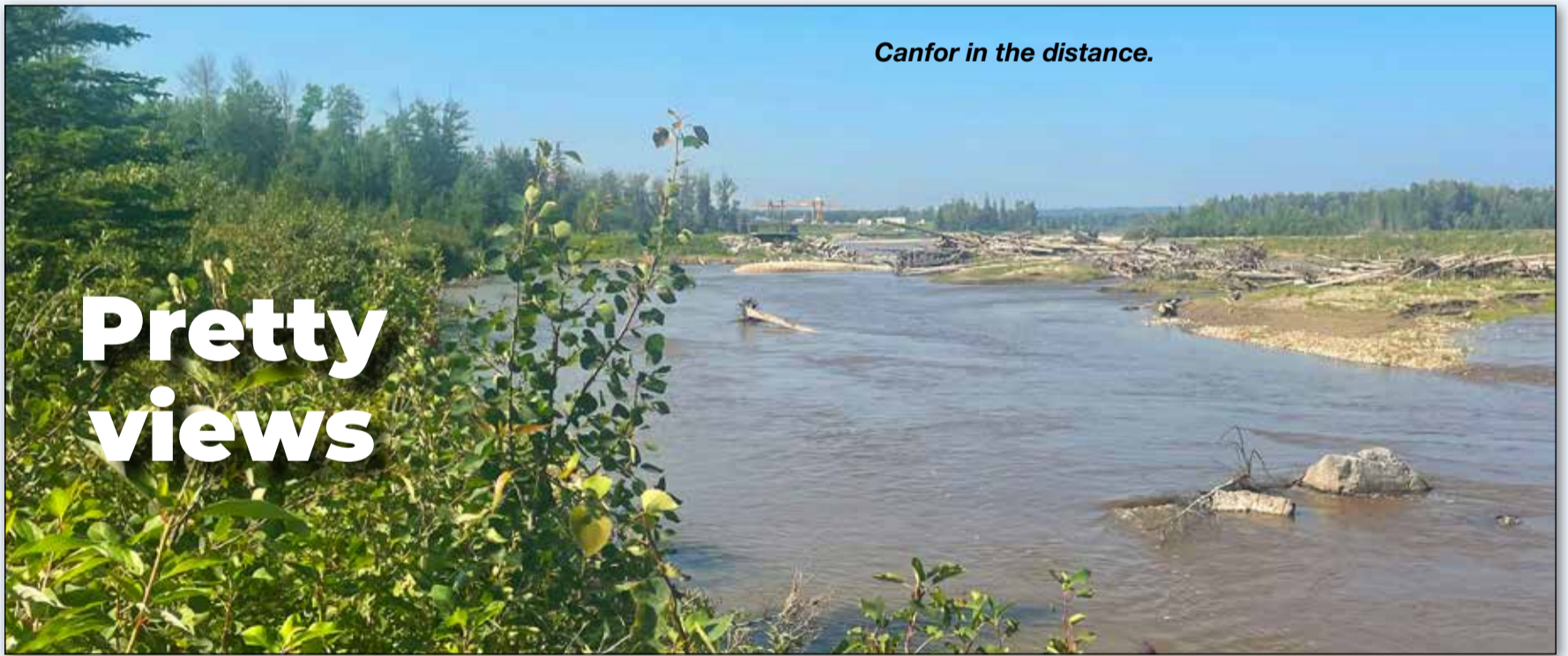
to its followers on some of the community's gems, like biking and walking trails and local shopping. A video and a write-up on their ZenSeekers.com website followed, which shadowed new Whitecourt resident Ashley John and her friend

Brooke Sabourin as they explored the community together. When asked if businesses outside the downtown could benefit from the ideas in the plan, Woods said yes. "We do this with every sector. Even if this (specifically) is

for downtown, we also work with industry and businesses on the hill. We are finding that businesses are joining this that aren't in the downtown and they are working together. We have different collaborative ideas going on, so even though this is

for the downtown, we are actually seeing a lot of collaboration from outside it, all working together." Other highlights included an update on the Health Professional Attraction and Retention Committee (H-PARC). Since January, White-

court has welcomed two new doctors and two nurses. Next year, the community will host the 2025 Let's Go Rural Event, which invites healthcare students from various universities and colleges to experience life in Whitecourt.



**Canfor in the distance.**

**Pretty views**



**The last accessible river spur before the golf course.**

**Here are two different views of the Athabasca River, framed by the lush green vegetation surrounding it. One features the Canfor mill in the distance, while the other highlights one of the river spurs.**



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## Whitecourt's Firesmart summer crew has been busy this summer, with one more big project to go



High fire risk led to a busy trade show for the crew.

By Serena Lapointe

Four young men from the community, John Parker, Andrew Kentner, Justin Labine and Joshua Taylor, have been working hard for several months as the FireSmart Summer Crew. Each year, the Whitecourt Fire Department applies for grant funding to financially support the crew through the Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta (FRIAA). Last year, they were not successful. This year, they were.

Fire Chief Brian Wynn said it is hard but necessary work. "The first thing we do is get them all trained with safety training for the chainsaws and everything else they deal with because it's a pretty risky course. They are all certified for falling trees," he explained. Once trained, the foursome was dispatched to work in various community areas, especially where the forest meets residential neighbourhoods.

Fire Chief Wynn said over the years of hav-

ing the crew, residents have gotten used to seeing the work happening, crediting public engagement as a big part of why. "Public members will stop and talk to the crew while they are working, so that is also part of it. If someone wants to talk to them, they will shut down the chainsaws and talk to them. Getting the public involved is where we are going to win," he explained.

The "win" means getting residents onboard with FireSmart activities on their properties.

"One of the sayings is that FireSmart begins at home. We can't go onto their properties and do the work, but the owner can. If we educate the public and show them what they can do to help us and themselves, then that's critical," he said.

Removing dead or downed trees and clearing tall grass or ladder fuels (low branches that could catch fire and pull a ground fire up) are the main components of clearing areas. Residents who live near or drive by

the hospital may notice a significant difference in the landscape there, as one example. "This year, we concentrated on the area between the hospital and the highway because there were 80 dead trees either standing or down. They went in and fell them, bucked them up into firewood and made signs telling residents to come and collect some free firewood. The free firewood was collected every night, and they continued felling the trees," explained Chief Wynn.

He added that several now-removed trees were near powerlines and that removing them also removed what might've been a dangerous situation. High winds or a storm could have knocked trees over, taking out the powerline and affecting power for the hospital and community. He said it could have also started a fire. "They worked hard to eliminate that risk and get everything cleared up."

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Removing a large dead tree behind homes.



Free firewood sign up near the hospital.



This tree took teamwork to get it down.

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The crew also worked behind Baxter Crescent for a week. Chief Wynn said as they went along cutting risky trees, they made sure to clean up their mess. "They do not leave the fine fuels in the bush. Anything we deal with, we deal with it one hundred percent."

When the crew isn't busy in the bush, they also do home assessments. Chief Wynn said they have completed thirty this year and hope to do as many as possible. Home assessments allow residents to walk through their property with trained firefighters to learn about fire risks and how to mitigate them.

"We only do them if the homeowner is home because we want that conversation. It takes about an hour. You get lots of feedback. It allows them to answer or ask questions that we can give them information on," he explained. Those who do the visits, like the summer crew, receive lengthy training.

Kentner, Parker, Labine and Taylor have also attended community events, including the trade show, a

Farmer's Market and the Canada Day celebrations. "At the trade show, the hazard was high, so lots of good information went out. We had a lot of people sign up for home assessments," explained Chief Wynn.

He said community members have started to propel the crew forward, calling in about dangerous trees and pinpointing hazardous areas (on town property/public areas). "I don't get any complaints. It's more of, can you do this? I think that shows our consistent messaging to residents. It's nice to have the community support the work that we are doing."

Over the final few weeks, the crew will work with the Town of Whitecourt behind Pineview Road and Caxton Street in the greenspace behind the homes. "There are a lot of dead, hazard trees in there, so they are working with the town to clean up that area." He explained that the project came about largely from residents who noticed the risks in the bush beyond their properties.

Chief Wynn said

the beauty of having the FireSmart Summer Crew is that their work continually reduces the communities risk. "With the risk of last year and this year, we could be the next community. You never know. We have to keep applying every year to have them. Now that we have done the big projects for FireSmart, it's about the maintenance."

He added that they are currently working on the planning phase of a fireguard on the East side of Whitecourt. The plan should be complete by September, kickstarting the waiting game for project funding. He said he is hopeful for a sooner rather than later funding announcement, which could enable the Town of Whitecourt to move forward.

If residents see members of the FireSmart Summer Crew out and about working, give them a wave and say hello. "This is from the community to the community. These are community members doing this work. We have a pretty fantastic summer crew. I am really happy with them."



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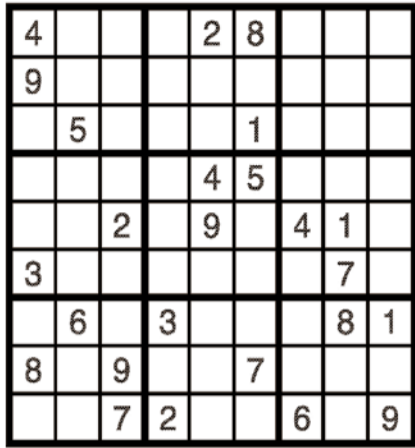
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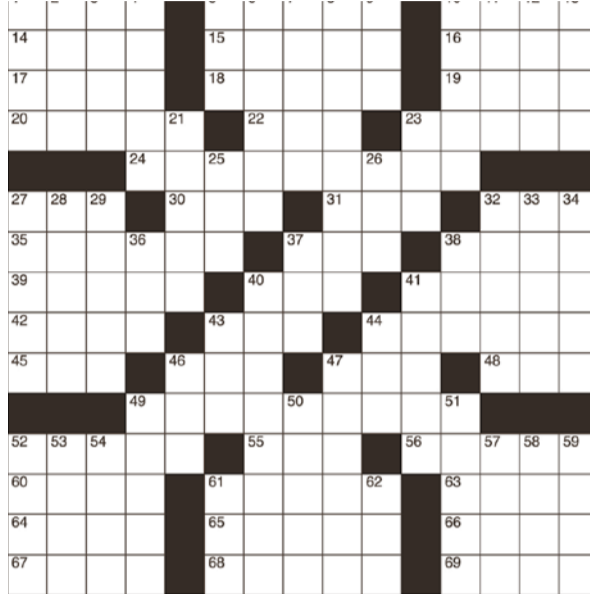


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## Crossword Clues

### CLUES ACROSS

1. Mongolian city \_\_\_ Bator
5. Coconut palms
10. Rounded knob
14. Japanese city
15. Type of sandwiches
16. A type of shape
17. Son of Shem
18. French modernist painter
19. Grandmother
20. Mammary gland of female cattle
22. Hill or rocky peak
23. Secret political clique
24. Songs to one's beloved
27. "Boardwalk Empire" actress Gretchen
30. Father
31. Chinese philosophical principle
32. Restrict the number or amount of
35. Combined into a single entity

37. Brother or sister
38. Evil spirit
39. Materials in the earth's crust
40. Partner to cheese
41. Of the sun
42. Baseball great Ty
43. After B
44. Place to relax on the beach
45. Folk singer DiFranco
46. Partly digested food
47. Small dog breed
48. Japanese honorific
49. Salts
52. Beard moss genus
55. Mountain pass
56. Type of sword
60. Albanian language
61. Metric weight unit
63. Italian Seaport
64. Longtime late night host
65. Extremely angry
66. Wading bird
67. Days in mid-month

68. Omitted from printed matter

69. Upper body part

### CLUES DOWN

1. Two-toed sloth
2. Cooking ingredient
3. Iranian city
4. Accuses
5. Corrie
6. Delivered a speech
7. Collection of sacred books
8. Theatrical
9. Very fast airplane
10. Arm bones
11. Ancient kingdom near Dead Sea
12. \_\_\_ fide: legit
13. Gemstone
21. Counsels
23. Corporate bigwig
25. Cool!
26. Touch lightly
27. Small Milky Way constellation
28. Satirical website
29. Border lines
32. Soft drinks

33. Capital of Guam

34. Six-membered ring (chemistry)

36. Bar bill

37. Car mechanics group

38. Notable Bill Murray character

40. Health care for the aged

41. Gurus

43. A passage with access only at one end

44. Reduce

46. Spy organization

47. The upper surface of the mouth

49. Plants of the lily family

50. Type of reef

51. Oral polio vaccine developer

52. Mottled citrus fruit

53. Lose

54. Former Brazilian NBAer

57. Baseball great Ruth

58. \_\_\_ Clapton, musician

59. Chance

61. Spanish soldier

62. CNN's founder

## HOROSCOPE

### ARIES

(March 21 - April 20)



You are the master of leaping before looking, Aries, and this week is no different. You are not satisfied with hanging back and assessing the situation before acting. You're right in the mix.

### TAURUS

(April 21 - May 21)



Taurus, do not pretend to be a neutral party when two people come up to you seeking advice. You are too loyal to avoid taking sides, but it could affect the relationship with the other person.

### GEMINI

(May 22 - June 21)



Gemini, it may be time to step in and help a loved one refocus their energies. Rather than let them dwell on a difficult situation, work to offer them a new perspective.

### CANCER

(June 22 - July 22)



Use the past as motivation to make some serious changes in your life, Cancer. This is the week to begin plotting a few ideas that can have a large impact.

### LEO

(July 23 - August 23)



Leo, there may be some room in the budget for a few splurges this week. As long as you do not go too overboard, you can snag that item that you have had your eyes on for some time.

### VIRGO

(August 24 - September 22)



Don't be so sure that you've examined every detail and checked them multiple times, Virgo. Your plan has to be foolproof for it to work. Run it by another set of eyes.

### LIBRA

(September 23 - October 23)



Libra, if no one is asking for advice right now, it's best to leave your life coach tendencies on the side. If and when someone needs your help, you can believe they'll come calling.

### SCORPIO

(October 24 - November 22)



Scorpio, you have big news and you're ready to tell the world. Hold it in a little longer so that your audience will be chomping at the bit to hear what you have to say.

### SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 23 - Dec. 21)



Sagittarius, it can be challenging for you to avoid the soap opera that is seemingly unfolding around you right now. Do your best to stay out of the fray for the time being.

### CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22 - Jan. 20)



Capricorn, if someone in your social circle is in need of a new perspective, you may have to speak up and help get them on a better path. Take this responsibility seriously.

### AQUARIUS

(January 21 - February 18)



You have come a long way in a short time, Aquarius. Keep up the hard work and you will continue to see results you can be proud of.

### PISCES

(February 19 - March 20)



Pisces, you will have to try to tune out the static all around you this week and concentrate on the things you need to accomplish. There is no wiggle room for distractions right now.

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# Five ways to save money on your daily essentials



(NC) Given the cost of living challenges that many of us are facing in 2024, it seems like everyone is pinching pennies and stretching their dollars as far as they can. If you're looking to save money on your daily essentials, here are some practical ways to embrace a more frugal lifestyle:

**1. Create a budget:** If you aren't budgeting already this is a necessary start. Track your monthly spending and get a sense of where exactly your money is going. This will give you a great view into your spending hab-

its. Then review your expenses and make a go-forward plan. Where can you reel in your spending on items that may escape your attention? For example, check your service contracts and see if you can bring your monthly costs down.

**2. Bulk buying:** Do you have items you use regularly? Enjoy a lower cost per unit by stocking up on pantry staples and household items. Stocking up on items may have a larger upfront cost, but if you're able to buy them during sales you can save money

in the long run.

**3. Memberships, discounts and coupons:** Unlock savings galore by diving into the world of coupons, discount codes and loyalty programs. Many stores offer regular discounts for members. Be sure to keep an eye out for promotions and discount codes when shopping online and take advantage of retailers that offer price matching.

**4. Savvy shopper secrets:** Before you buy be sure to compare prices. Check weekly flyers, price comparison websites or apps that help you find the lowest prices and price match where possible.

**5. Bundling bonanza:** From insurance to gym memberships, some companies offer discounts or promotional rates when you bundle multiple services together. When it comes to telecommunications providers, customers can save big by bundling their streaming services. As an example, customers with Koodo can save with "Happy Stack," a bundle that includes cellphone, internet and streaming services rolled into one discounted price.

By incorporating these lifestyle tips you can take charge of your finances and embark on a journey towards a more financially secure future.

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# Big and small



Gunner's a big boy!

Whitecourt trails get many visitors from both the two-legged and four-legged varieties, and they come in all shapes & sizes. These two cuties are the perfect example of that! Gunner (the big guy) and Odin (the little guy) were out with their humans on Friday morning, enjoying a sunny walk. They might be vastly different size-wise, but they equally love the Whitecourt trail system.



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- Behaviour of other motorists
- Changing road

conditions like debris, oil, gravel, or moisture

- Braking and handling characteristics of your motorcycle relative to the road surface
- Wildlife
- Mechanical fitness of your motorcycle
- Weather and road visibility

These risks are controlled for environment like the racetrack, and should something happen, safety personnel are only a few seconds away. Conversely, on public roads, these risk

factors remain high. The Alberta RCMP want to remind motorcyclists to stay defensive, attentive, and diligent with regards to safety, and that includes resisting the temptation to squeeze the throttle for too long.

Alberta is home to several top-notch motorsport facilities. Your Alberta RCMP recommends taking your need for speed to one of these fine places. You might even find one of us making passes or turning laps out there.

Please slow down and take it to the track.



The Whitecourt Sports Hosting Program awarded \$3,000 to the U11 AA Baseball Alberta Provincial Championships hosted in Whitecourt July 26-28. The U18AA Provincial Championship event was held at the Graham Acres Ball Diamonds and was provincially sanctioned by Baseball Alberta Provincial Championships. This event had a positive economic impact on the community utilizing hotel room rentals and numerous families visiting our community from across the region.

## Back on track: Energy bolstered Alberta's exports up through the first half

By Siddhartha Bhattacharya, ATB ECONOMICS

Export revenues in Alberta advanced in the second quarter after a slow start to the year.

According to new Statistics Canada data, the value of Alberta's merchandise exports reached almost \$48 billion in Q2 2024, 15% higher than the same quarter in 2023.

Most of this increase is due to energy exports growing by 19% in value from last year's level. There were a few factors at play behind the jump in revenues:

1. Alberta's crude oil transportation capacity increased significantly (up to 590,000 barrels per day) with the Trans Mountain Expansion (TMX) com-

ing online earlier this year. Bolstered by demand from Asian countries, national crude oil volumes\* surged 7.8% year-over-year (y/y) in the second quarter.

2. West Texas Intermediate oil prices were higher, averaging US\$81 in Q2 of 2024 compared to US\$74 in Q2 of 2023.
3. Wildfires disrupted crude production in May and June of last year.

There were some improvements on the non-energy side as well, up 2.9% y/y and aided by higher wood (+12.6% y/y) and farm, fishing and intermediate food (+4.0% y/y) product sales.

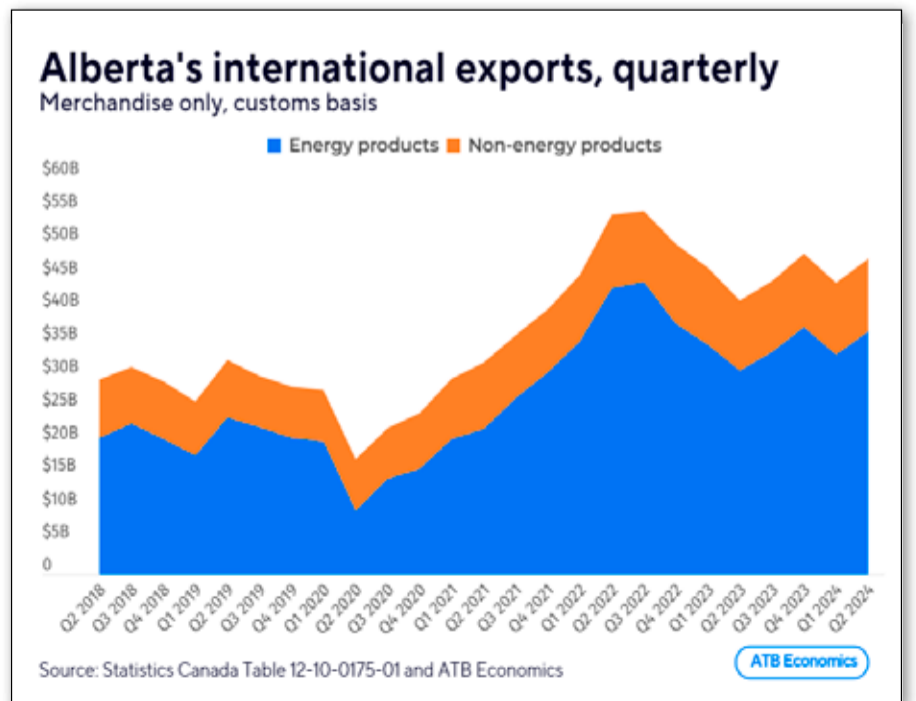
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strong increase in Q2, Alberta's aggregate export revenues are up by 4.4% year-to-date (YTD) relative to the first six months of 2023.

Alberta's contribution to Canada's export growth was higher than any other province over the first half of the year. Even so, the YTD value of exports eased 0.3% nationally with a major pull back in Saskatchewan (-19%) primarily due to lower metal ores and non-metallic mineral product exports.

We expect oil and gas export volumes to rise almost 5% and be a key driver of Alberta's GDP growth this year.

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# What is mortgage protection, and why might you want it?

(NC) Homeownership is a big step, whether you're a first-time buyer or not. Protecting your new home typically involves getting new locks, installing an alarm system and maybe even getting a "guard" dog. However, something you might not have considered is to help protect your mortgage.

TD Mortgage Protection, for example, offers optional coverage to help safeguard one of your biggest financial obligations. You've worked hard for your new home, and you likely want to help ensure you and your loved ones can stay in

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If you're not sure what mortgage protection is, here's a breakdown:

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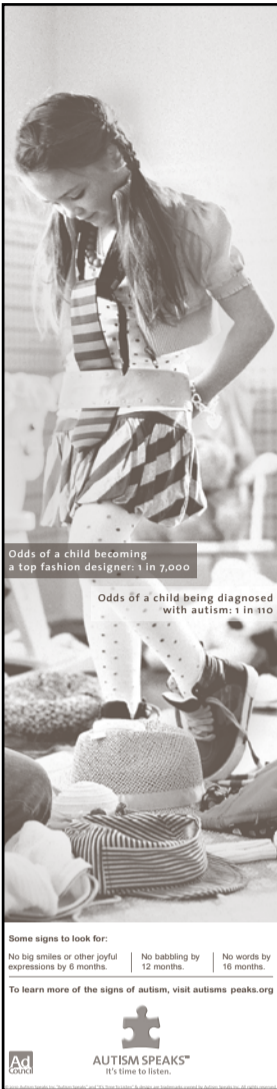
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### Wed., Aug. 21

Sunny  
20%  
23°C  
13°C  
W 7 km/h



### Thu., Aug. 22

Mainly sunny  
20%  
22°C  
12°C  
NE 6 km/h



### Fri., Aug. 23

Sunny  
10%  
22°C  
11°C  
S 7 km/h



### Sat., Aug. 24

Sunny  
10%  
22°C  
11°C  
W 6 km/h



### Sun., Aug. 25

Cloudy with showers  
60%  
21°C  
10°C  
W 14 km/h  
1-3mm



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**Eagle River Casino & Travel Plaza**  
Now Hiring Casino Shift Manager NOC 62022

**Responsibilities:**

- Co-ordinate, assign and review the work of casino workers
- Establish work schedules and procedures and co-ordinate activities with other work units or departments
- Resolve work-related problems and prepare and submit progress and other reports
- Hire and train staff in job duties, safety procedures, and company policies
- Requisition of supplies and materials
- Ensure smooth operation of computer systems, equipment, and machinery, and arrange for maintenance and repair work
- May perform the same duties as workers supervised
- Perform the same duties as workers supervised
- Assist clients/guests with special needs
- Co-ordinate, assign and review work
- Ensure smooth operation of computer systems, equipment, and machinery, and arrange for maintenance and repair work
- Establish work schedules and procedures and co-ordinate activities with other work units or departments
- Hire and train staff in job duties, safety procedures, and company policies
- Requisition materials and supplies
- Resolve work-related problems and prepare and submit progress and other reports.

**Qualifications:**

- Completion of secondary school is usually required.
- Completion of college courses related to the area supervised may be required.
- Experience in the occupation supervised is usually required.
- AGLC casino gaming license will be required.
- Must be able complete Smart training courses
- AML certificate

**Experience:** 3 – 5 years.  
**Education:** Completion of secondary school is required, casino gaming license.  
**Terms of Employment:** Permanent full-time 44-hour work week.  
**Language:** English  
**Employment Conditions:** Shift work, Day, Evenings, Weekends, Holidays, Nights.  
**Wage:** \$23.08 per hour.  
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- Establish work schedules and procedures and co-ordinate activities with other work units or departments
- Resolve work-related problems and prepare and submit progress and other reports
- Hire and train staff in job duties, safety procedures, and company policies
- Requisition of supplies and materials
- Ensure smooth operation of computer systems, equipment, and machinery, and arrange for maintenance and repair work
- Monitor quality and production levels
- May perform the same duties as workers supervised.
- Arrange for maintenance and repair work
- Assist clients/guests with special needs
- Co-ordinate activities with other work units or departments
- Ensure smooth operation of computer equipment and machinery
- Establish work schedules and procedures
- Handle emergency situations
- Monitor quality and production levels
- Prepare and submit progress and other reports
- Requisition or order materials, equipment, and supplies
- Resolve work-related problems
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- Supervise, co-ordinate and schedule (and possibly review) activities of workers
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**Qualifications:**

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**Experience:** 2 – 3 years.  
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Project Number: 01-2024-43-01 - Collection of Solid Waste and Recyclables from Town Facilities. Closes: August 23, 2024 at 2:00pm MST.

For further details on any of these opportunities visit www.whitecourt.ca and search the project title.

NOTICE OF DECISION

The following decisions were made by the Municipal Planning Commission:

Application 24-038: 3710 33 Street (Lot 13, Block 16, Plan 052 4252) - Discretionary Use - Equipment Sales, Rental, and Repair (Heavy) - Approved with Conditions.

Date of Decision(s): August 8, 2024 Appeal Closes at 4:00pm: August 29, 2024

An Appeal of the above decision(s) may be made by submitting a written appeal and appeal fee (\$300) to the Office of the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board, Town of Whitecourt Administration Building, Box 509, Whitecourt, Alberta, T7S 1N6 prior to 4:00pm on the above noted date.

NOTICE OF DECISION

The following decisions were made by the Development Authority:

Application 24-074: 44 Prestilien Drive - Variance Application - Over Height Fence - Approved with Conditions.

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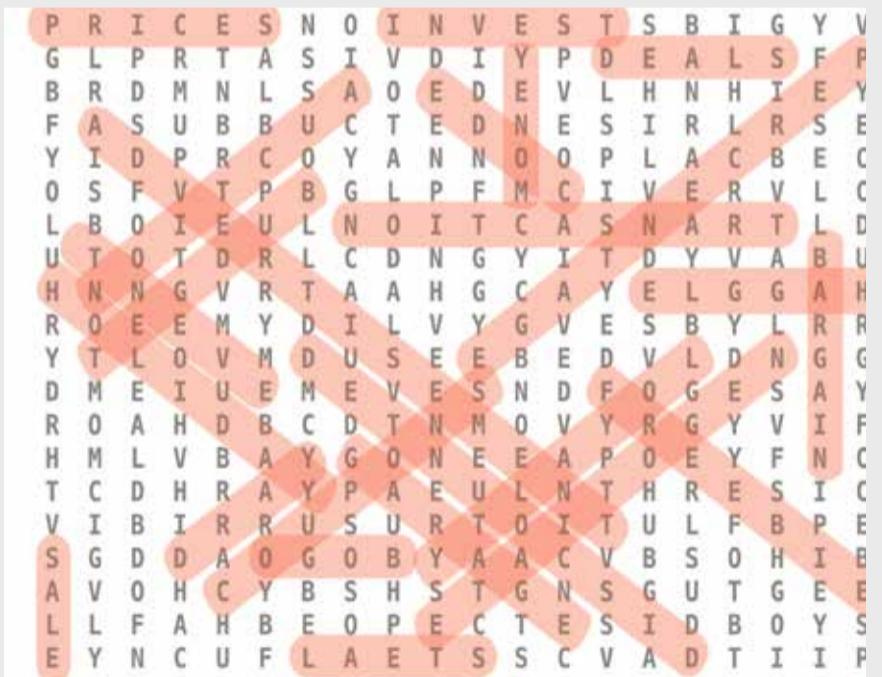
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