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Speeders, problem animals and unsightly properties are top incidents for peace officers in Woodlands County



Credit - Lac Ste. Anne County

Lac Ste. Anne peace officers working in Woodlands County recently provided an update on their activities in the municipality. While speeding drivers are a concern almost anywhere, officers have captured a few drivers whose lead feet were beyond comprehension. Pictured is Sgt Dallas Choma.

| By Serena Lapointe

Since February 2023, Woodlands County and Lac Ste. Anne County have been engaged in a five-year contract that sees Woodlands County receive 80 hours of enforcement services in designated areas per month and monthly reports on the actions of officers. Before the municipal election, Sgt. Dallas Choma and Sgt Dustin Jendrick of Lac Ste. Anne County Enforcement Services presented their mid-year report to Wood-

lands County Council.

From January to August, there were 83 citations. "Ticket revenue for you guys is \$17,345, of which half goes to the province," said Sgt Choma. Fine amounts that were not issued, from seventeen warnings given, totalled \$3,327. Speeding was the single biggest offence on the list, making up 48.19 percent of the citations. The next highest was drivers operating without a certificate of registration, at 6.02 percent.

Reeve Dave Kusch asked if the speeding incidents were spread across the municipality. "We've been getting a lot of complaints from councillors and senior leadership, as well as residents, about where we need to set up operations or where the majority of the speeding is going on. A lot of it is complaint-based. A lot of our operations that we conducted were in Blue Ridge with the haul trucks, as well as

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Downtown Whitecourt was bustling with families on October 25 for the annual Trunk or Treat event, where local businesses and organizations handed out candy and celebrated Halloween in festive style.

2025 Municipal Election - Official Municipal Election Results

CANDIDATES:	VOTES RECEIVED:
Mayor	
Hilts, Ray Mayor Elect	988
Schlosser, Derek	787
Councillor	
Baker, Tara Councillor Elect	1,172
Lapointe, Serena Councillor Elect	1,065
Wynn, Brian Councillor Elect	975
McAree, Bill Councillor Elect	915
Lanctot, Braden Councillor Elect	816
Braun, Mike Councillor Elect	744
Moore, Brigette	726
Chauvet, Paul	713
Rennie, Jim	289
Geczi, Morgan	988

Voter turnout for the 2025 Whitecourt Municipal Election was 25% (1,797 voters). Turnout for the 2021 Municipal Election was 28%. The Oaths of Office Ceremony for Whitecourt Town Council will be held on Saturday, October 25 at 10:00am in Council Chambers at the Forest Interpretive Centre. The ceremony will be officiated by Honourable Martin Long, MLA for West Yellowhead.

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Candlelight walk is back as part of next month's family violence prevention campaign

| By Serena Lapointe

November is Family Violence Prevention Month in Alberta, and nationally, November is recognized as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Though it is a hard topic, the rates of violence happening within homes across the country beg for attention to be continually placed on it, in hopes that it helps those who need it most.

As per Stats Canada (www.statcan.gc.ca), the provincial rates for police-reported family violence remain high across much of the country. The highest province for this category is Saskatchewan with 741 per 100,000 population, followed by Manitoba (588). Alberta ranked 6th with 366.

Among self-reported spousal violence in the provinces, Alberta steadily ranks third, with more than four in ten, and six in ten Indigenous women, experiencing intimate partner violence at some point in their lives. At the workplace, 25 percent of Albertans reported experiencing the effects of domestic violence, and six in ten Canadians reported experiencing child maltreatment before they were fifteen.

Outside of the provinces, the highest numbers are found in Canada's northern territories. Nunavut is the highest, by a landslide. In 2023, the stat jumped up by over 360 incidents to a staggering 5,574 per 100,000 people. Since 2018, family violence rates have steadily climbed by hundreds more each year. The Northwest Territories have thankfully seen a decrease, but it remains



Grab your bracelets at the AJMC or at the November 21 Wolverines game.

Photos - FVI

A meaningful, somber, and dimly lit walk that used to be part of the Family Violence Prevention Month events in Whitecourt is making a comeback this year. The Candlelight Vigil is one of six initiatives being held or done locally next month.

high with 3,631 reports in 2023.

In 2023, the Central Alberta Women's Emergency Shelter (CAWES) reported that from the year prior, domestic abuse had grown nineteen percent province-wide, affecting 8,483 women & seniors, 3,561 children and 53 men, and that 74 percent of Albertans had reported that they "personally know at least one woman who has been sexually or physically assaulted," read their site, www.cawes.com/statistics. Looking nationwide,

44 percent of women, or 6.2 million women aged fifteen and up, have experienced some form of abuse, and approximately one in five (19%) victims of self-reported spousal violence reported their abuse to the police, as

per Statistics Canada.

Here in Whitecourt, there were 264 domestic-related calls to the RCMP last year, as residents facing crisis sought help from the red and blue. To help spread awareness and encourage change, the



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Family Violence Initiative (FVI) hosts events and informative initiatives every November to grow understanding of the very real dangers right here at home.

The month kicks off with the Shine a Light Event on November 1, where the FVI asks residents to leave their outside porch lights on or get a free purple, light-up bracelet at the Allan & Jean Millar Centre's front desk. The idea is to "shine a light" on family violence and help recognize the month.

On November 7, resources will be distributed throughout the community's waiting rooms, cashier check-out areas, business reception areas, and coffee rooms to help share information on what a healthy relationship looks like, as well as local support and guidance on how to help and support someone facing family violence.

Mid-month, on November 14, the FVI will host a Candlelight Vigil. Following a speech on statistics around intimate partner violence and why it's important to recognize survivors, attendees will grab a candle, light it, and walk through downtown Whitecourt in honour of those injured or killed. The walk event used to happen but has been on hiatus for the last several years.

On Friday, November 21, FVI volunteers will be handing out light-up bracelets and purple ribbons at JDA Place during the Whitecourt Wolverines game against the Calgary Canucks. Following the ceremonial puck drop, fans will turn on their purple bracelets and

stand for a moment of silence.

Two other initiatives happening in November are the beverage coasters that the FVI will hand out to local establishments, which feature family violence supports, including the provincial line and a QR code to the FVI's website. A large banner will also be hung on the side of the Allan & Jean Millar Centre, to help draw attention.

One of the biggest pieces to understand about family violence is that it takes on many different forms, from sexual violence to spousal or partner abuse to sibling abuse, pet cruelty, parent or guardian abuse, child abuse/neglect, domestic violence, and intimate partner violence. Those who witness abuse done to another also experience harm. Abuse can be financially motivated, verbal, physical or even online.

The Family Violence Info Line is available 24/7, seven days a week at 310-1818 (toll-free) anywhere in the province and in over 170 languages. It can also be texted. The Family Violence Info Line Chat is also available 24/7 (English). Other helplines include 2-1-1 Alberta (information/referral system), the Abuse Helpline 1-855-443-5722, the Child Abuse Hotline 1-800-387-5437, the Men's Helpline 1-833-327-6367, the Emergency Income Support Contact Centre 1-866-644-5135 and HealthLink 8-1-1.



A look at the local weather

	Wed., Oct. 29	Thu., Oct. 30	Fri., Oct. 31	Sat., Nov. 1	Sun., Nov. 2
P.O.P.	Chance of flurries	Cloudy with sunny breaks	Partly sunny	Partly sunny	Sunny
High	40°C	30%	30%	20%	10%
Low	-1°C	4°C	3°C	6°C	6°C
Wind	SE 14 km/h	-1°C	2°C	1°C	1°C
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The Schulte family of the Whitecourt Trailblazers Snowmobile Club was recognized as the Outstanding Snowmobile Family at the 2025 Alberta Snowmobile Association Awards of Excellence. All four family members also earned 2025 Iron Sledder status for their dedication to the sport and community.

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Angela Splinter, CEO of Trucking HR Canada, presents the 2025 Top Medium Fleet Award to Jeff Rosnau, CEO of Whitecourt Transport, during the Top Fleet Employer Gala on October 15, 2025.

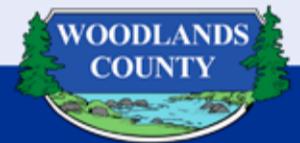


The Lion's Club of Whitecourt recently gave a big contribution to the Whitecourt Air Cadets, helping to support the youth organization in its efforts to provide free programming and experiences for local kids. Flight Sargent Astle (second from the right) was happy to accept the check from Lions Club member Bob Bell (right), a long-time supporter of the air cadets' program. Cadets help the Lions Club twice a year. First, in preparing the Lion's Campground for the camping season and then helping prep the popular camping spot for winter once the season closes. In return, the cadets receive dollars that go a long way towards keeping the lights and heat on at their squadron hall.

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2025 OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS

DIVISION/WARD	CANDIDATES	RESULTS
Division 1: Anselmo	Dave Kusch	Acclaimed
Division 2: Whitecourt West	Patricia MacNeil John Burrows	117 - Elected 87
Division 3: Whitecourt Central	Alan Deane	Acclaimed
Division 4: Whitecourt East	Karen St. Martin Deb Edney Jeremy Sergeew Andrew Burgoyne	145 - Elected 55 38 8
Division 5: Blue Ridge	Jenna Wright Chris Exley Robert Haydock	149 - Elected 68 21
Division 6: Goose Lake/Freeman River	Peter Kuelken	Acclaimed
Division 7: Fort Assiniboine/Timeau	Benny Whitten Dale Kluin	114 - Elected 83



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Fighting a cold: New results from the Canadian Survey of Consumer Expectations

By Rob Roach
ATB ECONOMICS

If someone asks you “how’s your cold?” and you answer “a bit better,” it likely means you’re still feeling pretty bad. This is a good way to summarize the latest results from the Bank of Canada’s Canadian Survey of Consumer Expectations.

Conducted in August, the survey found that Canadians were “less pessimistic” about their financial health and “somewhat less negative” about their spending. At the same time, they see the labour market getting worse.

Combining how consumers view these three things into a single indicator, the Bank found that, despite some improvement since spring,

the August reading “remains below levels observed prior to the trade conflict with the United States and well below the historical average” (see the chart).

Trade tensions are sitting behind this with the Bank of Canada reporting that “consumers still feel that tariffs and trade uncertainty are weighing on their financial health.”

These results reinforce other weak economic data including an elevated unemployment rate and tepid GDP growth forecasts as well as comments we’ve been getting while out on the road talking about the economy. It’s not the deep recession feared back in the spring, but it’s no picnic either.

The trade situation

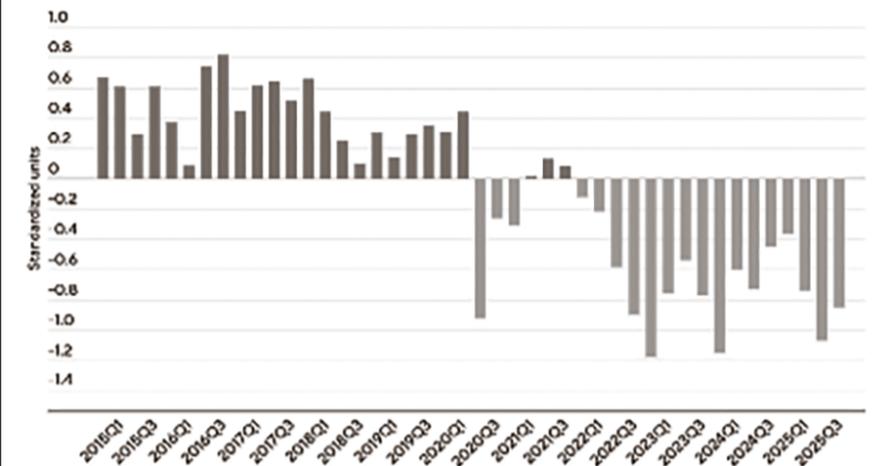
has not been static since August when the survey was conducted with some Canadian counter-tariffs lifted, new U.S. sectoral tariffs added or threatened, and progress on a new “deal” with the United States hard to determine.

Given the ups and downs on this front so far, the potential for a general tariff and/or sectoral tariffs to remain in place even under a new deal with the U.S., and the uncertainty surrounding the timing and outcome of the review of the Canada-United States-Mexico Agreement, it’s likely that trade tensions will weigh on how Canadians are feeling about their personal finances and the broader economy for some time to come.

Consumer expectations, Q3 2025

ATR Economics

An index of Canadian consumers’ opinions about their spending plans, the labour market and their personal finances, third quarter 2025*



*The survey was conducted from July 31 to August 21, 2025. Follow-up phone interviews took place from August 22 to 28, 2025. Source: The Bank of Canada, Canadian Survey of Consumer Expectations, Q3 2025 and ATR Economics

At the same time, if Canada is able to gain some economic traction in other areas (e.g., getting shovels in the ground on major projects and expanding trade with countries

other than the U.S.), this would help offset the ongoing drag from tariffs and tariff-related uncertainty.

So while the tariff-induced cold is going to be a tough one to get

rid of, hopefully things will keep getting “a bit better” as we adapt to a new trade relationship with the U.S. and move forward on putting our domestic economic house in order.

Local heroes step up to support the community

Mike and Rebecca of Mike and Rebecca's No Frills made a generous contribution to the Whitecourt Food Bank, donating 960 boxes of

Kraft Dinner. Seeing the need in the community, they filled their vehicle, ensuring that local families would have a much-needed

supply of this pantry staple.

Acts of generosity like this highlight the importance of neighbours helping neigh-

bours. Community support not only provides immediate assistance to those facing food insecurity but also strengthens the connec-

tions that make Whitecourt resilient and caring. Contributions like Mike and Rebecca's show that collective action can have a mean-

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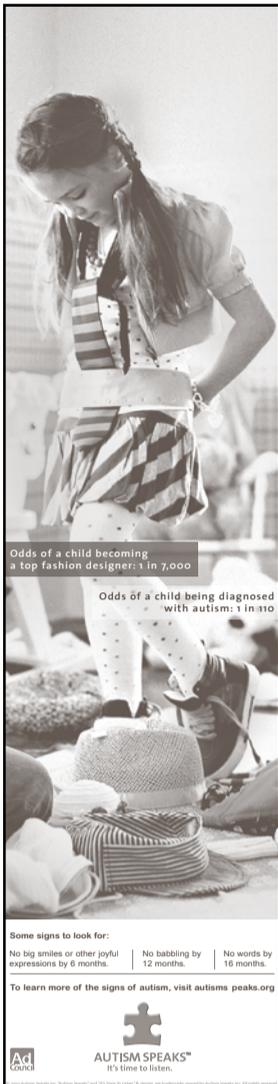
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Whitecourt RCMP unveils AGENT Program to address growing concerns over theft and trespassing



| By Haylee Winger

Amid increasing reports of theft, trespassing, and property damage, the Whitecourt RCMP has introduced a new initiative aimed at helping local businesses protect their premises. The Authorized General Enforcement for Nuisances and Trespassing (AGENT) Program empowers law enforcement officers to take direct action on behalf of participating business owners when dealing with unwanted activity on private property.

The program, launched in partnership with the Town

of Whitecourt's Municipal Enforcement Services, authorizes RCMP and municipal officers to handle trespassing and loitering incidents without waiting for a business owner to be present. The initiative operates under the Petty Trespass Act and Trespass to Premises Act, allowing for quicker response times and stronger enforcement.

The launch of the program comes at a time when Whitecourt residents have been increasingly vocal about theft and trespassing in the commu-

nity. Many have taken to local Facebook groups such as Whitecourt Rant and Rave and Whitecourt Ask Away to share their experiences and raise awareness about ongoing property-related issues.

Participation in the AGENT Program is both voluntary and free. Businesses that register will receive a distinctive "AGENT" window decal, signaling to law enforcement that the property is enrolled and authorizing officers to act on their behalf.

In a recent press release, Staff Sergeant

Matthew Clarke of the Whitecourt RCMP emphasized the importance of the new initiative.

"Trespassing remains a serious concern for property owners, often leading to damage and theft," Clarke stated. "This program gives officers the ability to act more efficiently and helps us work with the business community to make Whitecourt a safer place."

Business owners interested in enrolling can contact Kristen McLeod, Crime Prevention Liaison, at kristen.mcleod@rcmp-grc.gc.ca.

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the general public travelling through there,” said Sgt Choma. He added that speeders have also been nabbed on West Mountain Road, including those passing school buses.

Sgt Jendrick said he caught one driver doing 54 kilometres over the posted speed limit, landing an immediate court summons. He said others have gotten very close. “There have been quite a few where it’s getting close to that summons situation. When they are issued a mandatory summons for court, they must go before a justice and speak to the matter, and if they don’t attend, a warrant is issued,” he explained.

From January to August, there were 73 incidents reported. Most reports came through the dispatch centre. The second-highest method was through administrative directives. One that Sgt Choma touched on was animal control. “We are still struggling with that one. We’re having a lot of issues with livestock, especially in the Fort Assiniboine area, and we really have no teeth to bite and issue citations and deal with the matters.”

Sgt Choma said they are working on creating a bylaw for Woodlands County with senior leadership and hope to have it brought forward for approval soon. “We are trying to sift through those the best we can and trying to pull from different legislation where we can and talk to the people and educate the people.”

Another issue they’ve been dealing with has been unsightly properties. “We’ve been working with the planning department on several different properties in the area. In Blue Ridge, we’ve cleaned up one property there, and it has now

sold. We have another property in Blue Ridge that gets unsightly, then gets cleaned, and then again cleaned.” Stg Choma said they are working to fix the situation once and for all.

Councillor Alan Deane asked if peace officers had jurisdiction to attend to calls on Highway 43, as the map in the package showed dots along the highway corridor. “We have the authority from the province now to do single- and double-digit highways. Our focus for our team is not to focus on Highway 43, but a lot of times people will blow a stop sign coming off the side road and the stop is initiated at that point because the offence did happen in Woodlands County,” responded Sgt Choma.

Although officers remain busy throughout the work week, the busiest hours are between 12 pm and 6 pm, with the busiest time being in the middle, at 3 pm. The busiest day of the week for peace officers in Woodlands County is Tuesday. Sgt Choma said it was interesting how each place is different, as Lac Ste. Anne’s busiest day is Monday.

Another issue is off-highway vehicles. Sgt Choma explained that proactive approaches are helping to remove potential dangers to the public. “Officer Jendrick observed an off-highway vehicle travelling at an excessive rate of speed. After they failed to produce appropriate documentation and after observing an open alcohol container and an attempt to leave, Sgt Jendrick dispatched our radio and had the RCMP attend. It led to the off-highway vehicle being seized as well as charges for the occupants of the vehicle,” detailed Stg Choma.

“(The RCMP) do take us seriously out



Sgt Choma (left) introducing Sgt Jendrick.



Woodlands County Council.

there and they are our backup,” he said, speaking to the positive working relationship between the two departments. “We are out there making stops, and we are trying to make our community a better place to live and travel,” added Sgt Choma.

Reeve Kusch asked if they felt Woodlands County was getting enough coverage. “Is it working more or should we be looking at possible changes?” Sgt Choma responded that yes, they could possibly use more hours. “You guys are limited to the amount of time (we are) in the County itself for speed enforcement and passing school buses and so forth. It just provides more presence throughout the county. It’s a large county. Going from Fort Assiniboine to the Klondike Ferry to the other end of Whitecourt is quite the distance. So, a lot of time is commuting, but we are making a presence.”

The last two things Sgt Choma touched on were the complaint line, emphasizing that residents needed to use it more, and the issue with residents wanting feedback. “A lot of our complainants, especial-

ly with that app that you guys have, want some feedback on what has taken place or what has happened throughout (the) investigation. It’s difficult because a lot of the time we can’t give you guys updates,” said Sgt Choma.

He said they can provide updates to the administration but not the general public. “There could be charges involved. It could be something that is going on tomorrow, a 72-hour notice issued to enter the property, and we can’t share that information.” He then asked if there was anything Woodlands County Council wanted to see done better. Reeve Kusch said he hadn’t heard much over the last year. He then thanked both Sgt Choma and Sgt Jendrick for their service.



Reeve Dave Kusch.



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to be from legitimate sources, designed to trick you into giving up sensitive information—are on the rise. Small and mid-sized businesses are increasingly being targeted with fraudulent invoices, payment confirmations and business communications. Your business isn't immune to either side of the attack: for every fake invoice you get from a fraudster posing as one of your vendors, another business may be getting one from a fraudster pretending to be you.

When in doubt, reach out. One of the best ways businesses can safeguard against phishing is by communicating. If you get any suspicious messages from what appears to be a customer don't re-



spond to it. Reach out to the client directly to verify the communication is legitimate. Make sure anyone you're working with knows they can reach out to you directly if they get any unusual communi-

cation from you—you can't fix a problem you don't know about.

Work together with your payment providers. Fraud hurts everyone. Your customers can become targets, too, and fraudsters' at-

tacks are getting more sophisticated. But payment partners like Mastercard can help you protect your customers and your business. They make your payment processing more secure with new tools

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CAMPING SEASON IS WINDING DOWN....



Residents throughout Whitecourt are getting ready to winterize and store their Recreational Vehicles (RVs) for the season. The Town of Whitecourt reminds residents that Land Use Bylaw 1577 and Traffic Bylaw 1573 outline guidelines and regulations for the parking of RVs on residential properties and streets.

Below are some frequently asked questions regarding RV parking.

What vehicles are considered RVs?

Motor homes, fifth wheel trailers, holiday trailers, and boats are all considered recreational vehicles under Land Use Bylaw 1577.

Where can residents park their RVs during the winter?

During the winter, RVs must be stored beside or behind the house. From November 1 to March 31, on residential properties, one recreational vehicle may be stored on site. No portion of the recreational vehicle may be located any further forward than the front of the home (minimum of 6.1m from the front property line).

Can residents park unattached trailers on a local street?

No, unattached trailers cannot be parked on town streets at any time. This includes (but is not limited to) tent trailers, travel trailers, fifth wheel trailers, boat trailers, utility trailers, campers not mounted on truck, etc.

Can an RV parked on a local street or on a private property be utilized for sleeping?

No, an RV parked on a local street or highway cannot be utilized for sleeping. RV's are not permitted to be occupied for temporary accommodations except within approved campground locations.

What are the fines for the improper parking of an RV and utility vehicle?

Fines can be issued according to Town Bylaws and Provincial Legislation.

- Parking RVs in prohibited areas - \$300 fine for first offence under Land Use Bylaw 1577. Subsequent fines will apply for non-compliance.
- Unattached Trailers - \$100 fine under Traffic Bylaw 1573
- Parked over 72 hours – up to a \$324 penalty, plus towing cost under the Traffic Safety Act

For more information, contact the Planning & Development Department at 780-778-2273 or visit www.whitecourt.ca.

NOTICE OF DECISION

The following decisions were made by the Municipal Planning Commission:

Application No. 25-129 - Discretionary Use - Accessory Building - Shipping Container at 5002 50 Street - Approved with conditions.

Application No. 25-131 - Discretionary Use - Family Care Facility at 4739 51 Avenue - Approved with conditions.

Date of Decision: October 23, 2025

Appeal Closes at 4:00pm: November 13, 2025

An Appeal of the above decision(s) may be made by submitting a written appeal and appeal fee (\$310) 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. Any person(s) affected by the said proposal(s), has the right to appeal prior to the above date.

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NOTICE Literacy and Poster Contest 2025

If you have someone to enter the Remembrance Day Literacy and Poster Contest 2025, this is what you can do.

Posters can be delivered by November 15th, to the Legion from 2:30 to closing. 4928-51 Avenue, 780-778-3666 (OPEN Thursday, Friday and Saturdays from 2:30 p.m. until closing)

Literacy Entries can be emailed to elaine.mcdermid@gmail.com by November 18th, 2025.

All entries must have registration sheets attached. Go to our Facebook page to get all the information you may need. (Royal Canadian Legion Branch #44 Whitecourt) or For inquiries – Ian McDermid, Poppy Chair, at 780-778-2711 or President, Ralph Schutte, 780-779-8543.



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A group of volunteers from the Whitecourt Taekwondo Club made quick work of the Heritage Garden at the Forest Interpretive Centre recently, helping Communities in Bloom to clear out the raised garden beds and prep the popular lunch spot for the winter months. A variety of ages took part, from toddlers to adults, and everyone played a role in completing the job.