



SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

TOWN OF BEAVERLODGE

Beaver Tails News

Community Gathers for Service Provider Open House

The Town of Beaverlodge, in collaboration with the Family and Community Support Services (FCSS), recently played host to a vibrant Service Provider Open House on September 14. The event, aimed at enhancing community awareness of local services, witnessed a successful turnout.

A total of 24 organizations congregated at the open house, showcasing the diversity of services available to Beaverlodge residents. Over the span of two hours, more than 90 community members streamed in, demonstrating the town's eagerness to engage with these valuable resources.

Councillor Kokotilo-Brekkerus, Councillor Corbett and Councillor Mosher along with Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Jeff Johnston were on hand serving hot dogs, pop, chips, and cookies, to the delight of all visitors.

The open house aimed to introduce residents to an array of local offerings, ranging from sports groups and health and wellness providers to various social clubs and critical social service providers. The event underlined the Town of Beaverlodge's commitment to fostering community connections and promoting the accessibility of essential services.

As the town continues to grow and evolve, events like these play a crucial role in ensuring that Beaverlodge remains a welcoming and well-supported community for all its residents.



Council Corner

Mayor

Gary Rycroft

Councillors

Cal Mosher

Hugh Graw

Ryier Hommy

Cody Moulds

Cyndi Corbett

Judy Kokotilo-Bekkerus

Next Council Meeting and

Committee of the Whole:

October 10, 2023

October 23, 2023

6pm - Committee of the Whole

7pm - Council Meeting



Photo Credit: Austin Payer



IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING UTILITY BILLING

The last week of May, 2023 our radio communications system that reads water meters failed. Since this date, we have not been able to get the reads which produce our billing for consumption.

We have only been able to bill for basic charges and NO CONSUMPTION at this point.

We have been working diligently contacting the service provider to obtain replacement end points in order to get the radio communications working again.

We encourage residents and business owners to take a photo of their water meter and send it with your physical address to utilities@beaverlodge.ca prior to September 28th, 2023 and the last business day of the month after that until the system is back working. We can then manually enter your readings to provide an accurate bill.

Once we have resolved the communications issue, we will be able to get the readings from the end of May to current, and proper billing will resume.

We continue to encourage residents and business owners to put money onto their accounts so they are not hit with a large consumption bill once the system is back up and running. We thank those that have already done this.

We understand the frustration this has caused and appreciate your patience as we work through this issue.



(Example of meter
to obtain photo for
reading)



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NuVista Energy Center

NuVista Energy Centre October 1-15, 2023 Aquatics and Facility Schedule

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	IMPORTANT INFORMATION
Lane Swim 7:00am-8:30am	Lane Swim 7:00am-8:30am	Lane Swim 7:00am-8:30am	Lane Swim 7:00am-8:30am	Lane Swim 7:00am-8:30am			Annual Aquatics Shut-Down Scheduled October 16 - November 5, 2023
Aquafit Parent & Tot 9:00am-10:00am	Aquafit-Shallow Parent & Tot 9:00am-10:00am	Aquafit-Combo Parent & Tot 9:00am-10:00am	Aquafit-Deep Parent & Tot 9:00am-10:00am	Aquafit Parent & Tot 9:00am-10:00am	Swim Club 9:00am-12:00pm	Swim Club 9:00am-12:00pm	
 School Lessons (October 2-5) 10:00am-3:00pm PUBLIC SWIM (October 9-12) 11:00am-2:30pm				Maintenance			October 9 NuVista Energy Sponsored Swim 12:00-6:00pm
				Public Swim 12:30pm-2:30pm	Public Swim 12:00pm-5:00pm	Public Swim 12:00pm-5:00pm	Monday & Friday Aquafit may be uninstructed
Senior & Assisted 3:00pm-4:00pm	Senior Lane Swim Parent & Tot 3:00pm-4:00pm	Senior & Assisted 3:00pm-4:00pm	Senior Lane Swim Parent & Tot 3:00pm-4:00pm	Lessons 3:00pm-6:00pm	Private Rental 5:00pm-6:00pm	Private Rental 5:00pm-6:00pm	Facility is CLOSED September 30th
Swim Club 4:00pm-6:30pm							
Public Swim 6:30pm-9:30pm	Lessons 4:00pm-8:00pm	Public Swim 6:30pm-9:30pm	Lessons 4:00pm-8:00pm	Public Swim 6:30pm-9:30pm	Public Swim 6:00pm-9:00pm	Public Swim 6:00pm-9:00pm	 www.beaverlodge.ca
	Aquafit-Deep 7:00pm-8:00pm		Aquafit-Shallow 7:00pm-8:00pm				
	Adult Swim 8:00pm-9:00pm		Adult Swim 8:00pm-9:00pm				
FITNESS CENTER & FRONT DESK HOURS							1016-4th Avenue, Beaverlodge AB 780-354-2203
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
6:00am-9:30pm	7:00am-9:00pm	6:00am-9:30pm	7:00am-9:00pm	6:00am-9:30pm	9:00am-9:00pm	9:00am-9:00pm	

October Fitness Classes

NuVista Energy Centre 1016 4th Ave. Beaverlodge

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	6am Fitness Centre Bootcamp Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 6:00am-7:00am \$30	Spin Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25 6:00am-6:45am \$24	6am Fitness Centre Bootcamp Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26 6:00am-7:00am \$24	*Schedule is subject to change*
Aquafit-Combo 9:00am-10:00am	Aquafit-Shallow 9:00am-10:00am	Aquafit-Combo 9:00am-10:00am	Aquafit-Deep 9:00am-10:00am	Aquafit-Uninstructed 9:00am-10:00am
	Parents with Tots Bootcamp Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 10:00am-11:00am \$30			
	Youth Kickboxing Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 4:00pm-5:00pm Tuesdays & Thursdays \$48		Youth Kickboxing Oct. 5, 12, 19	
Spin Oct. 2, 16, 23, 30 5:45pm-6:30pm \$24	Ride & Strength Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 5:30pm-6:30pm \$30	Adult Strength Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25 5:30pm-6:30pm \$24	Ride & Strength Oct. 5, 12, 19 5:30pm-6:30pm \$18	
	Aquafit-Deep 7:00pm-8:00pm	Bootcamp Surprise! Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25 7:00pm-8:00pm \$24	Aquafit-Shallow 7:00pm-8:00pm	

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Annual Aquatics Shut-Down October 16 - November 5, 2023.

Drop-ins available for all classes when space allows.
Adult Strength is pre-registered only.

Aquafit is drop-in only.

Visit us on Facebook : NuVista Energy Centre

FITNESS CENTER & FRONT DESK HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday Tuesday & Thursday Weekends

6:00am-9:30pm 7:00am-9:00pm 9:00am-9:00pm

Call to register:
780-354-2203

www.beaverlodge.ca

SKATING LESSONS

PARENT +TOT (AGES 2-4)

CHILDREN LEARN
THE VERY BASICS
OF SKATING.

PRESCHOOL (AGES 3-6)

CHILDREN HAVE SOME EXPERIENCE. ABLE TO STAND
WITH LITTLE ASSISTANCE AND BALANCE ON 2 FEET.
NEEDS TO BE ABLE TO HAVE FORWARD MOVEMENT.
(SKATING OR SHUFFLING)

STAGE 1 (AGES 6-13)

LEARNING THE BASICS FOR THIS AGE GROUP. MUST BE
ABLE TO SKATE OR SHUFFLE FORWARDS AND
BALANCE ON 2 FEET WITHOUT ASSISTANCE.

STAGE 2 (AGES 6-13)

LEARNING A FEW NEW SKILLS WHILE STRENGTHENING
THE SKILLS IN LEARNED IN STAGE 1. NEEDS TO BE ABLE
TO SKATE FORWARDS AND BACKWARDS, NO
SHUFFLING FORWARDS.

STAGE 3 (AGES 6-13)

STRENGTHENING SKILLS LEARNED IN STAGE 2 WHILE
INTRODUCING SOME SKILLS USED IN HOCKEY AND
FIGURE SKATING.

STAGE 4 (AGES 6-13)

CONTINUING TO LEARN SKILLS USED IN HOCKEY AND
FIGURE SKATING OR TO JUST ADVANCE CHILDREN'S
SKATING SKILLS IN GENERAL.

TO REGISTER, PLEASE CONTACT THE NUVISTA ENERGY CENTER

780-354-2203



CSR@BEAVERLODGE.CA

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND TOWN

Beaverlodge Aquatics Shutdown

The annual aquatics shut down for the NuVista Energy Centre will occur October 16 through November 5, 2023.

The most noticeable work will be the grout repair of a large portion of the pool deck. We have a long list of regularly required mechanical maintenance scheduled as well.

The remainder of the facility will operate normally.

Aquatics memberships can be used to receive 20% off drop-in rates for Eastlink aquatics once they re-open on October 23rd.

NuVista Energy Centre Swim Lessons

Next Release Date:

October 19th at 9:00am

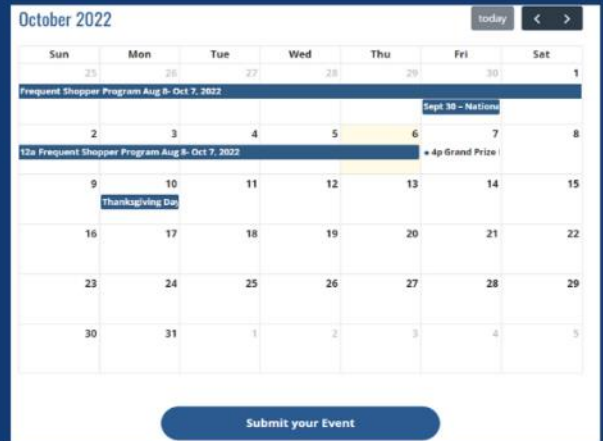
Lessons will run November & December



Upcoming Events:

- October 6** – Blades Home Game
- October 12** – Teen Skill Night (Special FX make-up)
- October 13** – Teen Chill Night - Movie
- October 13** – Blades Home Game
- October 14** – Community Clean-Up
- October 27** – Blades Home Game
- October 28** – Blades Home Game
- November 3** – Blades Home Game

Did you Know About The Town Community Calendar?



Submit your community events by going to beaverlodge.ca website. Scroll down to the bottom of the page and click "view calendar". This will take you to the calendar page and at the bottom of the calendar click "submit your event."

FITNESS CENTRE NOTICE

WEDNESDAYS
10:30-11:45AM

FRIDAYS
1:30-2:45PM

The fitness centre will be utilized by the local students during this time.

We will remain open but ask that you plan accordingly.

THANK YOU!



Council Update

Governance

Every organization needs governance, from ice cream stands to firms with 50,000 people. In the Town of Beaverlodge governance is made up of one mayor and six town councillors. Three things I know about small town governance:

- Most people have good intentions
- Most people are volunteers
- Most people are uninformed

Governance today is different from 50 years ago. I know of a small town that signed a document in the early 60's with a railroad company stating if a railroad crossing sign was broke off or damaged the town had to replace it. Council of the day agreed to this: "It is only a 4x4 post, probably not even treated." So, six years ago when the electronic flashing sign with bells was ran over and required repair, the Town had to pay.

Hence, we do what we think is best for the community with the information we have.

Considering that there are about 2400 different opinions in the town, we all cannot all have our way, including the seven people at the council table.

Hugh Graw
Town of Beaverlodge Councillor

Happening Around Town

In line with the municipal Capital Plan, construction has commenced on the exciting expansion project at the Nu Vista Energy Center. This development aims to enhance our community's amenities by providing additional cold storage space, which will greatly benefit the storage of tables and chairs for the community center.





COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2023 FROM 9AM - 4PM



BINS WILL BE LOCATED IN THE TOWN OFFICE PARKING LOT TO DISPOSE OF YARD AND HOUSEHOLD WASTE



A TOWN EMPLOYEE WILL BE ON SITE TO MONITOR DROP-OFFS

BINS PROVIDED FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

BIN 1 - WHITE GOODS such as stoves, fridges, washers, dryers, dishwashers & deep freezers

BIN 2 - TIRES

BIN 3 - ALL METAL - small appliances, microwaves, blenders, toaster, vehicle parts, barbecue, etc...

BIN 4 - ELECTRONICS - T.V.'s, computers, monitors, DVD players

BIN 5 - OVERSIZED OR OVERWEIGHT miscellaneous garbage, large furniture, couches, mattresses & wood bundles over 5 feet.

Teen Skills & Teen Chill Nights

Beaverlodge FCSS and the Town of Beaverlodge are pleased to introduce a new Teen Program, featuring alternating themed nights of Skill Development and Socialization. This new program is scheduled to start on the second Thursday and Friday of each month, starting in October. Our primary aim is to empower and support teenagers in our community by offering these valuable opportunities for personal growth and connection.

Skill Development Nights (Thursdays): On Thursday nights, we will be dedicated to cultivating essential life skills that promote resilience and effective coping mechanisms. Through engaging activities and discussions, our aim is to equip teens with the tools they need to navigate some of life's challenges and develop into confident, well-rounded individuals.

Chill/Socialization Nights (Fridays): Fridays will be reserved for a fun evening of socialization with peers. This is an excellent opportunity for teenagers to unwind, enjoy fun activities, and build lasting friendships within a safe and supportive environment.

If you attend the Thursday Teen Skills group, participation in Friday's Teen Chill group is FREE!! **If you only come to the Friday Chill then admission is \$5.**

Pre-registration is required as space is limited. Call 780-354-4057 for more information or to sign up. Must have minimum of 5 participants to run.

Parent/Guardians must sign a waiver on your first visit in order to participate in either night.



TENTATIVE SCHEDULE * subject to change

Thursday **SKILLS**, Friday **CHILL**

- October 12, 4-6pm - Special FX Make-up
- October 13, 6-8pm - Halloween Movie and Pizza
- November 9, 4-6pm - Healthy Eating/Healthy Moving (bring runners)
- November 10, 6-8pm - Ice Skating, Smores and Subway
- December 7, 4-6pm - Christmas Cards for Seniors - Christmas Cards for Seniors
- December 8, 6-8pm - Gingerbread House Decorating and Subway
- January 11, 4-6pm - TBD
- January 12, 6-8pm Karaoke/Games and A&W Burgers
- *February 10 (**SATURDAY**) 1-4pm Learner's License Prep*
- February 9, 6-8pm - Mario Kart Tournament and Pizza
- March 7, 4-6pm - Healthy Relationships*
- March 8 - Free Public Swim and Pizza
- April 11, 4-6pm Teens in the Kitchen - Learning to make Spaghetti & Meatballs
- April 12, 6-8pm - Trip to GP -Laser Tag (\$5)*
- May 9, 6-8pm - Basic Car Maintenance
- May 10, 6-8pm - Bowling (\$5)*
- June 6, 4-6pm - Emergency First Aid*
- June 7, 6-8pm - Trivia Night and Pizza

Gain and Maintain

Improved physical health

Enhanced mental health

Increased independence

Better quality of life

Social connection

Reduced risk of cardiovascular disease



60+ GROUP FITNESS

6 Weeks!

Mondays 1-2pm

Dance Fitness - A light cardiorespiratory workout choreographed to a motivating playlist! Aiming to improve coordination, balance, and stamina.

Wednesdays 1-2pm

Resistance Training - Focus on functional fitness! Working towards improving muscular strength and endurance. Aiming to improve our day-to-day lives so we can enjoy our days pain-free and with ease.

Starting September 25th

Build a sense of community and surround yourself with a strong support system. Connect with like-minded community members who share similar health and wellness goals.

With Support Comes Strength

Classes at The NuVista Energy Center

For more information or to register call

Reanna 780-354-4057.

