



**FEBRUARY 28, 2025**

## **TOWN OF BEAVERLODGE**

**Beaver Tails News**

### **Connecting Seniors to Vital Services; Beaverlodge Seniors Fair a Huge Success**

On February 24, the NuVista Energy Centre buzzed with activity as over 130 seniors from around the West County attended the Beaverlodge Seniors Fair. Organized in partnership with Beaverlodge FCSS, the County of Grande Prairie FCSS, and Service Canada, the event brought together 25 different senior-serving organizations to share valuable resources and support.

Attendees had the opportunity to learn about local services, connect with organizations, and take in informative presentations. Service Canada delivered an important session on senior scams, while Empower Me provided insights on energy savings.

This event was a fantastic way to ensure seniors in our region have access to the information and services they need. Given its success, we hope to make it an annual tradition!

A heartfelt thank you to Beaverlodge New Horizon Co-Op for generously donating a \$100 gift card to provide coffee and snacks, and to the NuVista Energy Centre for being such a welcoming host.



## **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:**

**March 10**

**March 24**

**6pm-Committee of the Whole**

**7pm - Council Meeting**





# BEAVERLODGE NOMINEES RECOGNIZED AT THE 2025 PASSIONATE HEART AWARDS

The Passionate Heart Awards celebrate the dedication and service of individuals and businesses that go above and beyond to enhance the well-being of their communities. Proudly sponsored by Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) from the City of Grande Prairie, the County of Grande Prairie, and the towns of Beaverlodge, Sexsmith, and Wembley, these awards highlight the outstanding contributions of those working in social services and community support.

This year, Beaverlodge is proud to have three nominees whose hard work and passion have made a lasting impact.

The Passionate Heart Exceptional Service Award honors individuals who have demonstrated exceptional frontline service in professions such as policing, child and family services, youth services, education, and social prevention. Beaverlodge is fortunate to have two nominees in this category:

## **Pamela Christie**

As a teacher and Off-Campus Coordinator at Beaverlodge Regional High School (BRHS), Pamela Christie plays a crucial role in shaping student experiences. She manages the Registered Apprenticeship Program (RAP), Green Certificate, and Work Experience programs, ensuring students receive hands-on learning opportunities. Pamela is known for her dedication to student success, her caring nature, and her contributions to creating an inclusive and supportive learning environment.

## **Amy Dzus-Clarke**

Amy Dzus-Clarke, Assistant Principal and teacher at BRHS, has been instrumental in fostering mental health awareness, Indigenous cultural connections, and academic success. She established the school's Link Centre, a safe space for Indigenous students, and has led numerous mentorship and land-based learning initiatives. Amy's leadership and advocacy create a school environment where students feel supported, empowered, and valued.

The Passionate Heart Business Award is given to a business that has demonstrated outstanding community support, whether through financial contributions, in-kind donations, or service initiatives. This year, Mint Pharmacy Beaverlodge has been recognized for its incredible commitment to the community.



## **Mint Pharmacy Beaverlodge**

Under the leadership of Becky Perrin, Mint Pharmacy provides essential healthcare services while also playing an active role in community support. The pharmacy's contributions include donations during Seniors Week, holiday gifts for senior homes, and sponsorship of local events such as the Beaverlodge Christmas Craze and the Art Walk. Their commitment to going beyond healthcare to enhance community well-being truly embodies the Spirit of Service.

*Congratulations!*



FEB 2025

# Volunteer Group Spotlight

## Beaverlodge Curling Club

Each month Beaver Tails will featuring a different volunteer organization to learn more about.

The Beaverlodge Curling Club has been a cornerstone of the community for many years, offering a welcoming space for curlers of all ages and skill levels. In the off-season, the facility also hosts pickleball, ensuring year-round recreational opportunities. The club's current building was constructed in 1991, made possible through the dedication and hard work of volunteers. As a non-profit organization, the club is committed to promoting the sport of curling while fostering teamwork, sportsmanship, and community spirit. Their mission is to keep curling affordable and accessible while ensuring the long-term sustainability of the facility.

### The Heart of the Club: Volunteers

The Beaverlodge Curling Club would not exist without its incredible volunteers. From day-to-day operations to long-term planning, volunteers keep the

club running. Their efforts ensure that the facility remains a hub for recreation, social connection, and community engagement. Without volunteers, the club simply wouldn't be able to maintain its ice, host events, or continue to provide a space for local sports and organizations. Their dedication directly impacts the longevity of the club, ensuring it remains a vital part of Beaverlodge for years to come.

### Giving Back to the Community

The club is deeply invested in supporting the community through various initiatives:

- Encouraging youth participation through Learn-to-Curl and junior programs.
- Providing meeting space for non-profits and sports groups, including Beaverlodge Victim Services and Minor Hockey.
- Raising funds for local causes through league night and bonspiel fundraisers.



### Volunteer Opportunities

Every role within the club is filled by dedicated volunteers, making them the true foundation of its success.

Volunteers take on tasks such as:

- Installing and maintaining the ice
- Stocking and running the bar
- Organizing events and facility rentals
- Coaching junior curlers

Whether behind the scenes or on the ice, each volunteer plays a crucial role in keeping the club running and thriving. Their time and effort directly contribute to the club's future, ensuring curling remains a beloved sport in the community.

### Get Involved!

The club welcomes volunteers of all skill levels—no experience is needed, just a willingness to help! If you're interested, contact the Beaverlodge Curling Club:

☎ (780) 354-2514

✉ [beavercurl@gmail.com](mailto:beavercurl@gmail.com)

🌐 [beaverlodge.curling.io](http://beaverlodge.curling.io)

📘 [Facebook.com/BeaverCurl](https://Facebook.com/BeaverCurl)


By volunteering, you're not just helping a club—you're strengthening a community and keeping a tradition alive.



Do you want your organization featured?  
Email [rstockman@beaverlodge.ca](mailto:rstockman@beaverlodge.ca)



### NuVista Energy Centre Aquatics and Facility Schedule March 1-31, 2025

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
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	<div></div>	
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		
	School Lessons 10:00am-3:00pm					
				Public Swim 12:30pm-2:30pm		
Senior & Assisted Parent & Tot 3:00pm-4:00pm	Senior Lane Swim Parent & Tot 3:00pm-4:00pm	Senior & Assisted Parent & Tot 3:00pm-4:00pm	Senior Lane Swim Parent & Tot 3:00pm-4:00pm	Public Swim 3:00pm-9:00pm	Public Swim 12:00pm-5:00pm	Public Swim 12:00pm-5:00pm
Lessons 4:00pm-7:00pm	Public Swim 4:00pm-7:00pm	Public Swim 4:00pm-9:00pm	Public Swim 4:00pm-7:00pm		Private Rental 5:00pm-6:00pm	Private Rental 5:00pm-6:00pm
Public Swim 7:00pm-9:00pm	Aquafit-Deep 7:00pm-8:00pm		Aquafit-Shallow 7:00pm-8:00pm		1016-4th Avenue, Beaverlodge 780-354-2203	
	Adult Swim 8:00pm-9:00pm		Adult Swim 8:00pm-9:00pm			

**Teacher's Convention \* March 6 & 7 \* Public Swim 12:30pm - 2:30pm**

## March Fitness Classes

NuVista Energy Centre 1016 4th Ave, Beaverlodge				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	Fitness Centre Bootcamp Mar 4,11,18,25 6:00am-7:00am \$24/Month	Spin Mar 5,12,19,26 6:00am-6:45am \$24/Month	Fitness Centre Bootcamp Mar 6,13,20,27 6:00am-7:00am \$24/Month	*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
Spin Mar 3,10,17,24 6:00pm-6:45pm \$24/Month	Adult Strength Mar 4,11,18,25 5:30pm-6:30pm \$24/Month	Ride & Strength Mar 5,12,19,26 5:15pm-6:15pm \$24/Month	Adult Strength Mar 6,13,20,27 5:30pm-6:30pm \$24/Month	
Hatha Yoga With Christine Mar 3,10,17,24 7:00pm-8:00pm \$24/Month	Aquafit-Deep 7:00pm-8:00pm	HIIT Mar 5,12,19,26 6:30pm-7:30pm \$24/Month	Aquafit-Shallow 7:00pm-8:00pm	

## Front Desk & Fitness Center Hours

**Monday: 6am - 9pm**

**Tuesday: 7am - 9pm**

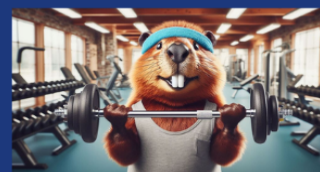
**Wednesday: 6am - 9pm**

**Thursday: 7am - 9pm**

**Friday: 6am - 9pm**

**Saturday: 10am - 6pm**

**Sunday: 10am - 6pm**





# MAR/APR SWIMMING LESSONS

## LEVELS OFFERED    MARCH 3, 10, 17, 24    APRIL 7, 14, 21    NO LESSONS MARCH 31

Parent & Tot 1, 2, 3	4:30pm-5:00pm	#3918 (\$43.75)	Monday
Preschool 1 & 2	4:00pm-4:30pm	#3916 (\$43.75)	Monday
Preschool 1 & 2	5:00pm-5:30pm	#3920 (\$43.75)	Monday
Preschool 1 & 2	5:30pm-6:00pm	#3922 (\$43.75)	Monday
Preschool 3 & 4	4:00pm-4:30pm	#3917 (\$43.75)	Monday
Preschool 3 & 4	5:00pm-5:30pm	#3921 (\$43.75)	Monday
Preschool 5	4:30pm-5:00pm	#3919 (\$43.75)	Monday

**REGISTER TODAY**

 780-354-2203

 [csr@beaverlodge.ca](mailto:csr@beaverlodge.ca)

 1016 - 4th Ave

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Swimmer 1	5:15pm-6:00pm	#3924 (\$43.75)	Monday
Swimmer 1	6:15pm-7:00pm	#3926 (\$43.75)	Monday
Swimmer 2 & 3	4:00pm-4:45pm	#3915 (\$43.75)	Monday
Swimmer 2 & 3	5:15pm-6:00pm	#3923 (\$43.75)	Monday
Swimmer 2 & 3	6:15pm-7:00pm	#3927 (\$43.75)	Monday
Swimmer 4 & 5	4:00pm-4:45pm	#3914 (\$43.75)	Monday
Swimmer 6	6:15pm-7:00pm	#3928 (\$43.75)	Monday
CSP - Ranger	5:45pm-6:45pm	#3925 (\$50.00)	Monday





# TOWN OF BEAVERLODGE 2025 MUNICIPAL ELECTION INFORMATION

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### NOW

#### REGISTER TO VOTE

All voters must be on the permanent Electors Registry. To register to vote or check to see if you are registered to vote, visit [voterlink.ab.ca](https://voterlink.ab.ca)

### OPEN NOW

#### NOMINATION PERIOD

January 1 – September 22 at noon

### OCT 15 & OCT 18 2025

#### ADVANCE VOTING

**Wednesday October 15 from 4 PM – 8 PM**  
(Beaverlodge Community Centre)  
**Saturday October 18 from 10 AM – 8 PM**  
(Beaverlodge Community Centre)

### OCT 20 10AM TO 8PM

#### ELECTION DAY VOTING

**Monday October 20 from 10 AM – 8 PM**  
(Beaverlodge Community Centre)  
Institutional Voting Monday October 20 from 2 PM – 4 PM (Amisk Court – only residents of Amisk Court may vote here)

### GET PREPARED

#### INFORMATION FOR VOTERS

You are eligible to vote if you can provide authorized identification which shows that you are:

- At least 18 years old
- A Canadian citizen, and
- A resident of Beaverlodge

All voting will take place at the Beaverlodge Community Centre (except Institutional Voting).

There is also an option to go to an elector's residence where the elector is physically unable to go to a voting station. Incapacitated voting would occur only upon request, from Tuesday October 14th to Friday October 17th, between the hours of 10 AM – 4 PM. Anyone wishing to request this may contact Nichole at [nyoung@beaverlodge.ca](mailto:nyoung@beaverlodge.ca) or call 780-354-2201 ext: 1013 (proof of incapacity will be required).



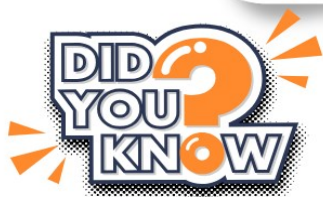
#### INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The 2025 Municipal Election Handbook is now available on our website at [www.beaverlodge.ca](https://www.beaverlodge.ca) – Local Government – 2025 Municipal Election





## Council Message



**In 2024 the Town of Beaverlodge Council approved fee waivers, reductions and donations to support community organizations worth \$47,365.50.**

### **Community Organizations: \$21,305.00**

Paizley's Purses & Bentley's Backpacks - \$625  
McNaught Homestead Preservation Society - \$475  
Beaverlodge Daycare Society - \$1,325  
Beaverlodge Chamber of Commerce - \$2,540  
Firefighters Lobsterfest - \$1,990  
Beaverlodge Mural Foundation - \$2,000  
Beaverlodge Cultural Centre - \$12,000  
Beaverlodge United Church - \$350.00

### **Schools: \$6,258.00**

BRHS Grad - \$6,258.00

**Total Fees Waived: \$16,722.50**

**Total Sponsorships & Donations: \$30,593.00**

### **Sports Groups: \$12,917.50**

Beaverlodge Barracuda's Swim Club - \$10,127.50  
Rebel's Volleyball - \$1,250.00  
Junior B Blades - \$1,090.00  
Beaverlodge Girl's Hockey - \$250.00  
Swan City Basketball - \$200.00

### **Other: \$ 6,885.00**

Royal Canadian Legion Military Service - \$345  
International Street Performers- \$3,000  
Beaverlodge Municipal Hospital - \$540.00  
Trevor Bartsch Ice Surface @ Campground - \$3,000





# Beaverlodge Celebrates a Fun-Filled Family Day

Beaverlodge families came together on Monday, February 17, for a fantastic Family Day celebration at the NuVista Energy Centre. With over 250 people in attendance, the day was filled with laughter, activity, and meaningful connections.

Attendees enjoyed a FREE public swim, followed by a delicious complimentary lunch served by Town Council and CAO Jeff Johnston. The Community Centre was buzzing with excitement as families took to the floor for friendly floor hockey games, made possible through the generous loan of equipment from Beaverlodge Elementary School.

For those looking for a more relaxed way to spend the day, the Walker Room offered an assortment of family games, providing a cozy space for quality time together. Meanwhile, the arena saw skaters of all ages lacing up for a free public skate, gliding across the ice and making memories.

Family Day 2025 was a tremendous success, bringing the community together in the spirit of fun and connection. A huge thank you to all who participated and helped make this event special!



March

2025

## Upcoming Events:

**March 6** – Babysitting Course

**March 7** – Fitness Center closed at 9am

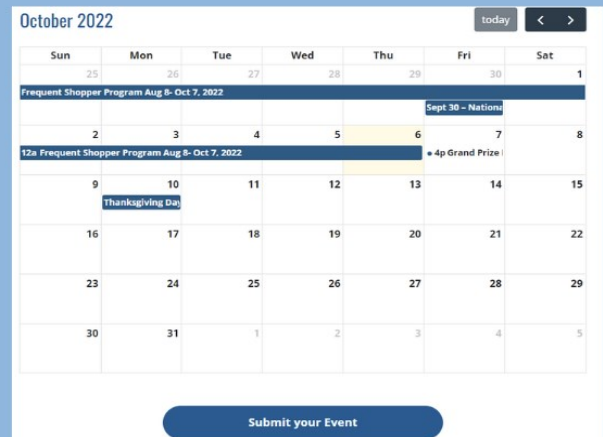
**March 7** – Home Alone Course

**March 11** – Service Canada drop-In session 9am -noon

**March 13** – Teen Skills

**March 14** – Teen Chill

## Did you Know About The Town Community Calendar?



Submit your community events by going to [beaverlodge.ca](http://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."