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Yellowhead Complex Fire evacuees ret by Caroline Charbonneau, Edson Forest Area Information Coordinator/Alberta Forestry and Parks and Mattie Watson Information Officer South Zone All-Hazard Incident Management Team

16th Annual Eddie's Big Run...

June 3, 2025 - Residents of (Mercoal Creek) and EWF-036 estimated to be 738 hectares from Robb and Mercoal and multi-day evacuation Yellowhead Complex Fire. prompted by the EWF-030

Robb, Mercoal, and Peers have (January Creek near Peers) for the Robb/Mercoal fire and around 500 residents from now returned home following a fires, since renamed as the 320 hectares for the Peers fire, Peers. The fire came very close requiring the evacuation of to the community of Peers but The wildfires are now approximately 250 residents

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Alberta Wildfire, YCFD firefighters, aircraft and heavy equipment responded quickly to EFW036 on the evening of May 29 south of Peers. submitted



Yellowhead Complex Fire evacuees return home

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did not breach the community boundary thanks to the tireless efforts of emergency crews and responders.

"We are incredibly grateful to the crews from Alberta Wildfire, Yellowhead County Fire Services, and departments from across the province for their incredible dedication to protecting our communities," said Yellowhead County Mayor Wade Williams. "We also want to thank our residents for responding quickly to the evacuation notice. Your cooperation helped crews focus on protecting people, homes and critical infrastructure."

Incident Commander Albert Bahri added, "The response to the Yellowhead Complex Fire was truly a team effort. From fire crews on the front lines to support staff, heavy equipment operators, and utility crews, everyone played a key role in managing this complex and evolving situation."

Alberta Wildfire Information Officer, Caroline Charbonneau also noted, "the inter-agency cooperation, training and experience has been invaluable in responding to these wildfires. We're grateful to the public for giving our firefighters the space they need to operate safely and effectively. Our pilots and aircraft crews have also done outstanding work—our aerial support continues to be a critical part in supporting our firefighters on the ground."

Yellowhead County would like to extend heartfelt thanks to:

- Firefighters from Alberta Wildfire, Yellowhead County Fire Services and fire departments from across Alberta;

- Heavy equipment operators, Yellowhead County staff and Incident Management Teams from across the province for their coordinated response;

- CN Rail and Alberta Transportation for their logistical support and coordination;
 - Yellowhead Gas Co-op and ATCO Gas for their swift work to restore service and support residents returning home.

Most importantly, we thank our residents for evacuating when asked and for your patience throughout the evacuation period. Your actions allowed crews to focus fully on the emergency.

A detailed Re-entry Guide is available on the County's website (www.yhcounty.ca), which includes safety instructions, contact numbers and resources for returning residents.

Residents are reminded that they can connect with Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) to access community supports or call the 24/7 Mental Health Help Line at 1-877-303-2642.

Although these wildfires don't appear to be active at this time, they are still



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Alberta Wildfire firefighters digging into the ground searching for and extinguishing hot spots. photos submitted



Alberta Wildfire fighters directing a helicopter to drop water on their hot spot.

burning, and fire behaviour could increase as warm and windy conditions continue through the week.

Please remain aware, be prepared, and download the Alberta Emergency Alert app to receive lifesaving notifications in the event of future evacuations. Have pets, essential medications and documents ready in case you are required to evacuate. Keep vehicles fuelled up as well.

For updated information on wildfires, visit https://www.alberta.ca/wildfire-update-edson-forest-area

For ongoing updates, follow Yellowhead County on social media and visit www.yhcounty.ca.



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16th Annual Eddies Big Run

by NIki Luymes

The Town of Edson hosted the 16th annual Eddies Big Run on May 31. The event consisted of multiple distance runs, a pancake breakfast, kids zone, and an awards ceremony with draw prizes.

This year the event was held in the parking lot of Parkland Composite High School. The first racers started their run at 9am with the awards ceremony beginning at 11:15am.

Eddie's Big Run featured three main races along with a kids fun run. Each race including the 10km, 5km, and 3km, make use of the Town's trail system. "It provides an incredible opportunity to celebrate and enhance our beautiful trails system, encourage community interaction, and promote healthy living, in an active, community-centered event open to all ages," said Hannah Minelli, Community Development Coordinator with the Town of Edson.

With the variety of race lengths, people of all ages were welcome to participate. Strollers are popular for the 3km, and kids fun run. The pancake breakfast took place from 9am to 12pm inside the high school. Racers ate for free, while visitor were asked for a small donation. All proceeds go back to future events and maintaining the trail system. For the younger kids there was a kids zone featuring games, a colouring station, and glitter tattoos from 9am to noon.

This year's fastest runners for the men where: Lyle J. Simmons in the 3km; Ezra Acorn in the 5km; and Elliott Nelson for the 10km. The faster in the ladies were: Amy Cloake Tookey in the 3km; Neah Hoogerbrugge in the 5km; and Natalie Laflamme in the 10km. The 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners received a small bonus prize along with the usual finishing medal.

Eddie's Big run is always highly supported by local business and organizations. This year the event had to be shifted to the PCHS parking lot because of the ongoing construction at the Edson Leisure Centre. Regardless of this change, the event still had a good turnout with 271 people registered, plus the extended family who came out to cheer.

little bit different?" said



During Eddie's Big Run on May 31, the kids took off from the starting line at 11:30am. The event was held at Parkland High school this year photo Niki Luymes



The three fastest ladies for the 10km race at the Eddie's Big Run were Natalie Laflamme in 1st; Brenda Wallis in 2nd; and Tanya Strandlund in 3rd. photo Niki Luymes

PCHS Escape Room 'The Abandoned Atheneum' ready for bookings

by Niki Luymes

For the month of June, Parkland Composite High School (PCHS) is selling tickets to their student-made escape room. The experience, created by the building construction class, is the first of its kind in PCHS history. Each booking costs \$20 per person, with a max of 4 people per attempt.

The escape room was created entirely by PCHS students. Every year the building construction class creates a project to practically apply their skills. "Typically we make temporary walls and we learn how to drywall and all that stuff. But this year we had a

life." thought 'what's something we can do that's a 'The Abandoned

Dylan Gullason, Construction and Math Teacher. "We first came up with a theme then we started working on the puzzles," explained Gullason, "We started brainstorming about the theme in February, and we actually had a few of our students go into the city and do two escape rooms so they could come back with ideas. So we just brained stormed, came up with ideas, and started bringing them to

room is themed around the concept of a secret library. The official blurb states: "While exploring a small deserted town, you and your team of treasure hunters stumble upon a forgotten library hidden beneath an old, abandoned estate. The library was once home to rare texts and ancient treasured artifacts. The entrance seems to have been sealed for decades

but you've now been

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"We've had a couple groups do it now and everybody has said that it's really well done," said Gullason.

The escape room will be open for booking most evenings after school for the entire month on June. The escape room requires at least two people, with a maximum of four. There will be a prize given to the group with the fastest overall time. Groups are

required to pre-book their spots, which you can do though the website:

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INFORMATION ONLY

Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act (EPEA) Registration No. 196584-00-00 was issued on July 25, 2003, to Border Paving for the construction, operation, and reclamation of the Paschak Pit in the NW 18-054-15-W5M.

Reclamation certificate No. 461308-00-00 has been issued by Alberta Environment and Protected Areas on February 19, 2025. The EPEA Registration No. 196584-01-00, as amended, is no longer required for the above mentioned pit.

In accordance with the EPEA and the regulations, the Director has canceled EPEA Registration No. 196584-01-00, as amended.

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Notice – Public Hearing

A Public Hearing will be held in accordance with the Municipal Government Act on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, at 7:00 pm in the Town of Edson Council Chambers (605 - 50 Street) for the purpose of the following matter:

- To consider Bylaw 2326, which amends Land Use Bylaw No. 2296

- The purpose of the Public Hearing is to consider administrative amendments to the Land Use Bylaw, revise specific land use definitions, add regulations for moved-in buildings, and revise the Permitted and Discretionary uses in many land use districts, as proposed at the May 13, 2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting.

If approved, the amendments are intended to correct errors or omissions identified as a result of regular use of the Land Use Bylaw, respond to unintended outcomes, and improve the consistency of application of Land Use Bylaw regulations. These changes stem from discussions held at the Committee of the Whole Meeting on May 13, 2025.

A copy of this bylaw and supporting information can be found on the Town of Edson Website.

If you wish to register to speak or submit a written statement, please contact Legislative Services byemailing legislativeservices@edson.ca or call 780-723-4401. Written submissions must be submitted no later than 12:00 p.m. on Monday, June 16, 2025. Submissions received by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 12, 2025, will be included in the Council agenda package

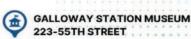
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NOTICE OF DEVELOPMENT

Recent Development Permits approved by the Development Authority, under the Town of Edson Land Use Bylaw 2296 as amended, can be found at https://www.edson.ca/business/planning/development-permit-applications. Additional information can be requested from the Planning Department at 780-723-4402 or planning@edson.ca. Any person who is deemed to be affected by the issuance of any one of these permits may appeal to the Subdivision and Development Authority by 4:00 p.m., on the 21st day after the date of issue as published on the Town's website. On Permitted Uses, grounds for appeal must relate only to interpretation, variance, or relaxation of Land Use Bylaw 2296. On Discretionary Uses, all aspects of the proposed development may be challenged upon appeal. Written notice of appeal, accompanied by the appeal fee as established by Town Council, must be filed through the Office of the Secretary of the Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (ISDAB) at Box 6300, Edson, AB T7E 1T7. Direct Control District Approvals cannot be appealed.





Come and Enjoy Your Library!

by Niki Luymes

The Edson and District Public Library is quickly approaching the one-year mark since completing their ambitious renovations and they would like to take this moment to thank the community and the many businesses that supported them over the past several years.

A lot of hard work behind the scenes, and in the public eye, went into making these changes possible.

"Thank you to our three government sponsors for providing the funding and support that made this renovation and expansion project possible. We are also very grateful to have recently received a second Government of Alberta grant for the purchase of equipment and shelving that will allow us to fully realize the potential of our new spaces. This includes some moveable shelving that makes it possible to reconfigure the spaces for groups and events," said Robin Corser, Library Board member.

"And thank you to our amazing community. Together, everyone added to the revitalization of this essential public resource," added Corser.

Not only does this project increase the longevity of the library, it allows the library to better serve the community.

It all began in 1944 when a small volunteer community group opened a library in an unused gas station. In 1945 the library moved to the Town Hall. In 1949, it moved to the Scout Hall, and then to the Edson Civic Centre in 1957. In 1981, the library, together with the pottery, arts, and weaving clubs, finally got their own dedicated space in its present location.

Discussions about renovations began 30 years later. "The need for a larger facility was recognized over a decade ago when, in 2012, plans for a much larger expansion were developed but not able to be realized due to financial constraints. For this project the Library Board made a conscious decision to pursue a more modest and fiscally responsible plan," said Sheila Buckle, Library Board member.

After a few years of planning and consultation, the Library Board unveiled plans for the renovations. The new layout takes advantage of unused space, expanding the library inside and out, making it more welcoming and accessible. The design includes a larger and brighter children's area, a dedicated teen space, two new break-out rooms, and more space for the library collection.

In 2023, with funding from the Town of Edson, the Government of Alberta, and Yellowhead County, the project became a reality."

The renovations officially began in August of 2023. Staff relocated a carefully curated collection to a temporary location donated by Cenovus Energy, so the library could continue to serve the community during construction. In July of 2024, the library began the move back to their newly renovated location.

"The new design brings an updated look and creates a cozy and bright feeling that unites the old with the new. The architectural design includes harmonizing elements and colours that tie together the library spaces, enlivening the children's area, and providing an energized teen zone with social gathering spaces and a chalk board to encourage artistic expression," said Corser.

The library held its official grand opening on October 18, 2024, marking the successful and gratifying end to a long journey.



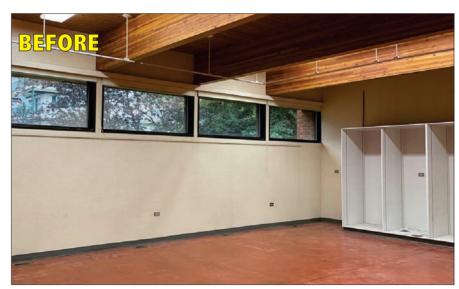
After the library's renovations, this courtyard area became indoor space. photo submitted



The children's area was limited due to the space constraints. photo submitted



The renovated Kids Zone is more than double the size of the previous children's area and features more activities and brighter lighting. photo Niki Luymes



The old arts room was separated from the rest of the library space. photo submitted.



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What was outside is now enclosed and turned into a dedicated teen area with comic books, video games, and more. photo Niki Luymes

The old arts room was transformed into the Reading Room where patrons can browse, work, read, and study in peace. photo Niki Luymes



We sincerely appreciate the vision and generosity of our sponsors and donors who made this project, so important to our community, a reality.

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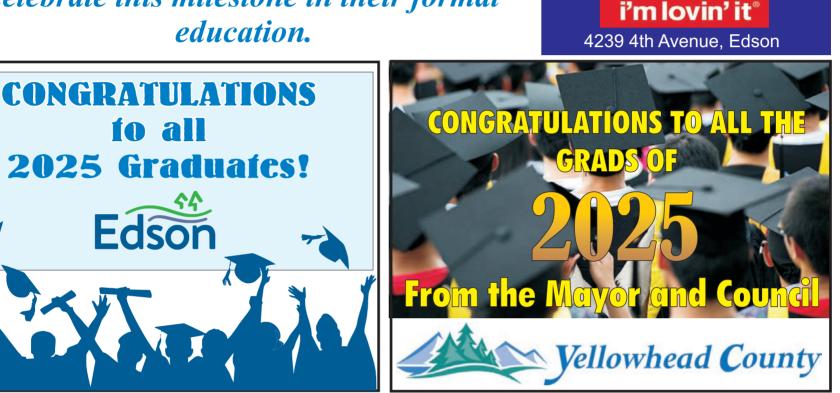
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Congratulations to all the Grads



Congratulations to the Grads of Holy Redeemer School as they make their way across the stage to celebrate this milestone in their formal education.



Forest Tent Caterpillars spotted throughout Alberta including Yellowhead County

There have been numerous sightings of Forest Tent Caterpillars throughout the province this spring. Forest Tent Caterpillar populations peak approximately every 10 years with outbreaks lasting from 2 to 5 years. While Yellowhead County has not vet seen the same numbers as other locations, the





On May 30, Westhaven Elementary School took part in a Fun Run. Based on the grade level was how far they would run. The younger grades participated around the school while other grades ran from the school clear around the airport road. submitted by Deanna Mitchener



A cluster of Forest Tent Caterpillars on a host tree. The insects are identifiable by blue stripes running down the length of their body and a row of white, key-shaped markings down the back.

caterpillars are present in the area.

Forest Tent Caterpillars are easily identifiable by the blue stripes running the length of the body and a row of white, key-shaped markings down the back. The caterpillars often appear in large clusters. These clusters will feed off of a host tree, and when they have completely defoliated it they will move together to a new location.

While healthy trees can usually survive an infestation of Forest Tent Caterpillars, you may wish to remove them. You can do so by scraping the caterpillars off of the tree, or use a strong jet of water to blast them off. If you would like further information, contact Yellowhead County's Horticultural Technician at 780-325-3782.

On May 28, Kindergarten students from Mary Bergeron Elementary School ventured to Kelley's Bathtub in William A. Switzer Provincial Park for their year-end field trip. The day was filled with nature exploration, discovery, and plenty of curiosity as students connected with the outdoors in meaningful ways. A day full of learning, adventure, and fresh air. submitted by Deanna Mitchener

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Holy Redeemer School Graduation Class of 2025!









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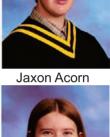














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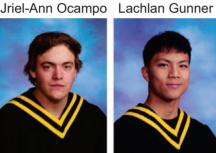






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Ottawa's bold energy promises face skepticism in Alberta

Carney vows action but Alberta wants to see results and the repeal of Trudeauera regulations

by Rashid Husain Syed

Ottawa is promising speed, Alberta is demanding proof, and the future of Canada's energy industry hangs in the balance.

A change in government hasn't changed the tone—mistrust still defines the relationship between Ottawa and the oil-rich West. That tension is far from resolved, and any reconciliation may still be weeks or months away.

Prime Minister Mark Carney has pledged to "build big, build bold, and build now." In recent days, new federal Energy Minister Tim Hodgson has been repeating the prime minister's campaign promise to fast-track projects of national interest, including major energy projects. "Canada will no longer be defined by delay. We will be defined by delivery," Hodgson underlined in a speech at the Calgary Chamber of Commerce last Friday, pledging to see through the prime minister's vision to transform "Canada into a conventional and clean energy and natural resources superpower.'

Hodgson made it clear Ottawa is in a hurry. "No more five-year reviews. Decisions will come in two years for all projects. This is not a time for half measures or slow steps," he said.

In a post-address interview with chamber CEO Deborah Yedlin, Hodgson emphasized his focus on "quick wins" in the energy sector. He reiterated support for the proposed new West to East pipeline, a crosscountry project intended to move Alberta oil and gas to refineries and ports in Eastern Canada, and promised new infrastructure to get Canadian energy "to trusted allies" outside the U.S.

But while pursuing energy infrastructure at speed, Hodgson asserted that limiting greenhouse gas emissions remains a priority. The Carney government sees crude and natural gas exports as complementary to climate goals, not in conflict. This dual-track approach—clean and conventional energy moving forward in tandem—reflects the government's broader energy vision. Many in the Calgary business community responded with cautious optimism. Some were encouraged that Calgary was Hodgson's first major stop. Others were skeptical. "There is some repair and trust-building that has to happen given the challenges of the last 10 years, I would argue," Yedlin later told reporters, emphasizing that the real test will be reducing regulatory burdens on major projects.

Alberta Premier Danielle Smith, building pressure on Ottawa, was quoted in media reports as saying it's "go time" for Mark Carney.

"Enough with the foot-dragging. Enough with trying to maintain the same failed policies of the last 10 years. Let's get going," says Smith. "Look. I was told to give this guy a chance. I'm giving him a chance. Now I'm telling him: Don't blow it."

Her demands are clear: scrap the Liberal No More Pipelines law—formally known as the Impact Assessment Act—along with the cap on oil and gas emissions, the net-zero electricity regulations and the tanker ban off the west coast.

That's just part of the list. But as Smith puts it, "So far I'm not seeing anything to suggest there's been a true change of heart."

"I've got a mandate to develop our economy and exercise our constitutional rights, and I'm going to do that, one way or the other," she emphasized, almost threateningly.

For Canadians, what's at stake is more than pipeline routes. The outcome of this standoff could shape national energy prices, affect investor confidence in Canadian infrastructure and resource sectors, influence emissions targets and test the limits of federal-provincial cooperation.

Carney and Hodgson face more than infrastructure challenges—they must bridge a widening political divide. The clock is ticking.

Toronto-based Rashid Husain Syed is a highly regarded analyst specializing in energy and politics, particularly in the Middle East. In addition to his contributions to local and international newspapers, Rashid frequently lends his expertise as a speaker at global conferences. Organizations such as the Department of Energy in Washington and the International Energy Agency in Paris have sought his insights on global energy matters. © Troy Media

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Q: If you could meet a celebrity, who would it be?

A: Connor McDavid, because I love hockey and the Oilers!



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Community Care Foundation hosts BBQ for Rural Health Week

by Deanna Mitchener

Rural health week ran from May 26 to 30. Rural Healthcare Week is an annual event that recognizes and celebrates the contributions of healthcare professionals and volunteers who support rural communities.

In Alberta, it highlights the importance of rural healthcare and encourages communities to show appreciation for those who provide essential medical services in underserved areas.

The week helps raise awareness about healthcare challenges in rural regions and celebrates initiatives to attract and retain healthcare workers. In recognition of this, the Community Care Foundation held a free barbecue for health care providers on May 28.

Marsha Jenson, one of the volunteers for the Community Care Foundation, said, "This is our fourth year we've done the barbeque. It's in appreciation of all the health care providers. We host it here at the Edson Healthcare Centre, because most of the staff are here."

"We do invite Edson and Yellowhead County Fire Departments, Dispatchers, Police, Ambulance, Pharmacists, the Medical Centre, anybody who works in rural healthcare. This year we invited the Moving Edson bus staff because they were instrumental in moving people during the evacuations and helping with the hospital, and they're a large part of our community too," said Jenson.

"We also have a little draw for the healthcare staff. The first burger comes off the BBQ for 11:00 a.m. when the first of the healthcare workers start taking their meal breaks. This year we're going to deliver hamburgers to the medical clinic because they can't close over lunch," Jenson said.

D-Day remembered at Edson Royal Canadian Legion

by Deanna Mitchener

D-Day took place on June 6. This event known as Operation Overlord, involved a massive coordinated effort involving land, sea, and air forces from the United States, Britain, Canada, and other Allied nations. The invasion aimed to liberate Western Europe from German occupation.

D-Day is considered the largest seaborne invasion in history and marked the beginning of the liberation of France and Western Europe back 1944, 80 years ago.



Corporal Wayne Joy is in charge of the Memorabilia at the Edson Legion. photo Deanna Mitchener

Corporal Wayne Joy was with 1P.P.C L.I. Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infant. He is now with the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #51, and in charge of the Memorabilia at the Legion.

More than 156,000 American, British, and Canadian troops stormed 50 miles of Normandy's fiercely defended beaches in northern France. Allied leaders Franklin D. Roosevelt and Winston Churchill knew from the start of the war that a massive invasion of mainland Europe would be critical. On June 6, 1944, 4,427 men died so that our freedom wouldn't.

"It's important to remember this part of history and teach the younger generations".



Volunteers from the Community Care Foundation and Secure Waste Infrastructure Corporation staff on May 28, during the Annual Rural Health Week Barbecue hosted outside the Edson Healthcare Centre. photo Deanna Mitchener

Secure Waste Infrastructure Corporation donated their time and barbecue to look after the cooking. "We usually get between 270 and 320 Healthcare workers that attend. Unfortunately, Yellowhead County Fire personnel are down in the Robb area dealing with fires, so many will not be able to attend."

Annual Howie Johnston Rifleman's Rodeo



Range Safety Officer Art Lawson with shooters Jordan Murry and August Hurren during the First Annual Howie Johnston Rifleman's Rodeo.

by Deanna Mitchener

The first annual Howie Johnston Rifleman's Rodeo was held on May 24, at the Longest Mile Shooting Range.

This event was put on by the Edson Fish and Game Association, in honour of Howie Johnston. It offered a fun and friendly competition in hunting situations for all ages.

The day was set in motion to memorialize the efforts of Howie in his passion for developing skills that make hunters and sportsman more proficient with tools of their choice.

A lunch of pulled pork was provided by the Edson Fish and Game Association, along with some great prizes.

Alex Vick said, "We had 32 contestants. Kids, youth, and adults with approximately 20 spectators. We would like to give a big shout out to Ecole Pine Grove Art students for painting a cougar and mule deer. Parkland High School for painting a wolf, and the Junior Forest Wardens for painting a grizzly bear and coyote. Without these animals we wouldn't have been able to have the shoot we did." Vick painted a whitetail deer for the shoot.

"The Edson Fish and Game Association would also like to give the biggest shout-out to the Johnston Family, not only for allowing us to give this shoot meaning and letting us continue with Howie's legacy, but also for joining us and supporting the shooters of all ages," said Vick.



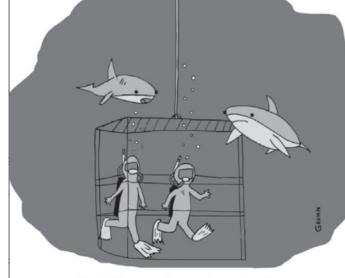
The Edson Pioneer Cabin hosted free soup and sandwiches on June 3, for Seniors Week, and the Elks provided dessert. The cabin planned for 200 seniors this year, as last year they ran short of supplies. photos Deanna Mitchener



Seniors gathered at the Edson Royal Canadian Legion Branch #51 on June 3, for the annual seniors supper. Watch for our follow-up story in the June 16 issue. photo Deanna Mitchener



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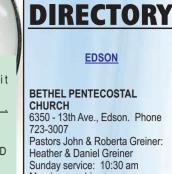
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ages 14-18 11:00am 2:00 pm youth will work on learning several different skills to empower life outside of high school. At the Entwistle community hall. Registration is required call 780-325-3782 or emailsgoddard@yhcounty.ca

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July 11,18,25 Aug 1,8: Life Skills Bootcamp In Entwistle

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Peers 4-H Multi Club Club takes in a Clipping Demonstration

Peers 4-H Multi Club Reporter, Casey Becker:

On Sunday May 4, 2025 the Peers 4-H Multi Club gathered at the Yellowhead Agricultural Grounds near Edson to take part in a clipping demonstration and a Mini Show.

Casey Becker says, "Lisa Reich taught members a variety of washing and clipping techniques. She also gave members tips and feedback on showmanship while they performed a Mini Show."

This event helped members prepare for the Yellowhead District 4-H Beef Show and Sale on June 6, at the Yellowhead Agricultural Grounds.



Peers 4-H Multi Club gathered at the Yellowhead Agricultural Grounds near Edson to take part in a clipping demonstration and a Mini Show.

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