

The Innisfree Informer



August 2021

Innisfree Mayor's Message in a Minute

Summer has opened up and things are hopping. Innisfree Fair is a go for August 11. This will be the 41st fair. I wonder if there is anyone that has been to every fair!

Thanks to Innisfree public works and the summer students for the great job they are doing. Have you seen the new look of the Village sign entering the village from Highway 16 and the sign at the campground?

The museum will have a Grand Reopening, August 11 at 1:00. Stop by and see the new items and celebrate this reopening.

The Village is opening a community garden on main street. To be included in the garden, please contact the Village office for details. You can enjoy fresh vegetables from your own little bit of work in the community garden.

The Birch Lake Recreation Park i.e., Campground is opened. Many are enjoying the privacy and shade in the well treed camping sites. Bookings must be made on-line at www.campreservations.ca - look for Birch Lake Campground and recreation park on the website.

Check for updates as they are posted on the Village website, www.innisfree.ca and Facebook page, Village of Innisfree.

Respectfully,
Debbie McMann,
Village of Innisfree Mayor

August notable dates:

- Aug 3: National Watermelon Day
- Aug 8: National Sneak Some Zucchini Onto Your Neighbors' Porch Day
- Aug 10: National S'mores Day
- Aug 12: Vinyl Record Day
- Aug 13: International Left-Handers Day

Innisfree Prairie Bank of Commerce GRAND REOPENING

August 11, 2021

1:00 ribbon cutting and refreshments served

Visit and see new items and the new look of the museum

Part of the Innisfree Fair day celebrations



Innisfree Ag Society Annual Fair Wednesday August 11th

- 10:00 am -Parade Assembly - School Grounds
 - 11:00 am -Parade Starts
 - 12:00 pm -Hot dogs and Concessions near Agri plex
 - Beer Gardens Agri plex
 - Children's Games and Activities around Agri plex:
 - Petting Zoo
 - Bouncy Houses
 - Innisfree Rec Centre:
 - Bench Show and all exhibits on display
 - Refreshments available
 - 1:00 pm -Grand Reopening Innisfree Prairie Bank of Commerce
 - 1:00 pm -Build and Paint Bird Houses
 - 3:00 pm -Mutton Bustin'
- WATCH FOR POSTERS for other Special Events
- 4:00 pm -Bench Show activities end

GET YOUR DABBERS READY!

BINGO

is Back!

**INNISFREE REC CENTRE,
MONDAY EVENINGS**

**BEGINNING SEPT 6TH
Doors open at 7pm**

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10	15	2	30	45
21	3	13	23	41
10	7	6	21	35

August is like the Sunday of Summer

Kids helpline # 1-800-668-6868
Mental Health Helpline # 1-877-303-2642



Hey kids! Are you an artist, writer, inventor, or all around creative kid? The Informer wants to hear from you!
Email your submissions for your creations to be featured in future issues!

innisfreeinformer@gmail.com

Do you have a tried and true recipe you want to share? Send it our way to be featured in the Informer!

Email: innisfreeinformer@gmail.com



Temporary Employment Opportunity 2021 Municipal Election

Election Workers

The Village of Innisfree will be holding a Municipal Election on October 18, 2021 and is seeking individuals who may be interested in assisting the Returning Officer and Substitute Returning officer, during the 2021 Municipal Election.

Reporting to the Returning Officer and/or Substitute Returning Officer, the election workers will be responsible for assisting the R.O. and S.R.O in conducting the 2021 Village of Innisfree Municipal Election as well as ensuring all activities are conducted in compliance with the Local Authorities Election Act. Training is provided in modules through Alberta Municipal Affairs, and Elections Alberta.

Training sessions will also be available to go over applicable forms, procedures, etc. in preparation for Election Day.

Duties and Responsibilities:

1. Assisting R.O. & S.R.O in establishing voting stations.
2. Ensure election supplies, ballots, and ballot boxes are available at the voting stations.
3. Work polling station during Election Day/Advance Vote Day.
4. Assisting the Public with filling out applicable election forms.
5. Assist with all other duties deemed necessary for conducting an election as required.

Qualifications:

1. Minimum 18 years of age is preferred.
2. Previous experience as an election worker is an asset.
3. Knowledge of the L.A.E.A is an asset.
4. Courteous and professional customer service skills.
5. Ability to work in a fast paced environment with minimal supervision.

Compensation will be offered to those selected as Election Workers for Advance Vote & Election Day. We appreciate the interest of all applicants, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. The positions will be left open until suitable candidate(s) are found.

Applications clearly marked "Confidential – Election Workers" can be submitted to:

Brooke Magosse, Returning Officer
PO Box 69
5116 – 50 Avenue, Innisfree, AB T0B 2G0
(Mail or Drop-off)

OR: Email: cao@innisfree.ca

July 20, 2021 Village of Innisfree Regular Council Meeting Highlights

Mayor and Council met on July 20, 2021, for their Regular Council meeting.

The Council Agenda can be found at: www.innisfree.ca
Council discussed numerous items, which included:

Policies/Bylaws:

• **Bylaw 667-21 – Methods of Advertising Bylaw:** Administration brought forward a Methods of Advertising Bylaw 667-21 for Council to review. After reviewing the above-mentioned bylaw, Mayor and Council passed a motion approving First Reading of Bylaw 667-21 – Methods of Advertising. Mayor and Council also passed a motion to hold a Public Hearing on August 17, 2021, at 5:00 PM at the Village of Innisfree Council Chambers, as per Municipal Government Act Section 606.1. Mayor and Council also directed Administration to advertise the Public Hearing for two (2) consecutive weeks, in the Local Newspaper as stated in the Municipal Government Act.

New Business:

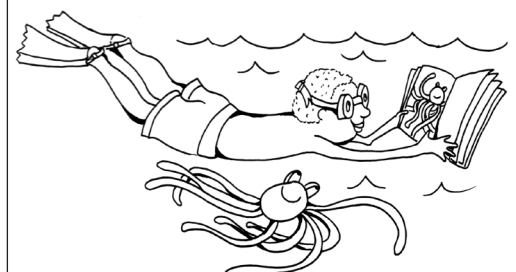
- **Transfer from Reserves to Operating:** Mayor and Council passed a resolution to transfer \$5,130.00 from Capital Reserves to Operating.
- **2021 Operating Budget and 2022-2025 Forecasts:** Mayor and Council approved the "proposed" amendments to the 2021 Operating Budget and Budget Forecasts.
- **MCSnet Fibre Project:** Mayor and Council reviewed a Letter and Addendum received from MCSnet regarding the Fibre Optics Project and major upgrades to the existing infrastructure network that will be taking place. After reviewing the Letter and Addendum, Mayor and Council passed a motion approving the Addendum as presented.
- **Action on Smoking and Health – New Provincial Vaping Regulations:** Mayor and Council directed Administration to conduct further research regarding the Village of Innisfree's "Smoking Bylaw" (if applicable). Mayor and Council also directed Administration to bring forward any information obtained to the August 17, 2021 Regular Council meeting for further discussion.
- **Other items discussed:** MMI FCSS Annual Report – 2020, Alberta Municipal Affairs Letter June 23, 2021 – M.A.P. Report Update, Alberta Municipal Affairs Letter June 23, 2021 – Viability Review Ministerial Order MSL:098/18, 2021 Tax Sale Public Auction, Councillor and Administration Reports and Correspondence.

The meeting was then adjourned.

A man buys a parrot and brings him home. But the parrot starts insulting him and gets really nasty, so the man picks up the parrot and tosses him into the freezer to teach him a lesson. He hears the bird squawking for a few minutes, but all of a sudden the parrot is quiet. The man opens the freezer door, the parrot walks out, looks up at him and says, "I apologize for offending you, and I humbly ask your forgiveness."

The man says, "Well, thank you. I forgive you."

The parrot then says, "If you don't mind my asking, what did the chicken do?"



Fun Fact: Orange juice tastes bad after you've brushed your teeth because the toothpaste blocks the sweetness receptors on your tongue.

It all matters. That someone turns out the lamp, picks up the wind-blown wrapper, says hello to the invalid, pays at the unattended lot, listens to the repeated tale, folds the abandoned laundry, plays the game fairly, tells the story honestly, acknowledges help, gives credit, says good night, resists temptation, wipes the counter, waits at the yellow, makes the bed, tips the maid, remembers the illness, congratulates the victor, accepts the consequences, takes a stand, steps up, offers a hand, goes first, goes last, chooses the small portion, teaches the child, tends to the dying, comforts the grieving, removes the splinter, wipes the tear, directs the lost, touches the lonely, is the whole thing.

What is the most beautiful, is least acknowledged.

What is worth dying for is barely noticed.

-Laura Mcbride, butterfliesandpebbles

SUBDIVISION AND DEVELOPMENT APPEAL BOARD REQUEST FOR MEMBERS OF PUBLIC AT LARGE

The Village of Innisfree requires two (2) members of public at large for the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board. This quasi-judicial body, appointed by Council, makes impartial and unbiased decisions on challenges of subdivision or development authority decisions and stop work orders. Deliberations are based on the municipal planning documents such as the Land Use Bylaw and Municipal Development Plans, provincial statute and information presented by hearing participants.

Subdivision and Development Appeal Board hearings are scheduled as required. Board members are appointed for a one (1) year term with an option to be reappointed for a second term.

Village residents with an interest or experience in planning or development activities are invited to submit a resume including a statement on your interest and abilities in serving in this capacity.

Mandatory training is required upon appointment. Cost of training will be covered by the Municipality (if applicable).

Compensation will be offered to the appointed members of public at large who attend the scheduled Subdivision and Development Appeal Board hearings as required.

Position's will remain open until suitable candidates are found.

Please mail, fax, email or drop off resumes to:

Subdivision and Development Appeal Board
Attn: Brooke Magosse, Clerk
Box 69, 5116 50 Avenue
Innisfree, AB T0B 2G0
F: 780-592-3729 E: cao@innisfree.ca

Attention all past customers!

In honor of their 15th Anniversary, Ron & Holly will be offering a 15% discount on your next booking

(a 2 night minimum) Note: Reservations are required.

Call 780-592-3840

**To reserve
your room(s)**

The Beachside
Bed and Breakfast
"On Wapush Lake"



*Be sure to ask how you can
extend that discount forever!*



2021 Municipal Election Village of Innisfree



Notice to File Nomination Papers

A person may file a nomination to become a candidate for the 2021 municipal election which is to be held on October 18, 2021, within the period beginning January 1, 2021, ending at 12 noon on nomination day, September 20, 2021.

Nominations for the election of candidates in the Village of Innisfree will be received at the Village of Innisfree Administration office between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday excluding statutory holidays.

Candidates must have their nomination papers filed by 12:00 noon on nomination day, September 20, 2021, four (4) weeks prior to Election Day.

A person may request to examine the filed nomination papers during regular business hours and in the presence of the returning officer.

For more information on how to obtain/submit nomination papers for the 2021 Municipal Election, please visit our website:
<https://www.innisfree.ca/governance/2021-municipal-election> or
contact Brooke Magosse, Returning Officer via Telephone: (780) 592-3886 OR email: cao@innisfree.ca

A truck loaded with Vicks VapoRub overturned on the highway.



Amazingly, there was no congestion for 8 hours.



-What did the sea say to the sand? Nothing, it just waved.

-What did the sea say to the river? You can run, but you can't tide.

-What did one stream say to the other? Let's meet around the bend.

-What runs but never walks? Water!

-What keeps a dock floating above water? Pier pressure.



**Mannville – Minburn – Innisfree
Family & Community Support Services
Yellowhead Community Support Society
M-M-I Family Resource Network**

Website: <https://mmifcss.wixsite.com/mmifcss>

Phone: **780-763-3005**

Email: mmifcss@mannville.com

Location: **5004-49 Street Suite # 4**

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for more information!

Facebook: **Mannville-Minburn-Innisfree Family & Community Support Services**

Instagram: **@mmifcss**

Did you know? FCSS can provide the information, referrals, and resources necessary to help you meet your needs! FCSS is committed to "helping people help themselves".

Reach us by phone, email, mail, zoom, or in-person. We are here to help!

M-M-I F.C.S.S. is pleased to announce our **digital newsletter** that will be released on the 1st of every month! We want to showcase our community partnerships and the programs we have available. Watch for it on Facebook!

NEWCOMER WELCOME: Let us know if you are NEW to the area! We would like to welcome you with a Package of our area information. Stop by and pick one up! If you are aware of someone new to the communities, please direct them to receive this newcomer package. We look forward to meeting you!

New Chapters Community Challenge

Join the challenge! Monthly themes and Prizes!

Text: 780-581-4149 or 780-853-0112

August Theme: **ROAD TRIP**

Kalya Family Resource Network

The Family Resource Network has planned a summer filled with fun! Check out our newsletter for more information on the programs that will run in July and August! The newsletter is available on Facebook or at the FCSS office.



For Program Information

call or text Alicia @ (780) 581-4149

Facebook: **MMI Family Resource Network**

SENIORS COFFEE IN THE PARK! August 9th & 23rd

Seniors Coffee in the Park

FCSS will be in each community at the following times:

Mannville: 10 – 11 am

Minburn 11:15 - 12:15 pm

Innisfree: 1 -2 pm

We'll bring the COFFEE and you bring the conversation!



FCSS POP UP PROJECTS

Bird Watching: Aug 3rd 10 am @ Innisfree Municipal Park

Paint Night: Aug 13th 6 pm @ Location To Be Announced

Register by: Aug 4th

Games in the Park Aug 19th @ Mannville Spruce Park

COMMUNITY "OFF THE COUCH POUCH"

A pouch full of activities, information, and goodies to promote the wonderful communities we live in!

Ideas for a close to home, get off the couch summer!

FCSSs project to enhance unity, promote engagement and a sense of belonging!

Pick up your pouch at pop up locations Mannville, Minburn and Innisfree or the FCSS office.

Meals on Wheels Program A delicious hot noon meal is served right to your kitchen table Monday to Friday by friendly volunteers.

Rate \$10 per meal.

Call & sign up to receive your first meal complimentary



Community Partnership: Look for FCSS @ the Innisfree Fair August 11th

and Mannville Fair August 21st

Be sure to Like and follow us on Facebook to stay-up-to-date on new projects that may "pop-up" in the month of August!

Innisfree walking club has started again at the Innisfree Rec Centre. Please join us for a walk.



We walk weekdays 9 am to 9:30 am but may extend that to 10 am sometime in the future!

Cost is \$1.00

SLOW COOKER STUFFED PEPPER SOUP

Ingredients:

- 1 lb ground beef
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 2 cups chopped bell peppers
- 15 oz. can diced tomatoes (choose type w/onion and garlic)
- 15 oz. can tomato sauce
- 3 cups beef broth
- 1/2 tsp oregano
- 1/2 tsp basil
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1 cup white rice



Directions:

1. Brown ground beef and drain fat. Add beef to slow cooker
2. Add onions and peppers to cooker
3. Stir in broth, diced tomatoes and tomato sauce
4. Add the rice, salt, pepper and spices, and stir
5. Cook on low for 6-8 hours
6. Stir and serve immediately, or cool and freeze in airtight containers for later meals.

Truck carrying Ramen Noodle shipment crashes. Estimated loss to the company: \$38.00

Avocado: not ripe

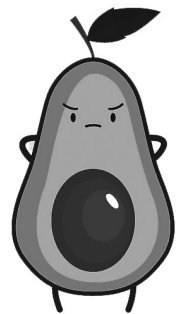
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Avocado: I'M RIPE NOW

Avocado: okay you were in the

bathroom so I rotted



ADVERTISE WITH US



ADVERTISING SPACE AVAILABLE

Starting @ \$5.00 Please email for rates.

Discounted rates for in-area non profit groups.

innisfreeinformer@gmail.com

"In summer, the song sings itself"

- William Carlos Williams

C A guy is golfing by himself and shanks a ball hard. He yells, **OUTDOOR** "God**** it all to he**!" St. Peter hears him and asks God, "Aren't you going to do anything about that?" God says "Yep." Next hole is a long par five over water ending in a dog leg. The guy tees up and crushes the ball. It hits the water but just as it does, a turtle surfaces. The ball bounces off the turtle's shell and gets another hundred yards. Just as its about to stop rolling, a squirrel runs over and grabs the ball before being immediately snatched by a gorgeous red tail hawk. The hawk flies him off and just over the green the squirrel drops the ball. The ball hits the green, rolls and falls in the hole! Most amazing par five hole-in-one in history.

St. Peter, astonished says, "You call that punishment?"

God replies, "Yep. There was nobody around to see it."



OUTDOOR CORNER is sponsored by:
PARANYCH CONSULTING 403-506-4667

Submissions for the Outdoor Corner are welcome. Hunting, fishing and outdoor stories, facts or jokes!
Email: innisfreeinformer@gmail.com



Is someone special celebrating next month?
Send in your **SEPTEMBER Birthdays & Anniversaries** for the September issue!

Please send birthday or anniversary names and dates by Aug 25 to wish your loved ones a special day!

Email to: innisfreeinformer@gmail.com

GO FURTHER TO END THE WAIT!

Sign the petition and tell your province to fund life-saving CF drugs.

#Cfcantwait



ACTION.CYSTICFIBROSIS.CA **Go further to end the wait**



Innisfree Preschool & Kindergarten NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER!

Kindergarten: Child must be 5 years old by December 30, 2021
Preschool: Child must be 4 years old December 30, 2021

To register please email: innisfreeecs@gmail.com or call Elise Nott: 780-603-1080

Fun Fact: An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain.

Q: Why were the baby strawberries crying? A: Their ma and pa were in a jam

EVENTS CALENDAR

Here's What's Happening!

Aug 4: Village of Innisfree Library Board Meeting
Aug 11: Innisfree Ag Fair
Aug 17: Village Council Meeting: *See our web page and Facebook page for more information*

Please send your event info (name, date, location) by Aug 25 to be included in the September Calendar of Events

The **CHUDOVYI** Ukrainian Dancers of Innisfree
Welcome our new and returning members
Join us for our **2021/22 season!**

New members welcome! Colorful Costumes Affordable Fees Fun classes for Ages 3 -Adult

Ukrainian Dance

AGM Monday Aug 30 at 6:30 pm



For more information please contact Marilyn Newton 780-581-1040

HAPPY 65TH BIRTHDAY LARRY PEARCE!

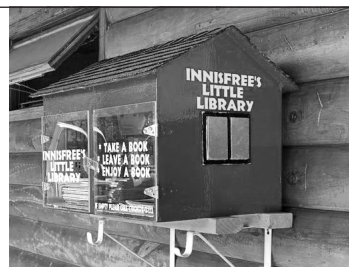


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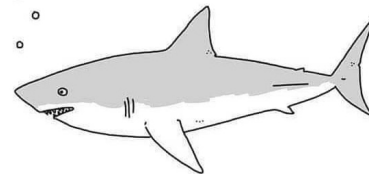
Library News

The Little Library has been installed at the Innisfree Campground again. ENJOY campers!

Don't forget to stop by the library and get your kids their Olympic themed Summer Reading Program bags so they can join the Olympic Games fun!

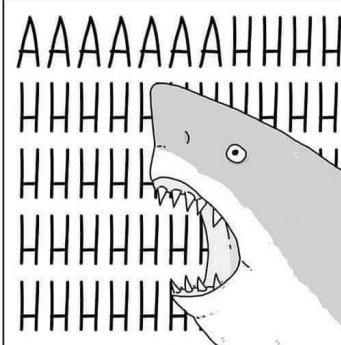
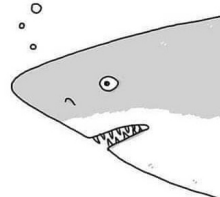


my name's kevin



theycantalk.com

but most people just call me



A chicken walks into a library and up to the desk.

"Buk", says the chicken. So the librarian gives him a book.

The chicken leaves with the book and returns five minutes later.

"Buk", he says. So the librarian gives him another book.

This goes on about eight more times, until finally the librarian leaves the library and goes outside on break in back where there's a pond.

The chicken is standing on the edge of the pond tossing the books to a frog on a lily pad. **The chicken says "Buk, Buk" and the frog says "reddit, reddit".**



Village of Innisfree Employment Opportunity



The Village of Innisfree is now hiring for the following positions:

1 x Administrative/Public Works Assistant

The Administrative/Public Works Assistant will be a full-time (Salary) position.

The Village of Innisfree is looking to hire an Office Administrative/Public Works Assistant to help with performing general office duties as well as provide coverage for reception and Public Works. This would be a great opportunity for someone who is interested in gaining useful administrative and Public Works experience within a professional work environment. The Administrative/Public Works Assistant may also be responsible for assisting the Public Works Foreman with maintenance and grounds up-keep throughout the community.

Administrative Duties shall include, but aren't limited to, the following:

- Scanning, faxing, photocopying and filing documents;
- Performing daily data entry tasks;
- Provide Administrative Support as identified by the CAO;
- Answering phones and emails; and
- Frequently advise, direct, assist and cooperate with the general public.

Public Works Duties shall include, but aren't limited to, the following:

- Heavy lifting;
- Lawn mowing;
- Digging, raking; and
- Cleaning of facilities, etc.

Successful Candidate will:

- Completion of Grade Twelve (12) or Equivalent;
- Possess a valid class 5 driver's license;
- Be bondable;
- Obtain the necessary skills to operate heavy equipment such as a Skid Steer, tractor (considered an asset);
- Ability to perform physical labour;
- Good mechanical aptitude;
- Be a "team player";
- Possess previous office administration experience;
- Be organized;
- Attention to detail;
- Ability to keep up with changing tasks on a regular basis,
- Be willing to assist with any other clerical tasks.

The position's will be held open until August 9, 2021 at 12 PM (NOON) OR until a suitable candidate is found.

Only those selected for interviews will be contacted.

Interested applicants may submit their resume to:

Attn: Brooke Magosse, CAO
Village of Innisfree

Mail: Box 69 Innisfree, Alberta T0B 2G0

Fax: 780-592-3729, or Email: cao@innisfree.ca

For more information contact the Village Office at 780-592-3886 or email cao@innisfree.ca.



Happy Birthday!

Aug 1: Cory Hlus

Aug 2: Sheryle Anderson

Aug 2: Emma Fundytus

Aug 2: Teagon, Triton

& Morgan Nott

Aug 3: Leah Ferguson

Aug 5: Dianne Saskiw

Aug 7: Judy Konieczny

Aug 7: Stan White

Aug 8: Victoria Mack

Aug 9: Lorraine Leech

Aug 9: Owen Nott

Aug 10: Karen Arndt

Aug 10: Allan Kuzio

Aug 12: Benjimin Bouchier

Aug 17: Amanda Broadhead

Aug 20: Conrad Fowler

Aug 21: Dorothy Nutt

Aug 22: Lori Feschuk

Aug 22: Shannon Tarapaski

Aug 23: Zander Bouchier

Aug 24: Larry Pearce

Aug 27: Rolland Fortier

Aug 28: Maryann Berg

Happy Anniversary!

July 24: Joanne & John Hlushak

Aug 7: Ruth & Robert Patterson

Aug 8: Dianne & Ronnie Saskiw

Aug 10: Angeline & Jeff Nott

Mannville-Minburn-
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SENIORS COFFEE

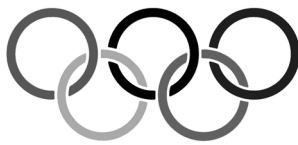
Join us on August 9 and 23 at the following locations:

MANVILLE GAZEBO 10AM-11AM
MINBURN HALL 11:15AM-12:15PM
INNISFREE VILLAGE OFFICE 1PM-2PM

We bring the coffee, you bring the conversation.

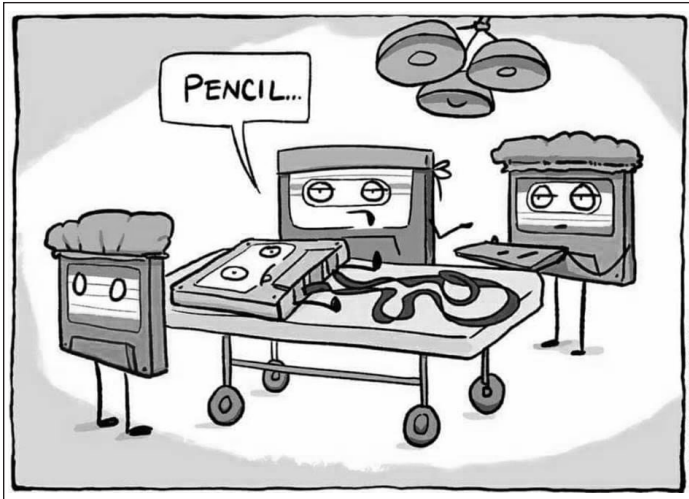
**If they don't call the next Fast & Furious film
"Fast10 your Seatbelts"
I'm going to be furious @tuckwoodstock**

OVERHEARD AT THE OLYMPIC VILLAGE THE OTHER DAY:



REPORTER: "ARE YOU A POLE VAULTER?"

ATHLETE: "NO, I'M A UKRAINIAN AND HOW DID YOU KNOW MY NAME IS WALTER?"



Q: Why does Cinderella never win the Olympics?
A: She has a pumpkin for a coach and runs away from the ball.

Q: What is a banana's favorite gymnastics move?
A: The splits!

Q: Why is basketball the messiest Olympic sport?
A: Because the players dribble all over the court!

Q: How do fireflies start a race?
A: "On your mark. Get set. Glow!"

Q: Why were the swimming elephants thrown out of the Olympics?
A: Because they couldn't keep their trunks up!

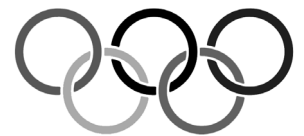
Q: Devan: Why did the spotted cat get disqualified from the Olympics? A: It was a cheetah.

Q: Why can't tomatoes win races against lettuce at the Summer Games?
A: Because the lettuce are always a head, and the tomatoes are always trying to ketchup!

WORD SEARCH: Summer Olympics!

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| BOXING | BMX | BADMINTON |
| SWIMMING | TABLE TENNIS | JUDO |
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| WRESTLING | FENCING | DIVING |
| TRIPLE JUMP | ROWING | LONG JUMP |
| JAVELIN | TAEKWONDO | |
| ARCHERY | HIGH JUMP | |



BUSINESS DIRECTORY

LAND Seed & Agro Services Ltd.
LISA ANDERSON
Minburn, AB
780-632-5526
lisa.anderson@plantpioneer.com

Scentsy
INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT
Amberlyn Myshaniuk
780-592-3936

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Chantal Laforest
780-592-3946 or 780-721-9685

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-Corporate Tax -Commissioner for Oaths
Phone: 780-995-5235
Email: jo@lanovaz.com

Village of Innisfree Library
Library Hours
Wednesday 1:00pm - 7:00pm
Thursday 12:00pm - 6:00pm
Friday 10:00am - 3:00pm

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Linda Dobler
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See you soon!

From A/C to Mittens by Deb Barber



About 10 days into the first round of Sahara Desert weather I begged Farmer Hubby to bring the window

A/C up from storage and install it in the house. He tried to find a few excuses to put me off, however I was adamant that it must be integrated into our home. For the first little bit I was able to cool the house off with strategic closing of blinds and opening windows in the evening when the outside temperatures dipped lower than the inside ones. But we had hit a point in time when even the basement was no longer cool and all attempts of bringing the house down to a reasonable range of heat had passed. He had purchased this particular A/C unit 15 years ago in a year end blow out at a local appliance store and it has only seen the odd day of usage since it's acquisition. This is probably the longest stretch that it has been in operation since buying it. Farmer Hubby can handle a lot more heat than I can, so it has been a Godsend for me!

The weekend of July 17th I wanted to attend a Barrel Racing clinic our daughter was hosting to take videos of the participants. Imagine my surprise when I found myself bundled up in a hoodie, vest and occasionally donning on mittens to warm up my fingers between video taping! I thought to myself what kind of Canadian wears a hoodie and mittens in July??? Apparently once a person acclimatizes to upper +30 C temperatures, we become some kind of warm-blooded creatures that can no longer function in normal Alberta summer temperatures!

There is one thing that Farmer Hubby truly enjoys and that is his saskatoons and raspberries. With the extreme dry conditions, he has been watering the trees and bushes and has been rewarded with a windfall of fruit. He has picked SO many bucketsful that there have been a few lucky people who have received the rewards of his fruits of labour with the gift of a bag or two! It is not uncommon to see him standing on a ladder with the pail slung around his neck and his two outside kitties laying in the shade only a few feet away! My job is to wash, bag and freeze the end result. Once it cools down, like maybe Decemberish, I hope to turn some into jam and jelly for him...yum!

The bulk of my days seems to be spent watering plants; I have a two-day schedule and have broken down the yard into two sections watering them alternating. The garden I try to water in the cooler evenings, but I find well water is no substitute for rainwater from the clouds. However, we will take what we can get and just be appreciative of it. My flower experiment from March has yielded many pots of gorgeous flowers that brighten every day for me.

Of course, then there is Rocky the Maine Coon who still demands a great deal of attention and has learned all kinds of tricks from jumping up and wrapping his paws around my thigh to leaping up on the china cabinet to knock everything off in order to gain my attention. He is especially naughty when he sees me on the computer or iPad!

Farmer Hubby has been using his ingenuity in figuring out various methods of moving water from the water tanks and

deck truck he uses for crop spraying so that we can use the tanks of water for the green house, berry bushes and he has even started watering the evergreen trees as they appear to be suffering from the drought now too. I was a tad bit worried when I saw him using bungee cords to hold the water pump in place on the back of my side by side sitting precariously beside a 50-gallon water tank. It certainly has kept him from getting into much trouble!

This morning while I was out deadheading the flowers a chorus of gold finches were singing in the orchard trees and I felt so fortunate to be serenaded by such a beautiful sound.

Hoping that you either can find shade or have A/C to get you through the next up coming heat wave.



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Bridge Over Troubled Water
Simon & Garfunkle

When you're weary
Feeling small
When tears are in your eyes
I'll dry them all
I'm on your side
Oh, when times get rough
And friends just can't be found

Like a bridge over troubled water
I will lay me down

Like a bridge over troubled water
I will lay me down

When you're down and out
When you're on the street
When evening falls so hard
I will comfort you
I'll take your part
Oh, when darkness comes
And pain is all around

Like a bridge over troubled water
I will lay me down

Like a bridge over troubled water
I will lay me down

Sail on silver girl
Sail on by
Your time has come to shine
All your dreams are on their way
See how they shine
Oh, if you need a friend
I'm sailing right behind

Like a bridge over troubled water
I will ease your mind

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