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-IN THE WOODS-

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Just like that we have sunshine, golf, the smell of cut grass, the sound of kids playing in the street, the smell of bbq in the air, and friends and neighbours out and about saying hello. Spring time in Redwood is very busy with spring sports and garage sale weekends, spring flings, musical productions and fun but as the sun sets on a busy spring we are definitely ready to welcome summer with open arms.

The Indigenous Awareness Committee has a great event planned for National

Indigenous Peoples Day on June 21st.

Redwood Meadows is gearing up for the biggest event of the year! Canada Day! The RMCA and Townsite also have a lot of work being completed around the community—check out their articles. A big thank you to everyone for all they do! We have some great articles and information in this month's chatter, we hope you enjoy.

If you have suggestions for the Chatter, RMCA programs or events please email TheChatter@redwoodmeadows.ab.ca

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Fun was had by all at the first annual Spring Fling! There was delicious food, wine pairings, and wonderful talented singers that made the evening very enjoyable.

Stay tuned! It's already been decided that we will be bringing this event back again next year.

RMCA

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June, the month we try so hard to fit everything in so that July feels like a holiday.

Thanks to all that attended our Spring Fling. Jen Evans and Jax S helped start our evening with some smooth listening music. Food and wine was appreciated by all. Michelle Minke ended our evening with her powerful vocals and got some of us to show off our vocal talents as well.

Have you signed up to volunteer for the June 10th and 11th casino? RMCA receives up to \$40000 running a casino that goes towards our parks, community incentives and keeping Redwood House in ship shape. View more info on the updater and our Facebook on how you can volunteer.

RMCA will be attending Friday June 21st National Indigenous Peoples Day at Redwood House presented by the Indigenous Awareness Committee. All are welcome to come and share the potluck dinner and listen to their invited speaker. The IAC recommends that children 15 and up are welcome to attend.

July 1st, Canada Day, is fast approaching and it will be as fun, entertaining and enjoyable as always. Activities such as the family bike parade at 930am, opening ceremony 11am, bar and live music 1130am, face painting, BBQ, East Indian food, firefighters slip and slide are some of the attractions you'll find this year. As well the IAC will have Indigenous activities in the teepee and most exciting are the Aboriginal dancers and drummers to entertain us and help get us to celebrate our amazing culture as well as show appreciation of the beautiful land we are privileged to call home.

We will be looking for volunteers to help set up on the 30th, watch on our Facebook page and updater for the Sign Up Genius post for your opportunity to help our community celebrate.

June is a good time to make your home FireSmart click on <https://wildfire.alberta.ca/firesmart/default.aspx> to see how you can help keep our community safe from a forest fire. Some of the FireSmart practices will also help keep you safe from wildlife.

Wishing you a productive and happy June!
See you out in our community on June 21st and July 1st!

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Redwood Townsite Update

Thanks for your participation in our annual general meeting on May 7. From all accounts, it was a record turnout. A big thanks to Redwood Meadows Emergency Services, Indigenous Awareness Committee and Redwood Meadows Community Association. Our community would not be as strong, vibrant, aware and safe without the commitment of our dedicated volunteers. Infrastructure.

Councillor Allen highlighted some of the infrastructure projects completed in the past year including our lift station on the north berm, our new maintenance building and the upgrading of the intake system for our water treatment plant. As we look forward in 2019, we will complete the rebuild of the skating rink, construct a new bike park, resurface the tennis courts and rebuild Ladybug Park on Redwood Meadows Drive. We also expect to take delivery of our new firetruck early next year and have set aside monies to provide a facelift to our fire hall.

Waste Management

Council, led by our Wildsmart committee, is working on a comprehensive waste management solution that is both resident friendly and wildlife aware while reducing our environmental footprint. It was reported in earlier communications that we would be moving to a curbside recycling model in June. This has been postponed. For the immediate future, we will continue to collect waste curbside on Mondays and will be extending access for residents to the Bragg Creek landfill for recycling.

Lease Update

We continue to make progress on our lease renewal. Tsuut'ina is dedicated to the process and working hard with us to get this done. An extensive update was provided at the AGM with a further update to come.



Bylaws

As a last note, in a unanimous vote, Council moved to hire a bylaw officer on a term contract. It is our intent to have this person in place by mid-June. This position will be responsible for enforcing existing bylaws including dogs at large, garbage rules, land use including recreational vehicles, junk, derelict vehicles and unauthorized commercial vehicles. We believe that enforcement of these existing bylaws will make Redwood Meadows the best community that we can be.

I wish you all a great summer and look forward to meeting you at National Indigenous Peoples Day June 21 and Canada Day July 1.

Mayor Paul Sawler

Council Meetings

Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday of every month at 7pm at Redwood House. Meeting agendas are available to the community on the Redwood Meadows website prior to the Council meeting. If there is an agenda item that you would like added, please forward this to Colleen, our Council Executive Assistant on/by the Friday before the scheduled Council meeting.

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Picapix Puzzle



Resource & Support Services available at the Bragg Creek Community Centre

Through the Rural Outreach program, with Western Rocky View Family and Community Resource Centre, residents living in Bragg Creek and Redwood Meadows have direct access to the following; Basic needs support, Elder abuse and Domestic violence supports, Financial information and income supports, Parenting education and In-home support, Youth outreach support, Legal resources, Assistance accessing and completing government forms, Addiction and Mental Health referrals, supportive counselling and much more.

If you, or someone you know, has a problem and you're not sure what to do about it, please contact Wendy Farnsworth, Community Support Worker, at phone number: 403-851-2286.

Services are FREE and CONFIDENTIAL.



"The one common experience of all humanity is the challenge of problems."
R. Buckminster Fuller

A picture will evolve as you complete the puzzle. Start with the largest numbers or combination of, colour in squares and proceed to work back and forth between columns and rows.

The three basic rules are:

- Numbers represent how many squares you colour in to form a group or block.
- Leave at least one square between these blocks.
- The sequential order of the numbers is the order of the blocks, i.e., top number for a column is the top block, and left-most number for a row is the left-most block.

The "logic count method" shown below is very useful:

The clue at the left of the row is 6, so count 6 squares from the left to right and then count 6 squares from right to left.

Confidently shade in the overlapping squares. This same method can be applied even when there is more than one number, remembering to allow one empty square between groups or blocks. Use a second colour for elimination of background squares.

For more information, visit

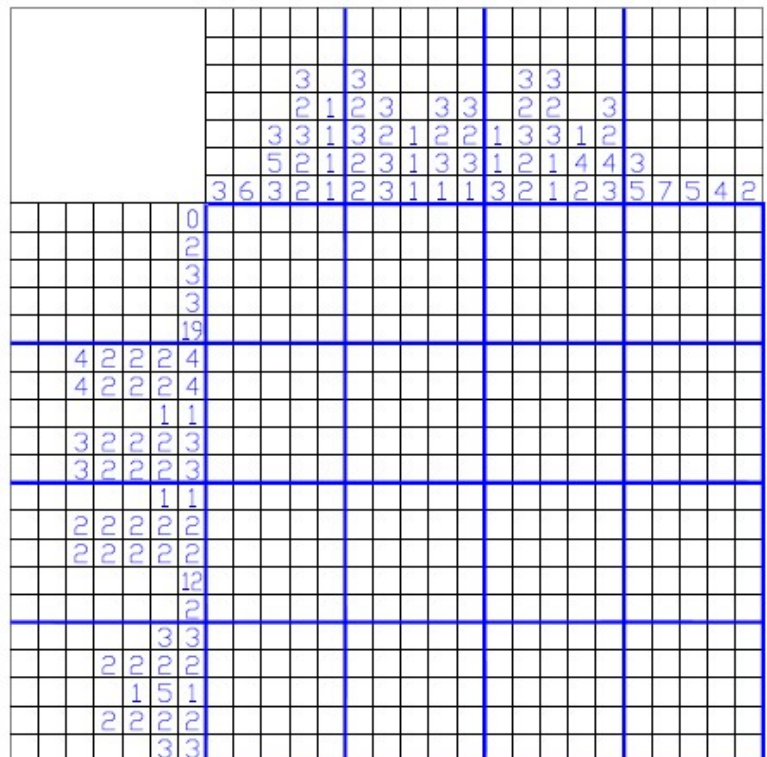
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thank you 😊

"The Redwood Meadows lease committee would like to thank Ynot digital for donating their services and producing the beautiful picture boards we had on display at our May 7th AGM."





Summer is fast approaching! Here are some important tips to keep your camping and outdoor adventures safe:

Campfire Safety

- Respect fire bans.
- Don't use accelerants such as gas to start fires.
- Supervise children and pets around any fire outdoors, including campfires, fire pits, chimneys, and outdoor fireplaces.
- Before starting a campfire, have a bucket of water or a shovel and dirt or sand nearby to extinguish the fire.
- To put out a campfire...Soak it, stir it, soak it again.



RV Fire Safety

- Everyone in your family should know and practice your RV fire escape plan.
- Have at least two ways out - one in the front and one in the rear of the RV.
- Test all escape windows, hatches and doors to

make sure they work properly. Keep escape routes clear of obstructions.

- Never re-enter a burning RV to retrieve anything - GET OUT & STAY OUT!

RV Alarms

- Test your RV alarms weekly, when your RV is in use.
- Install and maintain at least one smoke and carbon monoxide alarm in your RV near the sleeping area. Special 12v alarms, designed specifically for RVs, are available from specialized retailers. **Residential style alarms that plug directly into the electrical outlet will only work and sound an alarm when your RV is plugged into an electrical source at a campground.**
- Install a propane leak alarm at floor level, no more than 6 inches above the floor or lowest level to alert you in the event of a propane leak.
- Ensure that all travellers in the RV know what the sound of each type of alarm indicates and what to do when they hear it.

Keep Your Children Safe Outdoors

Teach your children four simple rules when they're heading outdoors:

- Tell an adult where you are going.
- If you're lost, "Hug-A-Tree" and stay put.
- Keep warm and dry.
- Help searchers find you by answering their calls.

Until next month, stay safe!





Bragg Creek Centre

Greetings Community!

Some of my most interesting conversations this past month have involved discussing community. As someone told me - we agree, we disagree, but what matters is respect. With respect and open mindedness our exchanges can evoke an internal call to action to be involved in creating a community you personally help to create and be proud of.

Did you know we have a volunteer sign up page on Facebook? It is called Bragg Creek Volunteers page. Or, please call our office at 403-949-4277 as we create a database of folks interested in contributing towards community.

Our regular events offer something for everyone - Pickle ball, Acrobatics, Movie Night, Artsy Afternoons, and more!

Please sign up for our newsletter to be notified of all upcoming events at www.braggcreekca.com.

Upcoming Events:

Tunes for Trails – June 1st @ 7pm . Tickets available at www.braggcreektrails.org. This popular event sells out!

Nashville Fiddlers Music City Strings with special guests The Bow Valley Fiddlers – June 2nd @3:00 pm. Tickets at the door - \$10 individual, or bring some friends for a discount.

Community Rummage Sale & Cerebral Palsy Donating Drive. June 8th 10am-3pm. Sell or Purge! Table Rental \$20 for items to sell. Or, purge by donating clothing,

recyclable beverage containers, shoes, linens, toys, books, and small household items.

Family Rollerblading Night & Dance Party – June 14th 7 – 9pm \$15 each, \$40 per family. Fun for everyone! Rollerblade, dance, fun lights, DJ, dance floor! Cash bar, concession with hotdogs.

Bragg Creek Days – July 20th – Free Admission! Parade, Redwood Meadows Emergency Services Pancake Breakfast, Olde Time Carnival Games, Market Square, BBQ, Live Entertainment & Beer Garden. This year we are going back to our roots and focusing on community. Over 50 years ago Bragg Creek Days started as a community BBQ and we are looking to recapture that small-town feeling. We invite you to come together with your neighbours and celebrate Bragg Creek Days 2019!

Please remember to register for the 52nd Annual Bragg Creek Chamber of Commerce Bragg Creek Days Parade. We welcome floats, antique vehicles, marchers, riders or whatever. Free to participate. We are also pleased to announce this year's Parade Marshall is Donna "Rhonda" Godlonton. Donna is a longtime resident and active community member who also happened to play Rhonda on the Jann Arden show. The parade starts at 10:30 sharp. Contact braggcreekdays@gmail.com to register as a market vendor or to enter the parade.

Thank you to:

Deborah Clark of Century 21 Bamber Realty for our new sign!

Bragg Creek Community Church and Redwood Meadows Community Association for their contributions to this year's Easter Pancake Breakfast.

The FireSmart crew for offering a free FireSmart Assessment! Sign up at rockyview.ca, and look for the FireSmart inspection link.

And something for fun!! Watch out for Hendrix the Goat around town this summer!



Bragg Creek Days



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Needle Craft Club

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Monthly Business Lunches

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For The Love of Wine—Summer Sippers

It's that time of year when the heat of the sun starts to feel like *real* summer is coming, and that seems to change what we feel like drinking. There still seems to be so many odd 'seasonal' libations out there you might just want to branch out and try some this year as the patios open! Everything seems to be moving into a can these days including wine, sangria, and any mixed highball you can imagine....and in every flavor.

When it comes to wine though, summer sipping craves crisp, sometimes tart, clean and thirst-quenching whites and rosé. But when it comes to red, what to do? Truthfully, you can drink whatever wine you want, out of whatever (camping mug) you want. There are, however, some certain qualities in wine that work better for warmer weather. One of the first things I like to do is put my reds in the fridge for about 30 minutes before drinking. Slightly chilled reds taste great, and hot red wine is just nasty. Next, look for higher acidity (leaner wines from the Old World), lower tannin (grape varieties like Pinot Noir, Gamay, and Tempranillo), and lower alcohol (under 12%). If you would like something to go with forest fire smoke, go for South African Pinotage which can often be described as smoky, bramble and earthy!

And if wine is just not your jive (pass the gin please), or you have a bottle of wine that needs a little oomph, you can always turn it into Sangria! This is the easiest summer

drink to make in a flash. If you want to make it in the traditional fashion, use a bottle of Garnacha, otherwise, it doesn't matter which wine you choose. Here is an example of an easy fresh recipe. Enjoy and happy sipping!

Ruby Red Wine Sangria

1 x 750mL of red wine (grenache merlot, or tempranillo)

1 cup of Ruby Red Grapefruit juice

Juice from 2 limes

¼ cup of sugar

You can jazz this up by adding a twinkle of soda or bump up the flavor a notch by adding a splash of brandy or vodka. Pour over ice. Add slices of lime and fruit for garnish.

Cheers!

Karla Watts

Ruby Red Vino Wine Education



Congrats to the Swamp Donkey Musical Theater Society on their wonderful inaugural production of the Sound of Music!

Photos Courtesy of Swamp Donkey

Great Cycle Challenge to Fight Kids' Cancer

Wouldn't it be great to stimulate your health and at the same time help to fight kids' cancer? Care in the Creek Medical Centre thinks so. This June you will get an opportunity by joining the Great Cycle Challenge Team. They support the SickKids Foundation and donations will help fund research, clinical advances and compassionate care at The Hospital for Sick Children.

Last year our community biked more than 10,000 kilometres and raised over \$12,000, bringing us to the 4th place in Canada. Schools, businesses, families and individuals (the youngest participant 4 years old!) from different provinces and countries joined our team. A beautiful achievement!

How does it work?

Register for free at greatcyclechallenge.ca
Join our team 'Care in the Creek Medical Centre'
Open to all ages; all fitness levels.



Spread the word and motivate others to join the challenge or become a sponsor. The clinic will sponsor every participant who joins the Care in the Creek Medical Centre Team for \$10 up to a maximum of \$500 for the group. Get on your bike, indoors or outdoors in June and track your kilometres.

See greatcyclechallenge.ca for further details.

Updates and progress will get posted on facebook.com/careinthecreek, careinthecreek.com and instagram regularly. Please join us and hope to see you on the bike! Care in the Creek Medical Centre is accepting new patients. Evening and weekend appointments available. Contact us at 403 949 2457.

A portrait of Deborah Clark, a woman with blonde hair, smiling. She is wearing a white shirt. The background of the banner is a scenic view of a river flowing through a forested area with large rocks.

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Local Business Feature— Scoops and Snacks

Ice cream, ice cream, we all scream for ice cream! And what better place than Scoops and Snacks, open again this season to fill us with ice cool treats on hot summer days. Scoops was set to close permanently after last summer, but thanks to some finagling on the part of Naomi Campbell, who runs Scoops, and her friends, she's able to open for another season. Hooray!

Housed in one of Bragg Creek's historic buildings, Scoops reinvents the space, and lets customers experience its old-world charm. "The building we're in is approximately 80 years old and was one of the first buildings in Bragg Creek," says Campbell. "It's now owned by the Fullertons who were one of the first families in Bragg. It used to be a general store, post office and telephone exchange. And bootlegging out the back."

Nowadays, you'll only find slushees and ice cream. Scoops offers 50 flavours of ice cream from Foothills Creamery, including dairy-free, gluten-free and sugar-free ice creams served by friendly neighbourhood teenagers. "Foothills Creamery has supplied the ice cream shop for the last 20 years and their product is awesome!" affirms Campbell. "It's all about the buttermilk."

If you're lucky, you could catch Campbell hand making waffle cones and enjoy the incredibly delicious aroma that fills the shop when they're baking. Last year, she made 10,766 cones! Which gives you an idea of just how much ice cream Scoops goes through in a season. No wonder it's known as "Conelicker Central."

Scoops and Snacks opening hours:

June: weekends, noon to 8pm; weekdays noon to 6pm or 8pm weather dependent

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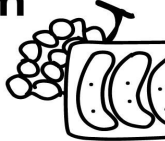
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Indigenous Awareness Committee— National Indigenous Peoples Day and Canada Day

Canada Day in Redwood Meadows continues to be a much-celebrated event, not least of all because it's simply fun! This year's festivities will be no different, but with the addition of a brand-new teepee, thanks to RMCA, the Townsite and the Indigenous Awareness Committee (IAC).

The IAC has helped develop an exciting Canada Day program that once again features our Tsuut'ina Nation neighbours. For the first time, the day will kick off with an Indigenous prayer and land acknowledgement before the bike parade. From there, come join in all the merriment of various family entertainment and activities. Indigenous dancers and drummers will perform around lunchtime, and in the teepees, take the opportunity to chat with elders and Tsuut'ina community members who will be on hand to answer questions and provide history teachings. You can also take part in making Indigenous art and crafts.

"Canada Day is a day we all enjoy and celebrate," says Leslee Mills, IAC board member. "It's the coming together of all nationalities in Canada—all Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples to celebrate the country we live in."

Don't forget that June 21 is National Indigenous Peoples Day. The IAC invites anyone ages 15 and older to attend its free speaker event that day at Redwood House. The event includes a finger-food potluck and features local resident, Dr. Jennifer Leason, who will present Education for Reconciliation, a participatory blanket exercise.

The exercise uses blankets to learn about Canadian history from an Indigenous perspective that fosters truth, understanding, respect and reconciliation among Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples. Both RMCA and town council representatives will participate, and the IAC hopes that many other community members will come join in as well. Together, "we can further empathy and understanding," says Mills.



The Swamp Donkey Musical Theatre Society would like to THANK all of our **Sneak a Peek at the Sound of Music** fundraising event sponsors! Our generous sponsors include the following:

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JUNE 21

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Finger-food potluck and refreshments will be followed by a presentation of Education for Reconciliation, a participatory exercise led by local resident, Dr. Jennifer Leason.

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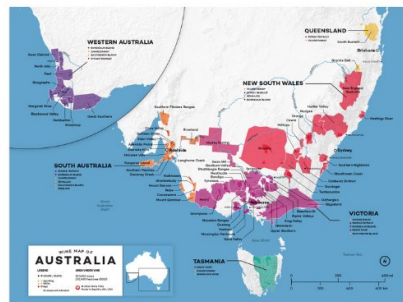
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CHATTER IN THE WOODS, June 2019

I am both excited and honoured to write you my first report as our new, United Conservative MLA for Banff-Kananaskis.

What a month it has been! Our United Conservative caucus has only been sworn in to the Alberta Legislature for less than a month, but we have already gotten down to serious business. Contrary to a regular year in which the government sits for a Spring and Fall session, we have decided to additionally sit for an immediate, emergency summer session. The work required to get Alberta's economy back on track is extensive, and we don't have time to wait.

Our Premier and Energy Minister spent their first few days in Ottawa, testifying to the Senate against the "no-more-pipelines" Bill C-69.

Bill 1 of our United Conservative Government has officially been introduced as of May 22nd. As voted on and supported by so many Albertans, Bill 1 of our new United Conservative Government is the Carbon Tax Repeal Act – a bill that is projected to put \$1.4 billion back into the pockets of everyday Albertans. Promise made, promise kept. Of course, once our provincial carbon tax is repealed, the federal carbon tax will inevitably kick in. At this time, we will be joining forces with Saskatchewan and our many other provincial allies across federation in their formal court challenge against the jurisdictional authority of this tax. It should also be noted that, in the meantime, this federal carbon tax that will be imposed on us is approximately 33% lower than the previous Alberta carbon tax was, which was imposed on Albertans by the previous NDP government. This means there will still be some immediate relief.

In the weeks to come, you will be seeing many more exciting, economy-boosting pieces of Legislation presented by our government. These will include the Open for Business Act and the Job Creation Tax Cut Act. On a more local level, I am sure you heard the announcement from our Transportation Minister in regards to the Springbank Dam (SR1) project. I want to ensure you that I have written Minister McIver with my grave concerns surrounding the project, and have expressed my desire to find a solution that protects all Albertans from future flooding.

"I am writing you with regards to the Springbank Dam proposal, and Alberta's need for proper flood mitigation.

The flood of 2013 was catastrophic – peoples' lives were endangered, family homes were ravaged, and businesses and livelihoods were destroyed. Building proper infrastructure to protect Calgary from future flooding must be a top priority for our government, but building proper infrastructure to protect the thousands of people and businesses located in the upstream communities must also be a top priority. SR1 does not satisfy the latter.

I am writing you to request two actions for the interim while the SR1 project is stalled by the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency's (CEAA) ongoing review. Firstly, consultations with the affected communities of Springbank, Bragg Creek, Redwood Meadows, and Tsuu T'ina Nation must be conducted. This is something that has never been adequately done since the project was first introduced six years ago. Secondly, I implore you to take this time as we await a verdict from CEAA to research, study, and consider other flood mitigation strategies, such as MC1, that could protect all of our upstream and downstream communities, without the need for expropriation, the devastation of agricultural lands and groundwater, and the uprooting of Kamp Kiwanis.

We need to protect Albertans from future flooding, but we should not protect only a few at the expense and detriment of the others. We must ensure that all Albertans in affected flood areas are safe from harm."

Throughout my election campaign, I promised to do my honest best to represent you in Legislature, and I hope that this letter can serve as the first step towards honouring my word.

As a final update, I am pleased to announce that I have been appointed to the Standing Committees on Public Accounts, Resource Stewardship, Environment, and Rural Crime. I am confident that these four committees will give me opportunity to better serve you, and I look forward to informing you of committee updates as they arise over the subsequent months.

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- * Friday 14th - Boomer Dance Party - Get your dancing shoes on
- * Friday 21st - Smoking Aces - Blues Band
- * Friday 28th - Spur Crazy - Country Texas Roots Swing Classics
- * Saturday 29th - Rani's Rasoi + Bingo = CURRINGO NIGHT Full bar menu still available

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June Events

June 6th—Wine and Jewellery Night

June 8th—BCCA Rummage Sale

June 9th and 10th—Casino—Volunteers Needed

June 16th—Father's Day

June 21st—National Indigenous Peoples Day

July Events

July 1st—Canada Day Celebration at Redwood House

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https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/assets/wf/eph/wf-eph-wildfire-smoke-health.pdf?fbclid=IwAR2YsrU61ITo5e9a2j_j0cJHhdpHX2CRI9CA1gv59h5Wpt586TO3Egx_8-c

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Mortgage Matters

As the lease extension draws closer, I think it is important to share the facts about mortgages in Redwood Meadows. As your local area mortgage expert for 14 years, I would like to share with you the mortgage options as they are today and what may change after the lease is extended.

Lease Land Criteria (underwriting guidelines for all leased-land mortgages including Redwood Meadows):

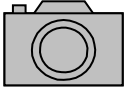
- The lease must be reviewed and found to be satisfactory,
- Must be in favour of the borrower, and must be signed by the landlord (or as it is in Redwood, the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development/Sarcee Developments),
- Must be assignable to the bank, and no restrictions as to the registration of the Assignment of Lease on title,
- The term of the lease must exceed the amortization of the mortgage by a minimum of 5 years,
- Lease cannot be subject to re-negotiation at the landlords discretion prior to the expiry of the original term,
- Must be a Crown or Government lease,
- No restrictions to the banks access to the property, and no restrictions or limitations on the re-sale of the property (i.e. purchase price or type of purchaser).
- Subject to all standard underwriting criteria and qualifying requirements. OAC.

Do you have any other questions I haven't answered below? If so, please reach out to me anytime at cperko@countrysidefinancial.ca or 403.949.4129.

Question?	Mortgage NOW	Mortgage AFTER Lease Renewal
Are banks still lending in Redwood Meadows?	Yes! It is true that some lenders will not finance in Redwood (or any leasehold property for that matter, Redwood has not been singled-out). However, there are a few lenders that love lending here.	I expect the same few lenders to continue to offer their mortgages; but I intend to reach out to all the other lenders I work with (currently not lending here) and try to bring them on board to build-up more options for borrowers.
Do I pay a higher interest rate when I purchase here?	No, the lenders that lend here offer their best discounted rates to borrowers. OAC.	No, the lenders that lend here will continue to offer their best discounted rates to borrowers. OAC.
Do I need a higher down payment when purchasing here?	No, all the same down payment rules apply; minimum 5% (10% for values over \$500K) for CMHC insured, 20% for a conventional file.	No, all the same down payment rules apply; minimum 5% (10% for values over \$500K) for CMHC insured, 20% for a conventional file.
Do I have a reduced mortgage amortization when I purchase here?	With a lease expiry of 2049, this is a maximum amortization of 25 years. (2049 - 5 = 2044. Yr 2019 + 25yrs = 2044. This is the max).	With a lease expiry extension, a mortgage amortization may exceed 25 years. Currently 30 years is available for conventional loans but hasn't been available due to lease expiry date.
What if I already live here and I want to refinance my mortgage?	Yes, you may refinance your mortgage anytime for equity take-out or better rate/terms. Your mortgage must not exceed 80% of your property value. 25 year amortization maximum.	Yes, you may refinance your mortgage anytime for equity take-out or better rate/terms. Your mortgage must not exceed 80% of your property value. 30 year amortization maximum (maybe more as lender options increase).
I don't want to refinance but I need a 2nd mortgage to pay some debts/costs, is this possible?	Yes, I have lenders that will approve second (or third) mortgages.	Yes, I have lenders that will approve second (or third) mortgages. I am hopeful there will be more options after extension is complete.
I don't qualify for a "prime" mortgage, do I have any alternatives?	Yes and no. The few lenders that provide mortgages here are considered "prime" lenders, so a borrower must meet strict lending criteria. If you do not, there aren't any "sub-prime or B" lenders. However, there are "private" lenders that finance here; albeit at higher interest costs & fees.	I am very hopeful that when the lease is extended, more "sub-prime or B" lenders will come into the marketplace. This is a necessary option for many borrowers as some do not meet the strict criteria but are still an excellent applicant needing an alternative before resorting to private lending.
I would like to buy or refinance a property here, can I use my out-of-area representatives?	I highly recommend using local area experts. The local bank, mortgage broker, realtors and lawyers are very familiar with the process, paperwork, etc. and will ensure a smooth transaction. The 11th hour issues I see are when a borrower deals with those inexperienced in this area.	Even more important to use local area experts. Head/sub lease documents will be revised and we will all have the current version & be very familiar with the process, paperwork, etc. to ensure a smooth transaction. The 11th hour issues I see are when a borrower deals with those inexperienced in this area.
Yay! The lease extension is all done ... what now?		If you have put-off necessary renovations to your home, require funds for any other purpose, or have a renewal coming up - now is the time to consider refinancing your current mortgage. With low rates and a fresh lease, it is the perfect time.

We want to feature YOUTH!

Athlete or Artist of the Month



Please send your picture along with answers to the questions below to

thechatter@redwoodmeadows.ab.ca for your chance to be featured.

Name:

Age:

What Activity/Activities do you participate in?

How long have you been participating?

What do you love about it?

Do you have a favourite move/piece/song/subject?

Any other highlights/recognition?

Perhaps a favourite coach/teacher/team member?

Do you have a budding athlete or artist at home?
We would like to recognize the amazing and talented youth in our community.

Do your children (or hey you teens!) play a sport, participate in dance, taekwondo, maybe a gymnast in the family—or perhaps you’ve been working on your music, painting, photography, drawing or acting skills.

Regardless of the activity we would like to feature them/you!

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Athlete/Artist of the Month

Annabel Podperychora



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Athlete Profile

Annabel Podperychora

Age: 8

Sport: Acrobatics

How long have you been practicing Acrobatics?

Three years recreational; one year on the Acrobatics Studio competitive team

Favourite move?

Performing the straddle to croc on the canes.

What do you like best about Acrobatics:

Tumbling and being part of the team.

Dr. Karen Massey, REGISTERED PSYCHOLOGIST



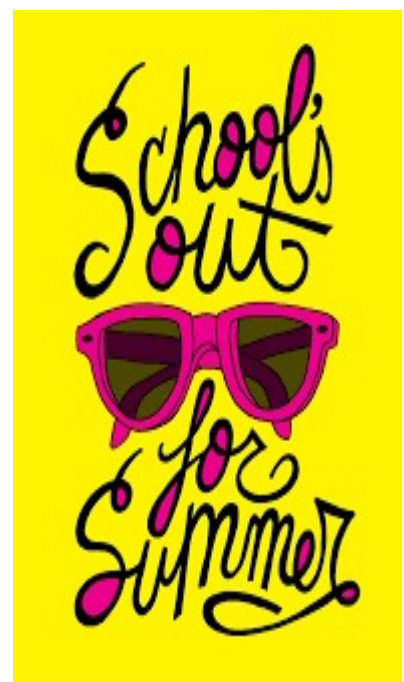
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Bo	13	Home Alone, Babysitting course	403-949-8471
Darian	15	St. John's Babysitting, Home Alone	403-949-2490
Elizabeth	12	Red Cross Babysitting, CPR	403-540-8056 ekorthuis@telus.net
Emma	19	CPR, First Aid, Special Needs Experience	587-899-5420
Emily	17	First aid, CPR	587-582-2846
Griffin	12	Babysitting course	403-408-6998
Jerrith	14	Red Cross Babysitting	403-869-5634
Kate	16	Babysitting course	403-860-9525
Keeling	16	Red Cross Babysitting, Home Alone, First Aid	403-949-3149 keelingbarrie@me.com
Liam	16	Babysitting course	403-949-2090
Logan	14	St. John's Babysitting, Home Alone	403-949-2825
Lucy	21	CPR, First Aid, Babysitting course	587-586-5129 lucygracetalman@hotmail.com
Mackaela	12	Babysitter's license, standard first aid and CPR-B	403.969.6732 macarchambault@gmail.com
Mairenn	15	St. John's Babysitting, Home Alone	403-949-2490
Nolan	11	CPR, Babysitting course	905-999-0635 tanyasilvercy@gmail.com
Quinn	12	Babysitting course	403-949-3149 quinnbarrie@me.com
Sawyer	13	Red Cross Home Alone, Babysitting course	403-949-8888 (Redwood)
Tanis	13	Red Cross babysitting course	403-949-3303
Tessa	12	Babysitting course	403-949-3214
Tia	14	Babysitting course, Home Alone course	403-949-4475
Tianna	12	St. John's Babysitting, Home Alone courses	403-949-3463
Zara	14	Babysitting Certificate	403-949-4474

Disclaimer: The Chatter provides this list solely as a service to the community. It is the responsibility of parents/guardians to check all credentials and references before hiring a caregiver for their child(ren).

CANADA DAY 2019

Monday JULY 1st 9:30am- 3pm

Redwood Meadows Sport Fields

OPENING CEREMONIES AND BIKE PARADE 9:30AM

BBQ AND EAST INDIAN FOOD 11am-2pm

BIRTHDAY CAKE 12pm

LIVE MUSIC & INDIGENOUS DANCERS 11:30am-3pm

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11:00pm **FIREWORKS**



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