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Morinville Festival Days set to bring fun and excitement June

By Shelley Winger

Morinville is gearing up for one of its most anticipated community events of the year — Festival Days, returning from June 13 to 15. Hosted by the Morinville Community Cultural Centre and made possible by the efforts of countless

volunteers and local partners, this vibrant celebration promises fun for all ages. This year's festival is presented in partnership with proud media sponsor 840 CFCW.

The festivities kick off on Friday, June 13, with an energetic Kickoff Dance Party. This ultimate dance

event will feature live music by Calico Road, setting the tone for a weekend full of entertainment and community spirit.

Saturday, June 14, will be packed with a variety of events that offer something for everyone.

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Award recipients proudly display their trophies during the Morinville Fish and Game Association awards night on April 4.

Celebrating achievement at the Morinville Fish and Game Association awards night

Photos by: Morinville Fish and Game Association



Samantha B.'s award-winning photo captures the northern lights dancing above rooftops and treetops — a stunning reminder of the natural beauty that inspires the Morinville Fish and Game community.

By Shelley Winger

On April 4, members of the Morinville Fish and Game Association gathered for their monthly social night—an evening

that turned out to be much more than just a casual get-together. It was a celebration of skill, dedication, and passion for the outdoors as awards were handed

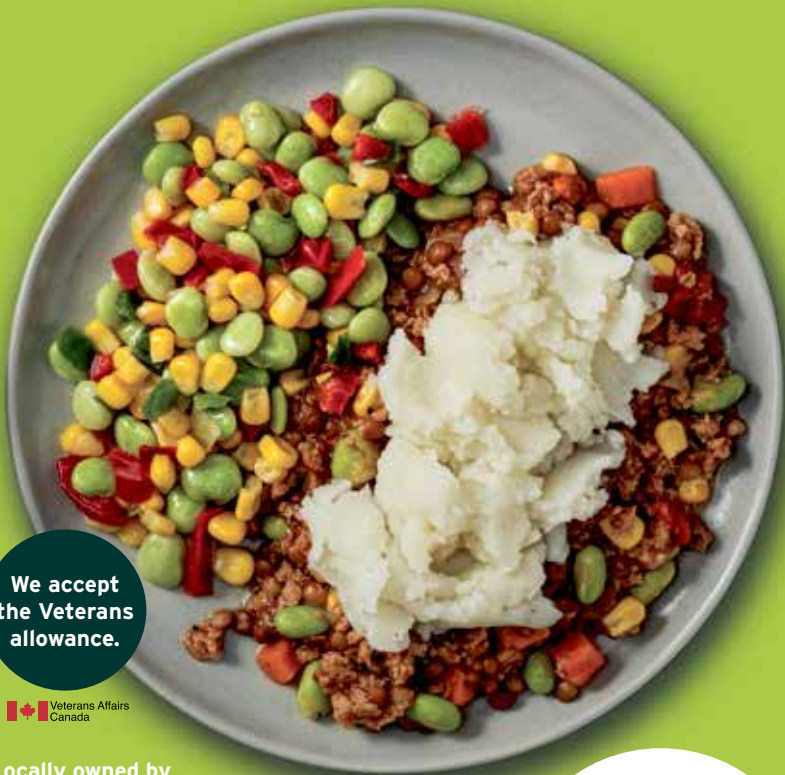
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The event, held in the spirit of

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Early risers can enjoy a free pancake breakfast at the Mayor & Council Pancake Breakfast — a delicious and welcoming way to start the day.

Car enthusiasts won't want to miss the Napa Morinville Show N' Shine, where classic cars will be on display for all to admire. It's the perfect opportunity to rev up your engines and stroll through rows of beautifully maintained vehicles.

Families can head over to the Festival Fun Zone, presented by Ashley Moore Realty Team - Century 21 Masters. There will be games, food trucks, live entertainment, and other attractions that are sure to delight kids and adults alike.

Animal lovers will want to stop by the SCARS Pet Adoption Event — a chance to meet furry friends looking for their forever homes. This heartwarming part of the festival offers a meaningful way to connect with animals and maybe even bring a new family member home.

One of the most exciting events on Saturday will be the Morinville Firefighter Combat Challenge. This thrilling competition lets festivalgoers cheer on local firefighters as they tackle a demanding obstacle course, showcasing their strength, speed, and skill.

Saturday night turns up the volume with a rocking performance by BC/DC, an AC/DC tribute band proudly supported by K-97 Classic Rock. This 18+ licensed concert includes access to a gourmet burger bar, making it the perfect night out for classic rock lovers. Tickets are on sale now and expected to go fast.

The weekend winds down on Sunday, June 15, with a relaxed and family-friendly event — Picnic Bingo. Grab a blanket, pack some snacks, and test your luck to win some great prizes while enjoying the outdoors.

Morinville Festival Days is more than just an event — it's a celebration of community pride, local talent, and shared moments. With activities for all ages and interests, this weekend-long festival promises to be unforgettable.

For more details and a full schedule, visit: www.morinville.ca/festivaldays

Redwater Recreation Area wildfire now under control



Sturgeon County photo

By Haylee Winger

After more than two intense weeks of fire-fighting, the wildfire at the Redwater Recreation Area has officially been classified as under control, thanks to the coordinated efforts of Sturgeon County, the Sturgeon Regional Emergency Management Partnership, and Alberta Wildfire crews.

The wildfire, which scorched 3,230 hectares, is no longer spreading. Over 200 emergency personnel worked tirelessly on the ground and in the air to contain the fire. Thanks to their commitment and rapid response, there was no loss of life, and property loss was limited to three dwellings: one house, a recreational cabin, and an RV trailer.

Fire crews continue to monitor and extinguish hot spots deep within the fire zone,

with helicopter support on standby should flare-ups occur. While the situation has stabilized, authorities stress that the Redwater Recreation Area remains closed under Alberta Parks jurisdiction, and all road closures must still be respected to ensure the safety of personnel and the public.

As of 9:00 a.m. on May 21, Sturgeon County has officially lifted its State of Local Emergency. The off-highway vehicle (OHV) and ATV ban has also been removed, and the full fire ban has been reduced to a fire restriction.

Residents are reminded to always know their location and call 911 in case of emergency. For continued updates, visit sturgeoncounty.ca/fire-bans and alberta-firebans.ca, or contact Protective Services at 780-939-8400.



May 20, 2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

2025 Combined Assessment & Property Tax Notice

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Information regarding the Assessment Complaint process was included with the tax notice.

Assessment complaints must be filed within 60 (sixty) days from the Notice of Assessment Date and must be filed using the Government of Alberta "Assessment Review Board Complaint Form" Form #LGS1402, which is available by contacting the Town office at 780-921-3550 or online at <https://crasc.ca/assessment-review-board/>

Prior to submission of a complaint, please contact the Town of Bon Accord Assessor at Tanmar Consulting, 37 Athabasca Ave, #201, Sherwood Park, AB T8A 4H3 or by phone at 780-417-5191.

Final date to file an assessment complaint is July 28, 2025.

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CUPW begins legal strike action with nationwide overtime ban—Canada Post continues operations, but delivery delays expected

By Shelley Winger

The Canadian Union of Postal Workers (CUPW) officially launched a nationwide overtime ban today, marking the start of legal strike action by employees in both its Urban and Rural and Suburban Mail Carrier (RSMC) bargaining units.

Starting at midnight local time on May 23, CUPW members have refused to work any overtime hours. While unionized postal workers will continue their regular duties, the refusal to work overtime is expected to reduce operational flexibility at Canada Post, potentially causing delays in mail and parcel deliveries. Despite this disruption, Canada Post confirms it remains fully operational for now, with no full work stoppages or rotating strikes reported.

The union describes the overtime ban as a necessary and measured step after months of stalled negotiations. CUPW representatives say workers face increasing workloads, especially in parcel delivery, without adequate compensation or improved working conditions. Rising parcel volumes in recent years have added pressure to postal workers, who argue they are being asked to do more

while their wages and support have not kept pace.

By imposing an overtime ban, CUPW aims to pressure Canada Post to address these issues while still maintaining essential postal services. The strike action is fully legal under the current labor laws and is intended to escalate negotiations without completely halting mail delivery.

On May 21, Canada Post presented CUPW with “global offers” designed to address union concerns while balancing the corporation’s financial realities. These offers include proposed wage increases, the removal of some contentious contract items, and adjustments aimed at helping Canada Post remain competitive, particularly in the increasingly important parcel delivery business.

Canada Post has made the full details of these offers publicly available at canadapost.ca/offers and has expressed willingness to resume negotiations with the help of mediators at any time.

The overtime ban has already coincided with a noticeable drop in parcel and mail volumes as businesses and individuals prepare for possible disruptions. Both CUPW and Canada

Post acknowledge that the situation remains fluid. There are currently no plans for rotating strikes or full work stoppages, but if talks continue to stall, further escalation in strike activities could occur.

Canada Post warns that a full labor disruption would have serious consequences not only for the company’s financial stability but also for millions of Canadians and businesses that rely on timely postal services. The union, meanwhile, insists that stronger action may be needed to achieve fair treatment and sustainable working conditions.

Postal services are vital to everyday life across Canada—from delivering bills and government communications to supporting e-commerce and small businesses with parcel shipments. A prolonged labor dispute risks significant delays, increased costs, and disruptions to Canadians’ daily routines.

Both CUPW and Canada Post say they remain committed to resolving their differences through negotiation, but significant gaps persist. The coming days and weeks will be critical as the two sides work to find common ground before the dispute escalates further.

Paige Smith leaves her mark with Edmonton Jr. Oilers White



Rebecca Jane Photography



By Haylee Winger

Gibbons native Paige Smith wrapped up a remarkable season with the Edmonton Jr. Oilers White, making a strong impact throughout the year. Previously a standout on rival teams—St. Albert Bauer Slash (2022–2023) and St. Albert Raiders Slash (2023–2024)—Smith made a significant transition this season, joining the very team she once competed against and quickly becoming an essential part of the roster.

Smith’s arrival was immediately felt. The Jr. Oilers White kicked off the season by capturing gold at the Calgary Fire Starter Tournament. From there, the team surged through their league with unmatched consistency, finishing the season with only one loss—and that, in overtime.

Her coach, Joel Lenius, praised Smith’s immediate impact on and off the ice.

“Paige was always playing against us on a competing team,” Joel recalled. “This season she ended up choosing to come to our team. We won the Calgary Fire Starter Tournament, and from a season perspective, we only lost one game all year. She became a pretty good leader for us and was well respected by her teammates and everyone in the room. Even though she was a pretty good rival of ours, I think she fit in

pretty nicely.”

The team went on to dominate the playoffs and claimed the league championship, before earning the Pacific Regional title in Vancouver. Their journey culminated with a national title at the prestigious Esso Cup in Lloydminster—Canada’s national women’s U18 hockey championship.

And in that final tournament, Paige Smith didn’t just contribute—she shone. Smith was named MVP of the Esso Cup, an elite honor selected by Hockey Canada, recognizing her as one of the country’s most complete and influential players at the event.

“The team gelled really well,” Coach Joel said. “They had a lot of respect for each other and for Paige. At the Esso Cup, she was the MVP. She’s just a complete player—a 200-foot player. She plays both sides of the puck. She’s a great addition to our program, and I’m certainly going to miss her next year because she’s moving on to play NCAA hockey in Minnesota.”


As for her future, the sky is the limit. Coach Joel believes the foundation of Smith’s game—her tenacity and work ethic—will carry her far.

“I think for her, it’s to continue to be the hardest working player. She continuously outworks her skill—and she’s a skillful player. Any team is lucky to have her.




She’s just such a complete hockey player. I know she’s going to walk into her team next year and be a leader for her group.”

Now set to embark on a four-year journey at Bemidji State University in northern Minnesota to pursue a degree in Exercise Science (Kinesiology), 18-year-old Paige Smith leaves behind a legacy of resilience, growth, and excellence. After 14 years on the ice, beginning at just four years old, Smith’s season with the Edmonton Jr. Oilers White was nothing short of extraordinary. From fierce rival to trusted leader, her evolution captured the spirit of junior hockey at its best. “The best part of the season wasn’t just about winning nationals—it was the whole year,” said Smith. “The culture we had and built was incredible. The relentless work we put in to get to where we got to wouldn’t have been obtainable without the support we had from our coaches. It was a season of triumph, but more than that, a season of heart. It was a rare occasion to be able to play with such a great team and great coaching staff.” As she takes her next steps academically and athletically, Smith leaves a mark not only on her hometown of Gibbons, but also on the broader Canadian hockey community.



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Board and Committee Meetings: SturgeonCounty.ca/Boards
Public Hearings: SturgeonCounty.ca/Notices

Subdivision and Development Appeal Board	June 3	2:00 PM
Economic Development Advisory Board	June 4	9:00 AM
Youth Advisory Meeting	June 4	6:00 PM
Regular Council/Committee of the Whole	June 10	9:00 AM
Sand and Gravel Advisory Committee	June 16	9:00 AM
Community Services Advisory Board	June 16	6:00 PM
Subdivision and Development Appeal Board Hearing	June 17	2:00 PM
Transportation Advisory Committee	June 19	6:00 PM
Regular Council/Committee of the Whole	June 24	9:00 AM
ALUS Partnership Advisory Committee (PAC)	June 25	10:30 AM
Agricultural Service Board	June 25	11:30 AM

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community and friendly competition, recognized hunters and photographers who demonstrated excellence in their fields. From impressive harvests to artistic talent, this year’s honourees showed just how deep the local pool of skill and enthusiasm runs. Congratulations to the following award recipients:

• Luc P. – Bear: 18–3/8

• Mike D. – Whitetail: 129–3/8

• Blake T. – Archery

(Bear): 16–5/8

• Gordon S. – Elk: 188–1/8

• Blake T. – Moose: 150–3/8

• Samantha B. – Outstanding Youth Photo

Blake T. received recognition in two separate categories for both archery and moose, a testament to his skill and consistency. The room lit up with pride as each recipient was called up to accept their awards and have their achievements celebrated by fellow members.

One of the standout moments of the night came with the presentation of the outstanding youth photo award to Samantha B. Her striking photo, featuring a vivid display of the northern lights over rooftops and treetops, was not only a visual masterpiece but also a beautiful reminder of the natural wonders that inspire the Fish and Game community. Photos from the event capture the joy, camaraderie, and pride of everyone involved—from the recipients holding their well-earned trophies to the supportive members who cheered them on. The Morinville Fish and Game Association continues to foster a welcoming, family-friendly environment for hunters, anglers, photographers, and conservationists of all ages. Events like these strengthen community bonds and celebrate the many ways people connect with nature and outdoor heritage. To all the winners: congratulations! And to the entire membership—thank you for continuing to make the Morinville Fish and Game Association a vibrant and inspiring part of our community.

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PUBLIC HEARING – Bylaw 1675/25

Amendment to Land Use Bylaw 1385/17

Sturgeon County Council requests public input on proposed Bylaw 1675/25. This Bylaw would redistrict SE-12-57-21-4 from AG – Agriculture to RE – Resource Extraction.

The proponent (SIL Industrial Minerals) is seeking to develop a natural resource extraction operation, specifically silica sand extraction. As this land is currently designated as ‘Agriculture’ which does not allow this type of activity, redistricting is being proposed to accommodate or allow for the associated uses.

Each time land is redistricted, a bylaw is needed to amend the Land Use Bylaw, and a Public Hearing must be held.

[View the proposed bylaw at sturgeoncounty.ca/hearing-1675](http://sturgeoncounty.ca/hearing-1675)

Public Hearing details

The Public Hearing will be held in person and via videoconference on:

Tuesday, June 10, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. (or as soon as practical thereafter)

Sturgeon County Council Chambers (9613 100 St. in Morinville)

sturgeoncounty.ca/CouncilMeetings

Questions? Contact us!

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SCHEDULE "A"

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Requirements for speakers

All speakers have five minutes to speak and are encouraged to provide a written copy of their submission before the Public Hearing.

Speaking in person

To speak at the Public Hearing in person, contact Legislative Services at **780-939-8277** or **780-939-1377** to pre-register.

Speak via video conference (phone or video call-in)

To speak at the Public Hearing via videoconference, you **must** register by **June 9 at 1:00 p.m.** by contacting Legislative Services at **780-939-8277** or **780-939-1377**. This ensures you receive instructions to access the videoconference.

Written submissions

Email your written submission to Legislative Services at legislativeservices@sturgeoncounty.ca. Written submissions are accepted up to the close of the Public Hearing.

If making a written submission, you must include your name, state your interest in the matter (such as a County resident directly impacted by the proposed bylaw), and indicate if you are in favour of or opposed to the proposed bylaw.

Watching the Public Hearing

You can view the Public Hearing in person or online at sturgeoncounty.ca/CouncilMeetings. To view the livestream, click on the meeting date on the calendar, then click on the video link.

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