

## JULY 2025



### Facts about Canada Day

- It was originally called Dominion Day and officially became a statutory holiday in 1897.
- In 1982, the name was changed to Canada Day.
- Canada Day marks the passing of the Confederation Act and the country's formal creation.

# VILLAGE COUNCIL

## COUNCIL MEETINGS

- July 21, 2025

COUNCIL MEETINGS ARE HELD IN THE VILLAGE COUNCIL CHAMBERS 5015 - 50 STREET STARTING AT 6:30PM.  
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Fire season has certainly hit the municipalities north and west of us with a vengeance this year, and it's a sobering reminder of how quickly things can change. As we enjoy the warm, dry days of summer, it's more important than ever for each of us to be mindful of our daily habits. Something as small as a spark or a stray ember can turn into something devastating. Please be sure to follow all provincial fire bans and restrictions as they're announced, they're there for a reason.

On another note, during my walks around the village, I've noticed some unfortunate signs of local wildlife at work. The remains of small animals that were likely caught by coyotes or eagles. It's a hard thing to see, and a good reminder that while we live in a beautiful natural setting, it also comes with risks. If you have pets, please keep them indoors or supervised when outside to help keep them safe.

Let's continue to look out for each other and our furry friends!

Until next month,

Joy Bell

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# Municipal Elections October 2025

**Confirm you are on the voter list or Register to vote [www.voterlink.ab.ca](http://www.voterlink.ab.ca)**

**Important information you need to know about voting:**

- You will need an Alberta's Driver's License or an Alberta Identification Card for each individual you wish to register or update.
- Your registration or update should take less than five minutes to complete.

**Prior to October 1st make sure you are a registered voter.**

**[www.voterlink.ab.ca](http://www.voterlink.ab.ca)**



## Municipal Election Webinars

**Register for upcoming events if you are interested in running for Council.**

In this engaging session, you'll learn about the roles and responsibilities of local office, how it compares to federal and provincial governments, and the incredible rewards that come with serving your community. You'll also get an inside look at how councils are structured, what's expected of council members, and the unique impact you can have in a small to mid-size municipality.

<https://www.abmunis.ca/events/municipal-election-webinar-small-mid-size-municipalities>

# Kitscoty Public Library

**Dive into summer at the Library - fun for all ages starts here!**

**Summer Reading Program** - Log your reading through the website for the chance to win big this summer with Northern Lights Library Systems.

**Chalk Art Contest** - Submit a photo of your masterpiece submitted into Northern Lights Library Systems before July 27th for a chance to win a Paint-Your-Own-Stepping-Stone Kit.

**Summer Fun** - Wednesday & Thursday afternoons. Pre-Register for your spot through our website.

**Special Interest & Crafting Events** - Tuesdays ages 12+. Join us for paint pouring, macrame, escape room and more throughout the summer. Check the event page on our website for more details.

**Coffee Time** - Tuesdays @10:30am

**Book Club** - We invite you to join us July 23rd at 7pm as we discuss *The Lion Women of Tehran* by Marjan Kamali

**The countdown is on - make sure you're there this August!**

**Little Free Library** - check out this unique traveling library visiting us for the first two weeks in August.

**Alberta Science Network** - 1pm on August 14

## Library Summer Hours

Tuesday - Thursday 10am-7pm

Closed for Cleaning: July 28-Aug 4

Website: [www.kitscotypubliclibrary.ab.ca](http://www.kitscotypubliclibrary.ab.ca)

Facebook: Kitscoty Public Library

Email: [librarian@kitscotypubliclibrary.ab.ca](mailto:librarian@kitscotypubliclibrary.ab.ca)



On June 15th, about seventy-five local residents attended the official opening and dedication of the Beaton gathering place at the Community Centre, to enjoy the conversations, the reminiscing and the refreshments. The space is now available for rentals and they can be booked by contacting Dennis Roth at 780-205-8877. Thank you to all those who helped out in any way for this special event and to Sobeys and the Co-op for their kind donations.

## Kitscoty & District Community Centre

Anyone interested in playing cribbage in the fall, can contact me at 780-846-2832. We are planning on getting together in the mornings. Also, the regular floor curling and pool will return in September. Membership is available to all community residents at \$10.00 per year. Suggestions for other activities are always welcome, also to my phone. For other rentals, we can advise that we now have a new kitchen, along with a dishwasher and stove. The BBQ space has a kitchen and washroom facilities included in the rental, along with seating for about forty. A BBQ is available for use of a renter of the facilities, and the cost of this option is a flat rate of \$50.00. For any conditions contact Dennis Roth at the number given above.



# Cabin 4 Kids

## Support a Registered Charity in your Community.

Support Cabin 4 Kids and help provide a safe, nurturing space for children in need! Your generous donation will directly fund programs that offer a place for kids to learn, grow, and build lasting memories. From educational activities to outdoor adventures, Cabin 4 Kids ensures every child experiences the joy of childhood, regardless of their circumstances. Your contribution, no matter the size, can make a real difference in a child's life. Together, we can offer them the chance to thrive and succeed. Please consider making a donation today and join us in empowering the next generation.

Visit our website or donate directly to support this vital cause. Thank you for your kindness! E-Transfer [director@cabin4kids.org](mailto:director@cabin4kids.org) or cheque made payable to Kitscoty Community Cabin 4 Kids Box 417, Kitscoty AB T0B 2P0



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**\$234 A WEEK**

**WEEKLY SUMMER CAMPS**  
KITSCOTY LEGION

**CABIN 4 KIDS**  
**DAY CAMP**

**OPEN 7 AM - 6 PM**  
Bring snacks/lunch  
let us know drop off/pick up times for your child

**STEM ACTIVITIES**  
THEME DAYS SUCH AS  
TENT DAY  
Outdoor games

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PHONE: 780-846-2228  
EMAIL: [DIRECTOR@CABIN4KIDS.ORG](mailto:DIRECTOR@CABIN4KIDS.ORG)  
[WWW.CABIN4KIDS.ORG](http://WWW.CABIN4KIDS.ORG)

The graphic is decorated with colorful illustrations of a kite, a target, puzzle pieces, a skateboard, a basketball, and a xylophone.





## Kitscoty Community Track Area Rehabilitation & Enhancement Project

The Kitscoty Community Track is being renewed after forty years of usage! Over the past two years, the long / triple jump pit has been excavated, lined with landscape ties and refilled with sand as well as paving the runway. In addition, a new shot-put throwing circle has been poured and a throwing sector edged. The updates completed to this point have resulted in an exciting increase in the youth using the facility. With the new facilities many personal and team best performances have been witnessed at the Highway 16 and Buffalo Trail competitions at the junior high age level. Kitscoty High School has won the Highway 16 banner two out the last three years and we have had the gold medal aggregate winner for five out of six age categories in the past two years. Similarly at the senior high level, more athletes from Kitscoty are now qualifying for events in Zone and Provincial competitions.



A topographic survey of the track has been completed. The survey will be used to complete the next phase of the project which includes addressing the track drainage issues, shaping, grading and re-graveling the track as well as establishing proper 100 m running lanes. Lastly, a discus throwing circle will be poured and surrounding safety fence will be erected. This phase will be completed in the summer of 2025 and spring of 2026.

The cost of the entire project is estimated at approximately \$131 000. To date the support received is approximately \$45 000. We are looking for your generous support to complete the project!!



Charitable Donation Receipts can be issued for each level of sponsorship upon request – minimum \$100 donation.

Partnership Level	Donation Product, services or cash
<b>Diamond</b>	Print, school slideshow, social media recognition PLUS individual, large size logo on site signage and in slideshow \$5000 +
<b>Platinum</b>	Print, school slideshow, social media recognition PLUS medium size logo on site signage and in slideshow \$2500 - \$4999
<b>Gold</b>	Print, school slideshow, social media recognition PLUS partner name list on site signage \$1000 - \$2499
<b>Silver</b>	Print and school slideshow recognition PLUS partner name list within social media recognition \$500 - \$999
<b>Bronze</b>	Print recognition PLUS partner name list within school recognition slideshow \$250 - \$499
<b>Friends of the Track</b>	Print recognition Less than \$250

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact info: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to be a ☐ Diamond ☐ Platinum partner with a donation of  
☐ Gold ☐ Silver \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Bronze ☐ Friends of the Track

Receipt? Yes, please. No, thank you. (circle one please)

Please make cheques payable to Buffalo Trail Public Schools or e-transfer to [khstrack@btps.ca](mailto:khstrack@btps.ca)  
 Please include "Community Track" as part of your e-transfer comments.

If you have questions or require further information, please contact Deb Venance at 780 871 4950.

**Thanking you in advance for your support!!**

**BRONZE  
PARTNER**



Larry & Kathy Paul

**\$500 - 999**

**Kitscoty Community Track**  
 Rehabilitation & Enhancement  
 Project 2025

# Farmstead Market & More



## SUMMER STORE & BISTRO HOURS

NEW EXPANDED GROCERY AREA  
OPENING THIS JULY!

MONDAY	8:30AM-6PM
TUESDAY	8:30AM-6PM
WEDNESDAY	8:30AM-6PM
THURSDAY	8:30AM-9PM
FRIDAY	8:30AM-9PM
SATURDAY	11AM-9PM
SUNDAY	2PM-8PM

4908 50<sup>TH</sup> STREET KITSCOTY AB T0B2P0

EMAIL: [OFFICE@FARMSTEADMARKET.CA](mailto:OFFICE@FARMSTEADMARKET.CA) PHONE: 780-205-3961

WEB: [FARMSTEADMARKET.CA](http://FARMSTEADMARKET.CA)





## SUPPORTING SUMMER GRIEF

Grieving in summer can be especially disorienting because the sunshine, social events, and expectations of joy often clashes with the grieving experience. Here are some ideas to consider when thinking about supporting through experiences of grief this summer.

### 1. Acknowledge The Season is Hard

You do not have to feel okay just because the sun is shining. Grief does not follow a set timeline. Be where you are emotionally, by acknowledging that this is a difficult journey.

### 2. Set Boundaries with Time and Plans

Summer can be full of gatherings and invitations to weddings, birthday parties, or other celebrations. You are allowed to say no and set boundaries on your attendance. Many people often find it helpful to say “maybe” and then you always have the option of changing your mind.

### 3. Turn to Nature

While summer can feel overstimulating, it also offers gentle ways to soothe grief if you can turn towards nature. This may include going for morning walks before it gets hot, sitting quietly near water, gardening or tending to a plant, or catching the sunrise or sunset.

### 4. Create Your Own Rituals

Grief responds well to small rituals. Some ideas that can be helpful for summer could be writing your loved one a letter and leaving it somewhere that reminds you of them, making a playlist that connects memories of your loved one, or choosing a flower to plant at home that represents your loved one.

### 5. Connect With Support System

Grief can feel isolating, especially when it feels that others in your life are "moving on." Reach out to someone who can support you where you are at or consider joining a grief support group either in-person or online.

### 6. Give Yourself Grace

You do not have to be productive in order to get the most out of summer. If you find that you are just surviving most days, remind yourself that this is enough.

No matter what strategies you lean into this summer, know that you are doing your best to manage a very difficult season of your life.

Submitted by: Walking Through Grief Society

Funded by FCSS; City of Lloydminster, Towns of Vermilion and Wainwright, Village of Kitscoty. and County of Vermilion River.



# ATTENTION

## GARBAGE COLLECTION REMINDERS:

1. YOUR CART MUST BE OUT BY 7 AM ON YOUR COLLECTION DAY.
  2. WHEELS ALWAYS TO THE CURB, PLEASE!  
MAKE SURE BIN IS FACING FORWARD SO THE TRUCK ARMS CAN GRAB IT
  3. NO PARKING IN FRONT OF OR WITHIN 6 FEET OF THE CART.
  4. KEEP BINS 6 FEET AWAY FROM OTHER CARTS OR OBSTRUCTIONS SO THE ARMS CAN ACCESS THE BIN PROPERLY.
  5. THE LID MUST BE CLOSED. OVERFLOWING CARTS WILL NOT BE EMPTIED.
  6. AVOID OVERLOADING CARTS – THE TRUCK ARMS CAN ONLY LIFT A CERTAIN WEIGHT.
- \*EXTRA BAGS OUTSIDE THE CART WILL NOT BE PICKED UP\*

## **Weekly QR Scavenger Hunts**

### **Vermilion**

June 30 – August 21 (Mon-Thurs)  
(check VIBE's Facebook page for  
new clues each week to win PRIZES)

### **Walk & Talks in Vermilion**

Mondays-Wednesdays, July  
(check VIBE's Facebook page each  
week for new walking locations in  
Vermilion only.)

### **Be Creative: Tie Dyeing with VIBE**

August 19 Dewberry (9:30-11:30)  
August 19 Mannville (1:00-3:30)  
August 20 Vermilion (9:30-12:00)  
August 21 Kitscoty (9:30-12:00)  
August 21 Marwayne (1:00-3:00)

### **FREE OPEN PIZZA OVEN**

Bring your own raw thin-crust pizza  
and we will cook it for you. Also bring  
your knife to cut your pizza, a cutting  
board, utensils, plates, drinks and any  
other food you want to eat.

**When:** Every Wednesday night from  
July 2 – August 27

**Where:** Heritage Park  
5324 50th Avenue, Vermilion

**Time:** 6:00-7:30 p.m.  
No oven July 23rd

## **Partnerships**

FCSS: County of Vermilion River,  
Town of Vermilion, Village of  
Marwayne, Village of Kitscoty,  
Mannville, Minburn, and Innisfree  
Vermilion Rotary Club  
Vermilion & District Chamber Of  
Commerce  
Vermilion Provincial Park  
Vermilion Public Library  
Vermilion Wellness Coalition  
Vermilion Seniors Center  
Vermilion Play Development  
Summer Fun Town of Vermilion  
Brighter Beginnings



## **VIBE Summer Programming 2025**

For more information check here:  
Facebook: VIBE Vermilion  
Email: pat.calyniukebtps.ca  
Phone: (780) 853-3718

## **Drop-In Programming**

### **ALL VIBE PROGRAMMING IS FREE!**

#### **Vermilion Wednesday Mornings**

**Location:** Heritage Park

**Time:** 10:00-11:30 a.m.

**July 2:** Decorate Aprons or Bags

**July 9:** Kindness Jars

**July 16:** Button Making

**July 23:** Abstract Art

**July 30:** Bird Houses

**August 6:** Flower Pots

**August 13:** Slime & Stress Balls

**August 20:** Tie Dyeing (9:30am-12:00pm)

**August 27:** Trivet Decorating

#### **Tuesday Mornings**

**Location:** Vermilion Public Library

**Time:** 10:00-11:30 a.m.

Little Spot Programming (July 8 to Aug 12)

Story Book (Read at 10:30 am)

Activities and Crafts

#### **Tuesday Afternoons**

**Location:** Splash Park

**Vermilion Provincial Park**

**Time:** 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Free item each week

### **Taste of Vermilion**

June 25 VIBE will be downtown with  
activities for families.

### **Canada Day**

Tuesday July 1<sup>st</sup> VIBE will be at the  
Vermilion Ag Grounds with large games,  
craft, Geocaching, & QR Scavenger Hunt

### **Mike Hall Day**

Wednesday July 23<sup>rd</sup> VIBE will be  
downtown with activities for families.

### **Vermilion Fair**

When: 1:00-8:00 p.m. July 24

11:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. July 25-26

See VIBE at the Trade Fair. Spin the mental  
health wheel or play plinko to win fidgets, and  
get free mental health resources!

### **Mannville**

August 19 1:00 to 3:30 pm

Tie Dyeing at the Gazebo

### **Dewberry**

August 19 9:30am-11:30 am

Tie dyeing slime, and stress ball making

Cornerstone Coop

### **Graffiti Wall Painting**

Sept 4 3:30-5:00 pm

Skateboard Park Vermilion

### **Teen Pizza Evening**

September 10 5:00-7:00 pm

Heritage Park Vermilion

(Only for Grade 6 to Grade 12 students)

### **Kitscoty & Marwayne**

**WHERE: KITSCOTY 5015 50 ST.**  
(NEXT DOOR TO THE VILLAGE OFFICE)

**WHERE: MARWAYNE MAIN ST.**  
MARWAYNE RAIN OUT LOCATION:  
MARWAYNE VILLAGE OFFICE  
210 2ND AVE SOUTH

#### **THURSDAY JULY 3**

Where: Kitscoty 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Marwayne 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Activity: decorate aprons or bags

#### **THURSDAY JULY 10**

Where: Kitscoty 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Marwayne 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Activity: Paint kindness jars

#### **THURSDAY JULY 17**

Where: Kitscoty 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Marwayne 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Activity: I am Unique Buttons

#### **THURSDAY JULY 24**

WE ARE IN THE TRADE FAIR AT  
THE VERMILION FAIR

#### **THURSDAY JULY 31**

Where: Kitscoty 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Marwayne 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Activity: Bird House Painting

#### **TUESDAY AUGUST 6**

Where: Kitscoty 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Marwayne 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Activity: Flower Pot Decorating

#### **THURSDAY AUGUST 14**

Where: Kitscoty 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Marwayne 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Activity: Slime and Stress Balls

#### **THURSDAY AUGUST 21**

Where: Kitscoty 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Marwayne 1:00-3:00pm

Activity: Tie Dyeing

# Lloydminster Agricultural Exhibition Association

July 9-12 Lloyd Ex Fair & Parade Day July 9th

July 26-27 Extreme Indian Relay Racing & RCMP Musical Ride

## Midwest Family Connections



**FREE Indoor Playground**

Tuesdays: 1:00 to 7:00 pm  
Wednesdays: 1:00 to 3:00 pm  
Thursdays: 1:00 to 3:00 pm  
Fridays: 9:30 to 11:30 am

**Saturdays**  
July 5, 12, 19 & 26  
9:30 am to 1:30 pm



The Indoor Playground is an **INCLUSIVE PLAY SPACE**. Children & parents with disabilities, including intellectual disabilities, are welcome. Call or visit to discuss accommodations that may be needed.



**Wednesdays**  
July 2, 23 & 30  
10:00 to 11:30 am

4114 - 31<sup>st</sup> Street  
Lloydminster, SK



Program will run rain or shine!

**New Park**



**Mothers First**  
Thursdays, 10 to 11:30 am  
July 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31

A weekly group for mothers of infants to connect with one another while learning about and practicing self-care.

Location: Midwest Family Connections  
Childcare and transportation is available.  
Registration is required.



Suite 103, 4910 - 50th Street  
Lloydminster SK S9V 0Y5  
306-825-5911 or toll-free: 1-866-651-5911  
info@midwestfamilyconnections.ca



# Public Works

## VILLAGE CONTACTS

WATER & SEWER EMERGENCIES: 780-808-0517 OR 780-205-3745  
Phone: 780-846-2221 Box 128, 5011 - 50 St Email: info@vokitscoty.ca

Jason Olson, Chief Administrative Officer cao@vokitscoty.ca  
Ryker Morton, Public Works pwsuper@vokitscoty.ca  
Joyce Bell, Mayor joyce@vokitscoty.ca

### Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm

**OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED TUESDAY JULY 1, 2025**

## WASTE MANAGEMENT

### WASTE TRANSFER STATION

**SUMMER HOURS: May 1 -October1**

Wednesday 2-7  
Thursday 1-5  
Saturday 10-4

### RECYCLING

Co- mingle recycling bins are located at the WTS for all your recycling activities (except plastic)

### INCLEMENT WEATHER

**In the event of inclement weather** call the Vermilion River Regional Waste Management Services Office at 780-853-1070 to get updates on transfer station sites. Automated recording will inform you of any changes