

THE PRIDDIS POST

KEEPING YOU INFORMED

OCTOBER 2018

Daylight hours are getting shorter so please slow down on our highways and secondary roads. Drive for the weather conditions. Let's keep everyone safe.

Visit our website at: www.priddisalberta.com to see what is happening in and around our community. You will find information about activities and community events at the Priddis Hall: Priddis Pre-School, Priddis Panthers Hockey League, skating rink schedule, membership forms and PayPal payment system. Also listed are local businesses and how to make those social media connections in the Foothills.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

November 15 - Annual General Meeting

Annual General Meeting: Nov. 15th

Come on out and be an active part of your community. Join us at the AGM on Thursday, November 15th, 7:30 at the Hall. Some Executive and Director appointments are up for renewal. We are also looking for a Hall Rental Director. The Board meets once a month to carry out the Board mandate and business. All members are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Parent & Tot Coffee Morning:

We are looking for someone to take over the local Priddis Parent & Tot Coffee mornings. They take place one a month. This is a very easy volunteer position for someone looking to get involved in the community. Schedule the day and time with Jane's Café, attend the meet up, bring the activity bucket for the kids, and advertise the event via Facebook. If you, or someone you know may be interested, please email pcayoungfamilies@gmail.com

2018 Casino: Sept 20th & 21st

Thank you to all volunteers for your time and participation in this very important event for the PCA. Money raised at the casino is vital to maintaining the ongoing operation of the Hall. Thanks to Wayne Heinen for coordinating and keeping us organized! We should be receiving our funds early in the new year.

The **Annual Stampede Breakfast** was on July 8th. Everything was ready to go at 8:00 am as our volunteer Firemen cooks and volunteer executive chef served up 455 delicious breakfasts. The band started playing and the coffee was hot! There was a bouncy castle for the kids and horse-drawn wagon rides from the designated parking area on Priddis Valley Road. Ted and Julie Hoffman from Millarville won the 50/50 draw - \$255.50. The winner of the Brunch for Two raffle, donated by Priddis Greens Golf & Country Club, was Jamie Lywood of Priddis. Priddis Volunteer Fire team manned their fire trucks and displays. Range Recycling, a new local business, had their truck on display. Information tables were set up by volunteers for the Multi-Purpose Building with a few raffles to raise awareness and donations. Thanks to all our donors this year: Chaulk Real Estate, Priddis Greens Golf & Country Club, Azuridge, Priddis Store and M.D. of Foothills. Thanks to all volunteers who stepped up for this event. Lots of fun was had by all and we already have some returning next year!

The **Priddis Garage Sale** on May 12th was a huge success again this year and everyone had fun. Special treasures were aplenty! Thanks to Arlene Jelfs for organizing this annual event and her special team of volunteers for helping.

PROGRAMS:

Priddis Early Learning Program (PELP):

PELP's fundraiser, Mabel's Labels is being offered again this fall. Great labels for kids' things, e.g. jackets, t-shirts, pants, hats and shoes. We appreciate all your orders as 20% of sales through the link come back to our community preschool.

https://mabelslabels.com/c/?type=fundraiser&b=7321&cur_website=base

The 3-year old program is now full, with a waitlist for 2018/2019. There are still a few spaces available in the 4-year old program. Registration for the program at the Priddis Hall is ongoing. The 3-year-old program runs on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9-11am. The 4-year-old program is on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings from 9-11:30am. For more information please email PELPpreschool@gmail.com

Priddis Panthers Pond Hockey:

This is a fun, non-competitive pond hockey for boys and girls with all levels of experience, ages 5-17. If your child is interested in playing, contact priddishockey@gmail.com or check Facebook for Priddis Panthers Hockey.

Priddis Rink: Helmets Required!

Thanks in advance to the many hockey families who will be volunteering their time assisting with flooding and snow removal. Everyone is hoping to have great ice again this year! The practice schedule will be posted on the website. A reminder that anyone using the Priddis rink needs to have a community membership.

Recycling Shed at Priddis Hall:

A reminder that the Priddis Panthers Hockey Club have a recycling shed located at the north-west end of the Priddis Hall parking lot. Thank you in advance for dropping off your bottles and cans.

Thanks to Gael Dinnie for looking after the **Priddis Tennis Courts** and rounding up a group of players in the spring and summer months. The courts are still in need of maintenance and this will be done next year.

The **Priddis Library** in the old-school house is open Tuesday and Friday from 3:00 to 5:00. There is a great selection of children's books and a play area. Drop by to borrow a book or donate your used books. Thanks to Arlene, Geraldine and Carol for volunteering their time to keep the Library operational for the community.

Priddis Multi-Purpose Building:

The addition of this facility to the Hamlet will bring growth and secure a future for Priddis and the business community. Priddis will be able to offer more recreational opportunities and make a stronger family connection with community members.

Fundraising: Thanks to all sponsors, volunteers, donors, and attendees, the fundraiser held on June 1st at the hall was a huge success. **\$28,000** was raised for the project! The Calgary Foundation's Community Grants Program designated **\$45,000** to assist with our capital campaign. These funds will be used to create a facility business plan and assist with our fund development strategy. Thank you to the Calgary Foundation for providing support to host a successful community center through our capital campaign and beyond.

We are very excited to see the project moving forward and hope to have your support throughout our campaign. We plan to send information out to share updates, opportunities, and news surrounding the project and welcome feedback from engaged community members.

The finance committee is still meeting on a regular basis. If you would like to contribute ideas on fundraising, or join the

PCA

MISSION

STATEMENT:

"It is our mission to encourage, enrich and enhance the social, physical and cultural programs in our rural community, while recognizing and honoring its' unique qualities and history."

2018

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DETAILS:

Newsletter publications and distribution will occur several times throughout the year. The Priddis Community Association Board meets the 2nd Monday of every month at 7:00 PM at the Priddis Hall. All members are welcome to attend.

committee, contact Joey Duzlemic at priddishockey@gmail.com. or (403) 891-4766. Any questions concerning the Multi-Purpose Building Project, please email priddismpbldg@gmail.com Check the website, www.priddisalberta.com for more details on events and project updates.

Councillor Suzanne Oel – Foothills Div. 4 News
Upcoming community EVENT to discuss CRIME & WILDFIRE: Thursday, November 8th, 7:00 pm at the Square Butte Hall, off Hwy 762. Guest Reps: RCMP, 2 Foothills Councillors, HCRCWA, Block Talk founder, Foothills Fire Department, Foothills Emergency Management, AB Forestry.

Crime prevention pilot project under way in Foothills: Our Foothills Council is conducting an RCMP Pilot Project in response to RURAL PROPERTY CRIME and other hot issues. We are hiring additional RCMP shifts from October thru December to target areas of concern and to create more police presence throughout Foothills. We hope this will help fight crime!

New RCMP Crime Map on Foothills website: Just wanted to let you know about this Alberta RCMP Crime Map, if you have not yet seen it. Visit: mdfoothills.com – rural crime watch – RCMP MAP.

Dark Sky Country – Postcard & Pin Project: To help spread awareness, keep the conversation lively, and get everyone involved, residents surrounding the Ann & Sandy Cross Conservation Area and the Rothney Astrophysical Observatory are being sent an informative postcard about the benefits of preserving dark skies. Residents are invited to send in a photo of something they have done to mitigate light pollution. Our awesome Dark Sky Country pins will be mailed out to participants, while supplies last. Thanks to the **Calgary Foundation, ASCCA, RAO, RASC and Foothills**, for supporting this initiative! If you didn't get a postcard and want to participate, find more details at: DarkSkyCountry.ca

Alberta Fish & Wildlife update: Numerous wildlife predator incidents have recently occurred in the Priddis – Millarville area. Please be aware and reduce attractants in your yard. See more information at: wildsmart.ca

Fish/Priddis Creeks Stewardship Group: You are welcome to join our science-based community group to learn more about our watershed and protecting the Creek, a vital resource. The hope is to tie this group with existing watershed stewardship groups, such as Friends of Fish Creek and the Bow River Basin Council, since no other stewardship group is currently active on this reach of Fish Creek. If interested, please contact: davidswann571@gmail.com

New Cannabis Bylaw: After holding a public meeting on October 3, Foothills Council gave 2nd & 3rd readings to pass Bylaw 43/2018 on October 17, 2018. The intent of the Bylaw is to impose additional restrictions on the smoking, vaping and other forms of consumption of cannabis in public places to prevent behaviors and conduct that may have a negative impact on the enjoyment of public places within the M.D. of Foothills. Section 4. of the Bylaw states that 'A person must not smoke, vape or consume cannabis in any Public Place'. The specified penalty for violation of this Bylaw is issuance of a **violation ticket and a \$250.00 fine.**

Thanks, Suzanne Oel

Renew your PCA Membership for the 2018 – 2019 season. The cost is \$25.00 for a family membership, \$15.00 for a single adult, single senior \$10.00, or a business membership for \$50.00 per year. Purchase your membership online, mail the attached form in with payment or drop it off at the Priddis Store. Thanks in advance.

The **Westoe Women's Institute** welcomes new members. Meetings take place the first Wednesday of each month. Contact Linda Eagleton at 403-931-2505 for more info.

Staying Connected: Did you know that along with The Priddis Community Association's website we have a few local Facebook pages to keep the community connected? These are great resources for seeing what is going on in the community, asking questions, finding out about local businesses and so much more. Check out the following Facebook groups:

- ~~~ Priddis Community Association
- ~~~ Priddis Moms Connect
- ~~~ Priddis Buy and Sell

Go on our website today to check things out - <http://www.priddisalberta.com>

The Priddis Community Association website has a monthly calendar of events and social activities. To view or book the Hall, contact pcahallrentals@gmail.com You **MUST** be a member in good standing for the last 2 years to get the special membership rate.

With your support, the Priddis Community Hall will continue to offer a great local meeting place for many activities and social events. Let us know what community events or functions you would like to see take place at the Hall. Your feedback is appreciated.

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 2018 - 2019 MEMBERSHIP FORM**

Effective November 1st, 2018 – October 31st, 2019

***Business = \$50.00 Family Membership = \$25.00 Single Adult = \$15.00 Single Senior = \$10.00**

***Business Membership includes the business listed on PCA website**

If you & your family are new residents to the community, your 1st year membership is free. Check here

First name: _____ Last name: _____
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Please mail cheque and this form to: PCA, 178131 Priddis Valley Rd W Priddis, AB T0L 1W1 or drop it off at the Priddis General Store. Do you wish to volunteer for PCA functions? Yes No

I would like to receive PCA emails of news & events in our community. Yes No