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TOWN NEWS

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Town of Willow Bunch

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday

7:00 am – 12:00 pm

12:45 pm – 4:30 pm

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Town of Willow Bunch

NOVEMBER 1 @ 7PM

R.M. of Willow Bunch No. 42

NOVEMBER 14 @ 9PM

Sharleine Eger

Administrator

rm.42@sasktel.net

Tereena Bartlett

Assistant Administrator

willowbunch.town@sasktel.net

**Claire Lesperance – Community
Development Office**

willowbunchcdo@gmail.com

HILLS OF HOME CENTER BOOKINGS

**If you are wanting to book the
Hills of Home Center for any
reason, please contact the
Municipal Office**

WINTER Transfer

Station Hours

Now in effect until MARCH 31st

Tuesday: 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Saturday: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

NEXT GREY GARBAGE BIN

PICK UP DATE:

NOVEMBER 7TH

NOVEMBER 21ST

@ 7:00AM

NEXT BLUE RECYCLE BIN

PICK UP DATE:

NOVEMBER 14TH

NOVEMBER 28TH

@ 7:00AM

GYM MEMBERSHIPS

ARE ONLY \$15 / MONTH

CONTACT THE TOWN OFFICE

AT 306-473-2450

OFFICE CLOSED

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH –
REMEMBERANCE DAY**

St. Ignace Catholic Church
Mass Services for the month of November will
be held on Sundays at 11:00am

NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT OF POLL
RM OF WILLOW BUNCH NO. 42

Whereas at the close of the withdrawal period of 4:00 p.m. October 5th, 2022 a poll is not required pursuant to The Local Government Election Act for the office of:

Councillor Division 2	RM of Willow Bunch No. 42
Councillor Division 4	RM of Willow Bunch No. 42

I hereby give notice that no voting for these offices will take place on November 9th, 2022 and therefore declare:

Albert Lavallee (Division 2) and **Scott Kirby (Division 4)** are duly elected by acclamation for a 4 year term commencing at the First Meeting of the Council of the R.M. of Willow Bunch No. 42 following Election Day.

Dated this 20th day of October, 2022.

Sharleine Eger
Returning Officer

NOTICE OF POLL
R.M. of WILLOW BUNCH No. 42

Public notice is hereby given that a poll has been granted for the election of:

Division 6 Councillor – RM of Willow Bunch No. 42
Number to be elected, one (1)

Candidates for Councillor – Division 6

BELLEFLEUR, Patrick
BISSONNETTE, Gilles

Voting will take place on Wednesday the 9th day of November, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the **Municipal Office Council Chambers**, #16 Edouard Beaupre St, Willow Bunch.

Advance Poll will take place on Wednesday, the 2nd day of November, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the **Municipal Office Council Chambers**, #16 Edouard Beaupre St., Willow Bunch.

Voting By Mail – Register in person or electronically to vote by mail. Forms and instructions are available on willowbunch.ca or at the Municipal Office. Deadline to register is 4:00 p.m., the Monday preceding the election (keep in mind allowing enough time to send/receive ballot packages).

Dated this 20th day of October, 2022.

Sharleine Eger
Returning Officer

INSTRUCTIONS FOR REQUESTING A MAIL IN BALLOT PACKAGE.

A voter may apply for a mail-in ballot by mail, fax or other means of electronic transmission if all of the following conditions are met:

- i. The applicant voter completes and submits a Voter's Registration Form and Declaration of Person Requesting Mail-in Ballot Form which includes the applicant voter's signature on both documents
- ii. The applicant voter's signature on the Voter's Registration Form and Declaration of Person Requesting Mail-in Ballot Form must be witnessed by one of the following prescribed persons:
 - (a) An eligible voter as defined in the Act and Regulations who is related to the applicant voter in one of the ways set out in Table 2 of Appendix D of the Regulations and who has known the applicant voter for two years or more;
 - (b) An eligible voter as defined in the Act and Regulations who lives at the same address as the applicant voter and who has known the applicant voter for two years or more;
 - (c) A person who is 18 years of age or older who is registered or licensed to practice with the applicable governing body in one of the following professions:
 - A. Judge
 - B. Dentist
 - C. Pharmacist
 - D. Veterinarian
 - E. Police officer
 - F. Notary public
 - G. Lawyer
 - H. Medical doctor
 - I. Signing officer of a:
 - I. Bank or trust company; or
 - II. Financial Institution that offers a full range of banking services
- iii. The person who witnesses the applicant voter's signature on the Voter's Registration Form and Declaration of Person Requesting Mail-in Ballot Form **reviews the following forms of the applicant voter's identification and confirms that they are satisfied that the voter's identity has been established:**
 - (a) One piece of identification issued by the Government of Canada, Saskatchewan, a municipality or a government agency that contains a photograph of the applicant voter; the applicant voter's name and address and the applicant voter's signature.

- iv. The applicant voter provides the returning officer or other designated election **official copies of the form of identification as provided for in clause iii (a).**

Where an applicant voter applies for a mail-in ballot by mail, fax or other means of electronic transmission and does not meet one or more of the following requirements to the satisfaction of the returning officer or other designated election official reviewing the application, the voter will be required to apply in person for a mail-in ballot:

- i. The Voter's Registration Form or Declaration of Person Requesting Mail-in Ballot Form is not signed or witnessed in accordance with this section;
- ii. The Voter's Registration Form or Declaration of Person Requesting Mail-in Ballot Form is incomplete or is not legible;
- iii. The copies of the identification do not comply with the identification requirements in clause (iv), or the copies are not provided or are not provided in clear legible form;
- iv. The signature on the identification does not match the voter's signature on the Voter's Registration Form or Declaration of Person Requesting Mail-in Ballot Form.

No candidate or candidate's agent shall witness the applicant voter's signature on the Voter's Registration Form or Declaration of Person Requesting Mail-in Ballot Form.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Of Intent to Adopt an
OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN and ZONING BYLAW

NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given that the Council of the Town of Willow Bunch intends to consider the adoption an Official Community Plan Bylaw and Zoning Bylaw pursuant to *The Planning and Development Act, 2007*.

REASON

The proposed Official Community Plan (OCP) will establish and provide direction on municipal land use policies, goals and objectives.

The proposed Zoning Bylaw is a regulatory document that implements the policies contained in the OCP, help direct and manage growth and development. This document will establish zoning districts, prescribe permitted and discretionary uses within each zoning district, establish a development permitted process, prescribe a process for appeals and provide a provision for amendments.

AFFECTED LAND

The proposed OCP and Zoning Bylaw encompass all properties within the municipality of the Town of Willow Bunch.

PUBLIC INSPECTION

The document and maps of the OCP and Zoning Bylaw may be viewed at the Town of Willow Bunch located at #16 Edouard Beaupre St. These documents may be examined by any person without payment of any fee between the hours of 7:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, up to and including December 6th, 2022.

Copies of the documents may be obtained from the Administrator at a cost of \$25.00. Any questions about these documents can be directed to the Town of Willow Bunch Office.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Council will hear all submissions respecting the proposed OCP and Zoning Bylaw on:

December 6th, 2022 at 7:30 -8:30 p.m. in Council Chambers

Council will hear all persons who are present at the meeting and wish to speak on this matter. They will also consider written comments received at the hearing or delivered to the undersigned before the hearing.

Issued at the Town of Willow Bunch
this 20th day of October, 2022.

Sharleine Eger

RMA

Town of Willow Bunch

Admin has been receiving complaints of dogs barking. Pet owners are reminded of the following bylaw:

BYLAW 6/2017

A BYLAW TO REGULATE ANIMALS

The Council of the Town of Willow Bunch, in the Province of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:

PART I - TITLE & PURPOSE

1. This bylaw shall be cited as "The Animal Control Bylaw".
2. The purpose of this Bylaw is:
 - 2.1. To control and regulate cats and dogs;
 - 2.2. To control and regulate other animals including exotic and wild animals

PART III - GENERAL

4. *DOGS BARKING OR HOWLING*

- a. No person who owns or keeps a dog or allows it to stay in the owner's premises shall allow such dog to bark excessively or howl excessively;
- b. Any person who allows a dog to bark or howl excessively shall be deemed guilty of an infraction of this bylaw;
- c. Any person who hears a dog barking or howling excessively and can positively identify the animal, can file a written complaint at the Town Office. Written complaints must include information as set out in Form 1 attached to this bylaw;
- d. The municipality may issue a written order if there is anything in the physical environment that the dog is being kept in that can be remedied that would prevent said dog from barking or howling;
- e. The municipality may apply to a judge to have a dog that barks or howls excessively, at the owner's expense, muzzled, fitted with a collar or device that deters barking or permanently removed from the municipality; and,
- f. The municipality may issue a written infraction notice, in the appropriate Municipal form, under this or the Municipal Noise Bylaw.

5. *RUNNING AT LARGE AND PROHIBITED AREAS*

- a. No animal shall run at large in the municipality;
- b. If an animal is found to be running at large the owner shall be deemed to have permitted the animal to be at large unless the owner proves to the satisfaction of the court that at the time of the offence the owner did all that was reasonable to prevent the animal from being at large;
- c. Any person who sees an animal running at large, and can positively identify the animal, can file a written complaint at the Town Office. Written complaints must include information as set out in Form 1, Notice of Violation, as attached to this bylaw;..."

9. *LITTER CLEAN UP*

- a. If an animal defecates on any public or private property other than property belonging to the owner of the pet, the owner of the cat or dog shall remove the defecation immediately.
- b. Any person who owns, possesses, or harbours an animal and fails to remove the defecation as set out in Subsection 10.1 shall be deemed guilty of an infraction of this bylaw;
- c. This section does not apply to a person who owns and is physically reliant on a guide dog trained and used to assist such person

**NOTE: THIS IS ONLY A PARTIAL LISTING OF BYLAW 6/2017 –
TO VIEW BYLAW 6/2017 IN IT'S ENTIRETY PLEASE GO TO:
willowbunch.ca/government/town/bylaws/**

Coronach RCMP Monthly Stats Report

During the month of SEPTEMBER, the Coronach/Bengough RCMP responded to 47 calls for service and issued 5 traffic warnings/tickets/inspections. The following is a breakdown by area:

RCMP CALLS TO SERVICE INCLUDED:

RM 10

- 1 Motor vehicle collision – no injuries
- 1 Assistance in keeping the peace
- 1 Assistance to other agency

RM 11

- 1 Impaired driver charged
- 1 Mischief – removing hitch pins from tractors
- 1 Motor vehicle collision with a deer
- 1 Motor vehicle collision with a power pole
- 1 Grader motor vehicle collision
- 1 Complaint of speeding semi
- 1 Ticket issued for driving more than 50km/hr over posted speed limit
- 2 Speeding tickets issued
- 1 Inspection ticket issued

TOWN OF CORONACH

- 1 Fraud
- 1 Break and enter
- 1 Complaint of kids running around banging on doors
- 1 Complaint of impaired driver

RM 12

No calls for service

RM40

TOWN OF BENGOUGH

- 2 Sudden deaths
- 1 Complaint of driving while prohibited
- 1 Assistance to EMS
- 2 Assistance to keep the peace
- 1 Assistance to other police service
- 1 Suspicious person/vehicle/activity
- 911 call – misuse
- 2 False alarms

RCMP CALLS TO SERVICE CONTINUED:

RM 42

- 1 Mischief – broken windows in tractor
- 1 Mischief – spray paint at cemetery
- 1 Identify Fraud
- 1 Motor vehicle collision with a deer
- 1 Complaint of semi hauling equipment causing alternate route
- Combine fire
- 1 Speeding ticket issued

TOWN OF WILLOW BUNCH

- 1 Assault – 1 person charged
- 1 Uttering threats
- 1 Family law call
- 2 Noise complaints - municipal bylaws
- 1 911 call – misuse
- NOK notification

RM 70

- 1 Suspicious person/vehicle/activity

RM71

- 1 Suspicious letter

Assistance to other areas :

- 1 Impaired driver charged
- 1 Break and enter
- 1 Breach of peace
- 2 Motor vehicle accidents with deer
- 1 Abandoned vehicle
- 1 Theft of truck
- 1 False alarm



Prune Your Elm Trees Starting September 1

The annual ban on pruning elm trees comes to an end August 31, and Saskatchewan home and property owners are encouraged to prune their elm trees again starting September 1.

Each year, provincial regulations prohibit pruning elm trees from April 1 to August 31 to reduce the risk of spreading Dutch Elm Disease (DED). The elm bark beetles that spread the disease are most active during this period, and fresh cuts from pruning can attract insects to healthy elm trees.

Regular pruning is a great practice to keep trees healthy and less vulnerable to all types of diseases. Outside the ban period, removing the dead branches on elm trees makes trees less attractive to elm bark beetles and reduces the risk of DED. The early fall weather offers an ideal setting for tree maintenance; with leaves still on the trees, homeowners have an easier time seeing and removing dead or unhealthy branches.



Remember: bad pruning practices or pruning incorrectly can injure trees and add stress, making them more vulnerable to DED. It's important to prune properly, whether you hire someone or do it yourself. Under provincial regulations, commercial pruners of elms must complete a recognized training program or be supervised by someone who has.

In Saskatchewan, it is illegal to transport or store elm firewood. The wood can carry the elm bark beetles, and transported wood is one of the main ways the disease spreads. Dispose of elm wood promptly by burning or burying it in a location approved by your local municipality.

To find out more about proper elm disposal in your area, check with your local municipal authority.

For more information, or if you suspect an elm tree may have DED, call the Ministry of Environment's general inquiry line at 1-800-567-4224.

For more information, contact:
Val Nicholson
Environment
Phone: 306-953-2459
Email: Val.Nicholson@gov.sk.ca

Fire Safety During Emergencies Fact Sheet



Power outages often occur in association with flooding or severe weather events.

The Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency recommends following these fire safety tips if you experience a power outage:

- Use flashlights, glow sticks or battery-operated lanterns instead of lighting candles.
- If you need to use candles, place them in a secure holder, covered with a glass chimney. Keep candles away from children and pets.
- All electric stove elements and small appliances around the home must be turned off and unplugged to prevent fires when electricity is restored.
- Do not use propane or charcoal barbecues indoors. They are only to be used outdoors.
- Test all smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarm batteries. If your home has electrically-connected alarms, they will not work when the power is out. They will need back-up batteries installed to function.
- Use portable space heaters that are designed for indoor use, provide adequate ventilation and refuel the heater outside.
- Portable generators should only be used outdoors. Place them in a safe location to ensure that exhaust fumes do not enter the home.

If you need more information about what to do if your power goes out during an emergency, contact your local municipality or fire department.

Insurance Corner

Did you know about:

Travel Medical Insurance:

If you were suddenly injured or became sick on vacation and needed to seek medical attention, would you be able to afford to pay for these services up front? By purchasing travel insurance you can go on a trip with peace of mind.

Advantages to having Travel Medical Insurance?

The insurance companies can advise you on the best medical facilities and their locations. Some hospitals will require payment up front before they will treat you. With travel insurance, no need to pay out of pocket for emergency medical expenses. They will also ensure physicians do not try and perform unnecessary treatments and tests just to take advantage and so much more.

Contact your Insurance Broker when you're planning your next trip; annual policies are also available for individuals who travel frequently!

Travel Insurance must be purchased prior to leaving the province. Don't wait and call your local broker for a quote today.

Wanda Newans
Licensed Insurance Broker

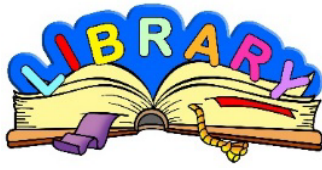


For all your insurance needs and motor vehicle licensing.

Phone: 306-473-2401

#17 3rd Avenue East Willow Bunch, Sk.

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 9-12 & 1-5



NOVEMBER EVENTS

Early Literacy

Every Thursday @ 10:30am NOVEMBER 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th

Please register so we have enough craft supplies for Everyone.

Developing language and literacy skills begins at birth through everyday loving interactions, such as sharing books, telling stories, singing songs and talking to one another. A child's positive early experiences with books and language lay the foundation for success in learning to read. **OUR THEME THIS MONTH WILL BE: TBA**

FREE PROGRAM

Family Art Night - "BOTTLE TOP POPPIES" **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH @ 6:30pm**

A Time for families to enjoy making art together.

Space is limited so please register early

FREE PROGRAM

Let me know if you have to cancel.

PRE-SCHOOL & HOME SCHOOL LEGO

NOVEMBER 2nd, 9th, 16th and 30th @ 1:30PM

What's the connection between **LEGOS** and books, you ask? Promoting play contributes to early literacy development by increasing attention span, memory, creativity, and language and vocabulary skills. It also lays the foundation for logical mathematical thinking, scientific reasoning, and problem solving.

FREE PROGRAM



AFTER SCHOOL LEGO

After school at the Library is the place to be! Join other LEGO Creator's for building fun together. Bring your creativity, we provide the LEGO.

FREE PROGRAM

Mixed Media Christmas Tree

November 16th @ 6:30pm

Join us for a fun evening for all ages. We will be using a 9x12 canvas along with paint, paper, cardboard and embellishments. If there is interest in an afternoon session we can set that up.

Registration required.

Create your Masterpiece Afternoon

NOVEMBER 23rd @ 1:30pm

Paint your own work of art and have fun while being creative. Supplies provided. No experience necessary. Silver collection. If you aren't feeling well please stay home. Space is limited so please register. Let me know if you have to cancel.

Create your Masterpiece Evening

NOVEMBER 30th @ 7:00pm

Paint your own work of art and have fun while being creative. Supplies provided. No experience necessary. Silver collection. If you aren't feeling well please stay home. Space is limited so please register. Let me know if you have to cancel.

It's that time of year again! **Christmas Cash Raffle Tickets**

Every ticket purchased helps to keep our family programs free. Early Literacy is one of those programs, this is when the children and parents from our community and surrounding area come to the library to listen to stories, have music time, craft time, to practice writing and scissor skills. They socialize and make friends. It is always a fun learning experience. We thank you all for your support. **Tickets are \$20.00 each.**

They are available at the library, from our board members and by

Etransfer: willowbunch@palliserlibrary.ca

LIBRARY CHRISTMAS TRADE AND CRAFT FAIR

November 26th @ 10am - HILLS OF HOME CENTER

Lots of great vendors

DOOR PRIZES

Lunch available onsite – Chili, a bun, juice or coffee \$6.00

Muffins and coffee free for vendors 8:30am setup

Looking for a volunteer opportunity to serve your community? Join your library board. We are currently seeking 3 new board members. Qualifications:

Besides a passion for libraries you must be:

- Over 18
- A resident of the Town of Willow Bunch or the RM of Willow Bunch

Commitments:

To participate as part of the Board Team to accomplish the Library's mission

Minimum of 5 meetings a year

Fundraising to support library events, programs and book purchases. Our meetings on the 2nd Monday at 10:00am, if an evening meeting would make it easier please let us know. We are flexible.

Barbara Gibbons

Librarian

Willow Bunch Library

306-473-2393

REMEMBRANCE DAY **SERVICE**



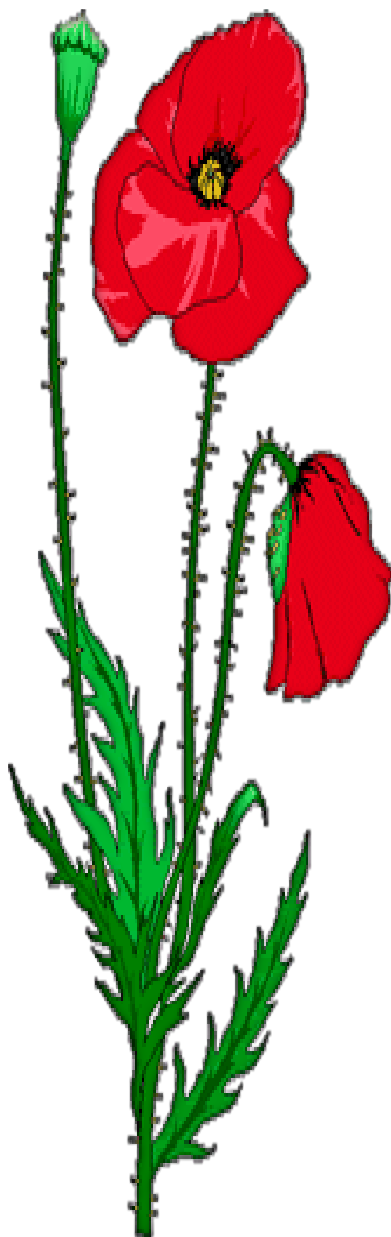
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11
HILLS OF HOME CENTRE
@ 10:30AM

Luncheon to Follow

REMEMBRANCE DAY

CROSSES

will be available at the Hills
Of Home Centre on Remembrance Day –
November 11 at a Cost of \$15.00.
Please come early to pick up a cross.



In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

John McCrae (1872-1918)

COME BE A



IN OUR HOUSE



ALL AGES AND SKILL LEVELS WELCOME+
NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

Enter as a **TEAM** or **INDIVIDUALLY**

4-FUN LEAGUE

- 4 END GAMES
- 4 PEOPLE -rotate positions
- 6 weeks
- \$55/person (pst included)
- \$50/person (17 & under)
- \$10/drop in
- Starts **NOVEMBER 9**

**Text your name to:
306-640-8833**

SKATING NEWS



It's that time of year! Dust off those blades, the Rec Board will be putting the ice in earlier this year.

We plan to have ice around the beginning of November.
Watch for posters.

SKATING FEES

Daily - \$7.50

Adult Season - \$135

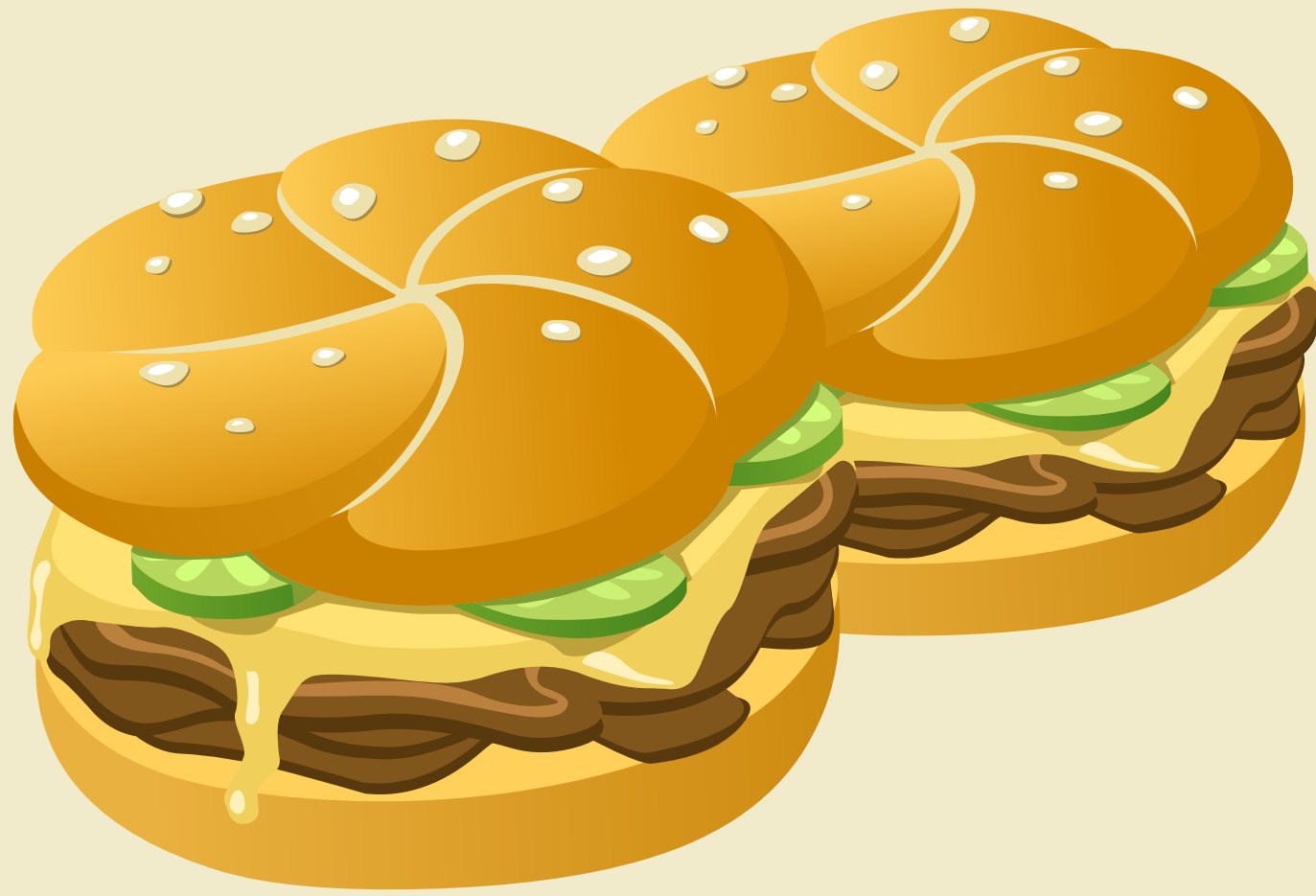
Student Season - \$90

Ice Rent - \$80/hour

Family Pass - \$180

(includes PST where applicable)

TUESDAYS



BURGER NITES

5:30PM - 7:00PM

EAT IN OR TAKE OUT

**TUESDAYS @
WB SKATING RINK**

**Starting
November 8**