

TOWN NEWSLETTER

MAY 2023

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TOWN OF WILLOW BUNCH

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<https://willowbunch.ca>

OFFICE HOURS:
MONDAY - FRIDAY
7:00AM - 12:00PM 12:45PM - 4:30PM

CONTACT:

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rmwb42@gmail.com

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willowbunch.town@sasktel.net

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Officer
willowbunchcdo@gmail.com

OFFICE CLOSED

MAY 22, 2023

COUNCIL MEETINGS

TOWN OF WILLOW BUNCH
MAY 2 - 7:00 PM

RM OF WILLOW BUNCH NO. 42
MAY 8 - 9:00 AM

SUMMER TRANSFER STATION HOURS

Tuesday & Thursday
1:00 pm - 5:00pm

Saturday
10:00 am - 12:00pm
1:00pm - 5:00pm

GREY BIN & BLUE BIN PICK UP DATES

GARBAGE - GREY: MAY 8TH @ 7AM
MAY 22ND @ 7AM

RECYCLE - BLUE: MAY 1ST @ 7AM
MAY 15TH @ 7AM
MAY 29TH @ 7AM

CORONACH RCMP MONTHLY

STATS REPORT

During the month of March, the Coronach/Bengough RCMP responded to 47 calls for service and issued 15 traffic warnings/tickets/inspections. the following is a breakdown by area:

RM 10

1 Motor vehicle collision - no injuries

RM 11

1 Motor vehicle collision with railway crossing arm

1 Motor vehicle collision - no injuries

5 Tickets issued for speeding

1 Written warning for speeding

1 Inspection ticket issued

TOWN OF CORONACH

4 Break and enters

1 False pretence - trying to sell trailer

1 Suspicious activity

2 False alarms

1 Crime prevention - attend grad planning meeting

RM 12

No calls for service

RM 40

1 Motor vehicle collision with a deer

1 Semi tip over - no injuries

1 Fence line dispute - civil issue

1 Assistance to family for wellbeing check in other location

TOWN OF BENGOUGH

1 Peace bond inquiry

1 Request to assist EMS

RM 42

2 Tickets issued for speeding faster than 35km/hr over posted speed limit

5 Speeding tickets issued

2 False alarms

TOWN OF WILLOW BUNCH

1 Suspicious person/vehicle/activity

1 Break and enter

1 Breach of peace

RM 70

1 Complaint of injured deer

1 Family law act

TOWN OF OGEMA

3 Break and enters

1 Fraud

1 911 call - family law act

1 Complaint of speeding semis on Government Road

3 False alarms

RM 71

1 Person reported missing / ***located***

1 complaint of animal stuck in fence - gone upon arrival

1 Suspicious person/vehicle/activity

CORONACH RCMP REPORT

CONTINUED

RM 71 continued

2 Speeding tickets issued

1 Ticket issued for inadequate mirrors

ASSISTANCE TO OTHER AREAS:

1 Sexual assault

1 Missing person / **located**

1 Assistance to Canadian Border

Agency Services

1 False alarm

1 Wellbeing check

1 Breach of peace

1 Family law act

1 Complaint of erratic driving

1 Assault causing bodily harm

1 911 call - misdial



St. Ignace Church

MAY SERVICES

May 7 - 11:00am

May 14 - 11:00am (Lay Service)

May 21 - 11:00am

May 28 - 11:00am

Celebrate with us!

**WILLOW BUNCH MUSEUM & HERITAGE
SOCIETY WILL BE OPEN FOR THE
SEASON STARTING MAY 15, 2023.**

HOURS OF OPERATION ARE:

DAILY 9:00am to 5:00pm

International Museum Day

May 18

Take a “GIANT” leap into the past and explore all the exciting new exhibits the museum has to offer. Visit our local museum today!

Did you know

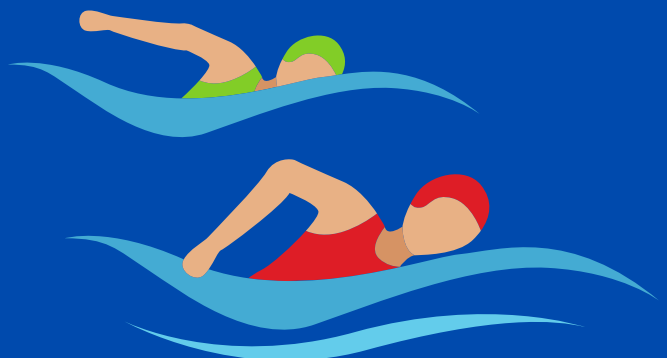
You can always contact the RCMP by dialing **310-RCMP (7267)** from anywhere in the province to report an incident or to reach the RCMP when there is nobody in the office. We would like to encourage the public to report all crimes to the police, no matter how insignificant you may believe it to be. You are not “bothering” the police, we can and do use crime reports to analyse trends, determine staffing levels, and potentially link crimes to others when viewing the “big picture”.

**Jean Louis Legare Regional Park
Swimming Lessons**

July 10 - 14

**and if there is enough interest
we will offer a second set July 17 -21**

**Registration Dates to be
announced later.**



Jean Louis Legare Regional Park Bookings LET'S CAMP 2023



**SUPPORT
local**

Don't forget to
pick up a
SEASONAL
REGIONAL PARK
PASS
They are only \$50!
The money stays
with our park to
help with maintenance &
upgrades!

<https://letscamp.ca/camps/jean-louis-legare>

On-line bookings
are now being
accepted for
the 2023
camping season



No phone calls
or emails will be
accepted until
mid-May. The only
way to book
is on-line.

Forms & Details
available @ the Willow
Bunch Town Office

Senior's Fun Day June 1, 2023 Rockylen New Horizons

\$20 Registration Fee

for both game day participants and guests
Registration Deadline is May 23, 2023

Contact: Carla @ 306-476-7208

The day consists of visiting, 4 hours of game playing, musical
entertainment, awards, door prizes and of course eating.

Participants must be at least 50 yrs of age and may only enter one event.

Events include:

Cribbage	Low Card Rummy
Norwegian Whist	Trump Whist
Bridge	Schmear (Rockglen Version)
Dice Game (a new addition - fun for all to learn)	Table Shuffleboard
Scrabble	Bowling
Pool (8 Ball)	Ladder Toss
Croquet	





WB SWIMMING POOL
is accepting applications
for
**HEAD LIFEGAURD &
LIFEGUARDS**

*Please submit copies
of certifications with
resume.*

SEND THEM TO:

Jean Louis Legare Regional Park
Box 93
Willow Bunch, Sask. S0H 4K0

EMAIL:

jeanlouislegareregionalpark@sasktel.net



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To book
appointments
call:

Coronach Clinic
Monday to Wednesday
306-267-2200

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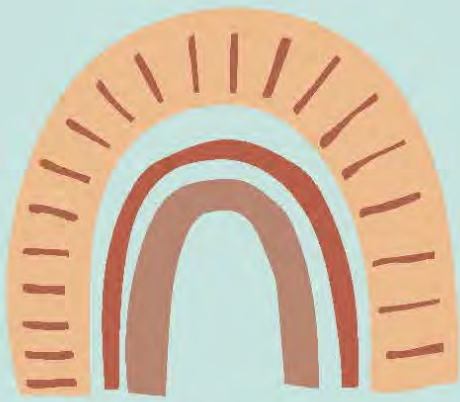
Coronach Lab:
Monday & Wednesday
306-267-2524

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Public Health
Coronach
306-267-5705

Rockglen:
Clinic & Lab
Tuesday & Thursday
306-476-2209

Willow Bunch:
Clinic & Lab
Wednesday & Friday
306-473-2310



May at the Library

May is Gardening Month



306-473-2393

Tuesday 1:00-5:00

Wednesday 12:30-7:00

Thursday 11:30-3:30

willowbunch@palliserlibrary.ca



EVENTS

Early Literacy

Our theme this month is Gardens
Thursdays at 10:30 am May 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th
Please register so we can have enough craft supplies for everyone

Lego at the Library

Calling all LEGO lovers! Drop in to design and build a LEGO creation
Wednesdays 2:00-6:00pm
May 3rd, 10th and 17th

Color with me!

Drop in and color an awesome way to relax!!
Thursday
1:00 - 3:00

Family Art Night

Friday May 12th 6:30pm

Please register by 5:00 pm on Thursday the 11th

Mother's Day Card & Gift

May 10th 6:30 pm

Mother's Day Tea

May 11th 2:00 - 4:00
Everyone is welcome

Create Your Masterpiece

May 24th
Evening 7:00 pm
Please register by Monday May 22nd
Silver collection

Community Garage Sale

May 27th 9am - 3pm
Set up in your own garage or yard..
watch for sign up sheet at the postoffice

REMINDERS



Call, Email or contact us
on Facebook to register



Tuesday is Courier Day

COMING SOON

June

Father's Day Card & Gift
Donuts with Dad
Mental health 101

July

Summer Reading
50th Anniversary
BBQ
register for
Community Art
project





Contract Janitor Position

The Town of Willow Bunch is accepting applications for the position of **CONTRACT JANITOR** for the HILLS OF HOME CENTER on a "AS NEEDED BASIS".

Salary: \$20/hr and own cleaning supplies

Equipment such as brooms, mops etc, provided.

Applications will be accepted until MAY 1, 2023. Job description available by contacting the Town Administrator and submission of applications:

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BOX 189

WILLOW BUNCH, SK S0H 4K0

willowbunch.town@sasktel.net (email)

306-473-2450 (phone)





WILLOW BUNCH MUSEUM



It is hard to believe it is almost time to start our 2023 season on May 15th already. We are so excited that Linda Allen has agreed to come back and work for us again this year. We have also been approved from Canada Summer Jobs for one summer employee and Young Canada Works for one post-secondary student. The workers we hire will be assisting Linda for 12 weeks. We hope to be busy with school tours in May and June.

We have heard there is going to be a few family reunions celebrating in town this summer and we hope they will take the time to stop by the museum for a visit.

Below are more photos of the basement project which was made possible thanks to the generous donations we received from the **RICHARD AND GERARD CAYER CHARITABLE FOUNDATION**. Thanks again to **Brett Marit** of **B MARIT FLOORING**, **Caroline Crawford** for the painting, **Gordon Gellner** for all the drywalling work in the kitchen, the bathroom and storage area, and also to **Aaron Therrien** for the electrical work in the kitchen. Everything looks **FANTASTIC!!!**

KITCHEN RENOS



MUSEUM ANNUAL MEETING

Tentative date for our meeting will be on **Thursday, May 25 at 7:00 p.m.**
Coffee and goodies will be served. **Everyone welcome.** Watch for posters.



HALL



We have been approved for **CANADA DAY** celebrations on **JULY 1st** so watch for posters.
We hope you will join us. **EVERYONE WELCOME**

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS:





*Gift Certificates
Available*

Opening May 5th!

Yvonne's Greenhouse

**MAY 5, 6 & 7
ARE CUSTOMER
APPRECIATION DAYS**

MOTHER'S DAY

Shop for your Mama
and enter your
name for a
Mother's Day draw.

Yvonne - 640-8108

Rita - 640-7105

... Come shop for Spring &
enter your name for a **\$100
Gift Certificate!**

Coffee & Treats served!

HOURS OF OPERATIONS:

Monday - Saturday

9am - 7pm

Sunday

9am - 5pm

Primary Healthcare Counsellor Final

Newsletter

The Primary Healthcare Counsellor (Brandi Dahlman) is transitioning into the role of Behavioral Health Consultant. With this, comes some role changes. This will be the final newsletter submission from the PHCC.

What to expect when you meet with the BHC?

The BHC will ask you specific questions about your physical, emotional concerns and behaviors and how these are affecting your overall health. The BHC and your provider work together to provide brief, solution-focused solutions.

How do I schedule an appointment with the BHC?

Talk with your Primary Care Provider to access this service.

What is a Behavioral Health Consultant?

A BHC works alongside your Primary Care Provider whenever your health involves more than just physical factors. Anytime your thoughts, habits, behaviors, emotions or any combination of these impact your health, the BHC can be called in.

What kinds of concerns does the Behavioral Healthcare Consultant see?

- headaches
- sleep concerns
- high blood pressure
- asthma
- obesity
- chronic pain
- IBS
- smoking cessation
- weight loss
- alcohol use
- exercise
- lifestyle modification
- sexual dysfunction
- anxiety
- depression
- stress
- bereavement

How does this service differ from traditional mental health services?

This service is another part of your overall healthcare and is not specialty mental health services. Notes are kept in your medical record with no extra mental health record kept.

Your BHC does not provide specialty psychotherapy. If you feel you would benefit from this, a referral can be facilitated.





INSURANCE CORNER

Overland Water

Overland Water is water from a heavy rainfall, run off from snow melt or rising water levels from lakes, rivers or ponds. Coverage for this type of loss may be available to you.

Overland Water coverage offers coverage for damage caused by water entering a dwelling due to a sudden accumulation of water. This coverage is not automatically included with your insurance policy.

Please contact your insurance advisor for more information.

Wanda Newans
Licensed Insurance Broker

HELP US and DO YOUR PART

At the April 11th Town Hall Meeting at the Hills of Home Center, a presentation was held regarding Economic and Infrastructure Developments and Opportunities that are taking place in and around Willow Bunch, as a result of Coal Transition. It was suggested that citizens and rate payers contact Premier Moe, Honorable David Marit, and Honorable Jeremy Patzer in an effort to raise awareness of the need for further support and funding to mitigate the effects of coal transition.

Included here are form letters that can be utilized, or feel free to write one yourself. Simply sign and mail. Let the Government know that we have a long way to go to alleviate the effects from the transition away from coal.

Honourable Scott Moe
Premier of Saskatchewan
Room 226, 2405 Legislative Drive,
Regina, SK, S4S 0B3

Dear Premier Moe,

The residents of Willow Bunch and the RM of Willow Bunch No. 42 wish to express their concern about the impact from the Federal Government's decision to transition away from coal-generated electricity which will result in the closure of the Sask Power Poplar River Power Plant and Westmoreland coal mine in 2030. Willow Bunch and the surrounding Region will realize the loss of \$30M in annual payroll resulting from the closure of these facilities. To offset these job losses, members of the Town of Willow Bunch and the RM of Willow Bunch No. 42 have identified tourism as the industry which represents the greatest opportunity to offset the loss of approximately 300 jobs.

Federal funding opportunities such as the Canadian Coal Transition Initiative available through Prairies Economic Development Canada that were implemented to help workers and communities in areas that rely on coal to adjust, by supporting skills development and economic diversification activities during the transition to a greener economy along with the Provincial Government's investment of \$2 million to support, Coronach and area transitioning from coal-based industries to other economic opportunities simply isn't enough.

Premier Moe, an excess of \$30 million in annual payroll will be lost. How do 9 municipalities mitigate the effects of coal transition with \$2 million in provincial funding and an application process to the federal government in the hopes of securing a mere portion of the required funding to develop a sustainable economic plan? All the money has been allocated, we have very little to show for it and we still have 7 years to go before the closure! What have we accomplished? Planning takes time, the process takes time, and now funding has been exhausted. Costs continue to rise, in some cases have already doubled and tripled.

We, the tax payers in these municipalities, have *united* to develop a world class tourism asset which will complement existing tourism venues in Willow Bunch *and* the surrounding Region, create jobs and create economic opportunities for small businesses and entrepreneurs but we need the support of our Provincial government.

We appeal to you to lobby the Provincial government to recognize the negative effects, recognize that the \$10 million dollar investment to Estevan and Coronach is not enough to bridge the gap between coal and a greener economy and that the provincial government needs to step up and support coal-producing communities through this transition.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

Honourable David Marit
Box 2097
Assiniboia, SK, S0H 0B0

Dear Mr. Marit,

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Honourable Jeremy Patzer
42A Central Avenue North
Suite 1
Swift Current, Saskatchewan
S9H 0K7

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We appeal to you to lobby for those affected by coal transition, to recognize the negative effects, recognize that Federal contributions fall short in supporting those who rely on coal, recognize that the Provincial investments are not enough to bridge the gap between coal and a greener economy and that the Federal Government needs to rise and further support coal-producing communities through this transition.

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