



**Bold Center outdoor artificial turf
available for rentals**
See back page for details!

Community Activity Guide resident survey open May 8-19

Lac La Biche County recently released the Spring/Summer 2021 Community Activity Guide, showcasing the many recreation and social activities provided by the County, partners, non-profit organizations and groups who plan programs, events & services, facility and hall rentals. We want to know what you think of the Community Activity Guide and how we can make it better.

What is your preferred way to receive and read the guide now? What information is important to you and your household? What types of information or resources should be included to help residents feel connected and aware of what is available? Is there anything missing to make the guide a complete “one-stop-shop” for all your program and service needs? These are just a few things we would like you to consider when completing the survey.

To take the survey, visit [surveymonkey.com/r/JG93ZHF](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JG93ZHF) between May 8 and 19, 2021.

At the end of the survey there are options to:

- Provide your email address to be entered to win great door prizes or a Bold Center 10th anniversary commemorative gift!
- Join our monthly mailing list to receive offers, notices, and program updates.
- Provide your mailing address to receive the Community Activity Guide in your mailbox.

Your ideas, suggestions and feedback are important to us, and we appreciate your participation.

Municipal land management policies: The process for applying to use County land for private purposes

Do you need a little extra space? Lac La Biche County has policies and procedures in place for requests made from private landowners and businesses to use County-owned lands.

When a request is made to lease lands for agricultural purposes or storage as examples, a Land Lease Agreement would be considered under County Policy PI-61-004.

There are several ways landowners can take advantage of these policies, such as placing bistro tables and chairs on the sidewalk. In these cases, a License of Occupation Agreement would be considered under County Policy PI-61-015.

Lac La Biche County may consider entering into an Encroachment Agreement with landowners who have constructed a private structure or landscaping improvements which encroaches onto adjoining lands owned by the County. This would be considered under Policy PI-61-014. This does not include lands registered as Environmental Reserve or which are identified as bearing the same traits as Environmental Reserve.

In these instances, a formal letter is required along with the detail of the use or activity. Administration will review the request with the relevant operating department responsible for the subject land and determine if the use or activity is compatible with adjacent land uses. Once the proposal is approved and the agreement is signed, there may be applicable fees associated with the use and or activity.

If a resident wants to apply for leasing and/or purchasing non-required statutory road allowances and registered forced road allowance respectively, this could result in a road closure. If residents wish to begin this process, an application form along with the applicable fees are required. There may be additional costs associated with the matter and determined on case by case basis. This process is regulated under Policy PI-30-017.

A copy of each policy can be found on the Lac La Biche County website. Hover over the 'our council' tab at www.laclabichecounty.com and click on 'Policies and Procedures'. If you have any questions, please contact the Planning and Development Department at 1-780-623-1747.

Fees for Outdoor Dining Permit and License of Occupation waived

With the recent announcement by the provincial government to close indoor dining, Lac La Biche County would like to notify businesses that if they wish to move their guest dining to an outdoor experience or retail sales such as outdoor markets, the fee has been waived by Council for a permit and/or a license of occupation agreement.

Please reach out to our Planning & Development Department if you would like information on how to apply. You can email us at: planning.development@laclabichecounty.com or call the main line and asking for Planning and Development: **780-623-1747**.



Community Access Bus relaunching to the public

The Community Access Bus is ready to take on passengers again, and anyone is welcome to hop on.

Community Access Service

The Community Access service is available to help reduce transportation barriers in the community. With affordable fares and 13 bus stop locations, this bus service is open to all residents.

- The Community Access Service is for everyone. If you can walk on the bus unassisted, this bus service is for you.
- No registration is required for service within the hamlet of Lac La Biche.
- The service features new, on-demand flexible routing.
- Rural service is available within Lac La Biche County. You must pre-register and book ahead for rural service.
- Fares are \$2 for bus stop pick-up in Lac La Biche, and \$8 for rural door-to-door service (within Lac La Biche County).

For more information, call (780) 404-3840.

Paratransit Service

The Paratransit Service is available county-wide for anyone over the age of 60, or anyone with a disability (even if it's temporary). With affordable fares and door-to-door service, Paratransit Service is a reliable option for those who need transportation help.

- Fares are \$4 and provide one-way, door-to-door service in the hamlet of Lac La Biche, and \$8 one-way door-to-door for rural service (within Lac La Biche County).
- There is a fast and simple registration process.
- You don't have to be in a wheelchair to use the service, but wheelchair service is available.

For more information, call (780) 623-6763.

FEATURED FCSS PROGRAMS

Due to COVID-19, participants must preregister for all programs. Please call 780-623-6365 or message our Facebook page to sign-up.

Crafternoon

Mondays, 10:30 or 11 am

Baby Talk

Wednesdays, 1 pm

Cozy Corner

Thursdays, 9:30 or 10:30 am

Chalk the Walk

May 3-9, All Week

Help us Chalk the Walk by drawing pictures, writing inspirational quotes, or expressing thanks to everyone keeping the County safe and healthy. Share pictures of your chalk masterpiece on Facebook and tag @llbcountyFCSS. Keep an eye on our Facebook for more information on pop-up chalk stations with Young Family Connections and FCSS Community Outreach workers. Remember to keep two metres apart!

**For more programs,
follow FCSS and FCSS Young
Family Connections on
Facebook!**

TALK BOX TIP

Talk Box is a parent's guide to creating language-rich environments.



Spring has finally arrived and many people will start planting their gardens. Talk to your child about what kinds of things can be planted, what kind of weather we are having, or just talk a walk an enjoy seeing all the spring sights!





Dates to Remember

May 10

Steampunkery: A STEAM Program
4:30 pm, Stuart MacPherson Library.

Thursdays in May

DancePI3y, YogaPI3y, Jammers
See community calendar for times

Saturdays in May

ArtStart
10:30 -11:30 am

Due to COVID-19, events may be subject to postponement or cancellation.

Check the Community Events Calendar at laclabichcounty.com for more local events.

Due to COVID-19 regulations, changes have been made to Lac La Biche County facilities, programming and services. Visit laclabichcounty.com to learn more.

Your County in Touch is produced by Lac La Biche County and is available to every resident.

An electronic version of this newsletter is available. All you need to do is call (780) 623-1747 or provide your e-mail address to intouch@laclabichcounty.com.

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A NEW ERA BEGINS AT THE BOLD CENTER

Outdoor sports fields now available for booking!

Monday - Friday, 4 pm-8 pm & Saturday 11 am-3 pm

To rent the field, please call (780) 623-6370 during office hours.



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