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**MARCH 2024** 

# Winter Carnival 2024

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Thank you to
everyone that
came out to enjoy
our 2024 Winter
Carnival
Festivities on
March 1st and
2nd!!!

Friday night
kicked off with our
annual Chilli
Cookoff contest
followed by a
Talent Show &
Fireworks!



#### **CHILI COOKOFF WINNERS • Prizes awarded by Mayor Farris:**

1st • THE ESSO • Prize accepted by Amari, pictured above 2nd • KAYLA LANGDON, pictured bottom left 3rd • SHERRI LEDERER, pictured bottom right









### TALENT SHOW WINNERS Prizes awarded by Mayor Farris:

1st • HUDSON BONNEVILLE, pictured above

2 = BUTTERFLY DANCE GROUP (ISOBEL + ESME), pictured left

3 = SINGING (KAISLEY, MACIE, LORELEI, LILY, LAYLA), not pictured

Congrats to all our participants!!!



### Winter Carnival cont'd...

The Town of Rainbow Lake Council and office staff were at the Recplex I bright and early on Saturday morning to prepare our annual Winter Carnival breakfast — Eggers, sponsored by Strike.

We hope those that were able to brave the cold enjoyed themselves!!!

The Assumption Region Community Policing Society provided a BBQ lunch for everyone to enjoy.



Shoutout to Sidney Platt, our new Recreation
Supervisor for all the hard work she put into planning
her first ever Winter Carnival Event!!!



# Fun for the Whole Family



Once again, the Carnival
Room was a hit with the
youngsters and it looks like
Sherri Lederer, one of our
wonderful Recreation staff
members was enjoying
herself too! The Carnival fun
was followed by a family
cornhole tournament!



1st • LILY + ISOBEL 2nd • HUDSON + IZZY 3rd • AVERY + CYNTHIA





Upstairs in the curling lounge, there was a crib tournament during the afternoon, followed by an adult cornhole tournament!

#### **CRIB TOURNAMENT WINNERS:**

1st • DUSTIN KAVANAUGH 2nd • RAPLH MORECOMBE 3rd • AL MURRAY

#### **ADULT CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT WINNERS:**

1st • PETE BAKER + RAY STASOW
2nd • STEPHAN LONG + DUSTIN KAVANAUGH
3rd • CYNTHIA HYNES + JEREMY DAWE

Thank you to everyone that came out to support our event! See you next year....

### Alberta Wildfire Season 2024

The 2024 wildfire season started early for Alberta this year on February 20, 2024. The early start is due to the drought conditions occurring in many areas of the province, which could lead to elevated fire danger if we do not receive significant rain in the spring.

As of March 5, 2024 there are 17 wildfires in the High Level Forest Area. Of these fires, two are classified as being held (BH), 10 are under control (UC) and five are mutual aid fires. As there are many fires still on the landscape, firefighters and staff have been observing fire behaviour and monitoring hotspots during the winter months. Some fires within the HLFA are being worked on by crews and equipment. There is currently a fire advisory in effect. Permits will be issued on a case by case basis and are required for any outdoor burning with the exception of campfires.

**LONG LAKE COMPLEX FIRE (HWF036)** - Currently classified as Under Control at 203,022 hectares. According to the Alberta Wildfire Status Dashboard, this indicates the wildfire is completely contained and will be extinguished.

**BASSET FIRE (HWF058)** - Currently classified as Being Held at 234,061 hectares. According to the Alberta Wildfire Status Dashboard, this indicates that given current weather conditions and resources, the wildfire is not anticipated to grow past expected boundaries. The Basset fire is a carryover fire from the 2023 season. Crews and heavy equipment are working on hotspots on the southwest and southeast perimeter of this fire. Work is ongoing and crews are making good progress.

As these updates come through the office, they will be posted to our Town of Rainbow Lake Facebook page. If you wish to keep an eye on these updates yourself, you may visit:

https://srd.web.alberta.ca/high-level-area-update/all

**TO REPORT A WILDFIRE: 310-FIRE (3473)** 

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#### **Track Multiple Locations**

Voyent Alert! allows you to create and track multiple locations such as "Kids School" or "Mom's House". Any event or communication related to your tracked locations will be forwarded to you along your preferred communication channel.

#### **Communications Your Way**

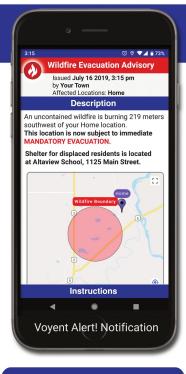
Receive alerts over a wide variety of communication channels including mobile apps, text/SMS alerting, email or voice dial. You can register for one or more communication channels.

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Registration for the service is FREE, simple and anonymous.





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install the Voyent
Alert! app from
the Apple App or
Google Play stores.



Email, SMS or Voice Dial Users Register online to receive email, voice or text-based alerts at https://register.voyent-alert.com

Scan to Register Scan here for a link to simple registration



A reminder to all residents to ensure they have Voyent Alert! app installed on their devices for the 2024 wildfire season! This is the best and fastest way for the Town of Rainbow Lake to get accurate information and emergency updates to our residents to help keep you safe and informed while we navigate this fire season.

### 2024 Rainbow Lake Ladies Bonspiel

The 2024 Rainbow Lake Ladies Bonspiel is happening this weekend! Games kick off at 7:00pm and 9:30pm on Friday, March 8th.

Saturday games start at 10am and the last semi-final game is scheduled to start around 3pm. The curling lounge will be closed to the public for supper and will reopen for the finals around 8pm.

No minors are permitted upstairs for the entire event. They may watch the games from the viewing area downstairs.

Come on down to the Recplex and show the ladies some support!!!

### 47th Annual Rainbow Lake Qilmen's Bonspiel

March 22nd—24th! • Deadline to enter is March 18, 2024

Team format is open, Men, Women or Mixed. Entry fee is \$400.00 per team. Optional Calcutta for an additional \$100. Minimum age is 18.

Please contact either Jennifer Dawe at 780-956-9590 or Kendra Baglole at 780-560-0080 for more information. To register your team, you may submit your completed registration form attached at the end of this newsletter to RBLOilmens@gmail.com.



# Spring Forward

Clocks go forward at 2am on March 10th!

# Office Closure

The Town of Rainbow Lake's office will be closed on Friday, March 29th and Monday, April 1st. It will reopen with regular hours on Tuesday, April 2nd from 7:40am-4:30pm.

Town Office (Administration)
Box 149, 65 Imperial Drive
Rainbow Lake, AB
T0H 2Y0

780-956-3934

Recreation Complex

Rec Plex

I Atco Road

780-956-3778



Town Shop (Public Works)
58 Imperial Drive
780-956-3949

Fire Hall 58 Imperial Drive 780-956-3354



#### Rainbow Lake Oilmen's Association 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Curling Bonspiel March 22<sup>nd</sup> -24<sup>th</sup> 2024 Entry Fee: \$400.00/Team Optional Calcutta \$100

#### Team Format is open, Men, Women or Mixed

Curling, Prizes, Laughs & Friday Night Fun, Saturday Night Dinner Social Minimum age: 18

Deadline for entries: March 18th, 2024

 $\textit{Please send registrations to: } \underline{\text{RBLOilmens@gmail.com}}$ 

For more info, please contact:

Jennifer Dawe	780-956-9590
Kendra Bagole	780-560-0030

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2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ph:	
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<u>Note:</u> There is no limit on non-oilmen curlers, and you do not need to be an oilman to skip a team.

If we do not have enough teams registered, the tournament will be 2 days only with the final being on Saturday.