

VILLAGE OF COUTTS NEWSLETTER



**JUNE
2022**

**HAPPY
FATHER'S**



DAY

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cemeteries Working Group

The cemetery is looking great, and will continue to have work done. There will also be some work done in the Anglican cemetery as well. Thank you to the volunteers spearheading this project.

COUTTS DAY

Coutts Day is fast approaching. The poster and information is located on the last few pages of this newsletter. Come out for a fun day. Thank you to all who work so hard to make this day possible.

CANADA DAY

Picnic in the Spray Park for July 1st. Poster attached

Yards

Just a reminder to Village residents that bylaw 578, "Dangerous and Unsightly Property", is in effect and the Community Peace Officers will be enforcing it, The complete bylaw can be found on the Village website: www.couttsalberta.com, under the heading, "Contact". Inspections will be completed soon and letters will be going out. Thank you to all who have put in the effort to clean up your properties.

YARD SALE

324 3RD ST. WEST—Coutts

JUNE 18—COUTTS DAYS

**TOOLS, HIGH-END CLOTHING, LULU NEW
WILL HAVE AVAILABLE CHIPS, POP, WATER**

YES..AND ICE CREAM

LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!



COUNCIL NEWS

FROM THE MAYOR

As we head into the next few warm weeks (Yay!) with Coutts Day and all the partying and celebrating that brings, I just want to wish everyone a safe and happy Summer. May this year bring a return to the things being more “normal” with the chance to renew old friendships and form some new ones. Let’s all have some fun and enjoy the season.

Jim

Councillor Scott MacCumber

Milk River Health Professionals Attraction & Retention Committee – We had a regular meeting on May 3rd. We received a Kinsmen donation of \$2500 for selling Corvette tickets. Those funds will go a long way in recognizing our local healthcare workers. AHS does not have any active physician applications at this time. The search continues. We have expanded our membership eligibility to 3 persons from each of Coutts, Milk River, Warner, and Warner County. So if you are interested in becoming involved, please let me know. We recognized nurses during Nurses Week and the week of May 30 to June 3 is Alberta Rural Health Week. We normally would distribute food trays to all the health care workers in the Milk River area, all 177 of them, but we can’t because of Covid rules, so we are giving away one \$250 Park Place Gift Card to a local healthcare worker. More information can be found on our Facebook page, “Physician Careers in Milk River”. We are also giving away a few \$250 scholarships to grads of Erle Rivers, Warner and Foremost who plan on attending a post-secondary program related to healthcare. Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 7, starting at 6:00 pm at the Milk River Town Hall Council Chambers. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Recreation Board – We had a regular meeting on May 17th – We are moving forward on resurfacing the tennis court and making it a combined tennis and pickleball court. We are just getting quotes for materials and labour at this time. The water has been turned on in the park and the ball diamonds so that should help with the grass. We gave a donation of \$2500 to the Rodeo Club to help with renovations to the rodeo grounds. Our next meeting will be scheduled as needed.

Milk River Watershed Council of Canada – We had both our AGM and regular meetings on May 26th. The Council is moving ahead with many outdoor projects this year and more information can be found on the website: mrwcc.ca. There is currently a study on bats in the watershed area. If you think you have bats nearby, please contact Allison at allison@mrwcc.ca or call 403-647-4035 to learn more.

GARAGE SALE

Coutts Day – Saturday June 18

302 1st Ave S – Coutts



NEWS FROM YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY

We will be having our second Book Club meeting on Thursday June 9th at 2:00 pm at the library. Bring a book that you are reading or have read or be prepared to talk a little about a favorite book or author. We had a great sharing time in May at the first get together and hope to see a few more faces this month.

Our June promotion is all about movies. June 10th is National Movie Night so if you come to the library and borrow one of our movies between June 1 and 9 you will have your name entered in our contest and you might be the lucky winner of a prize package filled with movie snacks.

We continue to get new materials in for your enjoyment and have a new audio collection block that arrived recently. As well we have a lot of free books on the red shelves in the hallway if you need to take a book if you are camping or travelling and don't want to check out a library book. Hope to see you soon!

HERITAGE HANDIBUS ASSOCIATION JUNE 2022 NEWSLETTER

The Toyota Handibus is scheduled to travel to Lethbridge on June 8, 2022. The cost is \$40.00 per person with a minimum of 3 riders prepaid. Riders are required to book their ride 24 hours in advance with payment due at that time. If 3 riders are not prepaid, the bus does not travel.

The large and small buses are available for charters.

Please call the Town of Milk River Office Staff to arrange booking, payment and more information.

The next meeting of the Heritage Handibus Association is June 7, 2022 (reminder this is a Tuesday for this meeting only) at the Town Hall. Everyone is welcome, we need more community participation please.

PRAIRIE ROSE LODGE BIT'S AND PIECES-JUNE 2022

Talk about pressure! At 10:15PM (after that disappointing hockey game) I remembered the newsletter information needs to be in tomorrow. First of all, a bit of weather-the weather is lovely but still no rain. Soon it will be too late for all our Aggies. I count our blessing that farmers are so stubborn and optimistic. Their attitude is "well, there is next year-if I can last that long."

Unfortunately, we have had another outbreak of illness at our Lodge. Our residents are confined to their room with their meals delivered and no visitors. This situation is so depressing and difficult as families are not allowed in to visit. Our thoughts and prayers go to everyone impacted-residents, families, staff and friends. This too will pass.

At this time there are no events scheduled for the month of June. Our June 8th birthday party honoring Dee Brown, Norma King, Bev McCoy, Art Furlong, and Marilyn Harty has been postponed to a later date. The resuming of events at the lodge will depend of AHS and the test results of residents.

A new service has been rescheduled at the lodge for residents and all community members. If The Shoe Fits is an opportunity to purchase shoes from a travelling vendor-much like the set-up of the clothing vendor Personal Touch Fashions. The shoes are tentatively rescheduled for June 14th at the lodge. Bingo has also been put to a later date.

At this time we are all wondering when can we get back to normal; what will our new normal be; am I doing the right thing for myself and love ones; how will we cope if there are further restrictions? We are social animals-we get our attitude and strength from contact and socializing with community. Life is relationships-they help us discover who we really are. It is a time to seriously pray for guidance and strength for everyone Be kind and remember to smile. God Bless- Emma Hulit

Milk River and District Agricultural Society

will host a FUNDRAISER



AG Society Style

Saturday, September 24, 2022

Family Fun Event, Games, Festive Food, Pumpkin Growing Contest, Silent Auction, Beer Garden and Cabaret and more

Everyone Welcome, more details in upcoming months

MILK RIVER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Oral History project that was scheduled to take place on May 28th has been postponed until the fall, due to lack of interest.

We wish to thank Cheryl Stewart - ERHS staff and the following students: Angelina Martens, Abbey Bakke, Pacey Losey, Wreesah Walker, Torra Robertson, Tansley Court and Kym Court for the awesome job they have done painting the windows of the museum.

We have decided to open the museum on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from noon to 4:00 pm for the months of July and August. Everyone is welcome to stop in and have a look around or have William give you the tour. William is available at other times for tours, give him a call at 403-647-



3428. We will also be open on Canada Day afternoon.

Our next meeting will be on June 16th at 7:00 pm at the museum, everyone welcome.
Our AGM will be held on July 16th at 1:00 pm, please save the date and plan to attend.



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AND MORE
CALL JAKE**

CELL: 403-635-2013



CANADA DAY CELEBRATION

JULY 1, 2022

PLEASE LEAVE ALL PETS AT HOME

LOCATION: COUTTS SPRAY PARK

TIME: 4 PM

Come out and celebrate being Canadian with family and friends.

Hot Dogs and Cake

FIREWORKS AT DARK

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Amusons-Nous Tous

Thank you to Canadian Heritage, Coutts & Dist Ag Society and Coutts Community Events for helping to fund this event. Thank you to Derek Smith for setting off the fireworks!

Merci a Canadian Heritage, Coutts & Dist Ag Society and Coutts Community Events pour le financement de cet evenement.

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2022 Milk River RCMP Detachment Community Engagement

My Name is Mike Brown and I am the Commander here at the Milk River RCMP detachment. I would like to hear from local community members who may have any suggestions, comments and/or concerns about policing issues in the detachment area.



I will be accepting input from members of the community through regular mail or email from Friday, May 27th, 2022, until Thursday, June 30th, 2022. If you are interested in participating, please reach out to me at:

Attention: Cpl. Mike Brown, Milk River RCMP
Box 537, Milk River, AB TOK 1MO or
email: michael.brown@rcmp-grc.gc.ca

Once the date closes, I will review all of your correspondence. I will respond to the concerns as presented and publish the responses in local web pages and mail outs. The Milk River RCMP would like to enhance Policing Services, continue bridging the gap between the RCMP and residents, and work together to promote safer communities. Thank you -for your consideration towards this endeavour.

Join us on Zoom!

Presented by
Tami Buroker
Child Development Specialist
and

Tuesday
June 7th
7:00-8:30 pm

Talking to Your Kids About Sex

Learn how to share information about bodies and sex with children in a positive, age-appropriate way.
For parents and caregivers with children aged 0-12

For more information or to register, please contact
Penny
penny.pittman@fcss.ca
Call/Text: 403-915-4017

Know More Than Your Kids

INTERNET SAVVY PRESENTATION

Tuesday June 14th
7:00-8:30 pm
Online via Zoom
A Zoom Link will be emailed to you

Presented by
Peny Pittman
Family Support Worker

In a world where children are engaged online extensively, it's important for parents and caregivers to have a full grasp of the online world.
This presentation will cover why you need to be internet savvy, how kids use the net, understanding challenges, and practical tools and guidelines around internet usage.

For more information or to register contact:
Penny
penny.pittman@fcss.ca
Call/Text: 403 915 4017

Talking to Your Kids About PORNOGRAPHY

Tuesday June 21st
7:00-8:30 pm
ZOOM
A Zoom Link will be emailed to you

Presented by
Tami Buroker
Child Development Specialist
with Alberta Health Services

Kids are growing up in a world where on-line pornography is available to anyone with an electronic device.
Easy access and the potential harm of exposure raises concerns about children's health and well-being.

For more information or to register contact:
Penny
penny.pittman@fcss.ca
Call/Text: 403 915 4017

Triple P Positive Parenting Program

For families with teenagers.

Triple P is the world's leading positive parenting program that strengthens families by promoting positive relationships.

Remote/Online
POSITIVE PARENTING DISCUSSION GROUP

Building Teens' Survival Skills

Many parents worry about their teen's safety. This discussion group helps parents reduce the risks their teens may face when they are away from supervision.

**Wednesday
June 1st
1:00-3:00 pm**

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!

TO REGISTER CONTACT:
Penny 403 915 4017 text/call penny.pittman@fcss.ca
Stacey 403 758 3572 stacey.maynes@fcss.ca

A link will be sent to you after registration!

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Remote/Online
POSITIVE PARENTING DISCUSSION GROUP

Reducing Family Conflict

Conflict in the household can increase during this transition. This discussion group helps teach teens how to get along with others in the family without constant fights and arguments.

**Wednesday
June 8th
1:00-3:00 pm**

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!

TO REGISTER CONTACT:
Penny 403 915 4017 text/call penny.pittman@fcss.ca
Stacey 403 758 3573 text/call stacey.maynes@fcss.ca

A link will be sent to you after registration!

FCSS
Family & Community Support Services
www.fcss.ca

Baby Signing Online

Baby Sign Language helps babies as young as 9 months old communicate their needs.

NO Charge

Your baby can learn how to tell you:

- When they are hungry, want more, or are all done
- If they are cold or too hot
- If they need a hug

Date: Tuesdays: June 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th
Time: 1:00-2:00 pm
Location: Online via Zoom

Registration is Required!

Please contact Tashina or Penny:
tashina.calfrobe@fcss.ca or 403 332 1783 text/call
penny.pittman@fcss.ca or 403-915-4017 text/call

Registered Play

Milk River FCSS is OPEN for PLAY

An unstructured play time for parents/caregivers and their children.

Registration is Required!

Wednesday
June 1st & 15th
9:30-11:00 am
Milk River Town Hall

To register, contact
Penny
403 915 4017
or
penny.pittman@fcss.ca

40TH COUTTS GRASS RODEO 2022

Coutts Rodeo Grounds,
501-5th St W Coutts

BEER GARDENS

FRIDAY

June 17th 4pm-2am

SATURDAY

June 18th 5pm-2am

SUNDAY

June 19th 10am-4pm

**No cover charge Saturday night*

SLACK

FRIDAY

June 17th -5pm

PERFORMANCE

SATURDAY

June 18th -6pm

PERFORMANCE

SUNDAY

June 19th -1pm

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Father's Day Sunday, June 19th 10am

VILLAGE OF COUTTS PARADE

Saturday, June 18th 11am

EVENTS

BAREBACK- \$1000

SADDLE BRONC- \$1000

BULL RIDING- \$1000

CALF ROPING- \$1000

STEER WRESTLING- \$1000

LADIES' BARRELS- \$1000

JUNIOR BARRELS- \$400

LITTLE RASCALS

BARREL RACING- \$400

TEAM ROPING- \$1000/man

JR. STEER RIDING- \$400

JR. TEAM ROPING- \$200/man

JR. BREAKAWAY ROPING- \$400

**LADIES' BREAKAWAY
ROPING-** \$1000

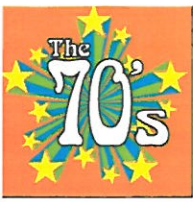
NOVICE RIDING- \$400

JR. BULLS- \$400

**Local entries will be taken through the CRA office*

**Phone in entries are June 6th 2022, 12-3pm
(403-739-2988)*

**Emailed entries are June 3rd to 6th, closing @ 3pm
(chinookrodeo@gmail.com)*



VILLAGE OF COUTTS

50th ALMOST ANNUAL (DUE TO COVID)

COUTTS DAYS CELEBRATION

Friday, June 17th - Sunday, June 19th 2022

THEME - 70's



CANDY PARADE	SATURDAY 11AM
FREE HOT DOG LUNCH	AFTER PARADE-IN THE COUTTS SCHOOL YARD (Bring your Lawn Chair-Donations Accepted)
KIDS GAMES	SATURDAY 12:30-1:30 PM COUTTS SCHOOL YARD Thanks to LDS Young Women & FCSS
AG FAIR	SATURDAY 1PM AT THE REC HALL Entries Accepted 7-8pm Friday & 8-9am Sat at the Rec Hall
ENTERTAINMENT	VARIETY SHOW RICHARD & DEBORAH POPOVICH SATURDAY 2:00 PM (DOORS OPEN AT 1:30 PM) COUTTS SCHOOL GYM (Handicap accessible south end)
SLO PITCH TOURNAMENT	ALL WEEK-END CONCESSION AVAILABLE
RODEO	FRIDAY 5PM - SLACK SATURDAY 6PM SUNDAY 1PM BEER GARDEN & CONCESSION ALL WEEK-END PANCAKE BREAKFAST SUNDAY 10AM (rodeo grounds)
FIREWORKS	SATURDAY 11 PM



SPONSORED BY COUTTS COMMUNITY EVENTS & THE COUTTS & DISTRICT AG SOCIETY
**A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS WHO PUT IN MANY HOURS TO
MAKE COUTTS DAYS A SUCCESS**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE VILLAGE OFFICE @ (403)344-3848

COUTTS DAY - FAIR LIST

AGE CATEGORIES - Adult Category, Children ages 10 - 15 and Children under 10 years.

REGULATIONS:

1. **Mark your AGE CATEGORY ON YOUR TAGS!**

2. All entries must be clean, and the home made work of the Exhibitor
3. All Exhibits must be in by 9 AM - Doors will be locked during the judging.
4. **JUDGING is done on the DANISH system** - 10, 9, 8 - First Place
7, 6, 5 - Second Place
4, 3, 2, 1- Third Place

*Judges Decision - will be **FINAL**

5. Exhibitor's - may have only **ONE, entry, in each class.**
6. All Entries must be Tagged - **Exhibitors are to fill out their own tags**, attach with paper clips or safety pins, do not use straight pins
7. Flowers exhibited must be from your own garden, displayed in their own foliage, in a nice container.
8. Flower arrangements can be complimented with various foliage, and please stay away from weeds if doing a wild flower arrangement.
9. Label your entries with the correct variety name, if possible - this adds to the educational value of the Flower show, any comments are welcome - and in the cooking classes - recipes are welcome.
10. All preserves must be sealed, to ensure health safety.
11. All Entries **MUST BE LEFT AT THE FAIR** - until 4 pm
12. Additional Fair tags, Fair lists, posters, etc are available at the Coutts Village Office

COUTTS DAYS - CRAFT COMPETITIONS - Adults & Children Categoris (under 10 & ages 10-15)

SEWING - (one item - per class)	\$20.00	GENERAL CRAFTS -	\$20.00
1. Adult Clothing		11. Ceramics	
2. Childrens Clothing		12. Woodworking, any item	
STITCHERY -	\$20.00	13. Clay	
3. Cross Stitch		OTHER:	\$20.00
4. Embroidery		14. Thrift Item (something new from something old)	
5. Needlepoint		15. Beadwork	
6. Quilt/Afghans (special \$25.00)		16. Plastic Canvas Article	
7. Crocheting		17. Pillow (over 12 inches x 12 inches)	
8. Knitting		18. Wall Hanging	
9. Blankets any size or style		19. Comupter Creation - (card, game, quiz etc)	
10. Rugs		20. Any Article not mentioned above	

** ONE - \$20.00 - FIRST PRIZE will be awarded - in each Age Category - Adults - Children under 10 & Children ages 10-15, and a SPECIAL PRIZE FOR QUILTS/AFGHANS \$25.00

COUTTS DAY - PLANT AND FLOWER SHOW - Adults -- 3 Blooms unless otherwise specified

1. Columbine (3 blooms)		6. Marigolds (3)	\$20.00
2. Peony - 1 bloom		7. Lily (3)	
3. Pansy - 6 blooms		8. Bleeding Heart - 2 spikes	
4. Petunia (3)		9. Iris - 3 spikes	
5. Rose - 1 Bloom		10. Any flower not mentioned above	

FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS

11. Mixed Bouquet		12. Flower Arrangement - any type - please specity (dried, miniature, wild flower, all green etc)	\$20.00
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PLANTS -

13. Blooming Plant (1)		15. Cactus (1)	\$20.00
14. All Green Plant (1)		16. Odd Plant (considered unique)	

**ONE - \$20.00 - FIRST PRIZE in Flowers, ONE-FIRST in Arrangements & ONE-FIRST in Plants

COUTTS DAY - FAIR LIST

ART & PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION - Ages 16 and up

PRIZE

<u>CATEGORIES:</u>	1. Scenic	\$20.00
	2. People/Animals/Humorous	\$20.00
	3. Cluster of Pictures (3-6 pics depicting a theme/story)	\$20.00

MAXIMUM of two (2) pictures/item - per Entrant - per category

All pictures must be framed or mounted

A Fair Tag must be securely attached

****ONE - \$20.00 - FIRST PRIZE** will be awarded in Art --- **THREE - FIRST PRIZES** in Photography

COOKING/BAKING/PRESERVES COMPETITIONS: (Adults and children)

3 pieces of baking required for each category-unless specified otherwise-**please specify "KIND"**

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|--|---|
| 1. Bread - 1 loaf, specify kind | 16. Fudge (3 pieces), any kind, specify |
| 2. Fruit Loaf, or quick Bread - 1 loaf | 17. Candy (3), any kind, specify |
| 3. Buns - (3 buns) | 18. Home made Chocolates (3) |
| 4. Rolls (3 any kind - specify) | 19. Nutritious Snack (3 pcs, identify type) |
| 5. Cake - 1 layer (plain or iced) - 1 item | 20. Popcorn Balls (3) |
| 6. Cake - Decorated - 1 item | 21. Pizza - home made - 2 pieces |
| 7. Baking Powder Biscuits (3) | 22. any item, not mentioned above (ident.) |
| 8. Decorated Cup Cakes (3) | |
| 9. Muffins (3), specify | |
| 10. Cookies (3), baked | |
| 11. Cookies (3), not baked | |
| 12. Doughnuts (3), specify | |
| 13. Pie, any type, specify - 1 item | |
| 14. Squares (3), specify | |
| 15. Jelly Roll - 1 item | |

PRESERVES - 1 SEALED JAR

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|---------------------------------------|
| 23. Pickles (1), any kind, specify |
| 24. Relish (1), any kind, specify |
| 25. Jelly (1), any kind, specify |
| 26. Jam (1), any kind, specify |
| 27. Any Preserve, not mentioned above |

NO NUTS, OR RAISINS

****ONE-\$20.00 - FIRST PRIZE** to be given out in each of the following categories - Baking, Desserts, & Preserves Prizes will be given out - per age group - Adult - Children under 10 - & Children ages 10-15

GRAIN COMPETITION -- GRAIN SAMPLES TO BE GROWN IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR

MUST BE DROPPED OFF AT KERV'S KORNER OR THE COUTTS VILLAGE OFFICE - 5 DAYS IN ADVANCE

Grain will be judged on protein, weight, color etc ***please name the grain VARIETY**

MUST HAVE A FAIR TAG - ATTACHED TO THE BAGGIE (ENTRANTS NAME TO BE COVERED)

1. Spring Wheat	\$20.00	4. Barley	\$20.00
2. Durum	\$20.00	5. Oil Seed	\$20.00
3. Winter Wheat	\$20.00	6. Other Seed	\$20.00

One **FIRST PRIZE (\$20.00)** to be awarded in each of the six categories.

COUTTS DAY SPONSORED BY: The Coutts and District Agricultural Society

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS WHO WORK IN - THE MANY EVENTS DURING COUTTS DAYS - WITHOUT YOU - THIS DAY WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE.

THANK YOU for attending our Coutts Day events, hope you had fun, see you next year!

Coutts Days Fair Tag

fold over to cover name

Name:

Class:

Category:

Age (Kids only):

Comments:

Coutts Days Fair Tag

fold over to cover name

Name:

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