



# TRI-VILLAGE BEEZ



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## LOCAL YOUTH BRINGS HOME SILVER!

The Cranbrook Eagles Boxing Club attended the Alberta Silver Gloves Provincial Tournament in Medicine Hat, Alberta for a weekend filled with intense competition, and tremendous heart.

Damien Lepsis (80kg Elite), Luther Sawatzky, (57kg Youth Open), Edric Berg Van Steinburg (57kg Junior C Novice), and *Michael McLeod, from Skookumchuk*, (80kg Youth) were all able to secure matches, and the club rolls out of Medicine Hat with two silver medals and two gold.

Michael faced an absolute battle on Saturday and fought with such heart, throwing punches and never giving up. It was an edge-of-the-seat kind of bout, and a close call, but he came out with the win by split decision, advancing him to the gold medal match on Sunday. Michael was in very tough for his gold medal match today, and although he lost by unanimous decision, he made his team very proud. He demonstrated great determination and had the crowd on their feet right to the final bell. He exhibited improved footwork, fought smart, and corrected his errors from yesterday. *Michael walks away with a silver medal.*



Damian's opponent on Saturday withdrew from the tournament, so he advanced to the gold medal match today. Damian's Sunday



match up was a tremendous battle with three very challenging rounds. Luther Sawatzky boxed in the final for his division on Saturday in what was a highly tactical fight. He showcased an abundance of savvy technical skills and impressed his coaches with his tremendous growth as a fighter. Edric was in tough for his gold medal match up (also on Saturday), and after losing the first two rounds, in true Edric style he dug deep and powered through with an exceptionally spirited and riveting third round.

Coach Bill, Tom, and Dennis walk away from the weekend feeling immense pride for how eager to learn, coachable, and adaptable these boxers are.

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On February 11th, the WLLID Board met for the second time in 2026. Trustee's spent time preparing a draft of the 2026 Budget. After gathering some additional budget information, they are planning to finalize it at the March Board meeting.

Last summer, the electric motor used with the WLLID boat for water testing sustained sand and moisture damage. The Board is looking to get a quote for its repair. If that is not feasible, the Board will buy a new electric motor. In addition, the purchase of a solar powered battery charger is part of the Budget.

Larratt Aquatic Consultants are working to finalize a report on the results from water tests conducted during summer 2025. The Board is planning for one of the report's authors to present the findings at an in-person meeting sometime in early May.

An online forum is also planned, however, at this time there is no WIFI service at the Community Hall. The Board is exploring options for a temporary WIFI set-up to facilitate the online portion of the presentation. Details will be posted on [www.wasalake.ca](http://www.wasalake.ca) when they are finalized.

Tax Bylaw #80 for 2026 was finalized. The Board voted to keep the rate at \$50 per parcel. Tax notifications for 2026 will be mailed out in early June.

Taxpayers are reminded that on March 1, 2026 a late penalty, as prescribed by the Provincial government, will be applied to all outstanding balances.

The Board reminds all residents, it is your responsibility to provide WLLID with contact information and a valid address where the tax notice can be mailed.

If you would like to make a presentation to the Board, please send a request at least one week in advance of the meeting to [admin@wasalake.ca](mailto:admin@wasalake.ca).

The next Board meeting will be on 11 March, 7pm, lower level at the Community Hall. Residents are welcome to attend.

*What is a thesaurus' favourite dessert?*

*Synonym buns*

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3 Tbsp. flour

½ tsp. garlic powder or 2 cloves fresh minced garlic

½ tsp. salt

½ tsp. black pepper

3 Tbsp. olive oil, more as needed

1 onion, chopped

6 cups beef broth

½ cup red wine, optional

1 lb potatoes, peeled & cubed

4 carrots cut into 1" pieces

4 stalks celery, cut into 1" pieces

3 Tbsp. tomato paste

1 Tbsp. Worcestershire sauce

1 tsp. dried rosemary OR dried oregano

2 Tbsp. cornstarch or as needed

2 Tbsp. water or as needed

1 cup peas

Combine flour, garlic powder, salt & pepper. Toss the beef in flour mixture. Heat olive oil in large stew pot. Shake off any excess flour from the beef & brown in small batches.

Remove & set aside in a bowl. Add the onions to the pot, adding more oil as needed, and cook until they begin to soften, about 3 minutes. Add beef broth & red wine while scraping up any brown bits in the pan. Stir in browned beef, potatoes, carrots, celery, tomato paste,

Worcestershire sauce & rosemary or oregano. Reduce heat to medium-low, cover & simmer 1 hour or until beef is tender (up to 90 minutes). Mix equal parts cornstarch & water. Slowly add to boiling stew to reach desired consistency. Stir in peas & simmer 5-10 minutes before serving. Season with salt & pepper to taste.



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They appear when sunlight refracts through ice crystals in high clouds. The light passes through a thin veil of ice crystal clouds (usually cirrus or cirrostratus), and the ice acts as a prism, refracting the light.

Rainbows form when drops of rain act as prisms, breaking sunlight into a multitude of colors.



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FARMER'S ALMANAC

# Wasa and District Historical Assoc. & Memorial Garden Group

submitted by - Kate Kelly



In what should be a snow-covered winter ground, the Memorial Garden seems to be holding its breath as the unseasonably warm winter months have felt like spring. Normally our thoughts this time of the year turn to the beginning of the thaw that spring brings. However, March has come softly, with a loose let go of winter's grip. We still look to the promise if spring; the crocuses will soon show us the way...

Please watch the community Facebook pages for info on our annual spring clean-up. We're always in need of volunteers! If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Sherry Shields via email at: [slshields27@gmail.com](mailto:slshields27@gmail.com)

We continue to look for new members in our

Wasa and District Historical Association & Memorial Garden Group. Did you know that it's only \$5/per person for a lifetime membership? Having a large 'membership' helps us apply for government grant monies which keep our garden looking great. We kindly ask that Wasa residents (both recreational & permanent) to consider a \$5/ per person lifetime membership. Please contact Judy Reimer at [mjlreimer@shaw.ca](mailto:mjlreimer@shaw.ca) or by phone 250-422-3343 to join. Thank you for your consideration!

## 2024 Columbarium Niche & Plaque Costs

### UNIT 1 Columbarium

Upper levels - \$1,000 + engraving

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Niche Engraving - \$290

Memorial Plaque - \$350

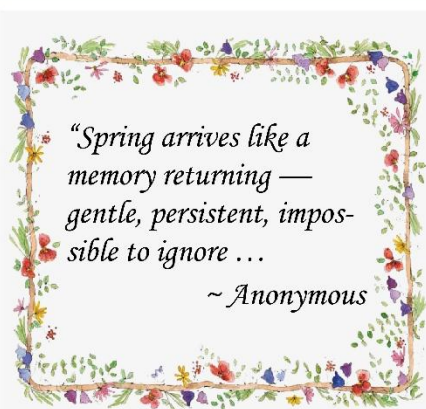
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Dry in the winter... right?

**WRONG!**

Invasive species management is a year-round issue, no matter the season or the temperature.

Even when lakes are frozen and everything looks quiet, invasive species can still spread from one waterbody to another in winter. While heading out to your fishing spot, seeds can hitch a ride on your gear, boots, or sled. Mud, debris, and even live plant fragments can be hiding under the ice, especially in shallow areas.

Ice augers are a big one to watch for. When drilling in shallower water, augers can hit the lake bottom and pull up invasive plants or animals making it easy to unknowingly transport them to a new location.

Here's how you can help prevent the spread:

- Remove all plant fragments and mud, these can carry invasive plant seeds or larvae (like zebra mussels).
- Before moving to a new spot or a different lake, check anything that touched the lake bottom, was in the water, or sat in weedy areas.
- Inspect all ice fishing gear regularly, including augers, rods, sleds, snowmobiles, and boots.
- After cleaning, always drain any water and let your gear dry thoroughly.
- **ALWAYS, CLEAN DRAIN + DRY!**

Taking a few extra minutes goes a long way. These simple steps help protect our lakes and keep aquatic ecosystems healthy for winter anglers and every season after.



Our Summer 2026 job postings are LIVE! The East Kootenay Invasive Species Council works to prevent, reduce, and manage invasive species to protect the incredible biodiversity of the East Kootenays and summer is when our work really comes to life!

These roles are hands-on, outdoor, and ideal for anyone looking to build real-world conservation experience. For many past staff, a summer with EKISC has been a launchpad into future work in conservation, environmental education, and biodiversity-focused careers, because protecting biodiversity really is at the heart of it all.

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## Hints by Vi

I had the privilege of meeting Vi only a few times before she passed away in March 2016. Vi contributed monthly to the Tri Village Buzz and her column was always one of my favourites. I hope I can do this sweet and lively little lady justice.



1. Instead of buying those expensive gel ice packs, take a large zip lock freezer bag, fill it to about 1/3 full of 3 parts water to one part rubbing alcohol, then seal it, being careful to work the air out of it. Then put that bag inside another bag. The bag will freeze to a super cold slush that never solidifies.
2. WD40 dissolves glues. So, if you buy a fridge or something that has those irritating stickers on them, spray WD40 where you ripped the sticker off and wipe.
3. Peanut butter gets gum out of hair without needing to cut the hair.
4. Fruit fly problems – Take a glass and fill it part way with red wine vinegar and a piece of banana. Cover the top of the glass with plastic wrap and poke some holes in the plastic wrap. Fruit flies are attracted to the banana and red wine vinegar and end up drowning themselves in it.
5. Used dryer sheets for dusting. Almost as useful as those expensive Swiffer things.
6. To get the old musty smell out of towels wash them with hot water and a cup of vinegar. Then immediately rewash them usually with regular laundry detergent.
7. Put your celery in aluminum foil, it will last 3 to 4 weeks longer.

Have a great month everyone!

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- **Hall Rentals & Information:** Karen Markus 250.422.3514
- **Gym:** Sonia Blackwell 50.421.3019 or Rod 250.422.3253
- **TOPS:** Nicky Popowich (250) 422-9248 or Sonia Blackwell (250) 421-3019
- **Quilter's Club:** Gayle Andrews 250-422-3095

### In Like a Leo, Out Like an Aries

You may have heard the weather proverb, "If March comes in like a lion, it will go out like a lamb," meaning that if the month starts off stormy, it will end with mild weather. There is, however, a different interpretation: The constellation Leo, the lion, rises in the east at the beginning of March. Thus, the month "comes in like a lion," while Aries, the ram, sets in the west at the end of the month, and hence, the month "will go out like a lamb."

<https://www.almanac.com/content/month-march-holidays-fun-facts-folklore>

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## What are B.C.'s most endangered rivers?

By Amy Judd & Taya Fast Global News

The Outdoor Recreation Council is out with its annual list of B.C.'s most endangered rivers, and while there is concern, there is also encouraging progress being made. Taya Fast has more on the risks the waterways face, and the work being done to protect them. – Jan 7, 2026

B.C.'s annual list of most endangered rivers has been released.

The Outdoor Recreation Council, which compiles the list, noted that while there is concern, there is some encouraging progress being reported as well.

Tied for top spot on the list this year are the Heart of the Fraser, between Hope and Mission, and the Cowichan River on Vancouver Island.

"These are both iconic waterways," Mark Angelo, the Outdoor Recreation Council Rivers chair and founder of both B.C. and World Rivers Day, said in a blog post.

"The Fraser is one of the most productive rivers on the planet. The Cowichan is an important salmon stream, culturally significant to the Cowichan people, and a recreational asset for anglers and paddlers. All this is at risk. But on both rivers we are seeing glimmers of hope."

Of concern for the Fraser River are threats from urban encroachment, agricultural expansion and industrial development.

BC Parks Foundation moves to preserve part of the 'heart of the Fraser'

The Cowichan River is facing low summer flows, as well as leaching of toxic chemicals from construction waste and illegal dumping.

"Illegal dumping is an issue that is impacting the river, but our report this year really wanted to focus on the climate change, low flow aspect, because that's had a devastating impact on the river for many years now," Angelo told Global News.

Going forward, levels of the Cowichan River will be better regulated with plans underway to raise the level of a small dam on Cowichan Lake.

Meanwhile, there's encouraging news for the Fraser River, as a conservation group recently purchased Carey Island, an important salmon and sturgeon area near Chilliwack. According to the report, other rivers and issues of concern include the Elk River in the Kootenay region, Kettle River in the Okanagan, Stikine River in the northwest region, the Similkameen River in the Southern Interior, and the Thompson / Chilcotin rivers steelhead populations in the Interior.

According to the Outdoor Recreation Council, the Thompson / Chilcotin rivers are not so much a river health issue, but a fisheries management failure.

The population of steelhead expected back to spawn in the Thompson River is only 19 this year and as few as nine are expected in the Chilcotin, when thousands used to return every year.

The organization said there is little hope on this issue as it seems like the federal and provincial governments have yet to find a solution.

### Golden – Cranbrook Route

Runs: Tuesdays and Thursdays. The bus leaves Golden at 8:00am, Invermere (hospital) at 9:20am, Invermere (Chamber of Commerce) at 9:25am, and arrives in Cranbrook at approximately 11:15am with stops at a number of health facilities by request. The return schedule departs the East Kootenay Regional Hospital at 3:00pm and arrives in Invermere at 5:00pm and Golden at 6:30pm.

To book your space: Contact 1-877-343-2461 Option 1 or direct 250-364-3262 at least 24 hours in advance to book your seat.



As of this writing it's mid February and it's finally snowing! What a winter we have had. Hopefully it doesn't begin now! The Lions and volunteers that try to keep the skating rink in operation this year have certainly had their work cut out for them. With the freeze-thaw cycles we've had it's been a challenge. We thank all involved.

The Wasa Lion's Club is 50 years old this year! We are planning a celebration to honor our past and present members sometime in August. It will be a public event, so see you there.

As always, the club is on the lookout for new members. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a member of the largest non-profit organization in the world, contact a Lion's Member for an invitation to attend a meeting and see if you're a fit. Qualifications: a desire to volunteer to make our community a better place.

Our ongoing recycle program is always on the lookout for recyclable cans and bottles. This fundraiser provides money for our Scholarship program as well as maintenance and upgrades for the Lion's Grounds. We recently upgraded the pump house/garage and kitchen buildings with new windows, siding and security shutters. This spring, work is set to begin on the washroom building and the front of the Pancake Breakfast eating area. We will also be painting the posts and beams and replacing some of the bad wood on the ball diamond bleachers. Come and check out our facilities. We are very proud of them! They are also for rent in the summer for large gatherings. Camping is available on a limited basis.

This is also a perfect time to thank the volunteers and contributors of this Newsletter. It is read by everyone in the area and online by many. You help put us on the map!

Things to look forward to: Pancake Breakfasts every Saturday in the summer months at the Lion's Grounds. A great meal at a great price! Wasa Lion's Garage Sale. Book Sale all summer.

Hopefully spring will have sprung as of this printing.

**Safety guidelines and things you need to know:**

- Minimum of 2 people in the Gym at all times
- All users must sign in with date and time & must sign a Wasa Recreation Programs User Waiver located at the sign in desk
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*Let's get the most out of our gym. If a group of at least 3 people are interested in using the gym other than Mon-Wed-Fri 8-9 am, when a group already goes, or evenings, & willing to commit for at least 3 months, contact Sonia with the time & she will arrange a key & let others know the time for more to be able to go too.*

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- On St. Patrick's Day, the warm side of a stone turns up, and the broad-back goose begins to lay.
- March comes in with adders' heads and goes out with peacocks' tails.
  - Thunder in spring, Cold will bring.
- So many mists in March you see, So many frosts in May will be.
- In beginning or in end, March its gifts will send.
  - Bleak winds assault us all around; Dances aloft, or skims the ground: See the school-boy—his hat in hand, While on the path he scarce can stand

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We have positions for three volunteers to work concession for the Wasa Recreation Bingos.

Each volunteer will work any two of the next 6 Bingos being held in May, June, July, August, September and December (the second Tues of each month) . You get to choose which two days to work. You will be trained in food preparation, and manning the counter and basic kitchen sanitary practices. You will always be with an experienced volunteer. Wasa NEEDS YOU! and you need us.

Contact Mitsu missmitsu@gmail.com  
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## COFFEE SOCIAL

Wasa Community Hall

Wednesday, March 18

1:00 pm to 3:00 pm



Come out and enjoy coffee, tea & treats

Game of Trivia

Visit the Community Library for the book sale



Hosted by Wasa Community Hall and Tri-Village Volunteers



We will also be hosting a Coffee Social April 15<sup>th</sup>

## The Risks of Feeding Skunks:

by Brett Robertson

Feeding skunks might seem harmless or even helpful, but it can lead to unexpected problems for homeowners. Skunks are wild animals with specific dietary needs, and providing the wrong food can harm them. Understanding what skunks eat is essential for their well-being.

Additionally, feeding skunks can attract other pests and increase the risk of property damage. If you're wondering, "Should I feed skunks?" *the answer is no*. Not only does it encourage skunks to rely on humans for food, but it also poses health risks to both the animals and your family. These risks include the potential spread of diseases and parasites.

Lastly, feeding skunks can make them less fearful of humans, increasing the likelihood of unwanted encounters. By avoiding the practice of feeding skunks, you help maintain a safe and healthy environment for both your household and the local wildlife in Wasa.



### **The Dangers of Feeding Skunks**

Feeding skunks can create a false sense of security for both parties. You might think you're helping, but you're actually encouraging dependency. Wild animals, including skunks, are naturally equipped to find their own food. By providing them with regular meals, you disrupt this instinct. This dependency can lead to skunks frequenting your property, expecting food, and becoming less cautious around humans. Ultimately, this can make them more vulnerable to threats.

When you feed skunks, you also inadvertently invite other wildlife to your property. Leftover food attracts a variety of animals, some of which may be more dangerous or carry diseases. Raccoons, opossums, and even rodents may start to visit, creating a larger nuisance. The increased presence of these animals can also lead to territorial disputes and aggressive behaviour, making your yard a battleground.

Additionally, feeding skunks can pose health risks. Skunks are known carriers of diseases such as rabies, leptospirosis, and canine distemper. By encouraging them to frequent your property, you increase the risk of these diseases spreading to pets, other wildlife, and even humans. It's essential to understand these dangers and take appropriate steps to avoid them.

### **What Do Skunks Eat?**

Understanding a skunk's diet is crucial in realizing why you shouldn't interfere with their natural eating habits. Skunks are omnivores, which means they eat both plant and animal matter. Their diet typically consists of insects, small rodents, fruits, vegetables, and even small birds. This varied diet helps maintain a balanced ecosystem, as skunks control insect and rodent populations.

In the wild, skunks have an innate ability to find food that meets their dietary needs. Whether it's scavenging for insects or foraging for fruits, they are well-adapted to survive without human intervention. When you provide food, you disrupt this natural balance. The skunks may become reliant on the easily accessible food source rather than seeking out their natural diet.

By feeding skunks, you may also introduce them to foods that are not suitable for their health. Human food can be harmful, causing nutritional imbalances or even poisoning. Foods that are high in sugar, salt, or artificial additives can lead to health problems for skunks. It's best to leave their diet to nature, ensuring they remain healthy and self-sufficient.

### **How Feeding Skunks Affects Your Property**

Feeding skunks can have significant impacts on your property. One of the most noticeable issues is the potential for property damage. Skunks are burrowers by nature; they may dig under porches, decks, or sheds in search of food or shelter. Once they establish a den, it can be challenging to remove them humanely and safely. The damage caused by their digging can be costly to repair and may attract other animals seeking shelter.

The presence of skunks can also lead to unpleasant odours. Skunks have a notorious defence mechanism – their spray. When they feel threatened, they release a pungent spray that can linger for days or even weeks. If skunks feel comfortable on your property, the likelihood of them spraying increases, especially if they perceive pets or humans as a threat. The smell is difficult to remove and can make outdoor activities unpleasant.



## The Risks of Feeding Skunks:

continued

Furthermore, skunks can attract predators. Animals like coyotes, foxes, and birds of prey may be drawn to your property if they know skunks are present. This can pose a threat to pets and even small children. By feeding skunks, you create a chain reaction that invites more wildlife, some of which may be dangerous or carry diseases.

### **Human-Wildlife Conflict and Safety Concerns**

Feeding skunks can lead to increased human-wildlife conflict. When skunks lose their fear of humans, they are more likely to approach people and pets. This can result in defensive behaviour, such as spraying or biting, which poses a direct risk to everyone involved. The risk of rabies transmission is a significant concern, as skunks are one of the primary carriers of the disease in North America.

Additionally, skunks can become aggressive if they feel threatened or if their food source is suddenly removed. They may venture closer to homes, looking for other sources of food, such as garbage cans or pet food left outside. This behaviour not only increases the risk of encounters but also leads to property damage and sanitation issues.

It's important to remember that skunks are wild animals and should be treated as such. Encouraging them to associate humans with food can alter their natural behaviour and disrupt the balance of the ecosystem. Maintaining a safe distance and avoiding interaction is the best approach to prevent conflicts and ensure the safety of both humans and skunk



### **What do Skunk Dens Look Like?**

Though most people view skunks as friendly creatures thanks to their depiction in many popular cartoons, they are wild animals that pose a genuine danger to human properties. Skunks mainly target households that keep domestic animals and feature gardens that

provide food sources. Skunks feed on meat, hunting smaller animals, which serves a vital role to the ecosystem. They help keep the snake and rodent population under control, but they'll also look to enter your property once they're disturbed in their natural habitats. Since neglected homes and gardens filled with trash and overgrown bushes draw rodents, skunks might soon follow. The damage skunks can do to a home can be substantial. They can damage wooden beams, fences, gates, scratch and bite through walls, as well nest in hidden spots which results in further contamination and damage. Out of all possible scenarios, having a skunk den in your home is the most difficult one to handle. Skunks mainly target households that keep gardens that provide bountiful food sources and a healthy yard where they can dig for grubs. Pet food left on the back deck or an unsealed garbage can, can also be tempting sources of food that lead skunks to people's homes, where they often will also make a den site. The damage skunks can do to a home and property can be substantial.

<https://www.skedaddlewildlife.com/location/saint-paul/blog/the-risks-of-feeding-skunks/s>.

**Feeding wildlife in BC is illegal under the Wildlife Act, with updated 2024 fines ranging from \$345 to \$1,495 for violations like attracting dangerous wildlife (bears, cougars) or feeding deer/elk near dwellings. Fines for improper attractant management (e.g., garbage) are \$230+, with severe cases, such as in national parks, potentially reaching \$25,000+.**



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### GROANERS

What did the man say when the bridge fell on him?

The suspension is killing me.

A relief map shows where the restrooms are ....

I used to have a fear of hurdles but I got over it .....

There was a bit paddle sale at the boat store ..... it was quite the oar deal.....

## How Happiness Happens

Happiness happens when we give it away. Be the family member who offers to wash the dishes after dinner. Be the colleague who serves the staff by arriving on time for each meeting and listening attentively. Be the church member who supports the pastor with prayer and notes of encouragement. Be the neighbor who mows the grass of the elderly couple. Can you imagine the joy-giving benefits of these decisions?

Contrast the situation of Moe and Joe. Moe expects everyone to serve him. The moment he awakens he thinks, Is someone going to bring me coffee? He leaves the house thinking, The traffic better be good. If the service of the convenience store attendant is slow, Moe is mad. If the parking lot attendant forgets Moe's name, Moe grumbles. If the employees at work need more time than Moe want to give them, Moe lets them know.

Moe has high expectations of the world. He expects to be served. He expects people to cater to his plans, meet his needs, and reward him. Consequently, Moe is seldom happy. The service is too slow, the commute takes too long, and the employees don't remember his name quickly enough. Moe, miserable Moe.

Joe, on the other hand, measures the success of his day with this standard: Who can I help today? Since there are always people who need help, Joe is insanely successful. He serves his wife her morning coffee. He serves the convenience store clerk with a smile. He serves the parking lot attendant with encouragement. He keeps a positive attitude at work. Bad weather? Snarly traffic? No problem. The world doesn't exist to take care of him. He exists to take care of others. Circumstances do not affect him. Joe goes to bed with a smile on his face.

Moe is unhappy and makes people frown. Joe is happy and makes people smile. Which one are you? Moe? Joe? Or a little of both, Mo-Jo? Maybe it's time to look at life differently. Make your happiness dependent upon how others serve you, and you will always be disappointed. Find happiness in serving others and... well, you can complete the sentence.

<https://maxlucado.com/how-happiness-happens/>

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THE DANGERS:

1. **\*\*it crumbles when wet:\*\*** The nest will collapse in the first spring rain.
2. **\*\*Chemicals:\*\*** Detergents and softeners are toxic to bare skin.
3. **\*\*Long fibers:\*\*** Human hair and synthetic threads can wrap around tiny legs and amputate them.

WHAT TO OFFER INSTEAD:

- Pet fur (if not treated with flea meds).
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- Dried grass clippings.
- Moss.

Keep the lint in the trash!

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The brown buds thicken on the trees, unbound, the free streams sing,  
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 -Elizabeth Akers Allen (1832-1911)

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Every year in February the RDEK Board does its first review of the **DRAFT** Five Year Financial Plan. The process itself starts much earlier...all the way back in September. The managers meet with their departments and complete their budget entries. Meetings are then held with the CAO and CFO and each department manager. The first refinements are made. Then, there are meetings with each Electoral Area Director to go over things. Further meetings are held with different municipalities, societies and other organizations, throughout February. It is a long and detailed process that also includes the public and gathering residents' thoughts and comments.

The Financial Plan lays out how tax dollars are being spent on the more than 115 services offered in the RDEK. Some of the capital projects in the Financial Plan for 2026 include: fire engine replacements for the Panorama, Hosmer, and Baynes Lake Fire Departments, a mini engine replacement for Windermere Fire Departments, a watermain replacement in Windermere, and a reservoir expansion in the Eastside Water System. There are also a number of 100% fully funded capital projects, including the extension of the Elko Fire Hall, Edgewater Sewer lift station and connectivity, Edgewater Water raw water intake design and phase 1 of the Hosmer Fire Hall project.

To try to help capture some of the highlights in the 2026 budget, we've prepared a Budget Snapshot, which summarizes the budget. The full draft plan is also available for download and review. For those without computer access, we can arrange to get them a hard copy.

The draft 2026 financial plan proposes a taxation increase over last year of approximately \$26 on an average \$623,000 residential assessment. The 2026 capital budget is \$11,484,790.

When you look at your tax notice, it is important to know that the RDEK budget impact affects only the RDEK line item and RDEK services on tax notices, **not your overall tax bill.** There are a number of other Provincial taxes and the Hospital District that generally account for the larger portion of your tax notice. There is a helpful breakdown of a tax notice on Page 2 of the Snapshot (linked below).

We have set up a project page for the public consultation on the draft plan. These links might be helpful:

**Project page** (<https://engage.rdek.bc.ca/budget>): has an overview, the comment form, the full DRAFT Five-Year Financial Plan, and contact information if you have questions or would like to talk to someone in more detail.

**SNAPSHOT** ([https://cdn.cyberimpact.com/clients/32610/public/e228c53b-4aff-4bf8-2520-49d924e26f68/files/26\\_02\\_17\\_Five-Year\\_Plan\\_DRAFT\\_Snapshot.pdf](https://cdn.cyberimpact.com/clients/32610/public/e228c53b-4aff-4bf8-2520-49d924e26f68/files/26_02_17_Five-Year_Plan_DRAFT_Snapshot.pdf)): which provides a summary overview of the highlights of the 2026 budget.

**Link to the Comment Form** (<https://engage.rdek.bc.ca/budget>)

**Full DRAFT Five-Year Financial Plan** ([https://www.rdek.bc.ca/web/Financial-Plan/2026/2026-2030\\_Five\\_Year\\_Financial\\_Plan\\_-\\_Draft\\_1.pdf](https://www.rdek.bc.ca/web/Financial-Plan/2026/2026-2030_Five_Year_Financial_Plan_-_Draft_1.pdf)): This document is "bookmarked" to help you easily go to different sections. To use the bookmarks, you have to ensure your browser's bookmarks are open. To open them, look for an icon in the top left-hand corner of the document and ensure all drop-down menus are open (they are generally marked with a sideways triangle). This is a large file and could take a few moments to load.

The deadline for comments is **NOON on Monday, March 9.** Further discussions on the 5-Year Financial Plan will take place at the March 12 Committee Meetings with adoption at the March 13 Board Meeting.

For those without access to a computer, or who would like a physical copy, copies of the DRAFT 5-Year Financial Plan and the comment form are available from the RDEK on request.



## Wasa Lions' Club Notice

Dear Citizens and Visitors,

Welcome to the Wasa Lions' Club amenities. We're proud to share this beautiful space with our community and all who come to enjoy it.

Dogs are absolutely welcome here! To make sure everyone has a safe and pleasant experience, we kindly ask that all dogs remain on a leash at all times. This helps protect other guests, local wildlife, and your pet as well.

We also ask that pet owners please pick up after their dogs every time. Cleaning up ensures the grounds stay clean, safe, and enjoyable for families, children, and fellow visitors.

Your cooperation helps keep this a welcoming place for everyone — including our four-legged friends.



Warm regards,  
Wasa Lions' Club

### Did you know:

- Your “lost” line has a body count for the next 600 years.
- Birds use it for nests – it strangles their babies
- Turtles, ducks, and herons get tangled – drown or lose limbs
- One piece of line can kill dozens of animals over decades



That tangled mess you threw in the bushes is still killing. Fishing line recycling bins exist at most boat ramps – most people ignore them

You cut it. Left it. Forgot it. Nature didn't. Birds find it – shiny, perfect to nests. They weave it in – babies hatch and the line wraps around tiny legs, tighter as they grow. Legs fall off and babies die. Ducks swim through it and wings get tangled – they can't fly, can't eat and starve over weeks. Herons, turtles, otters are caught and drowned, strangled. That tangled mess you threw in the bushes 10 years ago? Still killing. Right now. You love fishing, you love nature. You're destroying what you love because you don't pack out what you pack in.




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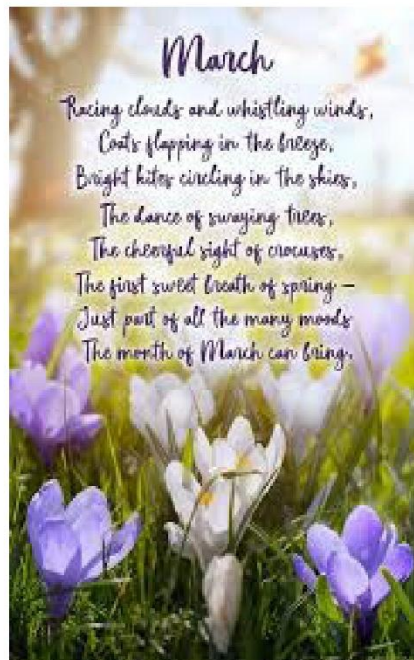
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*March*

*Racing clouds and whistling winds,  
Coots flapping in the breeze,  
Bright kites circling in the skies,  
The dance of swaying trees,  
The cheerful sight of crocuses,  
The first sweet breath of spring –  
Just part of all the many moods  
The month of March can bring.*




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## Discover the Secret Life of Canada's GRASSLANDS

### Grasslands conceal countless secrets.

They filter the air we breathe, clean the water we drink and store billions of tonnes of carbon, all while sheltering wildlife and preserving the biodiversity this wilderness relies on to thrive. Step into the secret life of Canada's grasslands and discover a vibrant world that's gone unexplored — until now.

Canada's grasslands are an example of this. Stretching from British Columbia to Quebec, these vast open spaces may seem simple at first glance, but they hold deeper secrets — a life ready to be discovered.

Beyond what meets the eye, a rich tapestry of grass species makes up the grasslands, each variety as surprising and unique as the next. Vibrant plants and unique wildlife thrive here, with some species found nowhere else on Earth.



1. **Food Production:** Cattle, raised on about one-third of Canada's agricultural land, convert grass into vital protein for Canadians. Ranching is essential to Canada's agriculture and food system. When ranchers responsibly graze cattle on diverse, natural grasslands, they help conserve biodiversity and support habitat for pollinators and species at risk.
2. **Biodiversity:** Canada's grasslands house thousands of unique species, including the Pronghorn, North America's fastest land animal. Over 90 species face extinction. Their survival depends on conservation efforts to protect these vital habitats.
3. **Climate Resilience:** Natural grasslands are vital to mitigating climate change. Resilient to harsh climates, they support diverse life and act as powerful carbon sinks. Their dense root systems store vast amounts of carbon — more per hectare than the Amazon rainforest — trapping it in the soil for centuries and helping to offset climate change effects.
4. **Canadian Identity:** These natural grasslands, once stretching from British Columbia to southern Ontario, are part of our shared heritage. We can't afford to lose these connections, or the rich cultural and ecological stories they hold.
5. **Indigenous Guardianship:** My ancestors knew the land as a living being and is to be respected and treated like medicine. — Elder Joseph Naytowhow, Sturgeon Lake First Nation, Treaty 6 Territory, Saskatchewan. (Original Testimonial in nēhiyawēwin/Cree).

80% of Canada's grasslands have disappeared. The remaining 20% — and the vital Indigenous stories about these landscapes — are all that stand between us and the grassland habitat that we risk losing forever.

Fewer than one in five Canadians recognize natural grasslands as unique and valuable. Although natural grasslands resemble parks, lawns, crops and pastures, they are distinct and support unique biodiversity that most Canadians have never experienced.



Grassland soil is a complex, living ecosystem that takes centuries to build. Once disturbed for development or agriculture, natural grasslands vanish, often irreversibly. This destroys critical carbon storage and native seed banks, breaking down the ecosystem's delicate balance and threatening its species.

Canada takes pride in its wild places, but the puzzle isn't complete without grasslands. These unique, vital ecosystems sustain us. If they disappear, we lose the lands and waters that support our country's story.

### Want to support the future of Canada's grasslands?

There's plenty you can do! Start by learning about these incredible ecosystems — what they are and how they're woven into Canadian life. Visit Canada's grasslands to experience their wonder firsthand! You can also get involved by exploring the work of our Grassland Coalition partners or writing to your local government to advocate for grassland conservation.

[https://canadagrasslands.ca/?utm\\_source=email&utm\\_medium=eblast&utm\\_campaign=grass&utm\\_content=26096](https://canadagrasslands.ca/?utm_source=email&utm_medium=eblast&utm_campaign=grass&utm_content=26096)





Thanks to everyone who took the time to fill out the Rural Transfer Station Optimization Project public survey. The results of the survey, conducted between January 13 and February 9, are now available for review on engage.rdek.bc.ca/RuralTransferStations ([https://hdp-ca-prod-app-ek-engage-files.s3-central-1.amazonaws.com/6917/7162/1209/26.02.19\\_Rural\\_TS\\_optimization\\_survey\\_results.pdf](https://hdp-ca-prod-app-ek-engage-files.s3-central-1.amazonaws.com/6917/7162/1209/26.02.19_Rural_TS_optimization_survey_results.pdf)). We had 1509 responses, with just under 71% of the respondents coming from the rural areas.

The rural transfer station system has not been changed significantly since the stations were first opened, and this is an opportunity for us to review all aspects of the rural transfer stations and understand how residents use the sites and what services are important to them. This is a new project, and no decisions have been made yet, so getting such a strong response to the survey has been very helpful.

Staff will present the results of this survey and seek direction from the RDEK Board of Directors during the March board meeting. After that meeting, staff will seek further public feedback.

If you have any questions or comments about the project, please feel free to reach out to the project leads, Jamie Davies, General Manager of Operations ([jdavies@rdek.bc.ca](mailto:jdavies@rdek.bc.ca)) or Matt Sopkow, Project Specialist ([msopkow@rdek.bc.ca](mailto:msopkow@rdek.bc.ca))

Thanks.  
Nathan.

*March Wind*

*March wind is a jolly fellow; He likes to joke and play. He turns umbrellas inside out and blows men's hats away. He calls the pussy willows, And whispers in each ear, "Wake up you little seeds ... Don't you know Spring is Here!"*



**TOPS SPOT**

submitted by Nicky Popowich

One of our members recently did a wonderful program on **Change**. Shortly, after that my cousin gave me a keyboard. The following week a friend invited me to join her in an Italian bootcamp class. The doors were open a crack. Could I change some things about me? Could I learn?

I have been exploring online and Youtube classes on various suitable winter topics: Italian, piano lessons, and quilting mainly but other topics get explored as well. I have little to no previous knowledge of Italian, or sewing or piano but through these on line teachers I have actually learned a great deal.

There is a consistent message from all the different teachers to facilitate learning: *"If you want change you have to be the change"*. You have to practice what you are trying to become. Trying something new often invokes some negative self talk. However, if you can speak positively, and encouragingly to yourself you can change your perception and you can develop new skills. You are a learner, a beginner; be gentle and non critical of yourself. Enjoy the participation and the process—not perfection.

It doesn't matter if you are trying to learn to embrace a healthy lifestyle and make wiser food selections or learn a language or a craft your brain needs to have repetition to put down the right pathways. Reading, writing, speaking, doing/practicing, envisioning and imagining, and making an emotional connection to what you are trying to learn are all hugely important to accomplishing a meaningful, lasting change.

Tops really encourages all the above facets of learning. It is a wonderfully supportive environment to learn and explore how to develop a healthy lifestyle and navigate the pitfalls. Change is available to all of us. We are never too old to dream, to learn something new or even learn a new way to do something old.



## Do You Lie to Yourself?

The question may seem harsh. Yet it touches on a central point of human existence. Few people are willing to face it head-on because it forces them to abandon comfortable justifications and enter a zone of Truth where masks come off. Lying to oneself is not a rare occurrence: it is often an unconscious survival mechanism that is established early on and maintained throughout life.

Everyone carries within them a story they have told themselves to make sense of their experiences. This story may be about duty, sacrifice, success, failure, injustice, or merit. Repeated over and over, it eventually seems real. However, this story is often just a mental construct designed to avoid seeing what is disturbing to us: our fears, our unacknowledged desires, our contradictions, or simply our fatigue at being someone that, in essence, we are not. Thus is born the role we play, a social, family, professional, or sometimes spiritual role, a role that we continue to play even when our heart is no longer in it.

Much suffering stems from living at a distance from ourselves while pretending that everything is fine. This inner disconnect silently wears us down. It creates tension, bitterness, and sometimes harshness toward others. Indeed, when a person lies to themselves, they almost always end up imposing that lie on those around them, demanding that the world corroborate the image they are trying to preserve.

Added to this are the principles we have engraved in our minds: *"I have to be strong... I must*

*never disappoint... I have to succeed to be worthy."* These rules may seem noble, but when they are rigid and disconnected from reality, they become invisible prisons. They prevent us from listening to life as it presents itself. They force us to maintain a posture that no longer corresponds to our inner Truth. Then suffering appears, both for ourselves and for others.

But there is an even more subtle lie: the one that consists of avoiding essential questions. We fill our days, we multiply our activities, we keep ourselves busy without respite. This constant agitation gives the illusion of living life to the fullest, when in fact it often serves only to avoid silence. Yet it is precisely in silence that fundamental questions arise: where do we come from, what are we really doing here, and where will we go when death dissolves all our certainties? By remaining constantly distracted, human beings believe they are cheating death, when in reality they are only delaying the encounter with themselves, as death does not question our roles or our stories: it lays bare what we have truly experienced in consciousness.

Seeing our own lies requires courage, not to condemn ourselves, but to become lucid. Lucidity is not violent: it is liberating. When we stop telling ourselves stories, something simpler emerges: an obvious, simple Truth, sometimes uncomfortable, but always energizing. From there, it becomes possible to make real choices, to abandon exhausting roles, to relax rigid principles, and above all to start living in accordance with what we feel deeply.

This inner transformation also changes our relationship with others, because we no longer seek to impose an image on them, we no longer demand that the world confirm our illusions, and from this a form of quiet honesty emerges that brings peace.

Asking yourself, *"Have I lied to myself?"* is therefore not a negative question. It is perhaps one of the most redeeming questions there is, because behind the lies we abandon, there is not emptiness; there is the possibility of a truer existence. The moment when we choose the liberating Truth over the reassuring illusions is perhaps the real beginning of a Conscious Life.

It is possible to stop lying to ourselves. The first step is not to change everything externally, but to simply recognize that we may be playing a role that is not true to our hearts. This recognition, when sincere, already acts as a liberation. It does not require a dramatic break or a radical decision; it simply invites us to carry out the same actions and responsibilities, but with greater inner Truth. Little by little, honesty with ourselves replaces the obligation to appear a certain way. A new coherence emerges between what we experience and who we are deep down. This is a true technique of liberation: to stop forcing ourselves to be someone else and to begin, even discreetly, to live our own Truth.

Warm regards to all.

May the Truth of your Heart free you from the falsehood of your roles.

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Venerable Gurudev Hamsah Nandatha



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### March has two birth flowers

March's birth flowers, delightful daffodils and charming jonquils, have different meanings. But take note: All jonquils are daffodils, but not all daffodils are jonquils! Daffodils represent rebirth and hope, while jonquils represent affection and love. Daffodils are believed to have been named after Narcissus, the son of the river god, Cephissus, from Greek mythology. Legend has it that Narcissus fell in love with his own reflection in the water. He was so entranced that he fell into the pool and drowned, with one daffodil blooming in his place of death.

### March has two birthstones

March has double birthstone magic: Aquamarine, with its watery name, was like a lucky charm for Roman sailors, who believed it protected them on the high seas. Some also thought it could cool tempers, prevent poisoning and increase the chance of epiphanies. Meanwhile, its birthstone buddy, bloodstone, has an association with bravery and vitality that goes back to the Middle Ages and Christian legends.



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### The Ides of March led to Caesar's downfall

We've all heard it uttered, but what does "beware the Ides of March" actually mean? On the Roman calendar, the midpoint of every month was known as the Ides. The Ides of March fell on March 15. This day was supposed to correlate with the first full moon of the year (remember, winter didn't count then), and as a result, it was marked by religious ceremonies. But thanks to Shakespeare's Julius Caesar, we know it for another reason.









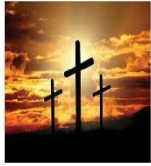
Supposedly, in 44 B.C., a seer told Julius Caesar that his downfall would come no later than the Ides of March. Caesar ignored him, and when the fated day rolled around, he joked with the seer, "The Ides of March have come." The seer replied, "Aye, Caesar; but not gone." Caesar continued on to a senate meeting at the Theatre of Pompey and was summarily murdered by as many as 60 conspirators. Ironically, the spot where Caesar was assassinated is protected in today's Rome as a no-kill cat sanctuary. So if someone tells you "beware the Ides of March," they are probably just being a jerk or letting you know they've read Shakespeare.

**March was once considered the first month of the year**  
Welcome to the third month of the year—or if you were born before 150 B.C., the first! According to the oldest Roman calendars, one year was 10 months long, beginning in March and ending in December. It may sound crazy, but you can still see traces of this old system in our modern calendar: Because December was the 10th month, it was named for the number 10 in Latin (decem), just like September was named for seven (septem). January and February were the exceptions: They were just two nameless months called "winter," proving that winter is literally so awful, it doesn't even deserve a spot on the calendar.

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# March 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> 	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Wasa Lion's Mtg 7 pm	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> Church 10:30 am 	<b>9</b> 	<b>10</b> 	<b>11</b> WLLID Mtg 7 pm	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> Church 10:30 am April submissions due!	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>  Wasa Lion's Mtg 7 pm	<b>18</b> Wasa Coffee Social 1-3 pm	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
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<b>29</b> Church 10:30 am	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> 	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 	<b>4</b>

**LEGEND**


Church Service 10:30 a.m. Lions 7 p.m.  
Quilters 10 - 4 Tops; wednesday 9 a.m.  
Lion's meetings 1st & 3rd Tuesday of every month





**SPECIAL EVENTS** *and Days Down the Road*

- TOPS every Wednesday morning at the Wasa Hall. Weigh in at 9 - 9:30 AM - mtg 9:30 to 10:30
- Pickleball - every Monday & Wednesday 9 - 12, in the Community Hall
- Next WLLID Board mtg March 11th



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