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A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Welcome to spring. Although it has been such a different winter, it's difficult to believe that winter might actually be over. I'm still holding out for

more moisture, but rain would be preferred.

The annual convention and AGM were another success. The River Cree Resort & Casino continues to provide a terrific venue for the event. Having access to the convention center, the entertainment venue, an ice rink, all while having the hotel attached to the same facility is truly special. We have not found a similar facility in all of Alberta. We do get questions on how many rooms we are able to book in the hotel as it does sell out very quickly. There are 249 guest rooms in the entire hotel. AAAS is able to secure 191 of those for our event. Obviously, the hotel cannot supply every last room as they have obligations outside of our event. I am excited to tell you that there are plans for expansion of the hotel and conference center however, that will not be ready until 2027. Just a heads up for 2025's event, we will be asking folks to share a room whenever possible. This will allow the maximum number of delegates to stay close by. But don't worry. AAAS will continue to provide shuttle service to the auxiliary hotel until it is no longer needed.

We are also seeing a great number of folks under 40 years old attending the conference. This is an amazing sign for the future of our agricultural societies. These folks also bring with them the next generation of volunteers. AAAS understands the challenges accessing the venue through the casino brings. We will continue to work with the River Cree to find solutions to this unique challenge. In the meantime, please don't let bringing the youngsters to our event slow you down in any way. We enjoy seeing them.

The 2024 Alberta Open farm days is well under way. There has been a significant number of host farms who have already signed up for what will be another banner year. The opportunity to provide hands on education and awareness of the amazing agriculture industry here in Alberta is incredible. Not to mention the support Open farm Days provided to our agriculture-tourism industry. The workshops and support provided by the Open Farm days team is designed to assist each host in providing a better experience for them and their customers. Our Agricultural Societies have access to the programs as well. The information will also support other events that happen throughout the year. Don't miss the chance to sign up and participate in the opportunity.

The "I'm Ok' farm Safety Show will be available beginning in May of 2024. You can head to our website and fill out an application form to have the extremely unique show come to your event. Our augmented reality program has a live actor interacting with a huge 14' x 8' high-definition video wall. We tell the story of "Tractor Roll overs", "Falls", and "Voltage" and how they impact individuals and the farms bottom line. Don't miss out on the chance to bring something new to your fair, rodeo, or other event. The program is interactive and is designed to impact the 13 – 30 year old person. Did I mention your Ag Society has access to that massive screen between shows? Your sponsors will be extremely excited to see their logo or ad on this massive screen. Please contact our office for more details.

AAAS is just beginning to look at dates for the fall regional meetings. We have members who have stepped up to host these important meetings. Stay tuned as notices for these meetings will be coming out soon.

I am excited to let you know that AAAS has just been through our strategic planning workshop. Our board utilized a 3 day facilitated weekend to review all the current programs that AAAS provides as well as some of the future opportunities. We accomplished a full SWOT analysis and with the assistance of our facilitator, have defined a direction for the organization that will serve us all well. Priorities will be set and the staff and I will set out to execute of the new plan.

These are challenging and exciting times. AAAS and our members have a tremendous role to play in the future of our communities. It will take planning, leadership, and a willingness to accept new ways to accomplish our goals.

As always AAAS will be here to assist our members in any way we can. If you have questions or would just like to chat, please reach out to our office we will be glad to help.

Have an amazing summer.

Tim Carson,

Chief Executive Officer Alberta Association of Agricultural Societies





FEBRUARY 6-8, 2025

THE RIVER CREE RESORT & CASINO - EDMONTON, ALBERTA

Convention Advisory Committee CALL OUT

Would you like to provide input on the 2025 Convention!
We are looking for volunteers to attend a Zoom planning meeting to get ideas for our 2025 Theme as well as some ideas for Session Topics.
We will be meeting April 29th from 7:30 - 9:00
If you would like to be part of this please register here
https://volunteersignup.org/34F9A.

DEADLINE to register is April 22nd
so we can get the agenda and zoom link out to you.



Conference Registration

Open September 1st, 2024 watch website for details



Hotel Booking

Open September 1st, 2024 watch website for details



Scholarship Applications

Open May 1st, 2024 and will close on October 31st, 2024



Honor Roll Applications

Open May 1st, 2024 and will close on October 31st, 2024



2024 Marketing Award Submissions

Deadline for Submissions October 31st, 2024



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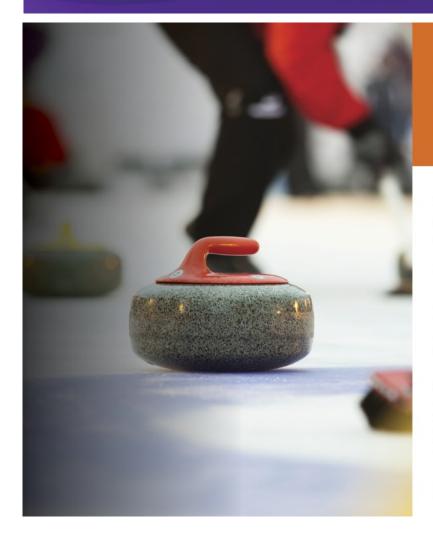
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AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION UPDATE



It was great to see so many ag societies at the recent AAAS Convention. This is such a valuable opportunity for learning, connect-

ing and fun! A special congratulations to the 2023 Agricultural Society Innovation Award winners for their innovation community- based projects:

- KAC Agricultural Society for implementing a hydroponic food modular system integrated into the Altario School's Agriculture Academy.
- Stettler District Agricultural Society for introducing the Community Kitchens program, playing a crucial role in supporting underserved residents within the community.
- <u>La Crete Agricultural Society</u> for its Heritage Experimental Orchard initiative, which was established to boost the variety and abundance of fruit trees in the northern region, bolstering food security and supporting health, economic growth and food stability in northern Alberta.

More information about these awards can be found at: <u>alberta.ca/alberta-agricultural-society-innovation-award</u>.

Some other things that you may be interested in:

Ag Society Annual Operating Grants

Thanks to those who ensured their paperwork was in by the February 15 deadline. You should expect to see grant dollars flowing later in the coming months.

The Ag Society Infrastructure and Revitalization Program (ASIRP) will be open for applications for fiscal 2024/25 in the coming months All ag societies will be notified when applications will be open for the 2024/25 fiscal year. This is a \$2.5 million/year capital grant program to support major repairs at existing agricultural facilities. This program is intended to help address issues related to aging agricultural society infrastructure to promote one or more of the following outcomes:

- Extending the useful life of the facility or infrastructure
- Address health or safety issues

- Improving functionality or service delivery
- Reducing operating costs

Learn more at <u>alberta.ca/alberta-agricultural-</u>societies-program#jumplinks-0

Nominations are now open for the 2024 Alberta Agriculture Hall of Fame

Since its inception in 1951, the Hall of Fame has recognized 141 men and women who have made significant contributions to the agriculture and food industry, and to the development and sustainability of rural life in Alberta. Nominations are now open for the 2024 Alberta Agriculture Hall of Fame, here is your chance to nominate an outstanding individual. The nomination deadline is May 3. Nomination forms and a listing of past inductees are available online at alberta-agriculture-hall-of-fame.

Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership

The Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership (Sustainable CAP) is a five-year federal-provincial agreement with a cost-shared investment of \$508 million in grants and programs. The framework supports the Alberta agriculture sector's continued innovation, growth and prosperity.

Program updates

The Year 2 intake for the Resilient Agricultural Landscape Program (RALP) opened in February. RALP supports producer in conserving and enhancing the environmental resiliency of their agricultural landscapes.

The new Resiliency and Public Trust Program was opened for intake in December 2023. The program enables stakeholders to gain resiliency and build public trust in Alberta's agriculture and agri-food sectors. Applications will be encouraged for projects that focus on animal health and welfare, biosecurity, sustainability integration, food safety, plant health, apiculture, quality standards, livestock traceability, farm safety, agriculture literacy, youth ag education, mental health or industry governance.

Learn more at alberta.ca/sustainable-cap.

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AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION UPDATE

Responding to drought conditions

As producers prepare for the 2024 growing season, they are encouraged to review their business risk coverage. Annual Crop Insurance programs delivered by Agriculture Financial Services Corporation (AFSC) are the first line of defense for disaster situations, including dry conditions. Visit afsc.ca/crop-insurance/ to learn more.

Are you signed up for Agri-News?

Published each Monday, Agri-News covers the latest on all things agriculture in Alberta. Find news on livestock, crops and markets, research, food and beverage production and programs and events. Sign up to receive the weekly newsletter at alberta.ca/agri-news.

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310-FARM is the first point of contact for Agriculture & Irrigation's programs and resources. Call us toll-free at 310-3276 (FARM) or email 310-farm@gov.ab.ca with your questions.

Spring will be here very soon!

Carmen Andrew

Director, Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Economic Development Carmen.andrew@gov.ab.ca



Agriculture and Irrigation

Budget 2024 Highlights

BUDGET 2024: A responsible plan for a growing province

Budget 2024 is a responsible plan to strengthen health care and education, build safe and supportive communities, manage the province's resources wisely and promote job creation to continue to build Alberta's competitive advantage.

Investing in Alberta's safe, secure communities by managing our resources wisely.

We are investing in safety for all Alberta communities, so Albertans feels secure, welcomed and valued.

We are managing our resources wisely to protect our environment and prepare our communities and economy from potential drought, fire and flood.

Maintaining Alberta's competitive advantage, so businesses and industry continue to thrive, innovate and create jobs.

We are focused even more on job creation and investment attraction, to maintain Alberta's position as the economic engine of Canada.



The government is taking steps to prepare for the upcoming growing season. We need to do more with the water we have.

Agriculture and Irrigation's 2024 budget: support for our agriculture and food industry and rural communities.

Budget 2024 reflects Alberta's commitment to our province's farmers, ranchers and everyone else working hard to put the best food on plates at home and across the world.

As Alberta's producers could face another dry year, this year's budget is focused on current and future water planning.

\$5 million in planning funds over three years for feasibility studies to expand or upgrade existing water storage systems, which is essential during dry years.

\$19 million in annual capital grant funding for the Irrigation Rehabilitation Program, an increase of \$5.5 million over last year, to help irrigation districts update water infrastructure, to do more with existing allocations.

\$50 million over three years for the Water Management Program (delivered by Transportation and Economic Corridors) to complete vital projects like the Dickson Dam Capacity Enhancement Project.

\$900,000 for the Springbank Off-stream Reservoir to reduce flood risk on the Elbow River, providing security for residents and businesses in Rocky View County and Calgary.

Other Budget 2024 highlights

8 new full-time meat inspectors to support Alberta's growing meat processing sector.

\$3.2 million for applied research associations to replace infrastructure and equipment.

\$2.5 million for the Agricultural Societies Infrastructure Revitalization Program for annual capital funding to help ag societies repair existing infrastructure.

\$900,000 for AFSC drone services to make assessing wildlife damage claims easier and quicker.





BY THE NUMBERS

ALBERTA ASSOCIATION OF AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES



DELEGATE REGISTRATIONS

420 (171) FIRST TIME DELEGATES (139) NEXT GEN DELEGATES

(69) NEXT GEN 18-30 YEARS OLD

(70) NEXT GEN 31-40 YEARS OLD



109 **AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES**

ALBERTA, SASKATCHEWAN, MANITOBA & ONTARIO



36+ SESSIONS & WORKSHOPS

35+ SPEAKERS



53 AWARDS GIVEN OUT

HONOUR ROLL, SCHOLARSHIPS, INNOVATION AWARDS, MARKETING AWARDS



50 TRADESHOW EXHIBITORS (22 NEW EXHIBITORS)

8 **MINISTER & MLA FORUM** REPRESENTATIVES

SHOWCASE ENTERTAINMENT ACTS



HIGHLIGHTS

The Alberta Association of Agricultural Societies held its Annual Convention February 1 –3rd at the River Cree Resort & Casino in Edmonton, presented by Servus Credit Union, attracting 415 delegates from 109 Ag Societies from across the province as well as guests from Agricultural Societies in Saskatche-

wan, Ontario and Manitoba.

We had four Pre-Convention workshops.

- Unlock Your Power to Influence: Learn How to Gain Support for Your Cause
- Consumer Protection Program Workshop (CPP): Unlock Consumer Safety at Fairs,
- Farmers Market Training
- Ice Arena Training

We opened the weekend on Friday with our Minister/MLA Forum, we had the Honorable RJ Sigurdson, Minister of Agriculture & Irrigation, Honorable Grant Hunter, Honourable Rick McIver, MLA Shane Getson, MLA Martin Long, MLA Garth Rowswell, MLA Glenn van Dijken and MLA Jackie Lovely on hand to answer questions from our Delegates.

Our Keynote Speaker Chris Cummins talked about *The Human* Side for his opening and closing address to the delegates.

Delegates were able to attend various Sessions throughout the weekend from Judging School, Farm Succession and Rural Community Development, Emergency Planning, Grant Writing to Strategies for Recruiting and Retaining Volunteers and so much more.

Fifty tradeshow exhibitors showcased their products and services to our delegates. Additionally, the latest installment of the "I'm OK" Farm Safety show titled "The Cost of Voltage" was presented at the tradeshow for all attendees to view.





Scholarships

Sponsored by Calgary Stampede, North American Midway Entertainment, Peavey Industries

This year we have 7 Scholarship Recipients

- Rory Bothwell
 Josephburg Agricultural Society
- Adysen Williams
 Stavely & District Agricultural Society
- Cole Resch
 Delburne & District Agricultural Society
- MacKenzie Johanson-Denschikoff Lakedell Agricultural Society
- Rayelle Cooper
 Rocky Mountain House Agricultural Society
- Mackenzie Curtis
 Coaldale & District Agricultural Society
- Kyra Flett-Muntz
 Vegreville Agricultural Society

Honor Roll Recipients

- Larry Hryciw
 Thorhild & District
 Agricultural Society
- Sherry Isely
 Ardrossan Recreation &
 Agricultural Society

Innovation Awards

Presented by Alberta Agriculture & Irrigation

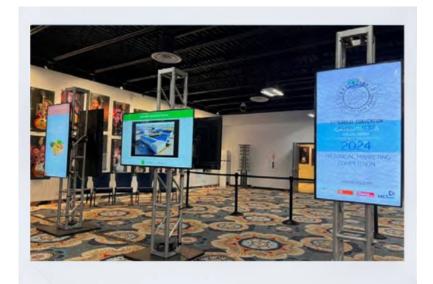
- KAC Agricultural Society
- La Crete Agricultural Society
- Stettler District Agricultural Society



Provincial Marketing Awards

Sponsored by AFSC, Kubota, Peavey, MCSNet

In our Provincial Marketing Competitions, we recognized outstanding achievements with 42 awards across 6 categories and 3 classes. Agricultural Societies actively participated by submitting their Fair Posters, Fair Books, Website Designs, and Social Media Advertising and Video Promos for their respective events. These submissions were presented digitally, providing all delegates with the opportunity to view them



CATEGORY 1

(1A) - Promotional Posters attendance under 500 People

1st Place – Stettler District Ag Society 2nd Place – Irricana & District Ag Society 3rd Place – Darwell & District Ag Society

(1B) - Promotional Posters attendance over 500 & under 5000 People

1st Place – Millarville Ag Society (TIE) 1st Place – Lakedell Ag Society (TIE) 2nd Place – Cold Lake Ag Society 3rd Place – Stavely & District Ag Society

(1C)- Promotional Posters Attendance over 5000 People

1st Place – Millarville Ag Society 2nd Place – Vegreville Ag Society 3rd Place – Strathmore Ag Society

CATEGORY 2

(2A) Fair Book/Event Program attendance under 500 People

1st Place – Grovedale Ag Society 2nd Place – Coaldale Ag Society 3rd Place – Irricana & District Ag Society

(2B) Fair Book/Event Program attendance over 500 & under 5000 People

1st Place – Stettler District Ag Society 2nd Place – Battle River Ag Society 3rd Place – Lakedell Ag Society

(2C) Fair Book/Event Program attendance 5000 People

1st Place - Millarville Ag Society

CATEGORY 3

(3A) Newsletters Distribution of 250 or less per issue

1st Place - Lakedell Ag Society

(3B) Newsletters Distribution of over 250 & less than 500 per issue

1st Place – Grovedale Ag Society 2nd Place – Cottonwood Gordon & District Ag Society

3rd Place – Lakedell Ag Society

(3C) Newsletters Distribution of Over 500 per issue

1st Place – Millarville Ag Society 2nd Place – Ardrossan Ag Society

CATEGORY 4

Website Development Budget under \$1,000

1st Place – Cottonwood Gordon & District Ag Society 2nd Place – Lakedell Ag Society 3rd Place – Ardrossan Ag Society

Website Development Budget over \$1,000 and Under \$5000

1st Place – Willow Prairie Ag Society 2nd Place – Wembley & District Ag Society 3rd Place – Irricana & District Ag Society

Website Development Budget over \$5,000

1st Place - Grovedale Ag Society

CATEGORY 5

(5A) Social Media following of less than 500

1st Place – Carmangay Ag Society 2nd Place – Cottonwood Gordon & District Ag Society 3rd Place – Coaldale Ag Society

(5B) Social Media following of more than 500 and less than 2500

1st Place – Highridge & District Ag Society 2nd Place – Grovedale Ag Society

(5C) Social Media following of more than 2,500

1st Place – Ardrossan Ag Society 2nd Place – Millarville Ag Society (TIE) 2nd Place – Stettler District Ag Society (TIE) 3rd Place – Vegreville Ag Society

CATEGORY 6

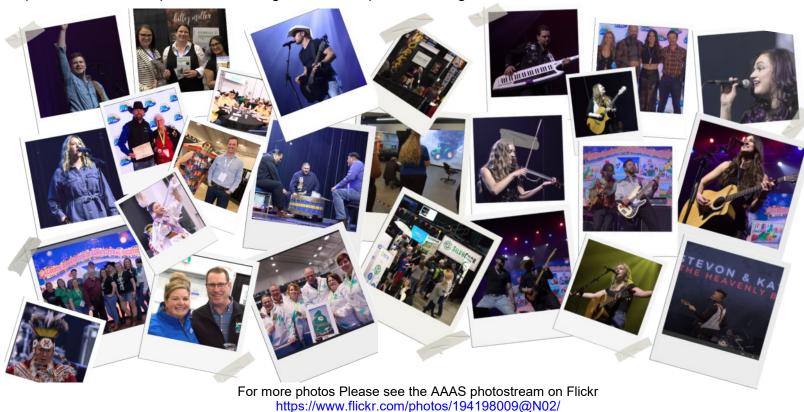
Event/Organization Video Promotion

1st Place – Strathmore Ag Society 2nd Place – Cold Lake Ag Society 3rd Place - Darwell & District Ag Society



Showcase Entertainment

During the weekend, the AAAS Showcase presented 9 featured acts on our main stage. Entertainers like Stevon & Kayla and the Heavenly Band, Hillside Outlaws, Craig Moritz, Chris Leblanc, Southern Cross, Martina Dawn, Justin Sutton & North of 49, Morgan Klaiber, and Amy Nelson had the opportunity to perform for Agricultural Societies, engage with them, and exchange information at our Showcase Corner. This platform facilitated potential bookings for these up-and-coming entertainers at future events and fairs.



I'M OK
THE HIDDEN COSTS OF INJURIES
FARM SAFETY SHOW
AUGUSTA
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Rick McCarthy

AAAS Coming & Going

REGION 6 DIRECTOR:

Audrey Hewings joined the AAAS Board of Directors in 2024 representing Region 6. Audrey began working with the Bezanson Ag Society, in 1995 when her family moved to Bezanson. During this time, she also spent her time volunteering for Bezanson School Council, in the classroom and was a youth leader as well as bus driver in between her time at the Ag Society and People's Church. Audrey took a step back from her career and worked for the Ag Society as a maintenance/ janitor contractor and handling rentals when her kids were young. This gave them a responsibility to be part of the team and was their training ground for lessons in the workplace and future community involve-



ment. In 2013, the Ag Society decided to undertake a major build with the addition of a 16,000 sq ft gymnasium and commercial kitchen onto the existing hall which opened as the Bezanson Community Event Centre 2018. At this time, Audrey moved from her funding role into the management role. Being involved in a variety of organizations in Bezanson, Audrey has a tremendous respect and admiration for the teams of people and the intertwining of generations needed to grow and build a community. With 6 grandchildren in mind, her goal is to continue to connect with teams to create opportunities for the next generation to experience the value of being involved in community.

We would like to extend our deepest gratitude to Darlene Corriveau who served on the AAAS Board of Directors since 2014 as the Region 6 Director. We are thankful for your tireless efforts, wisdom, and guidance throughout the years. She joined the Valleyview and District Agricultural Society over 30 years ago, has held the positions of both President and Past President.



SPECIAL EVENTS LIABILITY





- > Rodeo's & Ag Days
- > Weddings & Birthdays
- > Family Reunions
- > Tradeshows & Craft Fairs (including Vendors)
- > Pop-up Food Markets
- > Concert & Music Shows
- > Fireworks & Parades
- > Children's Camps
- > Fundraising Events
- > Sports Tournaments
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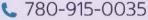
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Open Farm Days will take place August 17 & 18, 2024

OFD Funding Opportunity for Agricultural Societies:

We are accepting Agricultural Societies applications for a grant to help offset your costs.

The amount is dependent on how many applications we receive.

Deadline to submit Grant Applications is March 31, 2024

You will be notified by no later than April 8th, 2024,

if your application has been accepted.

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Travel Alberta Rural Development & Promotion Fund

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Deadline: March 25, 2024

Farm to School Canada Grants

Delivered directly to schools, the grants apply a farm to school (also referred to as Local Food to School) approach to bring more local food into schools where it is featured in a meal service, such as a salad bar, that allows students to build their own bowls or create their own plates. Deadline: April 5, 2024

Fortis Alberta Save Energy Grant

Up to \$7,500 to support our communities, municipalities, schools, and Indigenous communities in making upgrades or improvements that result in energy savings. The fund supports projects that reduce energy consumption and help to efficiently control when and how energy is used. Deadline: April 30, 2024

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(Information is listed as received)



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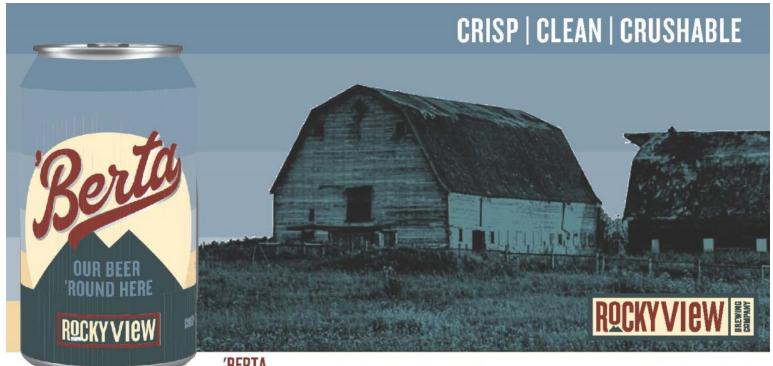
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March 13, 2024	Winter Jumping Session—Cold Lake ag	MAY	
March 16, 2024	Progress Steer & Heifer Show—Lloyd Ex	May 3, 2024	Farmer's Market—Lac La Biche Ag
March 16, 2024	St. Patrick's Day Night—RQB Ag	May 10, 2024	Farmer's Market—Lac La Biche Ag
March 16, 2024	St. Patrick's Pub Night—Crossfield Ag	May 17, 2024	Farmer's Market—Lac La Biche Ag
March 17, 2024	St. Patrick's Day Parade—Carmangay Ag	May 24, 2024	Farmer's Market—Lac La Biche Ag
March 17, 2024	Spaghetti Dinner & Silent Auction—ARAS (Ardrossan)	May 25, 2024 May 31, 2024	Cattle Show—Josephburg Ag Farmer's Market—Lac La Biche Ag
March 17, 2024	Pancake Breakfast—Willow Prairie Ag		
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March 23, 2024	Memorial Hockey Tournament Andrew Ag		
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March 30, 2024	Easter Egg-Stravaganza Darwell Ag	JUNE	
March 30, 2024	Easter Egg Hunt— Wembley Ag	June 1, 2024	Family Fun Fair
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<u>APRIL</u>		June 1, 2024	Smalltown Weekend Tour
April 5, 2024	Farmer's Market—Lac La Biche Ag		Rocky View Chestermere Ag
April 12, 2024	Farmer's Market—Lac La Biche Ag	June 1, 2024	Open Horse Show—Vegreville Ag
April 13, 2024	Spring Fling Supper & Dance	June 7/8, 2024	Newell Pro Rodeo - Silver Sage Ag
	Saskatoon Lake Ag	June 7, 2024	47th Annual Pete Knight Rodeo
April 18, 2024	Winter Jumping Sessions Cold Lake Ag	June 7, 2024	Crossfield Ag Farmer's Market—Lac La Biche Ag
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April 26, 2024	Stock Dog Clinic	June 20, 2024	WPCA Chuckwagons—Medicine Hat Ex
A	Valleyview Ag (3 day event)	June 21 ,2024	Farmer's Market—Lac La Biche Ag
April 26, 2024	Farmer's Market—Lac La Biche Ag	June 25, 2024	Ponoka Stampede—
April 27, 2024	Seeding Send off Supper & Dance		Ponoka Ag (ends July 1, 2024)
April 27 2024	Hay Lakes Ag	June 28, 2024	Farmer's Market—Lac La Biche Ag
April 27, 2024	Spring Market— DeBolt Ag		

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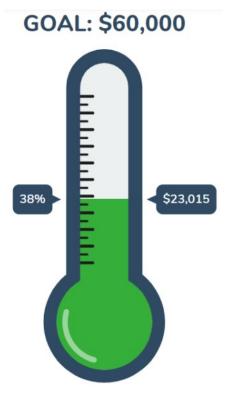
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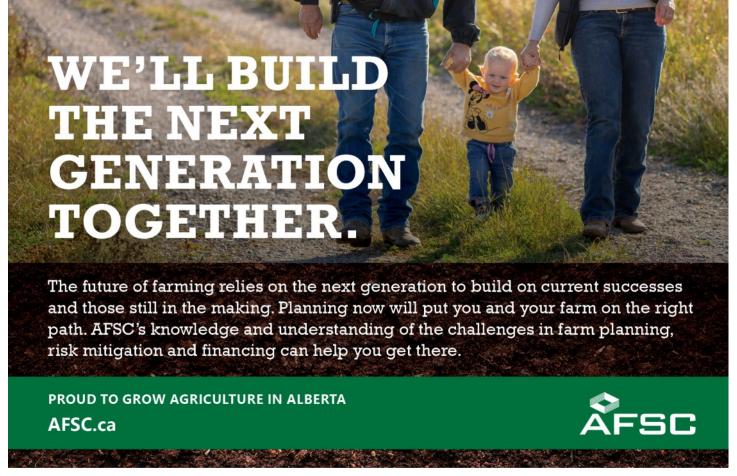
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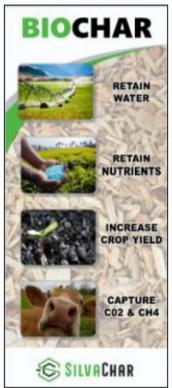
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