



# Red River Current Newsletter

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## Tayden Shott's shot at Gold!



Tayden Shott celebrates on the top podium at the North American Indigenous Games

**F**MFN Chief and Council congratulate Tayden Shott who won a gold medal on July 21st, at the North American Indigenous Games (NAIG)!

Tayden was competing in the 3D Archery Compound 16U Male class. After being in second place through most of the week, he came through in the clutch at the final, winning gold at the biggest Indigenous Games in the world. Tayden, who has been competing for only two years, has already experienced much success. Earlier this year he came second in the Alberta 3D Target Provincial Competition. In 2022 he took gold at the Alberta Indigenous Games 2022, which led to the opportunity to compete in this year's NAIG in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

The North American Indigenous Games, brings together representatives from over 70 Nations to compete and is fiercely competitive.

As if that wasn't enough, the competitors also had to withstand fierce conditions. On the first day they spent more than three hours in the woods in muggy, humid weather with temperatures at +40. Then there was



Tayden proudly wearing his Gold Medal.

the thunderstorm on day two, surely a precursor to the weekend when the closing ceremony was cancelled after some of the most severe rain storms and flooding in the history of Nova Scotia.

But those are not Tayden's best memories of the event. His Mother Lolita Ladouceur, who is the Sustainability Department's Community Development Manager,

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## FORT MCKAY WELCOMES ON-SITE POLICE CONSTABLE

Fort McKay First Nation Chief and Council welcome RCMP Constable Rob Crawford to his new role in our community. Constable Rob will be a full-time police presence assigned to Fort McKay, working collaboratively with FMFN's Peace Officers to help protect our residents and the Nation's lands and property.

Constable Rob will be based out of the RCMP office in the FMFN administrative building. He plans to spend most of his time out in the community getting to know community members and doing patrols. He will also be attending many of our on-site events.

"Having Rob here full-time in our community, speaks to a commitment from leadership in addressing some key issues," said Darrel Laboucan, "Rob is going to obtain his PACT (Police and Crisis Team) training, which will provide another service to the community when responding to calls for mental health crises."

"Moreover, I am excited about working with Rob on the Protective Services side and enhancing the relationship between Fort McKay First

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## FMFN LEADERSHIP TEAM

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had this to say. "Tayden was always ready to help other competitors, lending equipment, giving advice, sharing in the best spirits of his Indigenous heritage. For someone who's been competing for less than two years and does so individually, not as part of a team, he has come such a long way." Tayden's favourite part of the tournament was getting to meet archers from other parts, sharing friendships and techniques and enjoying the camaraderie of the games. He was welcomed to the Millbrooke First Nation to drum at the St. Anne's feast and was given several gifts in honour of his kindness and consideration, including a special pin from the NWT Archery Coaches after he helped out some of their team.

In keeping with his outlook on life, Tayden wanted to give special thank yous to his coach Daniel Newton and to those who have helped him along the way, including the sponsorship of the Fort McKay Group of Companies and the Fort McKay First Nation.



Tayden Shott celebrates with family and friends after winning his gold medal.



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Nation and the RCMP," said Darrel. "This new relationship not only means faster response times, but also being able to put a face to a name and building that trust that is vital to addressing issues."

"At the end of the day, Rob is excited to be here and that is exciting for us because the goal at the end of the day is to make Fort McKay safer for community members and visitors," said Darrel. "I am excited about the work we are going to be able to get done together."

"I see my main task as getting to know the community and the people," said Constable Rob. "I believe in understanding as well as enforcement, and I want to serve the community in the best way possible."

Constable Rob is new to the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, recently moving here with his wife and family to take up his new position in Fort McKay.

Constable Rob is also fairly new to policing, being a 2022 graduate from Depot, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police training facility in Regina. However, he brings significant life experience to his role from 20 years as a businessman and HVAC technician, as well as being a family man, husband, and father.

"I started out as a teenager working

in my dad's refrigeration and HVAC business," he said. "Eventually I became his partner, then I ran my own business."

But he had always wanted to be a policeman and, deciding to pursue his dream, was accepted into the force just before COVID. After some delays related to the pandemic, his training began. He now joins Fort McKay as his first full-time assignment, and he stresses the importance of problem-solving, critical thinking and conflict resolution in his new role.

Community members can contact Constable Rob by reaching out through Protective Services. Our FMFN Peace Officer contact information remains the same:

- In an emergency, band members should call **9-1-1**.
- To contact our peace officers call **780-828-5555** and press **3**.
- To contact Darrel Laboucan, Peace Officer Sergeant between 8:30am to 4:30 pm call **780-215-4188**.
- Every night our FMFN Security Team is on call from 7 pm to 7 am and can be contacted at **587-644-4400**.

Welcome to Fort McKay First Nation, Constable Rob!

# BUSINESS SUCCESS STORY

## Sales success for FMFN Business Partner

Fort McKay First Nation Chief and Council would like to congratulate Glassmaster Autoglass for its record sales month in June 2023. The company, which is 40% owned by FMFN has been a shining light in the Nation's business portfolio since it was acquired from ATB in 2020.

When FMFN bought into Glassmasters Autoglass, they saw a company with potential. Part of the growth that CEO Roger Tulk has been responsible for is this recognition that it is a business about people: customers, employees, suppliers and shareholders. It's all there in the guiding principles of the company, which focus on Ownership, Leadership, Loyalty, Positivity, and Mastery. And it's why the sales achievement in June is such a big deal.

"The Fort McKay First Nation is an income investor," said Investment leader Stuart Randell, "so growth in the revenue and profitability of Glassmasters Autoglass is good for our portfolio. Profits from the Nation's companies are used to pay for the costs of programs and services in the community of Fort McKay.

Glassmasters Autoglass is a high performing fit for our portfolio."

It's more than the amount, although \$4,000,000 for the month of June far surpassed all projections. The achievement justifies the road that the company has taken these last couple of years. Over and above the guiding principles mentioned above is the mission statement. It doesn't talk about growth, or sales, or profit. It sets out what the company does. "We keep customers safe, by providing expert autoglass service that is fast, easy and affordable."

Focusing on what they need to do drives all the rest. Windshields don't install themselves, so the company trains installers in Edmonton and Calgary, reaching into First Nations communities to hire staff. They have an Indigenous Inclusion person on the team, and they wear who they are and what they are proud of – they even hang Band Members' art in their business locations.

And it is paying off. The company has expanded into new locations, sales growth is excellent, and the staff are motivated and well-trained, keeping customers safe. The results are there to be seen.



## FORT MCKAY HEALTH CENTRE

Please call in advance if you need to make an appointment with Dr. O'Connor.

### Immunizations

Contact the Health Centre to make an appointment with the Public Health Nurse

For more information on other services offered at the Health Centre, please contact the centre at **780.828.2450**.

## FORT MCKAY EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING

The Employment and Training Center is there to help you with creating/ updating resumes, searching for and applying for jobs, and offering support for employment and training.

For more information or to make an appointment, please contact the office at **780.828.2478**.

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# Our 2023 Graduating Students



Alexis Boucher - Grade 12



Alicia Gladue - Grade 12



Amber Wilson - Grade 12



Deklin Goodheart - Grade 12



Exzander Lacorde - Grade 12



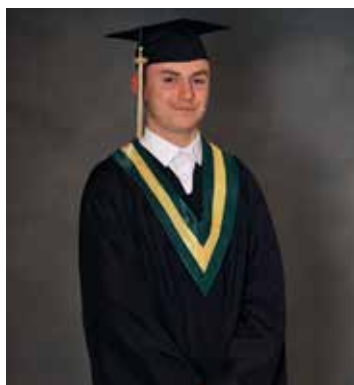
Hunter Faichney - Grade 12



Jada Cooper - Grade 12



Jane Mercredi - Grade 12



Jayden James - Grade 12



Jayden Shott - Grade 12



Kaden Boucher - Grade 12



Kyla Ahyasou - Grade 12



Mataya Cooper - Grade 12



Nana Umperville - Grade 12



Nevaeh Faichney-McClure - Grade 12



Nevaeh McIsaac - Grade 12

# FMFN GRADUATING STUDENTS



Nitanis Black - Grade 12



Peggy Poitras - Grade 12



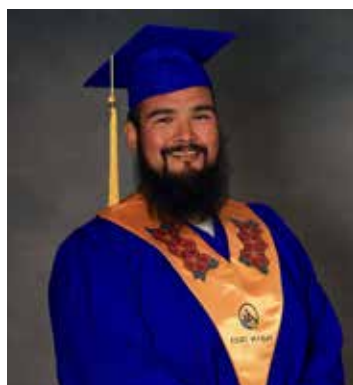
Shawna Faichney - Grade 12



Sonny Pruden - Grade 12



Trinity Howe - Grade 12



Bryce Fabian Jr. - Post-Secondary



Kayla Whiskeyjack - Post-Secondary



Marcus Faichney - Post-Secondary



Miranda Beaton - Post-Secondary



Monika Wilson - Post-Secondary



Richelle Stewart - Post-Secondary



Sherry Tremblay - Post-Secondary



Amber Cardinal - Post-Secondary

## Some graduates didn't have photos taken

### Grade 12

Lucus Ahyasou  
Nik Ahysou  
Raymond Cardinal Jr.  
Sky Orr  
Treyton Kootenay

### Post Secondary

Kristen Balkenhol  
Dominique Bujold  
Chantelle Dunlop  
Josh Turner





# I would like to thank . . .

**Y**ou don't always need an essay to tell a story. When Sherry Tremblay was asked to write a sentence reflecting on her graduation, it spoke of many things.

There was heartbreak and resilience, family and fear of failure. There was triumph too and friendship. And there was a lot of love.

"Ryan inspired me," said Sherry, "encouraging me to go back to school to get my diploma. He encouraged us all to learn. My son Hunter just finished high school, and Marcus graduated from Vancouver College of Art and Design. All three of us were there together at the Fort McKay Education Celebration."

It was a struggle studying and working full-time but Sherry wanted to work for her nation, and the diploma was important to her.

Sherry started studying in January 2020. Ryan passed away in July.

"After his passing I didn't want to go back to school, but I did continue. I was dedicated to my schoolwork. My boys would help me around the house if I had a test or a paper to finish. We supported each other."

Support is a recurring theme in Sherry's tale. Her co-workers at Elsie Fabian helped, as did the school itself, allowing her to work and study in a planned schedule. Family, friends and colleagues have all been there for her.

But the achievement is hers, and she is not alone in her success.

"My two sons have been accepted into Toronto Film School. I am so happy that they will have each other over in that big city. Another place I look forward to visiting."

Ryan would be proud of all of them. When Sherry Tremblay was asked to write a sentence reflecting on her graduation, this is what she wrote:

***I would like to thank my late husband Ryan for encouraging me to go back to school, my family for believing that I can succeed, and my closest friends for pushing me to finish when I wanted to quit. I thank you all.***

## FMFN Football Players Voted MVPs!



The 2023 Women's U-18 Tackle Football Championship, held last month in Ottawa, ON, was an exciting event filled with gridiron talent and determination. The tournament, featuring seven provincial teams and a first-ever National Indigenous Team, provides a critical platform for the sport for women and girls. Early in the tournament, the National Indigenous Team took on Team Ontario Black.

It was a difficult afternoon for the Indigenous Team, crippled by injuries early on, but they nonetheless offered a resolute performance in their game against Ontario Black. Kayleigh Boucher (offensive) and Gabrielle Gladue (defensive) from Fort McKay First Nation shone for the National Indigenous Team and were voted MVPs for their team. FMFN is proud of both of you. Well done Kayleigh and Gabrielle.

## A Humble Act by Kayleigh Boucher

The Indigenous U18 team improved every game of the tournament, despite being crippled by injuries. The team, selected from the female Indigenous players across Canada, enjoyed highlights, several involving the two Fort McKay representatives on the team. After Kayleigh Boucher and Gabrielle Gladue were awarded offensive and defensive MVPs for their first game, Kayleigh did it again, being named offensive MVP for the second time in a row.

More than that, Kayleigh displayed a humble brand of sportsmanship after the game. As reported on the Indigenous Football Canada social media page, Kayleigh 'felt her teammate Talitha Crowfoot Hendy led the offense with her 3 receptions, 3 kick returns, and a run for positive gain. In a show of humbleness and honouring, she awarded the trophy to her teammate. Aho Kayleigh Boucher.



Talitha Crowfoot and Kayleigh Boucher

## FORT MCKAY ELDERS BINGO!

**Date**  
Thursdays

**Time**  
Noon - 2:00 pm

**Location**  
Elders Centre

Call Peggy for cards at  
**780-598-3575.**



## CFWE RADIO BINGO

**Date**  
Mondays and Saturdays

**Time**  
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

**Location**  
Fort McKay Radio  
Canada



## Fort McKay Trades Expo a Resounding Success



It was standing room only as the morning presentations led into lunchtime at the Fort McKay First Nation Trades Expo. Tables round the sides of the Band Hall were filled with representatives of Industry and Education, affiliates, and partners of FMFN, while the centre audience chairs, and the back of the room was filled with interested members.

"It wasn't a career fair" said organizer Kaurobi Pandit, "but rather an event to showcase trades and other occupations, as well as information on FMFN partner companies."

Kaurobi, who is an Employment Counsellor and Job Developer in the Human Resources Department, wanted to display the wealth of opportunities to the members. "We had specific goals for the day, and I think we achieved them. We wanted each company to showcase and share information about themselves, the contractors they partner with, the advantages of working for them, the trades, and other professionals they hire, their expectations of employees and any current opportunities that will help members to establish a career with these companies."

To keep the conversation going among members after the event, the plan is to reach out and connect with all those who showed interest in learning more about the companies and trades/other fields of occupations.

The second goal was to make the event fun, engaging and successful for everyone. Judging by the

participation, they succeeded, and the Employment & Training dept team Kaurobi and Erica are already planning a follow up event to build on the momentum.

Of special interest to many of the members was Det'anichok Helicopters. Owned and operated by Fort McKay's own Charles L'Hommecourt, the business is the







## FORT MCKAY CULTURAL PROGRAMS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

### DANCER AND DRUMMER PERFORMANCES

- Traditional Healing Assistance
- Round Dance / Dene Dance
- Cultural Workshops
- Moose/Bufalo Lake Summer Retreat
- Moose Lake Camps & Events
- Employment Opportunities
- Community & Special Events

### CREE & DENE CLASSES

Every Tuesday Cree class on Zoom.

Every Wednesday Dene class on Zoom.

To register, contact [culture@fortmckay.com](mailto:culture@fortmckay.com)

### DRUM PRACTICE

Every Wednesday at 6 pm in the Band Hall.

All males welcome. Drop In, no registration required!

### FORT MCKAY FIRST NATION MOOSE LAKE BAND MEMBER SUMMER RETREAT BOOKINGS

July 01 - September 24, 2023

If you would like to be a volunteer or be a Resource Worker for some of our programs or events, please submit an email, please include what events you are interested in, or what skill sets you can provide. First priority will be given to community members.

For more information about our upcoming programs, please contact:

**Audrey Redcrow**  
Cultural and Special Events Lead  
**780-215-2384**  
[Aredcrow@fortmckay.com](mailto:Aredcrow@fortmckay.com)



culmination of his eighteen-year passion to run his own business. His story surely inspired, and made members realize that opportunities abound, and career paths are almost limitless. Armed with their passports, a notebook with space for comments on all the exhibitors, and issued to every attendee, members were encouraged to ask questions and glean information. So successful were they that some of the exhibitors were talking of stealing the idea!

Congratulations to the Employment & Training Department (that falls

under Human Resources) for this outstanding day. As one of the exhibitors said in their feedback, "The Trades Expo generated value by creating connections with industry and engaged youth and job seekers."

"The passports were an excellent tool to break the ice, with many youth asking follow-up career questions. The day also provided an opportunity for industry to connect with local service organizations on how we can work together to support Fort McKay job seekers."



# PACE Awards Staff Spotlight

## Lance Lafontaine, Supervisor Capital Projects

Fort McKay First Nation Chief and Council would like to congratulate Lance Lafontaine, Supervisor Capital Projects, on being honoured with a PACE Award for his work as part of the FMFN team.

The PACE Awards are a quarterly recognition program for FMFN employees who demonstrate that they are living the organizational values of People, Accountability, Culture, and Equity. Lance was the winter of the June Award.

Lance is a member of Fort McMurray 468 First Nation and has worked for FMFN for 14 years. His family is of prime importance to him, and April, Hunter and Sydney are the collective lights of his life. Judging from the way his colleagues talk about him, one might be forgiven for thinking he has a work family as well.

Lance's fellow workers recognize him as someone who always goes the extra mile. They speak of his attention to

detail, his support for other staff, his wish to help them succeed, and the proactive way he goes above and beyond. They are all words that describe a good leader, a good family man and a good guy. Or as his nominator wrote, "You can always count on him."

"Lance is a talented worker who will turn his hand to anything and works well with the rest of the team," said Chris Johnson, FMFN's CEO. "I'm not surprised a co-worker nominated him for a PACE Award as he embodies all that we as an organization value in our work teams. Congratulations Lance!"

Congratulations on your much-deserved PACE Award!



Lance Lafontaine

## Robert Ahyasou, Custodian Capital Projects

Fort McKay First Nation Chief and Council would like to congratulate Robert Ahyasou, Custodian Capital Projects, on being honoured with a PACE Award for his work as part of the FMFN team.

The PACE Awards are a quarterly recognition program for FMFN employees who demonstrate that they are living the organizational values of People, Accountability, Culture, and Equity. Robert was the winner of the April Award.

Robert is a member of Fort McKay First Nation and has worked for FMFN for 4 years. He is well-known for his commitment for doing the best possible job and for never taking any shortcuts. He is always prompt and punctual, and makes sure his work is done on time.

His dedication was on display at the recent PACE Awards luncheon. He was asked to be sure to attend but wasn't told why because his win was to be a surprise. So Robert came to the lunch, sat down and had a nice meal, and then left before the prize announcements because he wanted to get back to work!

Everyone who has met Robert – and if you live or work in Fort McKay you will eventually meet him – says the same wonderful things about him. He is always smiling, cheerful, polite, hard-working and friendly. He received multiple nominations from his fellow staff members for the award. He was recognized for being considerate of the work other people are doing while he is performing his role and makes every effort to accommodate the needs of others around him.



Left to right: Richard Desjarlais with PACE Award winner Robert Ahyasou

"That's Robert," said his supervisor, Richard Desjarlais. "He is such a considerate hard-working man, and so courteous to everyone. The nature of being a custodian means he can be in other peoples' space, and Robert is so careful and polite."

"Robert is also so safety-conscious," added Richard "He is always very careful to warn of the potential for tripping wherever he is working. He wants to make sure everyone in the workplace is safe."

As one of his nominators for the prize said, "Robert makes the work place a happy place."

Congratulations Robert!



# Be Bear Smart!



**Bears venture into human habitat most often when they detect easy food sources left out by humans.**

**If you live near a forested area or treeline, minimize the risk of bear encounters by managing food sources:**

- Put out garbage the morning of collection day.
- Store garbage cans indoors, or clean them regularly.
- Clean your barbecue after every use.
- Collect fruit from trees and gardens quickly, or pick fruit before it ripens.
- Keep meat, fish and oils out of your compost heap.
- Do not put out birdfeeders from April to October.

**Without tempting snacks and smells, bears have less reason to wander into your backyard. They will not become habituated to an area if they do not find a food reward.**

**What should I do if I see a bear in my backyard?**

- Do not panic. Do not run.
- Notify the Fort McKay Park Rangers on **780-598-9644** or Fish & Wildlife on **780-743-7200**.

The Fort McKay Métis Nation invites all FMFN band members to join them in sharing the spiritual values, traditional way of life, and rich culture of the Métis people. Their goal as a community is to preserve, create, and maintain the Métis culture of Fort McKay. Métis Days provides the unique opportunity to communicate Métis cultural practices to the broader community. Join them for a weekend full of activities and entertainment for the entire family!



# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**AUGUST 10 - 13**

TIME	THURS AUG 10	FRIDAY AUG 11	SATURDAY AUG 12	SUNDAY AUG 13			
10am			Baseball Tournoi				
11am							
12pm		Community Lunch		Community Lunch	Community Lunch		
1pm		Horseshoe Tourni		Kid's Games (12-2)	Baseball Finals		
2pm		Cultural Workshop & Children's Activites		Adult Games		10's Tourni	
3pm				Crib Tourni			Cultural Workshop & Children's Activites
4pm	President's VIP BBQ (Invite Only)	Baseball Tourni		Community Dinner			
5pm				Fish Fry Dinner			
6pm	Opening Ceremonies	Metis Idol		Jigging Competition			
7pm	Bingo						
8pm			Mini Square Dance				
9pm		Lip Sync Battle		Battle of the Bands (18+ event)			
10pm			Beer Gardens (18+ event)				
11pm							
12am			House Band (18+ event)				
1am							

We invite everyone to join us in sharing the spiritual values, traditional way of life, and rich culture of our Métis people. *\*Schedule subject to change.*

# Celebrating MBA Graduates



Amber Cardinal

We're very proud of our three members who finished their MBAs this year. This month we caught up with Miranda Beaton and Amber Cardinal to find out more. We plan to talk to talk to Monica Wilson in our October issue.

**Amber** works in the Business Development Department of FMFN. She started as a summer student before joining full time two years ago, and often comes back to Fort McKay to visit her family. She took the accelerated MBA through the University of Calgary and completed her degree in just 10 months. "The Education department has been very supportive throughout my degree," she said, "I appreciate the time they took to check in with me and to help me with anything I needed."

Amber is not just a speedy student. She has also been a professional model for the last 5.5 years, working with a variety of clients and designers like Sarah Jessica Parker at her SJP West Edmonton Mall store opening, and had been in Vogue with a shoot she had done with an Indigenous designer. More recently, she has been in an advertisement for the Canadian Armed Forces through her talent/acting agency.

"I was told time and again not to do my MBA, but Indigenous people have

fought so hard to be able to stand on the same level as everyone else, and to be seen and heard.

My family and friends have been a huge pillar of support during these challenges because they always stood beside me while others tried to dissuade me from furthering my education." For now Amber is taking a break, reconnecting with the pile

of books waiting to be read, sport, and hobbies. Congratulations on your MBA Amber.

**Miranda** works in the Human Resources department as an Adviser and Special Projects Lead. It's a good fit for our latest MBA Graduate, as she has broad experience in the Human Resources department, helping to build it into the efficient recruiting and resource tool that it is today. She also ran Education for a while, but her biggest challenge was fighting and beating cancer, after which she decided to get her MBA. Miranda continues to seek out new challenges, turning her interest in people, presentation and public speaking into another talent, hosting events as an emcee.

This year will be her second at the Athabasca Tribal Council Cultural Festival and after the success of 2022 she was also invited to host the Arctic Winter Games in Fort McMurray this past January, an event broadcast in seven other Northern countries. Even her MBA was pioneering. She was in the first cohort of the Indigenous Business Leadership Executive Course at Simon Fraser, one of the first to complete it. We can't wait to see what she does next. Well done Miranda.



Miranda Beaton



# Be Ready During Wildfire Season

**Summer is not over yet and experts are predicting dry conditions and high temperatures until the fall.**

**Make sure that your family and the members of your household are prepared and ready to leave.**

**Have go-bags packed.**

**Stay informed of weather conditions and advisories in your area.**

**Remove any fire hazards in and around your home, such as dried out branches, leaves and debris.**

**Keep a sprinkler that is in good working condition in an accessible location.**

**Make sure smoke alarms are placed on every level of the home, and preferably in every bedroom.**

**Consult with your local fire department or a qualified engineer about making your home fire-resistant.**

**Learn how to turn off the utilities in your residence.**

**Make sure that your vehicle has enough fuel.**

**Check on elderly relatives and neighbours to see if they require assistance.**

**Ensure that pets and/or service animals are accounted for.**

### **Important Phone numbers**

If you see a wildfire, report it immediately by calling **310-FIRE (3473)**.

If the fire is in the immediate community, call **911**.

In Fort McKay, FMFN Peace Officer Contact Information is **780.828.5555 and press 3**.

Every night our FMFN Security Team is on call from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. Contact them at **587.644.4400**.

### **You can also contact The Emergency Management Agency:**

Hours: 8:15 am to 4:30 pm (open Monday to Friday, closed statutory holidays)

Phone: **780.422.9000**.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

Day	Date	Event	Details
Tuesday	August 1st	Fort McKay E-learning Summer School Exams	From August 1 to 10
Tuesday	August 1st	Dance Pl3y with Matt Leung. Afternoon session for kids	<a href="https://www.dancepl3y.com/">https://www.dancepl3y.com/</a> Evening classes for adults.
Tues-Thurs	August 1st, 2nd, 3rd	Gymnastics camp (ages 7-11yrs in town)	Sarah 780-215-7118
Tues-Thurs	August 1st, 2nd, 3rd	Youth Life Skills Program at the Youth Centre	Sarah 780-215-7118 10:30 Life Skills, Noon Lunch, afternoon Sports Camp
Wednesday	August 2nd	Student Summer Programming: Girls Workout 6 pm - 8 pm	Katara White 780 972 9810
Sunday	August 6th	Moose and Buffalo Lake Summer Retreat Camp runs from July 9	Book 1 week in advance, mooselake@fortmckay.com
Tues-Fri	August 8th, 9th, 10th & 11th	Girls at Bat Program with the Jays Care Foundation, 9 am - noon	Julia Soucie 780 828 4312
Tues-Thurs	August 8th, 9th, 10th	Golf camp (ages 7-11yrs in town)	Sarah 780-215-7118
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Wednesday	August 9th	Student Summer Programming: Girls Workout 6pm-8pm	Katara White 780 972 9810
Saturday	August 12th	International Left-Handers Day	For the 8% of the world who are extra special.
Sunday	August 13th	Moose and Buffalo Lake Summer Retreat Camp runs from July 9	Book 1 week in advance, mooselake@fortmckay.com
Mon-Wed	August 14th, 15th, 16th	Fort McKay Actua Science Camp Ages 5-15, 9 am to 4 pm at the Wellness Center	Julia Soucie 780 828 4312
Monday	August 14th	Braiding stories to live by, Feast Bags and Strawberry Teachings	Elsie Fabian School, 9 am to 4 pm, lunch at Noon. Sarah Callin 780-215-7121
Tuesday	August 15th	Braiding stories to live by, Art Journal Techniques,	Elsie Fabian School, 10:30 am followed by lunch at Noon. Sarah Callin 780-215-7118
Tues-Thurs	August 15th, 16th, 17th	Youth Life Skills Program at the Youth Centre	Sarah 780-215-7118, 10:30 am followed by lunch at Noon, qafternoon Sports Camp
Wednesday	August 16th	Braiding stories to live by, Art Journal Techniques	Elsie Fabian School, 10:30 am followed by lunch at Noon. Sarah Callin 780-215-7118
Wednesday	August 16th	Teddy Bear Fair - more details to follow	Erin Faichney 780 828 2460
Thurs-Fri	August 17th, 18th	Fort McKay Actua Science Camp, 9 am to 4 pm at the Wellness Center, Ages 5-16	Julia Soucie 780 828 4312
Thursday	August 17th	Braiding stories to live by, Art Journal Techniques	Elsie Fabian School, 10:30 am followed by lunch at Noon. Sarah Callin 780-215-7118
Saturday	August 19th	FMFN Golf Day - Fort McMurray Golf Club- 11 am.	Ryan Grandjambe 780-742-1320
Sunday	August 20th	Moose and Buffalo Lake Summer Retreat Camp runs from July 9	Book 1 week in advance, mooselake@fortmckay.com
Mon-Thurs	August 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th	Girls Inc. Reaching SMART Program, ages 7-12 at the Wellness Center, 1 pm - 3 pm	Julia Soucie 780 828 4312
Mon-Thurs	August 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th	Martial Arts camp. (Ages 5-11yrs, location TBA either school or gym)	Sarah Callin 780-215-7118
Sunday	August 27th	Moose and Buffalo Lake Summer Retreat Camp runs from July 9	Book 1 week in advance, mooselake@fortmckay.com
Sunday	September 3rd	Moose and Buffalo Lake Summer Retreat Camp runs from July 9	Book 1 week in advance, mooselake@fortmckay.com
Monday	September 4, 2023	Labour Day	Public Holiday
Fri-Sun	September 8th, 9th, 10th	Pow-Wow	More details to follow
Sunday	September 10, 2023	Moose and Buffalo Lake Summer Retreat Camp runs from July 9	Book 1 week in advance, mooselake@fortmckay.com
Thurs-Sun	September 14th, 15th, 16th & 17th	ATC Cultural Festival	Placeholder
Sunday	September 17th	Moose and Buffalo Lake Summer Retreat Camp runs from July 9	Book 1 week in advance, mooselake@fortmckay.com
Sunday	September 24th	Moose and Buffalo Lake Summer Retreat Camp runs from July 9	Book 1 week in advance, mooselake@fortmckay.com
Saturday	September 30th	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation	Public Holiday



July 24, 2023

Elsie Fabian School Board will allow transportation to Fort McMurray Schools for grades 9-12 for the 2023/24 school year. They will however look at allowing students in grades 7 and 8 to ride the bus in special circumstances. These circumstances include but are not limited to students who have special education needs.

Parents that would like to apply to have their child ride the bus because of special circumstances may write a letter and email to [Cgullion@fortmckay.com](mailto:Cgullion@fortmckay.com) before August 9, 2023.

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