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Fort McKay First Nation and Suncor Energy to partner on prospective oil sands development opportunity on reserve lands



Left to Right: Peter Zebedee, Suncor Executive Vice President - Oilsands, MLA Tany Yao, Councillor Bobby Shott, Councillor Crystal McDonald, Chief Raymond Powder, Councillor Melinda Stewart, MLA Brian Jean, Alberta Minister of Energy and Mines, Mayor Sandy Bowman, and Dayna Jongejan, Associate Regional Director General of Indigenous Services Canada Regional Operations for the Alberta Region.

Fort McKay First Nation Chief Raymond Powder and Councillors Crystal McDonald, Melinda Stewart, and Bobby Shott were in Edmonton on March 7th, 2024 for a major announcement. It was previously shared with Elders and Members at public meetings in February.

Fort McKay First Nation and Suncor announced the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on a prospective oil sands lease development opportunity on Fort McKay reserve lands in the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo and respectively Fort McKay First Nation Traditional Territory. Building

on decades of collaboration, the announcement marked a significant milestone for FMFN, a leader in working with industry to create opportunities for its people while safeguarding the environment, and in Suncor's Journey of Reconciliation.

"With this agreement, we are creating the conditions for sustainable prosperity, growth and health for our Nation for generations to come, while leading the way on protecting our land and water," says Chief Raymond Powder of Fort McKay First Nation. "We will bring our values of stewardship and care to this opportunity.

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YOUNG FORT MCKAY ATHLETES SHINE AT ARCTIC WINTER GAMES

This year, at the 2024 Arctic Winter Games (AWG) held in Mat-Su, Alaska, Fort McKay First Nation was well represented in the Alberta North Team. Community members Tayden Shott competed in Archery, and Gracie and Savannah Dyson took part in Female Dene Games. In addition, Darrel Laboucan was a coach for the Male Dene Games Team.

Everyone performed admirably.

Savannah and Gracie, competing in the Under 18 category, were part of the team that won the Bronze Medal in the Pole Push and the Silver Medal in the Hand Games.

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Gracie and Savannah Dyson show off their well deserved medals.

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David Bouchier, Councillor
Crystal McDonald, Councillor
Bobby Shott, Councillor
Melinda Stewart, Councillor

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In doing so, we are charting
a new path for economic
development on our lands.”

Under the MOU, Suncor
is progressing early stage
technical and commercial
feasibility assessments to
determine the quality and
quantity of economically
recoverable mineable ore on
Lease 174C, which is FMFN
Reserve Land.

“We are honoured to be
working with Fort McKay
First Nation. Through this
partnership, Fort McKay First
Nation has the opportunity
to govern oil sands activity on
their land and fully participate
and benefit from responsible
resource development,” says
Peter Zebedee, Suncor’s
Executive Vice President –
Oil Sands. “This potential
opportunity, which has
synergies with Suncor’s
existing operations, could

provide Suncor with bitumen
supply optionality post 2040.”

Chief Powder adds, “Our
people of Fort McKay First
Nation have diligently worked
hard for years as a collaborative
and reliable partner. This
has resulted in building the
Nation for opportunities while
securing future growth in our
community. This is the true
meaning of reconciliation. It
puts in our hands the tools we
need to bring prosperity and
a sustainable future for our
people.”

Fort McKay First Nation and
Suncor are committed to
facilitating economic self-
determination for Indigenous
communities based on mutual
trust and respect. Both parties
share a goal of maximizing
mutual prosperity while
minimizing environmental
impacts, including supporting
Suncor’s commitment to
achieving net-zero emissions
from its operations by 2050,
as a member of the Pathways
Alliance.



COMMUNITY MEMBER NEWS



Tayden Shott with his bronze medal.

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Tayden won Bronze in the Team Compound Mixed Archery event, along with teammate Jorgie Visser. Tayden also won the AWG Fair Play Award Pin in the Archery Division for exemplifying Arctic Spirit. Only two Fair Play pins are handed out each year,



Tayden Shott's AWG Fair Play Award Pin.

and they are considered the most prestigious of the pins awarded during the Games.

Congratulations to Savannah, Gracie, and Tayden for their impressive accomplishments and we look forward to many more successful events, and podium finishes, in the years ahead.

The Mat-Su 2024 Arctic Winter Games took place on the ancestral land of the Dena'ina' and Ahtna Dene, who have stewarded the area of Benteh and Nuutah for thousands of years. The community thrives, thanks to their continued sharing of vision, wisdom, values, and leadership. We offer our respect to their Elders, past and present, and to current Tribal leaders.



FORT MCKAY HEALTH CENTRE

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Dr O'Connor - April 8th - 11th
 Dr Taiwo - April 23rd - 25th
 PCN Nurse - Every Mon & Wed

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

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

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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.

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This is How We Make Reconciliation a Reality

By Chief Raymond Powder

Leading Fort McKay First Nation is the highest honour and greatest commitment of my life. This is my home, a small, dynamic community on the banks of the Athabasca River, sixty kilometres north of Fort McMurray. We are business innovators and environmental stewards. For many years, we have been leaders in combining care for our lands with opportunity and enterprise. Indeed, FMFN has, through much hard work, dedication and many lessons learned, forged a model for a new way forward – one from which Alberta and Canada can also benefit.

Since the Indian Act became the law in Canada in 1876, the First Nations of this country have lived under a system that denied us the prosperity that should have flowed from our land and our rights. That is now changing, at long last, and we are the ones changing it. This is how we define reconciliation.

That model will now be put to the test, as we work towards the development of a resource on our own lands, in accordance with promises and commitments made to us a generation ago. It is a project that, if done as we intend, will be an exemplar for remaining projects in the oil sands, as Alberta and Canada transition towards renewable energy and a net-zero future.

The most important fact in our story is this: The property which we propose to develop cannot, according to the Treaty Land Entitlement Agreement between Canada and Fort McKay, be used for any purpose other than oilsands development or related industrial activities. It is surrounded on all sides by existing projects. We must either use it or lose it, as the window of opportunity to develop fossil fuel resources gradually closes.

Can we do this in a way that reflects our shared values of environmental stewardship and leadership? The answer is, categorically and absolutely, yes.

For starters, as people of the Athabasca Watershed, we live every day with the urgency of finding a solution to the various impacts of development on our lands. The problem of tailings ponds is one of cumulative impacts and



is of utmost importance. We have been working hard on this for several years. We believe we are making progress. And we are confident we will find an economically viable way to treat tailings and reclaim the land. We are compelled to do this. Our people will accept nothing less. In order to do this work, we need to continue to be at the table.

Second, we are deeply engaged in working towards a net-zero emissions barrel of oil, including through the landmark carbon-off-set project on our lands at Moose Lake, and detailed project analyses designed to offset mine emissions at every stage. We are also planning to join the Pathways Alliance, as we work to offset emissions from our project operations. The Pathways commitment to net zero emissions by 2050 is, we believe, an important first step. We can make even greater progress, and we will.

Some will maintain there should be no further development at all in the oil sands. The reality is that non-Indigenous-owned oil sands development is projected to continue for decades to come. Ours is, to our knowledge, the only Indigenous-owned oil sands project currently proposed in Alberta. So in effect, the choice is not whether to develop or not develop; it is whether First Nations will have a share of the benefits. For we did not create the conditions that established mining in the oil patch. Nor did Indigenous people create climate change.

What Fort McKay First Nation has done, on the contrary, is work hard as a collaborative, reliable partner, knowing that our people require jobs, a safe place to call home, and a future. That is why we are working with industry to establish relationships. We believe our unique vantage

CHIEF POWDER'S DIGEST

point as First Nations business leaders, and environmental champions, makes us ideally positioned to lead.

In consultation with our regional neighbours and our partners, we intend to demonstrate what economic reconciliation truly looks like in practice: creating opportunity for our people and prosperity for Albertans and Canadians alike. In the process, we can lead the way in finding solutions to the most pressing environmental problems we face.

It has been clear for many years that economic development is fundamental to the natural right of Indigenous peoples to achieve our full potential and an equal seat at the table. First Nations in Canada are still waiting for that seat at the table. But there are signs this may finally be changing. We see ideas like the Indigenous Loan Guarantee program, which we support, adopted in last Fall's federal economic statement. And we see proposals like the First Nations Resource Charge, initiated by the First Nations Tax Commission and now taken up by politicians in Ottawa. These ideas are intended to finally give our people more of the benefits of development on our land. It's a welcome shift and one that is long overdue.

Indigenous peoples should not — in fact, cannot — wait any longer to shape the future we all need. We are trail blazers charting a new path today, based on our business acumen and the innovative vitality of our people. We ask the people of Alberta and Canada to join us.



FORT MCKAY CULTURAL PROGRAMS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

DANCER AND DRUMMER PERFORMANCES

- Traditional Healing Assistance
- Round Dance / Dene Dance
- Cultural Workshops
- Moose/Buffalo 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

DRUM PRACTICE

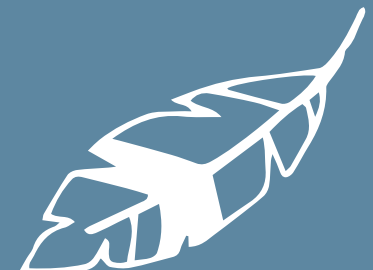
Every Wednesday at 6 pm in the Band Hall.

All males welcome. Drop In, no registration required!

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



Chief Powder joins other Chiefs in addressing Bill - C53

On Friday, March 1, Chief Raymond Powder of Fort McKay First Nation addressed the Standing Sub-Committee on Indigenous Peoples during an informal information gathering session. This virtual meeting included all Chiefs from the Athabasca Region First Nations and was hosted by Senator Mary Jane McCallum. Chiefs from Ontario, B.C., and the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs also took part.

At the meeting, Chief Powder addressed several topics of immediate and great importance to FMFN and to Indigenous people regarding Bill C-53. Among the key points raised by Chief Powder was FMFN's whole-hearted support of the Assembly of First Nations in demanding that Bill C-53 be withdrawn, as the Bill will have an adverse effect on all First Nations.

Chief also reiterated the position that the federal government must establish a national consultation process with First Nations. This is the only way to guarantee that Treaty 35 rights holders will have active involvement in discussions and decisions about any measure affecting their lands and lives.

Chief also noted the federal government's failure to act in accordance with the UN Declaration



on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples; and also the government's failure to honour the Crown's constitutional duty to consult on the existence of potential land resource claims.

Also noted by Chief Powder as an area of concern is the fact that Bill C-53 grants sweeping recognition of the Metis right to self-government, although no such rights exist for First Nations.

"In the face of the challenges presented by Bill C-53," Chief Powder said, "we look forward to working with our Metis brothers and sisters in Fort McKay and the region on this vital federal matter."

Chief Powder at Alberta Legislature

On Wednesday, March 20, Chief Powder was a special guest at the Legislative Assembly of Alberta. The Chief was invited personally by MLA Scott Sinclair, Parliamentary Secretary - Indigenous Policing. Following a tour of the Legislature, Chief and MLA Sinclair met to discuss Indigenous policing as well as several other important topics that will have a positive impact on FMFN. After this meeting, Chief was introduced to Speaker of the Assembly, the Honourable Nathan Cooper.

Although Premier Smith was away, representing Alberta's interests at the CERA conference in Texas, Chief did meet with MLA Tany Yao in the Premier's office (pictured).

Chief was escorted to the Visitors' Gallery and introduced from the floor by MLA Sinclair. A very warm welcome was given by all members of the Legislature. Chief then had the privilege of hearing MLA Sinclair give a significant

statement about Indigenous policing and important measures to be taken in that area.

It was a meaningful trip to the capital and Chief would like to thank all those who helped make it such a success.



Left to Right: MLA Tany Yao, Chief Raymond Powder, and MLA Scott Sinclair, Parliamentary Secretary - Indigenous Policing.

Fort McKay First Nation Member Bryce Fabian Jr Honoured at the Regional Aboriginal Recognition Awards



Bryce Fabian and his proud family at the RARA Awards.

At the recent Regional Aboriginal Recognition Awards (RARA) in Fort McMurray, Bryce Fabian Jr, a proud member of the Fort McKay First Nation, was honoured as the Adult Student of the Year.

The award acknowledges Bryce's dedication to his education, his remarkable academic achievements, and his commitment to personal growth. We are thrilled to share this news with our community.

In addition to his academic success, Bryce is making

waves in the country music scene. A rising talent, Bryce's passion for music is a source of inspiration for many. We look forward to witnessing his progress as he makes his mark in the industry.

During his acceptance speech, Bryce expressed gratitude to his family, friends, and the many supporters who have played a pivotal role in his journey. It is heartening to see the collective spirit that surrounds Bryce, and we extend our thanks to everyone who has been part of his success.

As we celebrate the accomplishments of Bryce Fabian Jr, let us also acknowledge the Fort McKay First Nation community for fostering an environment that nurtures talent, determination, and excellence. We look forward to witnessing Bryce's continued success and the positive impact he is sure to make in both academics and music. We are proud to have such a talented and inspiring individual in our community.



Meet Shelley McIsaac, the newest member of the FMFN Safety and Emergency Management Department

Chief and Council are pleased to welcome Shelley McIsaac to the team as our new Fire Safety Coordinator. Shelley has been an active member of the Fort McKay Fire Department for many years. She has extensive experience and training in how to deal with and prevent fires and is fully qualified to conduct in-home fire safety inspections and to instruct residents on the most effective ways to prevent serious home damage in the unfortunate event of a fire.

One of Shelley's primary responsibilities is the inspection of all in-home fire extinguishers, smoke alarms, and CO2 alarms in Fort McKay.

As she goes around the community, she will ensure that they are all working properly and are up to date,

as well as identifying any that need replacement. Shelley will also provide guidance to community members, and discuss escape options in the case of a home emergency. She is also available to answer any fire safety-related questions you may have.

The primary goal of the upcoming in-home inspections is to ensure the safety of members and their families by providing the tools to minimize damage and risk within the home.

The Fire Safety Inspections will be arranged by street/block during posted dates on Mondays through Thursdays from 12 pm to 4 pm, and on Fridays from 9 am to 12 noon. They will continue until all homes in Fort McKay have been inspected. If no one is able to be at your home during



the posted dates/times for inspections on your street, you can arrange the inspection for a time that fits your schedule, or arrange an after-hours appointment.

After-hours appointment dates are Mondays and Wednesdays from 6 pm to 7 pm, and on weekends.

To schedule your appointment, please contact Shelley at **780-742-4616**.

Enbridge Donates Laptops to FMFN Employment and Training Department

Enbridge Inc. is an energy delivery company operating across Canada and North America. The company is also a longstanding industry partner of Fort McKay First Nation. Enbridge and its employees also frequently offer support to our community in smaller but meaningful ways. Recently, that support took the form of a donation of five laptops for use in employee training and development. Employment Support Specialist Erica Augustine said, "On behalf of everyone at Fort McKay

First Nation's Employment & Training Department, we would like to express our gratitude to Enbridge for their recent donation of laptops. Their generous contribution will make an added impact on the services we provide. With these laptops, our clients will have enhanced access to resources, training materials, and opportunities for skill development. Enbridge's support not only empowers individuals within our community but also fosters a sense of belonging and advancement. Enbridge's



Left to Right: Lisa McKenzie, Jane Mercredi, and Erica Augustine along with the laptops.

commitment to making a positive difference in the lives of Indigenous communities is truly commendable."

COMMUNITY NEWS

First Golf Tournament a Great Success

The hockey arena has been busy recently with non-hockey events. Last month, the Bouchier-sponsored multi-sport simulator opened to great fanfare. It was put to good use right away when the first simulator golf tournament teed off soon after the opening.



Mason Mitchell and Shay Laurent with their trophy.

Shay Laurent, Arena Program and Facilities Supervisor, reported the following results:

“Congratulations to our first place finishers, the team of Shay Laurent and Mason Mitchell. Second place went to the team of Joldy Laliberte and Leonard Black, with Nick Laurent and Christian McDonald finishing third.”

“Thank you to all the teams that entered the tournament. Everyone had a great time with lots of fun and laughs. A special thank you goes to James Black who organized a great tournament, and also substituted for a missing player in the final game and beat his dad, Leonard. We look forward to many more exciting tournaments to come.”

While all the focus seemed to be on the simulator room, there was also a transformation upstairs above the rink, where the new games room was opened by Chief and Council on March 19th. It is an adult room only, ages 18+, and features pool tables, dart boards, and card tables as well as the best view of the ice below. Programming will be announced in the next couple of months, as well as snack bar hours. The games room is open Monday to Friday from 10am to 9pm. For more information, call Roy McDonald at **780-215-5467**.



Left to Right: Councillor Crystal McDonald, Councillor Bobby Shott, Councillor David Bouchier, Chief Raymond Powder, Councillor Melinda Stewart, and CAO Rhonda Laboucan.

FORT MCKAY ELDERS BINGO!

Date
Thursdays

Time
Noon - 2:00 pm

Location
Elders Centre

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CFWE RADIO BINGO

Date
Mondays and Saturdays

Time
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Location
Fort McKay Radio
Canada



Introducing the Team from Employment and Training

The Employment & Training Department believes that by investing in people, and providing them with the tools and opportunities to succeed, we can build a stronger, more resilient workforce and create a more prosperous and equitable community for all.

Together, this dedicated group helps members find work, continue to develop in the workplace, find the best training fit, and bridge the occasional employment gap.

The team supplies the following:

Employment Services

Resume building, job placement, career counselling, developing and maintaining relationships with employees and industry partners

Workforce Development

Creating and implementing workforce development strategies, and collaborating with local industries to identify skill needs

Income Assistant / Social Development

Administering the Income Assistant Program where it is needed

Training

Training assessment, training delivery, evaluation and feedback

Meet the team:

The department is overseen and managed by Supervisor **Alex Graces** and includes four other equally skilled and committed people.

Lisa McKenzie, Social and Income Support

Coordinator. “I have worked with the nation for 15 years and have had many different roles and responsibilities. Currently I assist clients who are not working, or people who are unable to work, with aid and financial benefits for basic essential needs. I help with internal referrals for social issues as well as training and employment supports.”

May Tourangeau, Career Counselor. “I am here to guide and support you on your professional journey. With a passion for helping individuals discover their strengths, interests, and aspirations, I am committed to providing personalized guidance and resources to help you navigate the difficulties of career development. Whether you’re exploring new career paths, seeking guidance on advancing in your current role, or facing challenges in the job market, I am here to offer insights, advice, and practical strategies to help you achieve your goals. By empowering you with the knowledge and tools to make informed decisions, I aim to assist you in realizing your full potential and finding fulfilment in your career.”

Erica Augustine, Employment Support Specialist. “Originating from the Mi’kmaq community of Esgenoopetitj First Nation in New Brunswick, I have proudly called Fort McMurray my home for the past ten years. In my role I draw upon my academic background—a BA in Psychology from the University of New Brunswick and a BComm in Business from Saint Mary’s University—to support individuals



Left to Right: Erica Augustine, May Tourangeau, Jane Mercredi, Lisa McKenzie, and Alex Garces.

in their career endeavours. In my current capacity, I am fully committed to advancing the employment prospects of Fort McKay members. This entails offering tailored employment guidance, surmounting obstacles to job placement, nurturing workplace skills, and formulating effective job search tactics. Furthermore, I diligently assess the need for supplementary assistance, such as financial aid or further vocational training, and connect clients with suitable resources."

Jane Mercredi, Administrative Assistant. "As the newest member of the team, I am honoured to serve as the HR Admin at Fort McKay First Nation dedicated to fostering a nurturing and supportive work environment where every team member can thrive. From reception and onboarding to employee benefits and The Casual Work Program coordinator, I am committed to ensuring the well-being and professional growth of our workforce by implementing effective HR strategies and promoting a culture of diversity and inclusion. My unwavering dedication to service, coupled with my commitment to fostering Indigenous prosperity, serves as the foundation for both my professional and personal pursuits."

The Employment and Training department is located in the band hall and may be contacted through the HR email, human.resources@fortmckay.com, or via the team supervisor Alex Graces, agraces@fortmckay.com.

A great time was had by all at the Moose Lake Ice Festival



Thank you to everyone who came out to Moose Lake on February 24th to spend the day in our beautiful traditional territory enjoying the land, the lake, the traditional crafts, and spending time with friends and family. Not to mention catching fish.

Thanks to all 80 ice-fishing participants who had a fun-filled day, and congratulations to all the winners.

AGE 65+

Joe Grandjambe
Martha Grandjambe
Clara Bouchier
Andrew Bouchier

AGE 16-64

1st Tyrone Courtorielle
14lbs 40"
2nd Everette Quintal
12lbs 36.5"
3rd Josie Grandjambe
9.5lbs 35"
4th Star Grandjambe
5.5lbs 29"

AGE 15 & UNDER

1st Emma Proulx
5lbs 28.5"
2nd Emma Harder
3.5lbs 24"

FASTEST TIME

1st Josie Grandjambe 11:49 am
2nd Everette Quintal 1:15 pm
3rd Tyrone Courtorielle 1:50 pm

The day would not have been such a success without the hard work and commitment of many from Fort McKay.

Thanks to all of you.



Fort McKay Elders Event Roundup

Fort McKay Elders had a busy schedule in February and March. Here is a quick roundup of some of those events: The Quarterly General Meeting, Saint Patrick's Day lunch, and the off-reserve MOU meeting in Edmonton.

QGM

This picture (right) of some of the Elders at the Quarterly General Meeting (QGM) shows how important these meetings are to the Nation. The Elders are respected by the community and have been relied on for guidance and tradition since time immemorial. QGMs are one of the ways that Chief and Council share information.

Saint Patrick's Elders event

The Elders' Saint Patrick's Party was a popular event on March 14th in the Band Hall. Lunch for the Elders was followed by an afternoon of Shenanigans with Fort McKay's own The Nicely Put Together Band. There was plenty of 'wearing of the green'. Saint Patrick is the patron saint of Ireland and his memorial has come to be a day to celebrate the Irish people. It is even said that for this one day a year everyone is Irish. It looks like the Elders agree.



Fort McKay Elders gathered in the Band Hall for the QGM on February 27th.





MOU

The Announcement of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Suncor and Fort McKay First Nation took place in Edmonton. This was an opportunity for our Elders

to take part in an important event in the history of the nation. It was attended by Chief Raymond Powder and Councillors Crystal McDonald, Melinda Stewart and Bobby Shott, senior Suncor management, representatives

of the municipal, provincial, and federal governments. The MOU is significant in that FMFN has an integral part in the responsible development of their land and benefit from the financial stability that will accrue from the business.



Three cheers for the three FMFN cheerleaders

Cheerleading is a sport that combines athleticism, teamwork, and hours of dedication to do it well. Northfort Cheerleading Association is proud to note the following results from its cheer teams featuring Fort McKay First Nation members.

Lexi Hynes-Redcrow's team came first at the Warman Classic in Saskatchewan, while Emma Proulx-Redcrow and Mya Wilson's team came 3rd in their class at the same event. The Warman Classic is the largest Cheer Competition in Saskatchewan with over 2,500 competitors and 8,000 spectators nearly doubling the population of 12,000 in the city of Warman. The Classic is an important step for Cheer teams to qualify for the Nationals and even on to the World Championship. Congratulations to our girls on their successes. Lexi will be attending the All-Star Worlds Competition with the Northfort team. The Worlds take place from April 18-21 in Orlando, Florida.

In other news, Lexi Hynes-Redcrow's Team (pictured bottom right) also came 2nd at the Rise Up Competition in Edmonton recently, while Emma Proulx-Redcrow and Mya Wilson's team (pictured below) came 3rd.

Well done to all of three of you.



COMMUNITY MEMBER NEWS

Leanne and Adele help the Huskies win the Championship



Fort McKay First Nation would like to congratulate Leanne Grandjambe and Adele Shott on their success with the U13 Wood Buffalo Huskies for winning the ECAFH 2023-2024 U13 League Tier 2 Championship in Glendon, Alberta.

They won a hard-fought game 3 to 2 and they are off to Nationals next. Fantastic achievement Leanne & Adele and good luck for the Nationals!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Day	Date	Event	Details
Mon	April 1	Easter Monday	FMFN Offices Closed
Mon	April	April Fool's Day	
Mon	April 1	No School - Non-Operational School Day - 07	For More Information see The Elsie Fabian School 2023-2024 Calendar
Every Mon, Tue & Thur	April 1 to April 25	Adult Volleyball at the School Gym	7:15 pm - 9:15 pm Contact Stefany, sguillen@fortmckay.com
Every Mon & Wed	April 1 to April 24	Health Information: Physiotherapy at the Health Centre	Contact Erin for more Information 780-215-6723.
Every Tues	April 2 to April 30	Cree Classes on Zoom with Edith Orr 6:30 pm - 8 pm	Register at culture@fortmckay.com
Every Tues & Wed	April 2 to April 24	Guided Fitness/Strength Training Program	6 pm - 7 pm. Targeted Workouts teaching proper technique. Contact Sarah at 780-215-7124
Every Tues	April 2 to April 30	Youth Volleyball at the School Gym	6 pm - 7 pm. Contact Stefany at 780-714-7094.
Every Tues & Thurs	April 2 to April 25	Health Information: Acupuncture at the Health Centre	Contact Erin for more Information 780-215-6723.
Every Wed	April 3 to April 24	Dene Classes on Zoom with Janette Flett-Jones 6 pm - 7:30 pm	Register at culture@fortmckay.com
Every Thurs	April 4 to April 25	Circuit training for anyone 16 or over, at the school track.	6 pm - 7 pm. Care provided for children 3-12 so adults can join. Contact Stefany at 780-714-7101
Fri	April 12	No School - Professional Learning Friday 13	For More Information see The Elsie Fabian School 2023-2024 Calendar
Mon to Fri	April 15 to April 19	No School - School Break	For More Information see The Elsie Fabian School 2023-2024 Calendar
Mon	April 15	Basic First Aid Course, Band Hall 8:30 am - 4:30 pm	For More Information contact Erin Faichney at 780-215-6723
Tues & Wed	April 16 & 17	Baby Moss Bag Making Classes - Family Support Building 5 pm - 7 pm	For More Information contact Erin Faichney at 780-215-6723
Sat	April 20	Community Feast to Sacred Ancestor Grounds	For More Information contact Susan Shott at 780-215-3242
Tues	April 30	Baby Food Making Course	For more information contact Erin Faichney at 780-215-6723