



# THE Wilderness IS OUR BACK YARD

## Upcoming Events

### RIDING OUT THE DROUGHT - APR. 8

Join us for an ALUS Open House, 'Riding Out the Drought: Riparian Strategies for Resilient Landscapes', at the Gordondale Hall, on **April 8, 2025**, at 5 p.m. Presenter Kerri O'Shaughnessy, Riparian Specialist with Cows and Fish, will lead a discussion on navigating drought impacts with riparian management solutions. The event is free and dinner will be provided. Interested participants should register online, before April 1, 2025, at [saddlehills.ab.ca/Riding-Out-The-Drought](https://saddlehills.ab.ca/Riding-Out-The-Drought).



### BLUEBERRY FIRE HALL GRAND OPENING - APR. 12

The greatly anticipated new Blueberry Fire Hall will finally be opening its doors! Join us for lunch and a ribbon cutting at the Grand Opening, on **Saturday, April 12, 2025**, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., and view the hall in all its splendor.

### HIGHLAND COW PLANTER PAINT NIGHT - APR. 25

Come and enjoy a paint night with friends at the Gordondale Community Hall on **April 25, 2025**, at 7:00 p.m. Please contact Kelsey at 780-978-0996 to register, cost is \$85.00 per person.

### TACKLING TREE PRUNING & CARE - APR. 30

Join us on **April 30, 2025**, at 10 a.m., at the Saddle Hills County Admin Building, for 'Branching Out: Tackling Tree Pruning & Care', an informative tree pruning workshop presented by tree expert, Toso Bozic, and learn essential techniques for maintaining healthy, thriving trees. Whether you're caring for native varieties or fruit trees, you'll discover the best practices for pruning, disease prevention, and promoting optimal growth. At the hands of our expert guide, you will leave with the skills to improve tree structure, enhance fruit production, and maintain the beauty of your landscape. Don't miss out on this great opportunity to grow both your knowledge and your garden! The event is free and lunch will be provided. Please ensure that you bring suitable clothing and footwear, as part of the workshop will take place outdoors. Interested participants should register online, at [saddlehills.ab.ca/Branching-Out](https://saddlehills.ab.ca/Branching-Out).



## OPEN HOUSES

Join us for a series of Saddle Hills County Open Houses this spring! Chat with Council and staff, get project updates, and learn about County programs and initiatives all while enjoying light refreshments, at various locations throughout the County.

All Open Houses will be held from 6-8 p.m., at the following locations:

- **April 2, 2025** - Savanna Rec. Plex
- **April 3, 2025** - Blueberry Mountain Hall
- **April 16, 2025** - Bonanza Hall
- **April 23, 2025** - Woking Community Hall
- **April 24, 2025** - Gordondale Community Hall

We look forward to welcoming you to one (or all) of these events and hearing your thoughts on the future of our community! Have a burning question that just can't wait to ask? Give us a call, at (780) 864-3760.

## 2025 IT EQUIPMENT AUCTION

The County has a variety of used IT equipment available for purchase by sealed bid. The highest bid for each item will be accepted, however the highest bidder of multiple items will have an option to accept any or all of their highest bids. Please be advised that bids will be taxable and GST added. This offer is open to the general public. For a catalogue of the equipment available and bid sheet, please visit [saddlehills.ab.ca/2025-Spring-Auction](https://saddlehills.ab.ca/2025-Spring-Auction) or visit the County office. The deadline to submit sealed bids is **March 28, 2025**, at 2:00 p.m. Successful bidders must pay for and pick up their equipment by **April 10, 2025**.



### SADDLE HILLS HEALTH CLINIC

**Hours:** 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 3p.m., Mon - Thurs  
**Appointments:** [saddlehills.ab.ca/saddle-hills-health-clinic](https://saddlehills.ab.ca/saddle-hills-health-clinic)  
**Phone:** (780) 506-0102.  
**Facebook/Instagram:** @saddlehillshealthclinic



## COUNTY CALENDAR: APRIL 2025

<b>Apr. 8, 8:30 a.m.</b>	Municipal Planning Commission
<b>Apr. 8, 9:00 a.m.</b>	Regular Council Meeting
<b>Apr. 22, 8:30 a.m.</b>	Municipal Planning Commission
<b>Apr. 22, 9:00 a.m.</b>	Regular Council Meeting

## 2025 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

The nomination period for the 2025 Municipal Election opened on January 1, 2025 and closes on September 22, 2025, at 12 p.m. The next Municipal Election will be held on October 20, 2025, with an Advance Vote held on October 13, 2025. New for this year, voters are encouraged to register to vote in advance, by visiting [voterlink.ab.ca](https://voterlink.ab.ca). For more information about this year's election, including nominations, voting station locations, and voter registration and requirements, visit our website at [saddlehills.ab.ca/2025-Election](https://saddlehills.ab.ca/2025-Election)



## RURAL POTABLE WATER PROGRAM

Making sure residents have access to clean and safe water is a top priority for Saddle Hills County. If you are interested in having your property hooked-up to the County's expanding rural potable water system, at no connection charge, please complete a Rural Potable Water Servicing Agreement, available on our website, by scanning the QR code, or at the County office. For more information: **Darren Lubeck (780) 864-3760**



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