



Justice for Artchie Walk, Four Years and No Answers



On April 24th, the Gairdner family in collaboration with the Fort Nelson Aboriginal Friendship Society held its 3rd annual Justice for Artchie Walk. Artchie Gairdner was found murdered on April 24 of 2021 and his case still remains unsolved. The family holds this walk every year to keep his memory alive.

If you have any information, please call Crime Stoppers (250-222-8477) or the Fort Nelson RCMP (250-774-2700).

Artchie deserves justice and his family needs closure.

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Mothers Day Tea
May 10, 2025 1:00PM - 3:00PM

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Lamplighters Hall

Spoil your mum this Mother's Day

Coffee, Tea, Sandwiches, Bake Sale, Door Prizes

Let's Celebrate!

NRRM Water Week
May 4 - 10

Enter the draw box at the recreation center lobby for an opportunity to win water efficiency prizes!

WATER TREATMENT PLANT TOURS
Schedule your visit! Book an Appointment

FREE SWIM 9:00am - 4:00pm
May 10th Sponsored by Public Works

COLORING CONTEST
Enter at the Rec Centre for a chance to win a prize!

More information & Tour Bookings - Call Public Works 250-774-2541 Ext.2090

McHappy Day, May 8th- Show Your Support!

McHappy Day
Thurs. May 8

Buy any menu item to help RMHC*
Show support for the Fort Nelson Hospital & Healthcare Foundation

Dear Fort Nelson Community,

As we approach McHappy Day on May 8th, we warmly invite you to join us in celebrating this meaningful event. McHappy Day is more than just a day of giving—it's a chance for our community to come together in support of an important cause:

the Fort Nelson Hospital & Healthcare Foundation's CT scanner project.

This initiative highlights the importance of accessible, local healthcare and the power of community support. Your participation also helps families across Canada through Ronald McDonald House Charities® (RMHC). One in four Canadians has stayed at or knows someone who has stayed at an RMHC facility. With 16 Ronald McDonald Houses and 19 Family Rooms nationwide, RMHC provides meals, accommodations, and wellness support to families staying far from home during difficult times.

We hope you'll join us on **May 8th** to support this incredible cause and help make a lasting difference in the lives of families—both here in Fort Nelson and across the country.

Sincerely,

The McDonald's Fort Nelson Team



Message from Mayor Rob Fraser of the Northern Regional Municipality

May! What a great time of the year. The sun is high, spring is in bloom with flowers and birds and gardens will get planted. May is full of activities around the rec center. I hope people will get out and enjoy those activities, even if its just a casual walk.

There are two events I'd like to remind everyone of; the trade show and a public meeting put on by the Firesmart Resiliency Committee. The Trade show is this weekend and I know the Chamber of Commerce is working hard to put on a great show. This is your chance to get out and see what all the businesses and not for profit organizations are featuring this year. The NRRM has a booth as well as the Firesmart Committee, I encourage you to drop in and ask any questions that you may have .

On May 15th the Firesmart Resiliency Committee will be hosting a meeting for the public. We committed to hold 2 open public meetings; one before the fire season and one after the fire season each year. We have two speakers that we think you will enjoy. The first is Ben Boghean. He is a wildfire behaviour specialist and he was a wealth of knowledge to our Emergency Operation Center last year. The second is Cooper Burkhart who has done considerable research on overwintering/holdover fires. Both have presentations and will take some questions. Finally Cam Allen and I, as co-chairs, will discuss the committees activities to date and where we hope the committee will take our wildfire mitigation efforts over the coming years and answer questions you may have. We hope to see you there.

Have a great and safe long weekend!"

Rob Fraser, Mayor

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WEEKLY EVENT CALENDAR

Mondays, Wednesdays & Saturdays- *Alcoholics Anonymous* - 8:00PM to 9:00PM
Mondays at the United Church - 5108 Sunset Drive,
Wednesdays & Saturdays at Hospice Centre 5312 43rd Street

Tuesday May 6, 2025 - *Soup, Bannock & Dessert FREE* - 12:00PM to 1:00PM
Fort Nelson Aboriginal Friendship Centre
Sponsored by our Stop the Violence Program

Tuesday May 6, 2025 - *TV Bingo (NWTEL Channel 208)* -
Card Sales At Fort Nelson Aboriginal Friendship Center From 9:00AM to 6:30PM
Games Start At 7:00PM - Concession Open For Players In The Hall
All Proceeds Go To The Food Bank

Wednesday May 7, 2025 - *Community Round Table Meeting* - 12:00 PM
The Bear Pit Town Hall

Wednesday May 7, 2025 - *Elders Social* - 1:00PM -4:00PM
Fort Nelson Aboriginal Friendship Society

Wednesday May 7, 2025 - *Tech Support for Seniors* - 4:30PM to 5:30PM - City Furniture
For Seniors Needing Help to Figure Out Their Settings or Features on Smartphones

Wednesday May 7, 2025- *Jr. Cookbook Club*- 4:00PM-5:30PM, *Puzzle Contest* 5:45PM-8:00PM
Fort Nelson Public Library (registration required)

Thursday May 8, 2025 - *The Track Social* - 10:00 AM
NRRM Rec Centre Walking Track - Call 250-774-2541 ext.1 for more info.

Friday, May 9th- *Trivia Night- Music Edition*- 6:30PM-9:30PM
Fort Nelson Public Library (registration required)

Friday May 9, 2025 - *Narcotics Anonymous* - 7:00PM
Fort Nelson Aboriginal Friendship Centre

Saturday, May 10th- *Mother's day Tea* - 1PM-3PM Lamplighter's
BC Men's Shed Association Outreach- 9AM-12PM Friendship Centre

NORTHERN ROCKIES REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

Opportunities & Notices

Career Opportunities

northernrockies.ca/careers

Job Posting No. 2025.01
Casual Positions
Closes: Dec 31, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.

Paid-On-Call Firefighters
Open until filled

Bidding Opportunities

northernrockies.ca/bids

No. RFQ-2025-12
Airport Batwing
Closes: May 8, 2025 at 2:30 p.m.

No. RFQ-2025-11
Skid Steer Renewal
Closes: May 8, 2025 at 2:30 p.m.

For current bidding opportunities visit www.northernrockies.bidsandtenders.ca

Advisories, Notices & Hearings

northernrockies.ca/notices

WATERING IN THE NRRM

STAGES

STAGE 1
REDUCED WATERING

STAGE 2
HAND WATERING ONLY

STAGE 3
IN HOME WATER USE ONLY

VIEW WATER STAGES

SCHEDULE

PREScribed HOURS

MORNING
5:00AM TO 9:00AM

EVENING
7:00PM TO 10:00PM

PREScribed DAYS

EVEN-NUMBERED HOUSES
MONDAYS, THURSDAYS & SATURDAYS

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TUESDAYS, FRIDAYS & SUNDAYS

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A big THANK YOU to the Community of Fort Nelson from Ryan Kerr's family. Your support has been and continues to be unbelievable and so much appreciated. No matter how big or small; each gesture, prayer, hug, card, gift, and food item showed us how much this community cares and how blessed we are to live in Fort Nelson. Ryan loved this community and you showed up and let us know how much he had touched your lives and found a place in your hearts. Your Ryan stories, cards, and anecdotes have brought a smile into our hearts and will be a great memory for Ryan's children. Special thanks to Fort Nelson Fire Rescue, Fire Chief James Childs, Chaplain Glen Gough, Fire Fighter Ronnie Thompson, Dispatcher Jen Johnson, Piper Ernie Roberts, Bugler David Johnstone and Shirley Kenney for creating a beautiful Memorial Ceremony Tribute to Ryan. So many others helped bring this whole ceremony together and the family will be thanking each one individually. For those unable to make the Service, David Johnstone livestreamed the ceremony for us. You can connect at, <https://evt.live/ryankerr>

Thank you
Ryan's Family

In Loving Memory of

John "Buzzy" Buzdon

December 18, 1938 - November 16, 2024

MEMORIAL MASS

FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2025

11:00 AM

OUR LADY OF SORROWS CATHOLIC CHURCH

INTERMENT OF ASHES - FORT NELSON CEMETERY

RECEPTION - OLOS CATHOLIC CHURCH HALL

LIVESTREAM: [EVT.LIVE/JOHN-BUZDON](https://evt.live/john-buzdon)

MEN'S SHED ASSOCIATION OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

The BC Men's Shed Association to Hold Outreach Program

May 10th 9AM-12PM

Fort Nelson Friendship Centre

What are Men's Sheds?

A place to belong as we foster a supportive community where men can engage in meaningful projects, learn new skills, and combat isolation. All men and women welcome to attend and find out about us.

For more information call

Casey Gairdner-250-804-8441 (Fort Nelson)

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NRSS - MEALS ON WHEELS MENU - \$10.00/MEAL

Tuesday, May 6, 2025 - Spaghetti, Caesar Salad, Fruit & Dessert

Thursday, May 8, 2025 - Chicken Fingers, Fries, Coleslaw, Fruit & Dessert

To purchase gift cards or to be added to the list call 250-774-3193 the day prior

May 17 - 19
Kick it to the Curb

Kick off Fort Nelson's annual Spring Fling by placing unwanted but usable items at the curb, clearly marked "Free."

Browse and take what you need—let's keep reusable materials out of the landfill!

Unclaimed items? Contact Public Works by May 20 for pickup.

Community Clean-up

Show your community spirit by picking up litter in your neighborhood, workplace, or any area in need.

Non-profits earn \$5.00 per bag collected! Call Public Works for garbage bags and gloves.

NORTHERN ROCKIES Municipality

Spring Fling 2025

May 17 - 25
FREE LANDFILL WEEK

Free Disposal for NRRM Residents

Residents can dispose of domestic and green waste at no cost.

Industrial and commercial users must still pay regular tipping fees.

Regular Landfill hours are in effect
Victoria Day (Monday, May 19) 11:30am to 5:00pm
Tuesday - Wednesday 11:30am to 5:00pm
Thursday - Sunday 11:00am to 5:00pm

Need More Information?
Contact Public Works
250.774.2541 Ext 2090
Email: pwadmin@northernrockies.ca

May 20 - 23
Curbside Pick-up

This service is designed for those who can't transport bulky items to the landfill.

How it Works:

- Complete the screening process to qualify.
- Place items curbside, sorted correctly.
- Flatten cardboard.

Not Accepted:

- Vehicle hulks, tires with rims, batteries
- Large demolition debris (sheds, decks)
- Loose garbage bags
- Paint, solvents, used oil
- Any other prohibited waste
- Remove fluids from appliances.

Important:

- Empty fridges, freezers, washers, and dryers.
- Remove fluids from appliances.

Unaccepted items will not be collected.

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