



Talk of The Town



IMPORTANT DATES

- February 1—New Library Hours
- February 2—Groundhog Day
- February 8—Town Council Meeting
- February 6/7—Ladies Curling Bonspiel
- February 14—Happy Valentines Day
- February 15— Family Day
- February 15-19—NO School,
Winter Break
- February 20/21—Mixed Curling
Bonspiel
- February 22—Town Council Meeting
- February 28—White Butte Minor Ball
Registration CLOSES

All information must be received by **February 19, 2016** to be included in the **March 2016** issue.

Prices for advertising a business:

- \$10—business card size,
- \$30—quarter page ad,
- \$60—half page ad,
- \$120—full page ad.

Local programs and announcements are not charged.

However, you must have a Balgonie Post Office Box # to advertise.

Send news items to the balgonienewsletter@sasktel.net



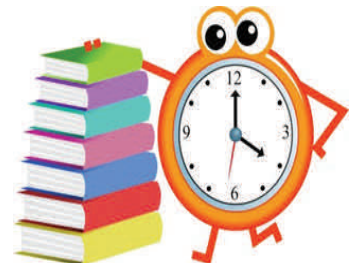
Balgonie Library



The Balgonie Library will have **NEW LIBRARY HOURS** effective **Feb. 1, 2016**

The new hours will be:

- Mon: - CLOSED
- Tues: - 3:30 – 8:00
- Wed: - 9:00 – 1:30
- Thurs: 3:30 – 8:00
- Fri: - 1 – 5:30
- Sat: 10:00 – 2:00





The Town of Balgonie is looking for some feedback on our Talk of the Town monthly newsletter.

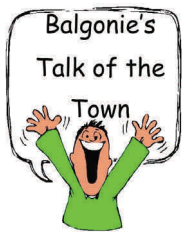
How many residents still enjoy their monthly newsletter delivered with their mail?

How many prefer to read the newsletter online, on our Town of Balgonie website?

How many would prefer to pick up a copy at the Town of Balgonie town office, the store and other local businesses?

Due to the increasing production costs of the newsletter, we are looking at how our residents read the newsletter and how to better serve our community.

Please let us know by email townofbalgonie@sasktel.net or phone 306-771-2284



Did you know the town has a new Facebook page?



For updates on what's happening in the community, checkout our page @ <https://www.facebook.com/Balgonies-Talk-of-the-Town>.

If you would like to advertise local events, you can call us @ 306-771-2284 or email us @ townofbalgonie@sasktel.net or send us a facebook message.

Reminder to Residents

Please ensure all dogs are on a leash while walking them around town, also pick up after your pets during walks.

Please refer to the Pet Bylaw on our town website.



Box 310, 129 Railway St.
Phone: 306-771-2284 Fax: 306-771-2899
E-mail: townofbalgonie@sasktel.net
Emergency Number:
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From the Town

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS

9:00 to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Monday to Friday

ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS:

Taxes and utility bills may be paid electronically through your online banking website. The payments would be under Town of Balgonie Taxes and Town of Balgonie Utilities.

(Do not choose Balgonie Water—this payee is a previous business and is not connected with the Town of Balgonie.)

Please contact the Town office to obtain your account numbers.

Electronic payments for utilities and taxes are a convenient way to pay your bills, but they are not instantaneous. Please allow 2-3 business days before any due date so that your payment is received by our office before any penalties apply. The bank requires time to process the payment and advise the Town.

The receipts for electronic payments will be available for pickup, mailed or emailed upon request.

Reminder to Balgonie Residents:

Vehicles are not to be parked on the street for more than 24 hours except weekends and holidays. If your vehicle is not used regularly, you must park it on your own property.

All vehicles stored on your property must be licensed and in good repair. Storage of unlicensed and junked vehicles on your property are considered to be a “nuisance” by Town of Balgonie Bylaws.

TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS are open to the public. They are regularly scheduled on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of every month starting at 6:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Balgonie Administration Building.

Council meetings are scheduled for February 8 and 22, 2016.

New Balgonie Park Benches - Sponsorship!



Again, the Town of Balgonie will be placing some park benches throughout the town, along walking paths, for everyone to enjoy as the weather turns nicer.

Families who wish to sponsor a bench will have a plaque placed on the bench and may choose from a list of locations throughout our town.

Sponsorships will be \$1000/per bench.

First come, first served basis.

If you are interested in sponsoring, please contact

Shaun at 306-771-4343.



PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWN OF BALGONIE

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO AMEND ZONING BYLAW NO. 374/2014

Notice is hereby given by the Town of Balgonie, pursuant to *The Planning and Development Act, 2007*, that Council intends to amend Bylaw No. 374/2014, the Zoning Bylaw.

Purpose:

To amend the minimum site frontage and side-yard Site Development Regulations in the Residential District - R1 - to reflect the yard requirements that existed prior to the passage of the new bylaw and to conform to the existing approved and developed lots in the town.

Inspection: The Proposed Bylaw Amendment may be inspected at the Town office between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. from Monday through Friday excluding statutory holidays. Copies are available, at a cost, at the Town office.

Public Hearing: Council will hold a public hearing to receive submissions on the proposed Bylaw at 7:00 P.M. February 22, 2016, in the Council Chambers of the Town of Balgonie, 129 Railway St. E., Balgonie, Saskatchewan. For further information, please contact the Administration Office at 306-771-2284.

Dated at the Town of Balgonie, in the Province of Saskatchewan, this 19th day of January, 2016.

Valerie Hubbard, Administrator

Now Available at the Town Office—2016 Dog tags please ensure all dogs have their tags.

To Report burnt out street lights, please contact SaskPower.

You can call 1-888-757-6937 or go online to <http://www.saskpower.com>

Big Loraas Bin is dropped off the 1st Friday of each new month at the Transfer Station.

TOWN OF BALGONIE MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL REQUIRED



Resumes will be accepted at the Town of Balgonie for a maintenance position to start as soon as possible.

Job responsibilities include: snow removal, arena and community hall janitorial work, Zamboni operation, cutting grass, painting, weeding and maintenance of trees and flower beds, sports grounds maintenance which includes floating the ball diamonds, and any other job as assigned to you by Council, or the Town Superintendent. Some evening and some weekend shifts required. On-call shifts will also be required.

A valid driver's license is mandatory. Heavy equipment operation and repair experience is definitely an asset. Water/Wastewater courses are not necessary but an asset. Training will be offered.

Deadline for applications is February 26, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.

Please submit applications to:

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HOURS OF OPERATION:

Weekdays—8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Saturdays—9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Sundays—11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Holidays—12:00 to 6:00 p.m.



Congratulations!

Mike and Judy Stiefel on the birth of Max Norman Stiefel on December 2, 2015 weighing 7lbs 8oz, a little brother for Shelby.

Proud grandparents are Alfred Stiefel from Edenwold, Susan Stiefel from Balgonie and Garry and Lynda Fettes from Assiniboia, Sk.

Nancy & Jeremy Seidlitz proudly welcome their first child, Jason William born December 6, 2015, weighing in at 8 lbs. 8 oz.



With Sympathy

Robin Croshaw's dad Bill Pearson passed away on January 5th, 2016. He lived in Balgonie in the 90's.



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Crime Prevention

There has been some vandalism to properties around town. Please make sure that if you receive damage to your property or see the vandalism happening, please contact the White Butte RCMP at 306-781-5050



A BIG Thank you to Dale and Harley Strudwick for the use of their truck and trailer used at the Sparkle Tour.

Reminder to Balgonie

Residents

Snow from private property should not be pushed onto the streets. Please pile it on your property. Property owners are responsible to arrange for the snow to be removed from their own property. The designated snow dumping site for Balgonie properties is on the West side of Westview Dr. North. (West of Stage 7 subdivision)





LET'S PLAY BALL !!!



Bronco Baseball (4-18 year olds)

Storm Softball (7-18 year olds)



White Butte Minor Ball Association

Will be accepting registrations for the 2016 ball season from Jan 4 - Feb 28, 2016

Register online at

www.whitebutteminorball.ca

For additional questions regarding registration,
please email lisafuchs1969@gmail.com.



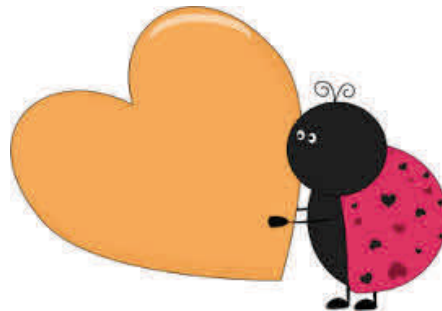
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please contact Jeff at

umpire_coordinator@icloud.com

Training and certification provided.



Balgonie Fire Department

Is hosting Spring 2016 SVFFA Provincial Fire School (April 2016).

We are looking for a house or building, to burn for training.



Please call Chief Dave Campbell

306-771-2206 or

Email: balgoniefire@sasktel.net



50+ Club Crib Winners

1st Mary Wolfe and Arlene Deiter
2nd and 3rd split 3 ways Bernie & Shirley Ripplinger
Bernice & Barry Leibel
Elaine Henshaw & Carol Greaves

24 Hands Luella Josephson
Alma Neiser

28 Hand Mary Wolfe



Ladies Night Out

Presented by the Balgonie Playschool

Saturday, April 23rd, 2016 - Balgonie Multiplex

Cocktails and Table Viewing starts at 5:30pm

Meal catered by *Susan Steifel*, Waiter Auction, Midnight Snacks

Music provided by *Platnum DJ*

Cash Bar, Door Prizes, Dance, Silent Auction

Early Bird Tickets \$35 (on sale March 1st - 27th)

Regular Tickets \$40 (on sale March 28th - April 8th)

To purchase tickets, or to book a table, please contact **Amanda** @
mydiamond1@hotmail.com or 306-502-9392

Door Prizes would be greatly appreciated. Please contact **Amanda** @
mydiamond1@hotmail.com or 306-502-9392 if you wish to donate.

All proceeds to the Balgonie Playschool.



2016 BALGONIE WASTE & RECYCLING PICKUP DATES

Jan. 5/16	Recycling	May 10	Recycling	Sep. 13	Recycling
Jan. 12	Garbage	May 17	Garbage	Sep. 20	Garbage
Jan. 19	Recycling	May 24	Recycling	Sep. 27	Recycling
Jan. 26	Garbage	May 31	Garbage	Oct. 4	Garbage
Feb. 2	Recycling	June 7	Recycling	Oct. 11	Recycling
Feb. 9	Garbage	June 14	Garbage	Oct. 18	Garbage
Feb. 16	Recycling	June 21	Recycling	Oct. 25	Recycling
Feb. 23	Garbage	June 28	Garbage	Nov. 1	Garbage
Mar. 1	Recycling	July 5	Recycling	Nov. 8	Recycling
Mar. 8	Garbage	July 12	Garbage	Nov. 15	Garbage
Mar. 15	Recycling	July 19	Recycling	Nov. 22	Recycling
Mar. 22	Garbage	July 26	Garbage	Nov. 29	Garbage
Mar. 29	Recycling	Aug. 2	Recycling	Dec. 6	Recycling
Apr. 5	Garbage	Aug. 9	Garbage	Dec. 13	Garbage
Apr. 12	Recycling	Aug. 16	Recycling	Dec. 20	Recycling
Apr. 19	Garbage	Aug. 23	Garbage	Dec. 27	Garbage
Apr. 26	Recycling	Aug.30	Recycling	Jan. 3/17	Recycling
May 3	Garbage	Sep. 6	Garbage	Jan. 10/16	Garbage

Tips to reduce your household waste and reduce impact on Landfills:

REDUCE:

- ◆ Purchase items with less packaging and excess cardboard and plastic.
- ◆ Use reusable items rather than disposable—cloth grocery bags, cloth napkins, cloth diapers.
- ◆ “Pre-cycle” as much as you can—reduce household waste by attempting to avoid bringing in items which generate waste into home or business.
- ◆ Purchase items in packaging made from recycled materials.
- ◆ Purchase consumables in bulk to reduce packaging.
- ◆ Purchase the amount that you need, you won’t have leftover things to throw away by leaving the excess at the store and in your pocketbook.
- ◆ Buy long life or concentrated versions of products. This saves on packaging and product.
- ◆ Sign up for electronic bills, catalogues, newspapers and magazines.
- ◆ Buy quality items rather than ones that will break or be unusable and end up in the landfill.
- ◆ Compact and reduce the size of the items you are going to throw away in the trash.

REUSE:

- ◆ Repurpose old items, research a new and creative way to repurpose and old items.
- ◆ Paint, fix, repair or mend items instead of throwing items away.
- ◆ Sell used items on Used Regina, Used Facebook sites, consignment stores or through local contacts.
- ◆ Have a garage sale.
- ◆ Donate clothing, furniture and other items to charities: Habitat for Humanity Re-Store, Salvation Army, Community Living, Diabetes Foundation, Open Door Society and there are many others.

RECYCLE:

- ◆ These items can be taken to a Sarcen depot for recycling. Check out www.sarcen.ca
- ◆ Electronics
- ◆ Paint
- ◆ Deposit containers (empty and lids removed off pop/water bottles, pop cans, juice boxes)
- ◆ Milk jugs and cartons

Checkout www.saskwastereductions.ca for businesses that accept items to recycle. These range from batteries, cellphones, to paint and tires. Best Buy, Future Shop, London Drugs and Staples accept used electronics and toner cartridges.

Crown Shred will recycle glass at a charge of \$5 per box.

The Town of Balgonie has a used oil recycling depot, it is available at the town shop during business hours.

BALGONIE CURBSIDE RECYCLING CONTAINERS



REMEMBER CHECK THE RECYCLING LIST!!!



Many residents are recycling and reducing the amount of household waste that goes to the landfill. We can even do better by making sure everyone in the household is checking labels before tossing items into the trash.

Things that can go into your blue curbside recycling carts in Balgonie.



• **Styrofoam or other foam packing materials** **can Now be Recycled**

- **Cardboard and Paper:** Cardboard and paperboard such as empty laundry detergent boxes, cereal boxes, tissue boxes, shoe boxes, chocolate boxes, paper and cardboard packaging from Christmas gifts, newspapers, flyers, inserts, junk mail and envelopes, magazines, catalogues, telephone books, paperback books, hardcover books with spines removed, paper bags, toilet paper and paper towel cores, gift and packing paper, paper egg cartons, copier paper, and NCR paper (No carbon required).
- **Aluminum & Tin:** Soft drink and beer cans, foil trays and pie plates, and household tin cans. These items should be rinsed before placing in recycling bin.
- **Plastic:** Containers with logo 1-7, plastic bags, plastic drink bottles and plastic wrap. This would include things like: packaging from toys and electronics, lids from milk jugs and soda bottles, shampoo bottles, hairspray, lotion, cleaning bottles, empty salad dressing bottles, mayonnaise bottles.
- **Aseptic Packaging and Cartons:** Juice and milk cartons, milk jugs, tetrapak containers, pouches.

**Sorry, we do not accept the following in the Loraas
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- Glass
- Household garbage, organics, or hazardous waste
- Waxed - plasticized or food contaminated paper, cardboard cups or plastic plates
- Soiled tissues, napkins and paper towels
- Confetti shredded paper
- Auto parts or batteries

***How should you prepare
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the bin?***

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RECREATION NEWS

By Shaun McBain

Be Careful and Have Fun!!!
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The outdoor arena is now in full swing. Just a reminder to all users - there are snow shovels provided for clearing the ice surface.

Please put scrapers back when you are finished with them.

The Zamboni will flood the ice once a week. There is no set day for this.

The lights will turn on around 5:30 p.m. and turn off at 9:30 p.m.

If the weather is above zero for a few days, the rink will be locked to maintain the ice surface. Please be courteous to others who are also using the facility.



With February here, it means playoffs are fast approaching and the most anticipated....Provincials

Good Luck To All Teams!!!!





50+ CLUB

Next supper on February 17th

Anyone interested in playing shuffleboard Monday evenings is asked to contact, Ralph Gerhardt 771-2324

Exercise get together Monday and Thursday- 9:00 am
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Next meeting is February 1st at 7:00 pm





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Balgonie Baptist Church

We invite you to join us for
Sunday Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.
For more information call the Church Office @
306-771-2545.



Balgonie Curling Club News



<u>SPIEL</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>PRICE</u>
Ladies	Feb. 6-7, 2016	Mandy Selzer, 306-533-0865	\$120/team
Mixed	Feb. 20-21, 2016	Alvin Selzer, 306-771-2358	\$120/team
Tim Hortons U15 <i>(players must be born on or after June 30, 2000)</i>	Mar. 5-6, 2016	Lindsay Waite, 306-771-4283	\$40/team
Junior Learn to Curl Pro- gram Windup	Mar. 12, 2016		
Skins	Mar. 18-20, 2016	Shawn Selzer, 306-536-2531	\$120/team
Ironman	Mar. 19, 2016	Shawn Selzer, 306-536-2531	\$20/person
Club Windup	Apr. 2, 2016		



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St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Edenwold holds services every Sunday at 11:00 am.

St. John's Lutheran Church, on the Correction Line Road, holds services on the 2nd & 4th Sunday every month at 9:30 am.

Contacts:

Garnet Mang at (306) 586-2855 for St. John's

Rodney Koch at (306) 771-4521 for St. Paul's



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Pre-school Storytime

Do you have a child who will be attending kindergarten at Balgonie Elementary School Fall of 2016. . . who does not attend Balgonie Early Learning Center or the Balgonie Playschool?

As part of BES's Learning Improvement Plan and our School Community Council, literacy has become a major priority for our students and for our community. We would like to invite your child to the "**BES Storytime**" in our school library.

Story times occur every other month and include picture books read with the children and a fun activity. This is a great opportunity for your child to become comfortable in the school environment, meet some BES staff members and enjoy some great books and activities.

Please call Mrs. Andrea Moroz at the Elementary School (771-2345) if you are interested in bringing your pre-school child(ren) to join our next storytime!

Wednesday, February 3 - 9:30-10:15

Wednesday, February 3 - 10:45-11:30

Thursday, February 4 - 2:30-3:15

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Balgonie Elks #572

Our annual curling mini spiel was well attended we had 12 teams participating and dressed in some great team outfits, fun was had by all thanks to Cory Blair for organizing the activity.

We are pleased to share that we initiated two new members into the lodge at our Jan. 19 meeting.

Plans are now under way for the Family Fun Day July 1.

Next Elks activity will be working a bingo on Feb. 10.

Next meeting Date: Feb. 16, 8:00 at the Balgonie Multiplex small hall.

If you new members are always welcome, if you are interested call Darren at 306-771-2778



Balgonie United Church

Time of Worship: 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School 11:00 a.m.

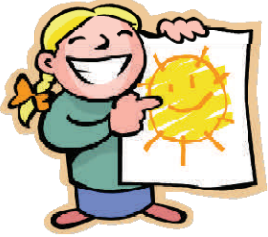
*If you would like a ride,
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Office Hours:

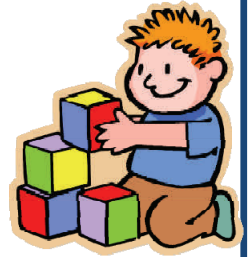
1st Wednesday of the Month 6:30—8pm, remaining Wednesdays 3-5pm

OR by Appointment with Rev Bev Diduck 306-519-4481

BALGONIE PLAYSCHOOL



Balgonie Playschool is accepting registrations for Winter 2016.



Limited spots available in the 3 and 4yr old classes.

Please email balgonieplayschool@gmail.com



Balgonie Playschool wishes to offer a special thank you to **CIF and Sask Lottery** for the grants!!!



The kids are enjoying the new classroom supplies!





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Mounted Police

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news release

FOR IMMEDIATE DISTRIBUTION

RCMP File # 201672989

Sometime between Monday January 18, 2016 at 11:00 p.m. and Tuesday January 19, 2016 at 7:15 a.m., two trailer batteries were removed and stolen from two trailers that were parked beside a residence on Mcculloch street in Kronau. The batteries were described as Marine batteries that were black in colour with green decals. Over the past few months, White Butte detachment has received several reports of batteries being stolen from Recreational Vehicles. Police are asking residents to lock up and remove their RV batteries for the winter.

If you have information about this or any other crime, please contact the White Butte RCMP Detachment at 306-781-5050 or your nearest police service. If you wish to remain anonymous, please contact Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477, *8477 on Sask-Tel Mobility, text TIP206 plus your message to CRIMES (274637), or submit a tip online at www.saskcrimestoppers.com Crime Stoppers does not subscribe to call display, and calls are not traced or recorded. If your information leads to an arrest or a case being cleared, you may be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$2,000.00.

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Sat Feb 10—16	8:00	Balcarres	Balgonie	Balcarres



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