

Sidelines

Sport & Recreation Community News

**FALL
2023**

Important Dates

- [Every Kid Can Play](#)
Deadline: September 30, 2023
- [Community Initiatives Program \(CIP\) Grant Program](#)
Deadline: October 1, 2023
- [Community Recreation Enhancement Grant](#)
Deadline: October 2, 2023
- Facility rentals and bookings for spring, summer and fall 2024
Available September 29, 2023

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News from The City of Red Deer

Welcome to the fall 2023 edition of the Sidelines Newsletter. As the weather cools off, our facilities will start to fill up and winter sports will begin to take over. As amazing as it is to see our sport fields filled with fun and enthusiastic athletes, we are ready to lace up the skates, tighten the ski boots and get our winter gear on.

This edition of Sidelines brings you information on Central Sport's new location, our new fee's in City recreation facilities and about the first season with both ice surfaces running at the new and improved G.H. Dawe Community Centre twin arenas.

As our focus changes from green grass, pitches, and diamonds, The City of Red Deer, would like to wish all winter LSO's an amazing season! We look forward to connecting with you throughout the season.

Yours in sport,
The City of Red Deer

Facility News and Updates

G.H. Dawe Community Centre

The GH Dawe Community Centre expansion is complete and for the first time, the twin NHL size ice surfaces will be ready for use as of October 1.

Check out www.reddeer.ca/DropIn for drop-in skating opportunities along with sledge hockey try-it programs. Make sure to check out other opportunities in the interactive swimming pool, amazing fitness area with state-of-the-art equipment & running/walking track, as well as the many different sport opportunities in the gymnasium. Click above for more information about the G.H. Dawe Community Centre.

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Increase to Recreation Fees

Effective September 1, 2023, recreation rate changes occurred for the following services:

- Daily admission at the Collicutt Centre, Recreation Center, Michener Centre, Servus Arena, Kinsmen Community Arenas and Setters Place at Great Chief Park.
- Monthly Recreation All Access passes and Recreation Value Pass
- 10 Punch passes at all the above-mentioned facilities.
- Group admission fees at the above-mentioned facilities
- Childminding fees at the Collicutt Centre and G.H. Dawe Community Centre
- Facility Rental Fees

The recreation Plus Pass fee was adjusted with the opening of the newly expanded G.H. Dawe Community Centre in February and will not receive another adjustment in September.

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Central Sport Relocation

Is your sport organization looking for resources, support, new connection and volunteers for tournaments and events? Well come over to the Collicutt Centre located at 3031 30 Ave and connect with the amazing team at Central Sport.

The Central Alberta Sport Authority (Central Sport) has recently relocated to the Collicutt Centre, and we could not be more excited. With all the Collicutt already has to offer, we can now say our Local Sport Organizations have an amazing resource and sport connection here as well. Central Sport was formed as a legacy to the 2019 Canada Winter Games in Red Deer and is your LSO connection for online sport directories, volunteer's database, sport focused communication, resources for sport organizations, event bid development and so much more.

Grand opening for the new location was held on September 14 and was one to remember.

Community Recreation Enhancement Grant (CREG)

The Community Recreation Enhancement Grant (CREG) is a City of Red Deer grant program that provides financial support to not-for-profit organizations delivering recreation initiatives in our community. Find examples of programs that have received grant funds in the past to see if it may suit your needs by visiting reddeer.ca/recreationgrants. The next deadline is October 2, 2023.



Upcoming Events and Bookings

Upcoming events:

The 2024 Co-op Canadian Open Grand Slam of Curling is coming to the Servus Arena, January 16-21! The event will host 16 men's and 16 women's teams based on the World Curling Federation rankings and will have a purse of \$100,000. The event's format will be round robin play with 4 pools of 4 teams with the top 8 teams advancing from both the men's and women's pools.

There is no better place than for Red Deer to host this event to showcase the worlds best competing in curling. If you are interested in purchasing tickets, they can be found [here](#).

Spring, summer and fall facility bookings

City of Red Deer sports fields and recreation spaces offer a great opportunity for local organizations to host their large-scale tournaments and events. Our central location in the province allows for easy travel and our booking specialists are happy to find just the right space for you.

Booking applications are now being accepted for groups wanting to book Red Deer's recreation, pools and community spaces for the upcoming spring, summer & fall 2024 season.

Community associations, sport partners, companies, and the public are encouraged to request their meetings, league spaces and special events. Please contact facilitybookings@reddeer.ca.



Training and Professional Development

Concussion and Injury prevention:

Concussions are a serious health issue affecting Canadians, especially those involved in sport and recreation. If not properly recognized or diagnosed, concussions can have lifelong effects on a person. Starting in 2021, concussion awareness week was released across Canada and continues its third year from September 24-30, 2023. The week aims to increase awareness and knowledge for all stakeholders in sport and recreation, whether you are a coach, parent, athlete/participant, coach, official or organizer. The Sport Resources Information Centre (SIRC) has resources available for all involved in sport and recreation to access during this week to educate yourself on concussion awareness and management. Check them out [here](#).

Also in 2021, the Canadian Minister of Sport and Physical Activity announced that all nationally funded sport organizations were mandated to have concussion policies. It is important to keep up to date with your organizations concussion management policy and protocols. If you are unsure, sit them out!

