

Urban Wildlife

It's still peak season for wildlife encounters in British Columbia. Please report all conflict with wildlife to the RAPP hotline at **1.877.952.7277**.

Please be responsible! Always keep your garbage locked up securely (except on the morning of pick-up) and responsibly dispose of your leftover Halloween pumpkins and gourds.

New Pool Schedule + Programming

Dive into a fresh winter pool schedule + programming at the Aquatic Centre! Visit us at elkford.ca/aquatic_centre.

For more information, or to register, contact the Aquatic Centre directly at **250.865.4012**, pool@elkford.ca or visit **816C Michel Road**.



WINTER POOL SCHEDULE
November 1 to December 18, 2022

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Aquafit 9:30 to 10:15 a.m.	Swimming Lessons 10:00 to 10:30 a.m.	Aquafit 9:30 to 10:15 a.m.	Craft & Splash 9:45 to 10:30 a.m.	
Parent & Tot Swim 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.	Swimming Lessons 10:30 to 11:00 a.m.	Parent & Tot Swim 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.	Aquafit 10 to 10:45 a.m.	Lessons 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Lane Swim + Family Swim 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	Swimming Lessons 11:00 to 11:30 a.m.	Lane Swim + Family Swim 10:30 a.m. to Noon	Swimming Lessons 10:30 to 11 a.m.	Lane Swim 9:30 to Noon
School Swimming Lessons 12:30 to 3 p.m.	Swimming Lessons 12:30 to 3 p.m.	School Swimming Lessons 12:30 to 3 p.m.	Swimming Lessons 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.	Family Swim 12:30 to 2 p.m.
Swimming Lessons 3:30 to 4 p.m.	Swimming Lessons 3:30 to 4 p.m.	Swimming Lessons 3:30 to 4 p.m.	Public Swim 1:30 to 4 p.m.	Public Swim 2 to 4 p.m.
Swimming Lessons 4 to 5 p.m.	Swimming Lessons 4 to 5 p.m.	Public Swim 4 to 6 p.m.	Lane Swim + Family Swim 4 to 6 p.m.	
		Public Swim 6 to 8 p.m.	Public Swim 6 to 8 p.m.	

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A Reminder From the Elkford Fire Department

Did you know that the majority of fire fatalities occur in one and two-storey residential family homes? Further, 75 per cent occur in the winter months—all in time of darkness, when address identification is difficult (BC Office of the Fire Commissioner, 2012).

The Elkford Fire Department asks you to take a moment to assess your home for outside address identification. In the event of an emergency, will your home's address be visible to emergency first responders? Is your address clearly marked? Will it be covered in snow or hidden in the darkness? If it is inadequate or in need of repair, please take the time to repair or improve it. It could save your life!



November 2022

Remembrance Day Poppy & Wreath Campaign

In partnership with the Royal Canadian Legion, the District of Elkford will once again facilitate the Poppy and Wreath Campaign in 2022.

To donate, or to purchase a wreath or cross to be laid at the Cenotaph in Elkford on November 11, contact our Community & Facility Services staff at **250.865.4010** or recreation@elkford.ca. All funds collected in this campaign are forwarded directly to the Royal Canadian Legion.



Contact Us

**District of Elkford Municipal Office—
744 Fording Drive**

250.865.4000 • info@elkford.ca
Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**Elkford Community Conference Centre—
750 Fording Drive**

250.865.4010 • recreation@elkford.ca

Elkford Arena —816 B Michel Road
250.865.4010 • recreation@elkford.ca

Elkford Aquatic Centre—816 C Michel Road
250.865.4012 • pool@elkford.ca

**Elkford Public Works Department—
8 Inkaneep Road**

250.865.4025 • publicworks@elkford.ca

Bylaw Enforcement—744 Fording Drive

250.865.4024 • bylaw@elkford.ca

Building Inspection—744 Fording Drive

250.865.4003 • building@elkford.ca

Elkford Fire Hall—2300 Balmer Drive

250.865.4020 • cnyuli@elkford.ca



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LEST WE FORGET

**Remembrance Day Ceremony: November 11
at 10:45 a.m.**

On Friday, November 11, you are invited to attend Elkford's outdoor Remembrance Day ceremony, in honour of those who have fought for our freedom. Alternatively, you may also pay your respects at home by observing two minutes of silence or tuning in to the Royal Canadian Legion's live online ceremony.

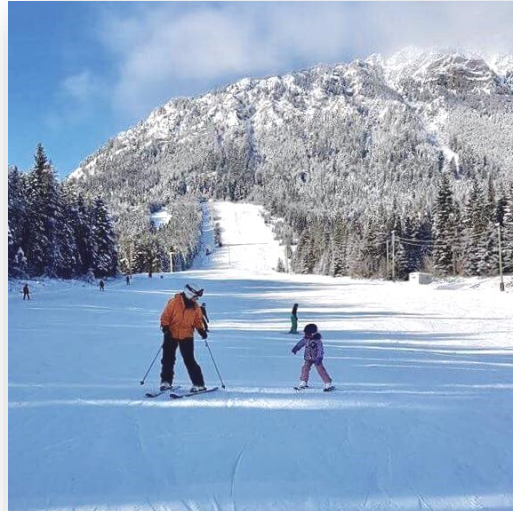
- **Date and time:** November 11, 2022 at 10:45 a.m.
- **Location:** Outdoors (weather permitting), at the Cenotaph located between the Elkford Community Conference Centre at 750 Fording Drive and the District Office at 744 Fording Drive.

In the event of inclement weather, the ceremony will be held inside of Teck Hall, at the Community Conference Centre (750 Fording Drive).

Closed for Remembrance Day

Note that District of Elkford facilities are closed on **Friday, November 11** for Remembrance Day. The Community Conference Centre, Aquatic Centre and Recreation Centre will reopen on **Saturday, November 12**. The rest of our facilities will reopen on **Monday, November 14**.

PHOTOS: by Judy Zimmer



Winter Parking Bylaw

Don't forget the winter parking bylaw! From **November 1 to March 31**, on-street parking is prohibited between the hours of **6 a.m. to 4 p.m.** in order to ensure optimal snow removal. Please remember to move your bike jumps and basketball hoops off the road, too!

Bleeder Valves: ON

A friendly reminder to all residents to turn **ON** the bleeder valves in your residences from **October 31 to May 1**. This important bylaw is in place to prevent your pipes from freezing and cracking in colder temperatures.

Spotlight on Winter Bylaws



November Council & Committee Meetings

November 7	6 p.m.	Inaugural Council Meeting
November 14	6 p.m.	Regular Meeting
November 28	6 p.m.	Regular Meeting

Unless otherwise noted, meetings take place in Council Chambers at 744 Fording Drive. In alignment with current provincial health orders, in-person public attendance to council meetings is permitted. Alternatively, electronic attendance is welcome. Visit <http://zoom.us/join> and enter the meeting ID: **250 865 4000**, then click join and wait for the host to let you into the meeting.

Meet Your Youth Councillors!

Each year, District council appoints two Elkford Secondary School students to represent Elkford's youth at the council table. These young community leaders join council to increase awareness of youth-related issues, advocate for their peers and give the youth of Elkford a voice at the municipal level.

We are thrilled to welcome back last year's Junior Representative, **Abigail Talbot**, as your new Senior Youth Councillor. Additionally, we're pleased to introduce **Alex Sheppard** as your new Junior Youth Councillor!

These two Youth Council Representatives will be officially sworn in at the Inaugural Meeting on **November 7**, along with the District of Elkford's new council for the upcoming term.

Fire Chiefs for the Day



PHOTO: "Chief Wylder Bauer, Chief Olivia Brown and Chief Estelle LeGrice" supplied by Elkford Fire Rescue & Emergency Services

The District of Elkford Fire Department is delighted to announce that three new fire chiefs are joining the ranks in honour of the 2022 Fire Prevention Week. As part of an annual Fire Prevention Week tradition, these three students were randomly drawn from all those who applied at Rocky Mountain Elementary School to become "Fire Chief for the Day." Please join us in warmly welcoming **Chief Wylder Bauer, Chief Olivia Brown and Chief Estelle LeGrice!**

To perform their assigned duties for the day, each chief has been issued their own helmet and personal protective equipment. On November 2, dressed in their firefighting gear, Chiefs Bauer, Brown and LeGrice will be picked up by the fire engine to attend a luncheon at the Elkford Fire Hall hosted by Fire Chief Curtis Nyuli, Deputy Chief Enzo Calla and the fire department members. Special guests will join them for the luncheon, including Elkford's Mayor Dean McKerracher, Mayor-Elect Steve Fairbairn, Rocky Mountain Elementary Principal Jennifer Adams and Vice Principal Jennifer Attorp.

After lunch, the three new chiefs will receive a guided tour of the firehall from Chief Nyuli, Deputy Chief Calla and the firefighters. Later that evening, they will again be picked up to attend fire practice with the paid-on-call members at their weekly training night, wrapping up an exciting day for each student as fire chief!

During this year's Fire Prevention Week, the Elkford Fire Department spoke with approximately 300 hundred students—ranging from pre-school to grade six—about this year's theme, which was "Fire won't wait. Plan your Escape." Accordingly, the Elkford Fire Department encourages all families to discuss and develop their own home fire escape plan and family action plan for emergencies. Visit www.nfpa.org to find out more!

If you would like more information about fire prevention in your home, or you are interested in becoming a paid-on-call firefighter in the District of Elkford, please contact Elkford Fire Rescue & Emergency Services at **250.865.4020**.



Plan Ahead for Winter Conditions

Winter isn't coming—it's here! Here are some important tips for winter driving in the mountains and preparing for months of snowy and icy driving conditions ahead:

- Outfit your vehicle with a set of properly matched winter tires and replace/upgrade them as needed
- Upgrade to winter wiper blades, which are designed for clearing snow and ice
- Perform a winter maintenance check on your vehicle, including battery, brakes, cooling and heating, exhaust systems and lights
- Maintain a safe distance while driving (remember that it takes **significantly** longer to stop on ice and snow, so stay well back from other vehicles, ideally the length of two semi-trucks or more!)
- Pack a cold-weather survival kit, and keep it in your vehicle at all times
- Have tire chains at the ready and know how to equip them
- Keep your gas tank full (or nearly full) at all times—if you're caught in a whiteout or stuck waiting during a road closure and have to idle to stay warm, you'll be thankful!
- Clear your vehicle's exhaust pipe regularly of snow, mud and debris
- Avoid passing unless it's absolutely necessary, don't hug the centre line and avoid using cruise control
- Plan ahead: leave early, dress warmly, carry a charged cell phone, expect delays and drive at speeds appropriate to the conditions

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