

Membership Update – May 2021

Hello CRE Members!

We hope this update finds you well. We hope you have been able to get outside and enjoy the sights and sounds of spring.

CRE was successful in receiving the Canadian Summer Jobs grant for 3 summer staff. All 3 staff have been hired and we are happy to welcome Brendan on the Operations side and Holly and Sarah in the campground. We are delighted to have them on staff over the summer!

Due to high winds and rain the Drive-In Movie on May 7th had to be post poned. In order to make up for that night we will be showing a double feature in June. Stay tuned for updates on Camrose Regional Exhibition social media pages. We will be featuring Disney's Brave for families and later showing Christine the 1983 supernatural horror film for the adult crowd. We hope to see you there!

The CRE Garden Plot winners have been chosen and their gardens are planted! We have a great crew of gardeners this year and we are happy to help them be successful in their gardening adventures this season. This is the second year of the garden plot program, and it has shown successful in engaging community members at CRE. As an agriculture society, CRE believes in teaching people how to grow their own food.

In other exciting news, with additional pressure from Jackie Lovely, CRE received our Agriculture Society grant early from Alberta Agriculture and Forestry. We are grateful for this grant and are looking forward to hosting Agriculture events in the near future!

CRE is planning for our first in person community event since the start of the Covid-19 pandemic. This new event, Oktoberstock, will take place on September 18, 2021! This outdoor, smaller scale event will officially launch in June. Members will have first chance at tickets including VIP admission. This event will include live music, performers, craft beer, food trucks, and more! Members have first crack at volunteer positions, if you are interested in being involved in this event please contact us! For more details visit the Oktoberstock event page on the website: https://cre.ab.ca/events/oktoberstock/

Our online content has been busy this month! You can view the Vitrual CRE Acreage and Garden Show presentations on the Camrose Regional Exhibition YouTube channel or you can find them all on the website. <u>https://cre.ab.ca/events/cre-acreage-and-garden-show/</u>

We also have another podcast episode out with Ken Espheter from Battle River Train Excursions. If you watch the YouTube version, you will be able to see Ken in his train conductor garb. Check out the episode here: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vGYj_JVfq6s</u>. Follow the Rural Opportunities Podcast on Spotify and IHeartRadio to support our podcast! The next episode will be with Member of Parliament Damien Kurek of the Battle River Crowfoot riding.

If you would like to take a look at the CRE Garage Sale items, we will open it up to Members on Tuesdays and Thursdays each week. Please call the office to secure your time slot and let us



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know you are coming. We will launch the garage sale to the public when restrictions allow more people.

We wish you all a wonderful month of June. Please do not hesitate to contact us at the office at 780-672-3640 or <u>cre@cre.ab.ca</u>. Thank you for keeping up to date on CRE happenings. Call or email CRE with this code to get a free CRE baseball t-shirt: **CRE Membership Happens Here**.