



Sunday hours coming back to Manluk Centre

Recreation centre set to reopen for Sundays beginning April 16

Monday, March 27, 2023 (Wetaskiwin, Alberta) — After a lengthy break, Sunday operations are set to resume at the pool.

The [Manluk Centre: Wetaskiwin Regional Aquatics & Fitness](#) (4517 50 Avenue) will be reopening on Sundays beginning April 16, 2023.

“We are really excited to be able to open our doors to Wetaskiwinites seven days a week again and would like to thank the community for their patience and understanding throughout this experience,” said Natasha Grant, the City’s manager of recreation.

The recreation centre had seen a reduction in service levels after City Council heard a report during its [October 11, 2022 meeting](#) that staffing levels could no longer safely support 94 hours per week of operation. This was due to a [lifeguard shortage affecting not just the province, but the entire country](#). The lifeguard shortage has been especially difficult for rural centres.

However, following an intensive recruitment campaign — one full-time Lifeguard III and several part-time Lifeguard I positions have been filled — and other efforts by Administration, the pool will resume Sunday operations. Starting April 16, the Manluk Centre’s hours will be:

- Monday to Friday: 6 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- Saturday and Sunday: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Recruitment efforts are continuing as there are still Lifeguard II and Lifeguard III positions available. Once these jobs have been filled, the Manluk Centre will be able to return to its regular Saturday hours of 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. For more information on these positions, visit wetaskiwin.ca/jobs.

Residents are encouraged to share their thoughts on the levels of service provided by the City by reaching out directly to council. Contact information for mayor and council is available at wetaskiwin.ca/mayor-council.

About the City of Wetaskiwin

Wetaskiwin is a secure, connected, and inclusive community, home to a diverse population of nearly 13,000 people. Located only 30 minutes south of Edmonton International Airport, the City of Wetaskiwin provides a high quality of life through ample recreation opportunities, diverse cultural activities, and a modernized, business-friendly downtown.

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