



Tennis courts closed until the end of August for surface repaving

Friday, June 3, 2022 (Wetaskiwin, Alberta) - Wetaskiwin's tennis courts are getting a facelift this summer, with repaving beginning on Monday, June 6, 2022. Currently closed to the public, the courts are expected to re-open at the end of August once the work has been completed (weather permitting).

The revitalized tennis court surface will feature lines for both tennis and pickleball. In the interim, the recreation department has extended their pickleball program in the Wetaskiwin Drill Hall (4519 50 Avenue) until June 30 as follows:

- Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. until 12 p.m. (Noon)
- Thursdays from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

The drop-in rate for pickleball at the Drill Hall is five dollars (\$5) per person. Racquets are available for participants who don't have their own equipment.

"The tennis court rehabilitation project will provide a much-needed facelift and restore the courts to a safe, playable condition for the community to enjoy," stated Natasha Grant, manager of recreation. "The courts will also be lined for pickleball—a sport that has seen steady growth in Wetaskiwin and surrounding communities over the last few years."

The total cost of the project is \$220,000, with the Canada Revitalization Grant covering \$144,000 of the total. The remaining \$76,000 is being funded through the Government of Alberta's Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) Grant.

Questions about the tennis court revitalization project or pickleball drop-in can be directed to the recreation department at 780.361.4444 or through email at recreation@wetaskiwin.ca.

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 the 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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