Voices of the Village JANUARY 2025 NEWSLETTER



The Village of Marwayne Council and Staff are Looking Forward to Another Great Year

Lots has happened over the last year in our small municipality. Council approved the Area Structure Plan (ASP) for the 17 acre parcel adjacent to Highway 897 for the possibility of future development. The Splash park was opened for another great season during a very hot summer. Council approved the construction of a gaga ball pit and pump track for all to enjoy. The annual community clean up week of garage sales and treasure hunts was another success. The Rain Barrel Rebate program was introduced as a way to help residents conserve water and save money on their utility bills. Sidewalk repairs were completed where necessary. Roadwork was completed on Railway Avenue, 2nd Street South and 3rd Street North. Underground infrastructure was completed on Railway Avenue, replacing underground water lines. The Village has introduced a one time pet licensing fee to aid in reconnecting pet owners with their lost pets. The Village also introduced a pre-authorized payment

lost pets. The Village also introduced a pre-authorized payment plan for utility billing as an additional payment option for residents. 14 Additional Festoon lights were added to our 14 light poles downtown, thanks to ATCO Electric, creating a more magical feel for the holiday season.

As Council sets their priorities for upcoming projects and approves the budget, residents can look forward to a thriving and viable community for years to come. Please ensure to visit

the website at www.marwayne.ca and Facebook page for the most up to date information as to what is happening in the community.







Important Dates

MEETINGS & DEADLINES SERVICES Council January 20 Blue Bag Recycling January 9 & 23 Office Closed January 01 **EVENTS MJS Bottle Drive** Library Book Tasting Event January 14 January 8 Library Snowflake Day January 17 Library Adult Book Club January 22 Pet Licenses Due Library Polar Bear Day January 24 January 31

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Operating Hours & Contacts

In Person Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

8:00am—4:30pm

Office open Mondays and Fridays but staff work remotely. Drop box available 24/7

After Hours Water/Sewer Emergencies: Wilson Curtis 780-205-2993

Carry Grant 780-214-7933

Health and Safety Emergencies: Kitscoty RCMP 780-846-2870

RCMP, EMS, FIRE 911

For all non-emergency inquiries, or to file a complaint, please contact the Kitscoty RCMP at 780-846-2897

Winter Transfer Station Hours Wednesday 2:00pm—5:00pm

(Nov—Apr) Saturday 10:00am—2:00pm

Residential garbage pickup: Thursdays 7:00am

During inclement weather, please call the Vermilion River Regional Waste Management Services Commission at 780-853-5561 to get updates as to whether or not transfer stations are open.

Council Contacts: Chris Neureuter ctne

Ashley Rainey 780-214-1410 Roger Parkyn 780-872-8390 ctneureuter@gmail.com a_irvine@hotmail.com



The Village of Marwayne will be turning <u>100</u> in the year 2026!

We are looking for ideas, volunteers, vendors, etc. to partner with us to make the 100th birthday celebration a

big success!

We encourage anyone interested in joining the planning committee to contact the Village office today at 780-847-3962.

Council Meeting Highlights

- Council approved a \$2.30 per capita contribution to the Marwayne Library Board for a total of \$1534.10 for the 2024 calendar year.
- Council appointed the Chief Administrative Officer as the returning officer for the 2025 municipal election.
- Council received the monthly financial, cheque distribution, bank reconciliation and monthly utility bill reports as information.
- The Village has acquired ownership of Lot 1, Block 14, Plan 8921654.

Tax Pre-Authorized Payment Plan

If you are currently enrolled in the Tax PAP Plan, your monthly payments are scheduled to be changed effective January 2025. A letter has been mailed out advising the amount that will be deducted. If you haven't received your letter, you can contact the Village Office and we can provide you with this information.

Wanting to sign up for the Tax PAP Plan?

The Tax PAP plan provides residents the option to pay their taxes monthly in an effort to ease the burden of one lump sum payment each spring. If you wish to sign up, please fill out the FN-13 Tax Installment Form located on our website and send in for approval.

Please note: Your Tax Account MUST be in good standing and the balance at \$0 as of December 31 to be considered for the payment plan.

2025 Business Licenses

Business Licenses will be up for renewal in the New Year and due February 28, 2025.

As per Business License Bylaw 567-18, every business operating within the Village shall as a prior condition of its operation, obtain a business license issued by the CAO or designate.

Forms will mailed out to our current business license list. If you need an additional copy or if you are a new business, forms can be found on our website Marwayne.ca under

Living Here —> Bylaws —> Administration —> Business License

Forms are also provided at the Village office.

Marwayne History Books



A reflection of your past-in print!

Available Editions

Pioneering the Parklands (1967) \$20.00 Our Golden Year (1976) \$10.00 Echoes of Marwayne Volume II (1988) \$25.00 Echoes of Marwayne Volume III (2019) \$50.00

Available for purchase at:

The Village of Marwayne Office Hendricks Microtech Services

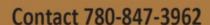


Marwayne Community Hall

A Unique Setting for Your Special Occasion

Consider the beautiful, quiet location of the Marwayne Community Hall

- Banquet seating for 375 in main hall
- Large meeting room with table-seating for 80, or use it to serve buffet-style banquet
- Large covered patio backs onto nature, accessible from
- · Modern, beautiful bathrooms
- · Stange with dressing rooms & washrooms
- · Excellent sound room with A/V equipment
- Camping on site or just 10 minutes north at Lea Park
- · Just a 30 minute drive from Lloydminster



For more information visit marwayne.ca









LOTS FOR SALE











Have you visited our Website?

Please visit Marwayne.ca for all kinds of information about living in our great community.

Click the News & Events tab to find current and past Newsletters in digital format.



Lifetime Pet Licenses

The Village of Marwayne has implemented Lifetime Pet Licenses effective January 1, 2025.

Simply fill out the pet licensing form with a one time pet licensing fee of \$40 and return to the Village office no later than January 31, 2025.

Forms and pet licensing information can be found on the Village of Marwayne website or can be picked up at the Village Administration Office during regular business hours (Tuesday through Thursday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm).

Utility Installment Plan

Sign up for the utility pre-authorized payment plan to have your monthly bill automatically deducted to ease the payment process.

Simply fill out the FN-24 Utility Installment Plan Form that is located on our website and hand in for approval.

Your account must be in good standing to be considered for this plan.



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A Pastor's Gleanings

"... The old has gone, the new is here!" - 2 Corinthians 5:17.

That can be said as we take down the old 2024 calendar and put up the new 2025 calendar. I think most of us greet the new year with a certain sense of optimism. We hope that whatever "bad" things have taken place in the previous year, somehow the new calendar on the wall gives us a fresh start... a "clean slate".

The opposite could also be true though. Sociologists have noticed a growing trend in *neophobia*, which is the dread of or aversion to something new or unusual. Some might look ahead to this new year with fear.

When he wrote the letter to the church in Corinth (see the above quote) Paul was talking about something "new". The whole sentence reads: "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!"

Christians are not reformed, rehabilitated, or re-educated. Christians are re-created (new creations). Christians don't "turn over a new leaf". Christians are given a new life. Jesus has provided a new perspective... a new covenant. The change brought about by Jesus is not a superficial change, like many New Year's resolutions. He is with you, and He is working to make all things new in you today. May we live out this new identity every day of this new year.

Bethel Lutheran Church of Lea Park. Services --- Sundays at 10:30

Call Pastors Kevin 780 872 0070 or Ed 780 808 5026.



Marwayne Business Opportunity

You could be the new owner of 100 Center Street.

Add your business ideas / products to the essential services already available.

Contact Charlene by email at h_microtech@mcsnet.ca





JANUARY EVENTS



Moms & Tots Snowflake Day Jan. 17th @ 9:30 am

Book Tasting Event

Tues. January 14th 4:00 pm - 6:00 PM Drop-ins welcome to all ages!

Adult Book Club Wed. Jan. 22nd @ 6:00 pm Discuss Most Wanted by Lisa Scottoline

Moms & Tots
Polar Bear Day @ 9:30 am

Jan. 24

Visit us on Facebook
Reading Logs & Contests can be found at
nllsreading programs.ca/contests

Marwayne Public Library

Embrace the Magic of Winter! Jan./Feb.

Contests:

Snow Art

Postcard Swap

Friday 15

Reading Logs

Snow Art Prize: Snowman Kit and Snow Painting Kit Send in photos and vote

Bring in a postcard to swap and receive a postcard. No personal info will be given.

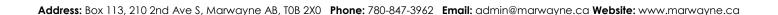
Friday 15 - Read for 15 Minutes on Fridays

Reading Contest - The more you read during Jan/Feb, the more you have a chance to win.

Reading Logs are at the library or submit your reading minutes online at:

nllsreadingprograms.ca/contests

MPL will be giving away gift certificates to Marwayne patrons only.



Hendricks Microtech Services 100 Center St, Marwayne 780-847-2944

Starting January 2, 2025

NEW HOURS: Tuesday - Friday 9am - 5pm.

We will be closed from 1pm - 2pm for lunch

Lobby hours: Tuesday - Thursday 9am - 7pm

Friday 9am - 5pm

Closed Friday 5pm – Tuesday 9am

We will not be accepting debit or credit for payments under \$5.00

We will have limited ability to offer Alberta Registries services

by appointment outside of our new hours.

Thank you for your support as we continue to provide important services to our community.



Thank youto Ron Miskie and Marwayne Fire & Rescue for flooding the outdoor skat ing rink at West View Park.



Your Marwayne Comets Schedule

Friday Dec 6	@ 8:00 PM	vs Elk Point Elks	@ Elk Point
Tues Dec 10	@ 8:15 PM	vs Vermilion Rock	@ Vermilion
Sat Dec 14	@ 8:00 PM	vs Hillmon Hitmen	@ Dewberry
Fri Dec 20	@ 8:00 PM	vs Lashburn Flyers	@ Dewberry
Sat Dec 21	@ 8:00 PM	vs Lashburn Flyers	@ Lashburn

The Comets will be selling a Scoro Board for the home games this season! Squares will be available to purchase at the first home game in Dewberry December 14. They will be \$50/Square.

Sat Jan 4	@ 8:00 PM	vs Vermilion Rock	@ Marwayne/Dewberry TBD
Wed Jan 8	@ 8:00 PM	vs Paradise Hill Hawks	@ Marwayne/Dewberry TBD
Sat Jan 11	@ 8:00 PM	vs Kitscoty Monarchs	@ Marwayne
Fri Jan 17	@ 8:00 PM	vs Meadow Lake	@ Marwayne
Sat Jan 18	@ 8:00 PM	vs Hillmond Hitmen	@ Hillmond
Fri Jan 24	@ 8:00 PM	vs Meadow Lake	@ Meadow Lake
Sat Jan 25	@ 8:00 PM	vs Kitscoty Monarchs	@ Marwayne

TIME MANAGEMENT AMIDST GRIEF

Grief and loss have a way of stopping you in your tracks. But how can you stay stopped when you have daily demands and responsibilities that are necessary to live? We can quickly be pushed into survival mode as we try to find ways to cope with responsibilities. Depending on the type of loss, there may be additional responsibilities added to our plate. We may be planning a funeral, settling financial affairs, or filing final tax returns for a loved one. Regardless of the responsibility, it can be helpful to know that it is normal to find time management difficult amidst the grief journey. The following time management strategies may be helpful during this time:

- Break Tasks into Small Steps: Grief can make it hard to focus or find energy to tackle large tasks.

 Breaking tasks down into small, manageable pieces makes them feel less overwhelming. Start with simple tasks like getting out of bed, having a meal, or going for a walk.
- Use a Daily Planner or Journal: Journalling or using a planner can provide structure, create clarity, and help release overwhelming emotions. It also provides a place to track tasks without worrying about forgetting them. On a daily and/or weekly basis, write down a short list of things you hope to accomplish. Include small tasks that are achievable. Be kind to yourself and adjust when necessary.
- Set Realistic Expectations: It's important to acknowledge that your energy and focus may fluctuate while grieving, and it's okay not to be as productive as usual. Be realistic about what you can achieve. Focus on one or two important tasks per day.
- Delegate Tasks When Appropriate: Grieving can deplete your energy and make it difficult to handle everything by yourself. Asking for help can lighten the load. Reach out to trusted friends, family, or colleagues who can help with household chores, errands, or work-related responsibilities.
- Create a Flexible Routine: Having a routine provides stability during an emotional time, but it needs to remain flexible. Set a basic daily schedule, but allow flexibility so you can adjust as needed.
- Incorporate Breaks into Your Day: Grief often requires more emotional energy, so breaks are essential. Schedule short breaks throughout the day to rest, go for a walk, or simply sit quietly for a moment.
- Allow Yourself Time to Rest and Grieve: Grief is a process that can't be rushed. If you find yourself feeling overwhelmed, allow yourself the grace to step back and focus on what you need emotionally without guilt.
- Celebrate Small Wins: Grieving often makes it hard to feel any sense of accomplishment. Recognizing small achievements helps foster a sense of progress.

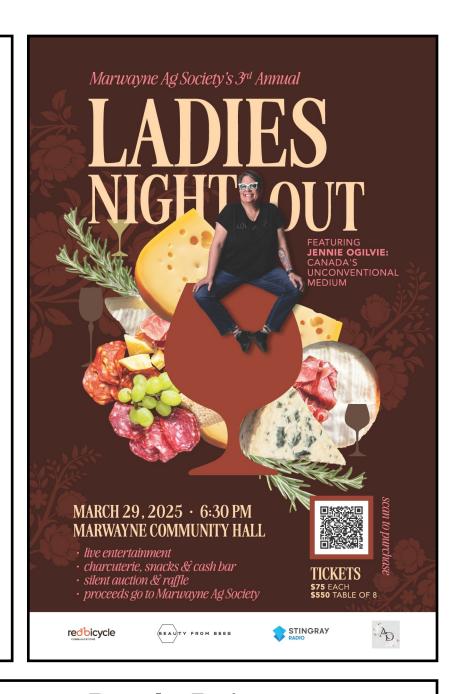
These strategies can be tools to help guide you through the grieving process. Grief is an individualized experience, so experimenting with these tips at your own pace might be helpful.

Submitted by: Walking Through Grief Society

Funded by FCSS; City of Lloydminster, Towns of Vermilion and Wainwright, Village of Kitscoty. and County of Vermilion River.



To the community volunteers who put on the delicious home-made Seniors
Christmas Lunch in December.





Bottle Drive

MJS Class of 2025

As part of the graduating class of 2024/25, we are hosting a fundraiser as a collective in hope of raising money for the community dance at the hall on Friday, May 30th, 2025. We will be going around town on January 8th collecting any recyclable bottles that you are willing to donate. If you are not around on the 8th, but are wanting to donate some bottles, you can leave them on your front step or drive way, and we will happily collect them for you. We thank you for your support and generosity!

Happy Holidays!

MARWAYNE COMMUNITY PLAYGROUND ASSOCIATION PRESENTS SEAN LECOM SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH 2025 ★★★ **MARWAYNE HALL** DOORS OPEN/COCKTAILS CORPORATE TABLES OF 8 5:00PM \$520 SUPPER 6:00PM **INCLUDES 8 FREE DRINK TICKETS PER TABLE** SHOWTIME 7:30PM CASH BAR - SILENT AUCTION

PROCEEDS FROM EVENT GOING TOWARDS NEW PLAYGROUND STRUCTURE AT MARWAYNE SCHOOL

tickets avaiable on eventbrite

18+ event



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LITE UP MARWAYNE

THANK YOU!!

Thank you to everyone that came out to Lite Up Marwayne! The event was a great success with outdoor fires, wiener roast, Santa pictures and treat bags, toy bingo, cookie decorating, coloring, movie and wagon rides!

Thank you to everyone who volunteered, donated, and helped with the event.

- The County of Vermilion River for the events grant
 - Walkn on Water for the toy bingo prizes
- Lea Park Farm (Owen & Heather Johnston), Sheila Dorward and Marwayne Ag Services
 (James & Yolanda Oberhofer) for their cash donations
 - Pashniak Family & Ranch Supply for donating the firewood
 - Terry & Norma Butz for the wagon rides
 - Bobby Calder for organization and creation of cookie decorating
 - The Village of Marwayne for supplying the fire pits and hockey nets
 - Angie Atkinson for the creation of the coloring pages
 - Megan Steiner for donation of the candy bags
 - John Stanyer for his help bringing Santa to Marwayne
 - Yolanda Oberhofer for organizing the event
 - Thanks to Cheryle for starting this great event and to The Marwayne Ag Society for keeping it going.
- To the amazing volunteers: Heather Johnston, Arlene Parker, Ron Miskie, Alisha Miskie, Yvonne Garnier, Marissa Moon, Carly Lenore, Todd Hames, Sharon Kneen, Ryan Rose, Ilona Franklin, Ashley Rainey, Jen Quist, Delaney Saunders, Stephanie Midgley, Jen Quist and Yolanda Oberhofer
 - The Community Hall for use of their facility

~ Hosted by the Marwayne Ag Society ~



Call/Text Glen 780.545.4224

#10 Railway Avenue ~ Marwayne, AB (across from D&D Grocery)

STOP BY THE YARD ~ ALL STOCK IS PRICED

10' Prairie Gates \$99

Firewood For Sale

Scrap Battery Drop Off

*ALL PROCEEDS FROM BATTERIES
DROPPED OFF ARE DONATED TO
SHINE ACADEMY & MARWAYNE CURLING CLUB*
THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE DONATED

Decorative Driveway Gates Security Fence Panels

24' Free Standing Livestock Panels (with gates/without)
ATV Texas Gates - 2 Styles - \$900 or \$1200
Windbreak Panels \$1100
Galvanised Square Tubing Round Pen \$4100
Fence Line Feeders \$850
30' Belting Grain Troughs \$1200
Heavy Duty Four Bale Feeders \$2600
Fence Line Silage Bunks \$1500
24' Silage Bunks \$1250
40' 3 Door Sea Can

