

## THE CAO'S CORNER

July 23, 2026

Hello Ryley!

In 2019, Council and I saw that stormwater drainage and flooding was a problem in Ryley. It's expensive to fix and takes a long time. But we started the work in 2020.

It's been difficult to justify in recent years during drought conditions: without floods, why spend on flood mitigation? But this bout of record rainfall has shown us how important it is to get our stormwater management in control. We are very lucky in Ryley that we did the work we did. Far from complete because we still saw flooded basements, but we did not experience any spontaneous lakes like Tofield and other places in the County.

I am so sorry for those who are experiencing flooded basements. I assure you that we are doing our best at the Village to move stormwater as quickly as possible to prevent flooding. Stormwater management is not a simple job of digging a few ditches. There is a lot of survey involved.

Thank you for listening. Let's continue to Live the Life of Ryley!

Glen Hamilton-Brown  
Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)

With the introduction of the **Urban Hen Bylaw 2025-986**, five (5) properties in the Village are permitted to own urban hens with a license. The limit is set at four (4) hens per residence, with a minimum of three (3). No roosters are permitted on any residence within the village. An adequate fence and a property of at least 7,000 square feet is required to own urban hens. Current owners of urban hens have until October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026 (90 days after the bylaw was passed) to obtain a license and comply with the conditions in the bylaw, which is available to view on the Village website.

As per the **Community Standards Bylaw 2015-912**, uncut grass or weeds must be maintained and not exceed a height of 15cm (6 inches). Property owners are required to maintain the front, rear and sides of their property, as well as the boulevards adjacent to their property.

With the construction on 49<sup>th</sup> St and 56<sup>th</sup> Ave, many of our residents have been using their back driveways as primary access to their properties. The **Traffic Control Bylaw 2024-976** does not allow parking on alleys. We urge residents to be mindful of alley access so that other residents and emergency vehicles have access.

The **Land Use Bylaw 2020-936** does not allow occupancy of recreational vehicles such as RVs, camping trailers or campers within the Village limits with the exception of vehicles registered at the Ryley campgrounds. No person is allowed to keep a recreational vehicle in the front of their property or on the roadway for more than 48 consecutive hours.

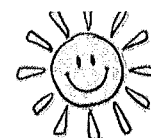
Village of Ryley Bylaws can be viewed online at <https://www.ryley.ca/government/planning-development/>

**The 2026 GO East Roadtrip Game has begun! Stop by the Village Office to pick up the Travel Guide for sticker locations!**

**SUMMER is HERE!!**  
Watch for our local food and beverage vendors setting up shop around town!

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Ryley FCSS** is looking for additional board members. Ryley FCSS runs many valuable programs in our community and needs an active engaged board. Contact [fcss@ryley.ca](mailto:fcss@ryley.ca) to find out more.



August



## VILLAGE of RYLEY

### COMMUNITY CONNECTOR

August 2026

### NOTES FROM THE VILLAGE OFFICE:

**PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS** are due on:  
August 26, 2026

**EMAIL UTILITY BILLING** is available. Please contact the Village Office to register.

**PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION AND MAILING ADDRESS IS UP TO DATE WITH OUR OFFICE.**

Construction within the Village is expected to continue into the end of September. For the safety of workers and the public, please obey all traffic control devices, signs and barricades while they are in place. Thank you for your cooperation!

**VILLAGE OF RYLEY**  
Box 230, Ryley, Alberta, T0B 4A0  
Phone: 780-663-3653  
Email: [admin@ryley.ca](mailto:admin@ryley.ca)

Animal Control: 780-288-0304  
Water Emergencies: 780-663-0421  
Public Works Emergencies: 780-991-7358

Odor Issues & Concerns:  
Claystone Waste: 780-663-2038  
Clean Harbors: 780-663-3828

FORTIS (Powerlines/Trees): 780-310-9473

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

Thank you to the Community Enrichment & Engagement Committee for hosting the first annual Summer Fest on July 18! Due to the success and excellent weather, the CEEC will be making Summer Fest an annual event. They would like to thank their sponsors Claystone Waste, Clean Harbors and Tasty's Truckin' Good Eats. This event would not be possible without them. Their investment in and commitment to our community enriches the lives of residents and continues to show the attractions that can be brought to main street.

Thank you to the Village Council and volunteers for cooking and serving the pancake breakfast for residents! A heartfelt thank-you to our food vendors, market vendors and local businesses for helping make the festival a success. Their participation, hospitality, and dedication created a vibrant and welcoming atmosphere for residents and visitors. We truly appreciate the time, effort, and enthusiasm they brought to the event, and we are grateful for their continued support of our community.

All money raised from the dunk tank and pie throwing auctions was donated to the Sunshine Club and the Friends of Ryley School Society.



### Harvest Dinner and Dance

**Saturday, October 24th**

The Village is hosting a new fall event. Dinner catered by local and well-known **A1 Catering**, dance recital by our own **Niko's Dance Studio** and a night of dancing to 80's/Country music by **Dahlia and the Villains!**

**Tickets go on sale Sept 14th**

### Clean Harbors Community Enhancement Grants:

**Bardo Recreation Association - \$2,500**

**Community Christmas Hamper Program - \$2,000**

**Ryley Pool and Wellness Center - \$10,000**

**Ryley Slo-Pitch League - \$2,800**

**Tofield Braves - \$1,000**

**Village of Holden - \$6,000**

*Thank You* **CleanHarbors**

### Mosquitoes

By Leanne Monteith

wanna go outside, mosquitoes gonna get me,  
try to run away, little buggers catch me,  
smack em and wave, they dodge and dart,  
jump up and down, with them I do not part,  
so I head into the house, they are followin me,  
run and slam the door, turn and lock the key,  
thinkn I am safe, close my eyes and sigh,  
Hear a little buzzy noise....  
I give up, I tried.



**SHOP  
LOCAL!  
KEEP OUR  
SMALL BUSINESSES  
OPEN!**

The Ryley **SLO-PITCH LEAGUE** plays every Thursday evening! Refreshments provided by Canadian Country Brews. Wander down to the Sports Grounds and catch a game!

4-9 PM

**PICKLE BALL @ The Curling Rink**

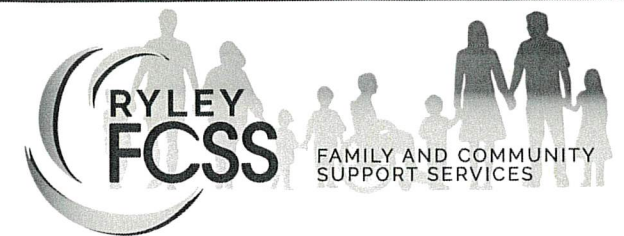
Monday & Thursday

9:30 AM-11:00 AM

Tuesday & Thursday - Kids &

Newcomers

6:30 PM-8:30 PM



## August Program Schedule

The Community Resource Centre will now be open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9am-3pm.

**Drop-in Play Group - new dates coming!**

**Tuesdays @ 1:30pm Drop-in Chair Yoga**

Free program. Wear comfy clothing.

**1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays @ 6:30pm Prize Bingo**

Free program. Bring a prize item to add to the prize racks or donate to FCSS and get extra cards.

Loonie concession. Now sponsored by Busy B Bargains!

**Thursdays @ 9am Drop-in Chair Yoga**

Free program. Wear comfy clothing.

**Summer Program Tuesday to Friday**

10:00 AM-11:45 AM ages 8 and up

1:00 PM-2:45 PM ages 5-8

**To Register please email**

**programdirector@ryley.ca**

**or call 780-663-3653**

All activities are at the  
**COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE**  
unless otherwise noted.

**SPECIAL & POP-UP EVENTS**

are posted on the windows at the Centre.

**Ryley Community Resource Centre**

5021 - 50 St.

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