

A large collage of 24 small photographs arranged in a grid-like fashion, showcasing various outdoor activities and scenic views. The images include: people participating in archery, canoeing on a river, hiking on a trail, and skiing on a snowy slope; scenic views of lakes, forests, and buildings; and people engaged in other outdoor activities like fishing and horseback riding. The collage is a visual summary of the 2014-2015 season's events and experiences.

Annual Report 2019



“Eagle Point-Blue Rapids Parks Council (EPBRPC) is a non-profit, community organization created to ensure the Eagle Point Provincial Park and Blue Rapids Recreation Area are managed for the enjoyment of outdoor enthusiasts and to bring positive impacts to our community.”

Avalie Peck, Chairperson

Hello, this is who we are...

Mission

To enhance and protect the Eagle Point Provincial Park and the Blue Rapids Provincial Recreation Area by working collaboratively with our partners to implement innovative park planning, funding and management for the benefit and public enjoyment of current and future generations.

Eagle Point Blue Rapids Parks Council Board of Directors

Executive

President	Avalie Peck (Sand & Gravel Representative)
Vice-President	Dollard O'Connor (Drayton Valley Horse Club)
Treasurer	Tammie Stafford (Pembina Nordic Ski Club)
Secretary	Tammy Orban (Association of Adjacent Landowners)

Directors

Denis Poissant (Brazeau ATV Club)
Leonard Claffey (Brazeau Bowbenders Archery Club)
Danielle Titanich (Drayton Valley Paddling Club)
Dave Swindlehurst (Drayton Valley Rotary)
Dustin Euchner (Evergreen Shooting Club)
Wayne Stec (West Central River Boat Assoc.)
Rob Meads (Oil & Gas Representative)
Greg Nelson (Alberta Environment & Parks)
Kara Westerlund (Brazeau County)
Tom McGee (Town of Drayton Valley)

Parks Council reflects the community through:

Operating Partners

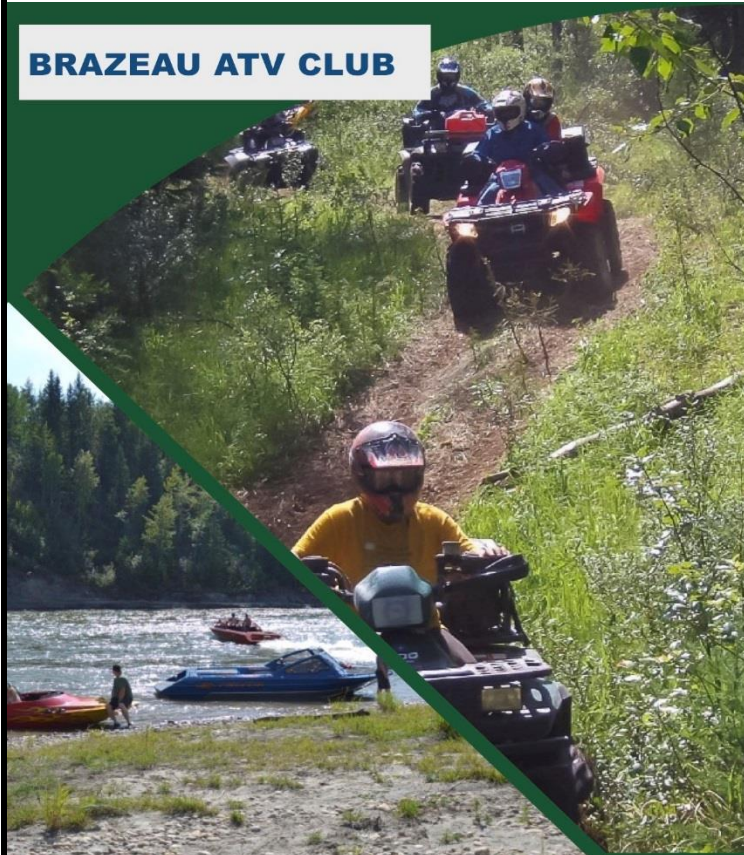
Special Interest
Members

Government
Members

EPBRPC STAFF

Sandra Bannard, Executive Director
Kathy Schwengler, Education and Outreach Director
Bev Broks, Director of Finance

BRAZEAU ATV CLUB



**PEMBINA
NORDIC SKI CLUB**



**WEST-CENTRAL
RIVERBOAT ASSOCIATION**

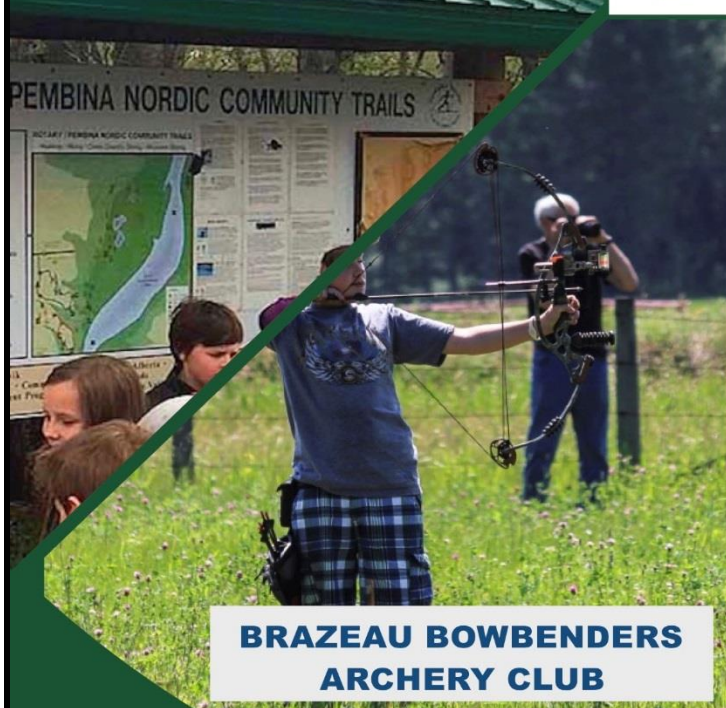


**DRAYTON VALLEY
ROTARY CLUB**

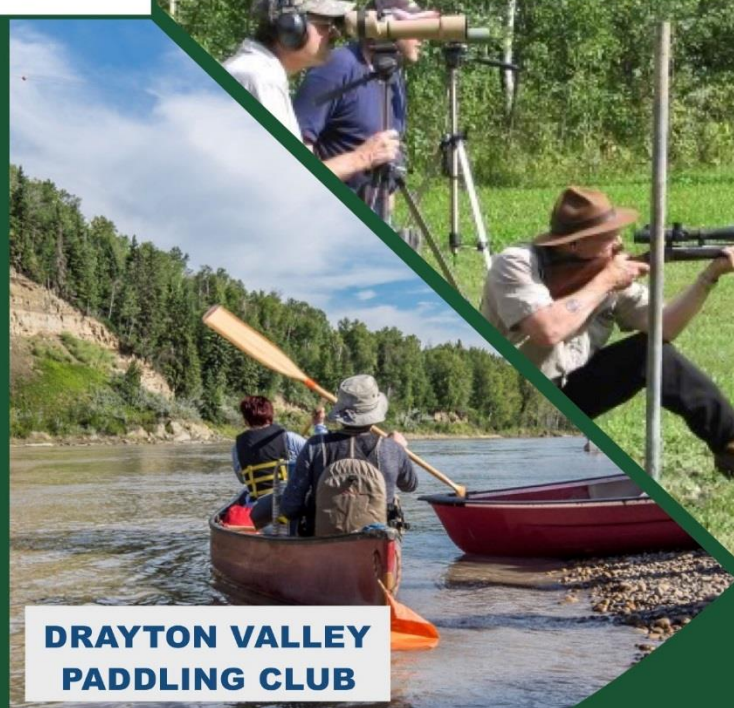


**DRAYTON VALLEY
HORSE CLUB**

**EVERGREEN
SHOOTING CLUB**



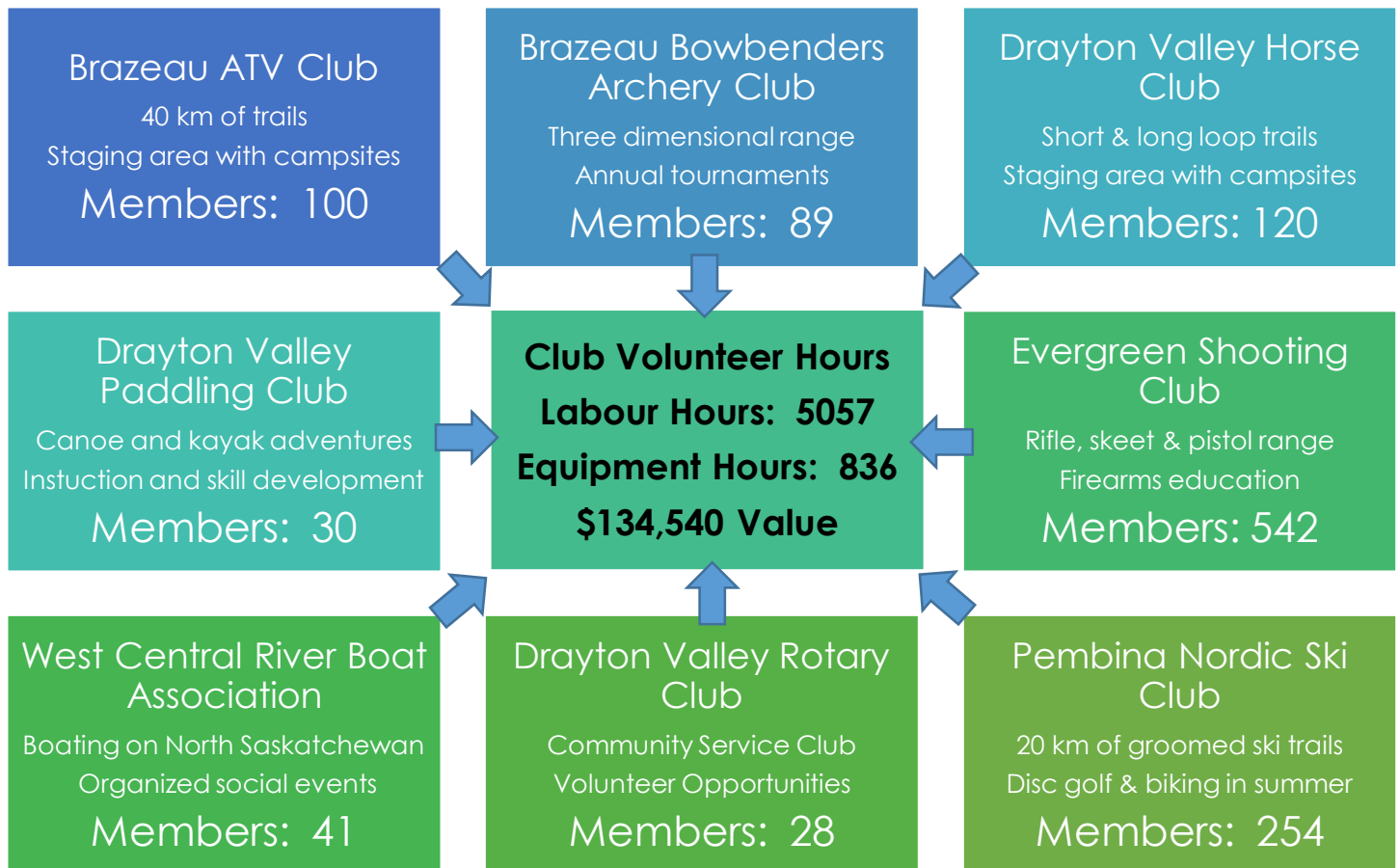
**BRAZEAU BOWBENDERS
ARCHERY CLUB**



**DRAYTON VALLEY
PADDLING CLUB**

MEMBER CLUBS IMPACT

The member clubs are foundational partners in the Parks System. These not for profit organizations host events, as well as maintain, enhance and develop additional recreational facilities for the enjoyment of their members, residents, and visitors to the area. Club members give their time, talent and treasure to ensure the lasting legacy of recreational opportunities in the Eagle Point-Blue Rapids Parks System.



"There is no power for change greater than a community discovering what it cares about."

Margaret J. Wheatley



Networking with Nature-Connecting to Wellness is a three-year environmental education strategy that was adopted in 2019. Goals with this strategy are to have youth and adults:

- look up from electronic devices and see the beauty of the sky, trees and critters on the ground
- understand that going outside can make you feel happy and inspired
- appreciate that we are stewards of our resources
- learn about Indigenous cultures and traditions in our community
- experience curriculum linked, outdoor programs that enhance student learning
- attract visitors from other communities to experience our awesome Eagle Point Provincial Park and Blue Rapids Provincial Recreation Area and to know we offer great experiential, environmental education programming

"I like how the activities were hands on and you could observe the animals up close."

Ruben, Grade 5

EDUCATION IMPACT

“Networking with Nature” Environmental Education



Eagle Point-Blue Rapids Parks Council Staff want to engage area residents and visitors in outdoor experiences that will promote a full on connection with nature! Environmental Education Programs are curriculum linked for students to ensure that learning outcomes are met through hands on, fun experiences.



18 - Program Choices

91 - Sessions held during 2019

16 - Program Locations

7 - Community Youth Organizations

5198 Participants

9 - Regional Schools

91% of youth



recognize it's important to spend time in nature

“Encourage your child to have muddy, grassy or sandy feet by the end of each day, that’s the childhood they deserve.”

Penny Whitehouse

COMMUNITY IMPACT

Special Events 2019

On Saturday, July 20, 2019 Eagle Point- Blue Rapids Parks Council hosted our twelfth annual Parks Day! Canada's Parks Day takes place on the 3rd Saturday of July each year, and Parks Day here at home was a great success. The weather cooperated and we had a beautiful day for everyone to enjoy! Paddling, ATV rides, archery, jet boat rides, children activities, all day live entrainment including First Nations drummers and dancers, a Craft Market, and a free community barbeque led to an eventful day from start to finish. We would like to thank everyone who attended as well as acknowledge our member recreational groups and all the wonderful volunteers who came out to support the event.



750
Participants

17 Archers
8 ATV Riding Guests
76 Paddlers
28 Mushroom Foragers
430 Jet Boat Rides
600 Burgers
Plus, way more fun

Parks Day

"It's events like this where reconciliation happens."

Douglas Bonaire, Parks Day Presenter with Morning Star Drummers and Dancers

COMMUNITY IMPACT

Special Events 2019

Fire & Ice Festival



500
Participants

4 Fire Artist Shows
226 Choo Choo rides
450 cups of Hot Chocolate
425 burgers
100 hot dogs
267 Maple Syrup Taffy Suckers
Plus, way more fun

On Sunday, February 15, 2019, Eagle Point-Blue Rapids Parks Council, in partnership with the Town of Drayton Valley, presented the first annual Fire & Ice Festival at the Downtown Park. Despite very chilly weather, -24 degrees C, residents braved the cold and were treated to free hot dogs and hamburgers, Indigo Circus's Fire Artists and Roving Ice Queen, free skating, train rides, bonfires, maple taffy, music and lights. On Family Day EPBRPC collaborated with Reid Law for a Family Day Snowshoe at the Rotary Trails South. These events were only made possible by very warm blooded volunteers with big hearts.

"When fun gets deep enough, it can heal the world."

The Ouqui

COMMUNITY PROJECT



Rotary-Pembina Nordic Outdoor Education Centre

On October 9, 2019 the Rotary-Pembina Nordic Outdoor Education Centre had its grand opening. This building project was led by the Pembina Nordic Ski club in collaboration with the Drayton Valley Rotary Club, the Town of Drayton Valley, Brazeau County, Alberta Environment and Parks, Alberta Community Facility Enhancement Program, Load Star Construction and numerous donors and suppliers who provided resources toward its completion. The "OEC" will be used by the Pembina Nordic Ski Club for club events, by Eagle Point-Blue Rapids Parks Council staff for delivery of Environmental Education Programs, and will be available to the community as a unique facility rental.

Project Cost

\$675,000

"Alone we can do so little;
together we can do so much."

Helen Keller

EPBRPC PARTNERS

"The Eagle Point-Blue Rapids Parks Council loves to build relationships in the community. Community partnerships have developed from working with organizations, businesses or groups to advance common interests through financial sponsorship, mutual support, common advertising or uniting together to host an event. In 2019 we were delighted to partner with all of the organizations listed and whom we would consider friends. Thank you for your commitment to enhancing our community!" Sandra Bannard, Executive Director

Financial Donors

Pembina Pipeline
ATCO
Drayton Valley FCSS
Servus Credit Union
Alberta Treasury Branch
Government of Alberta
Drayton Valley Community Foundation
Edmonton Community Foundation
Town of Drayton Valley
Brazeau County
Byram Family Foundation
Drayton Valley Rotary Club
Koerr Inc.
Reid Family Law
Weyerhaeuser
Carlson Roberts Seely LLP
Alberta Environment and Parks

Supporters

Drayton Valley IGA
M & M Food Market
McDonald's Drayton Valley
Scott & Sherry Robertson
Royal Astronomical Society Edmonton
Drayton Valley Municipal Library
Brighter Futures
AIM for Success
FMHS Girls Rugby Team
Drayton Valley Hospitality & Tourism
Balance RT Consulting
Weyerhaeuser
Atmosphere
Metis Nation of Alberta Local
Tervita
Heather Rominick
Alder Flats Community Agricultural Society
Alder Flats Fish & Game Association
Alder Flats Library

FINANCIAL DATA

EAGLE POINT-BLUE RAPIDS PARKS COUNCIL

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures

31-Dec-19

	Total 2019	Total 2018
REVENUES		
Grant revenue	\$ 254,865	\$ 184,132
Sponsorships	\$ 4,700	\$ 2,400
Service Revenue	\$ 3,854	\$ 1,920
Event Revenue	\$ 2,914	-
Cash Donations	\$ 500	\$ 8,764
Reimbursed Supplies	\$ 3,333	\$ 60
	\$ 269,596	\$ 197,276
EXPENSES		
Salaries and wages	\$ 54,302	\$ 50,328
Core contractors	\$ 50,106	\$ 51,485
Sub-contracts	\$ 27,584	\$ 18,446
Supplies	\$ 23,284	\$ 6,619
Office	\$ 12,353	\$ 9,887
Amortization	\$ 6,794	\$ 7,129
Travel	\$ 4,287	\$ 2,699
Professional fees	\$ 3,500	\$ 4,950
Insurance	\$ 3,079	\$ 2,387
GST Expense	\$ 2,731	\$ 1,701
Advertising and promotion	\$ 1,650	\$ 3,215
Telephone	\$ 1,399	\$ 2,079
Repairs and maintenance	\$ 232	-
Interest and bank charges	\$ 139	\$ 295
Training	\$ 81	-
	\$ 191,521	\$ 161,220
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES FROM OPERATIONS		
	\$ 78,375	\$ 36,056
OTHER INCOME	\$ 2,699	\$ 600
Total	\$ 81,074	\$ 36,656

FINANCIAL DATA

EAGLE POINT-BLUE RAPIDS PARKS COUNCIL

Statement of Financial Position

31-Dec-19

	Total 2019	Total 2018
ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Cash	\$ 154,272	\$ 88,840
Accounts receivable	\$ 16,213	\$ 151
Goods and services tax recoverable	\$ 2,780	\$ 1,660
	\$ 173,265	\$ 90,561
LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Accounts payable	\$ 5,703	\$ 4,302
Deferred Income	\$ 140	
	\$ 5,843	\$ 4,302
NET ASSETS		
Reserve Fund	\$ 17,000	\$ 17,000
Net assets	\$ 150,422	\$ 69,349
	\$ 167,422	\$ 86,349
Total	\$ 173,265	\$ 90,651

Complete financial statements available at:

www.epbrparkscouncil.org

Financial statements prepared by Carlson Roberts Seely LLP



Eagle Point-Blue Rapids **Parks Council**

A Community Based Approach to Innovative Park Planning