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Welcome to

Welcome to the Town of Athabasca! Come and experience our unique culture, history and character. Situated on the banks of the mighty Athabasca River, our town and surrounding area offers year-round activities for all to enjoy. Sign up for a historical walking tour to experience our history and culture firsthand or come and check out our Framers' Market that operates every Saturday through out the summer.

I also invite you to come and spend time at our riverfront. It is the jewel and hub of our downtown community. Enjoy an afternoon picnic with your family while the kids play at the Rotary splash park, the Lion's playground or the skateboard and outdoor fitness parks.

While you are downtown, I encourage you to visit our shops and stores and any of our many excellent restaurants. You will find our business community to be very friendly and accommodating.



**Mayor
Rob Balay**

When you are in Athabasca, take advantage of a nature walk along the river on one of our many walking and biking trails. We offer more than 20 kilometers of walking, biking, and hiking trails to explore. Our trails are accessible year-round, so if you're into skiing, check out Muskeg Creek trails, which offers a variety of challenges from the beginner to the competitive skier.

We have outstanding recreational facilities including our aquatic and fitness center which opened in 2019. It is a magnificent facility and compliments our existing recreation facilities at the multiplex very well. Our 18-hole golf-course alongside the Athabasca River draws golfers from all over the province because of its beauty, peacefulness, and challenges. Come and check it out.

On behalf of Town Council and our entire community I welcome you to our town.



Athabasca

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On behalf of Athabasca County, welcome! Our region has so much to offer, and we are pleased to share our county with you and host your outdoor adventure during your stay.

If you're getting away from an urban centre to reconnect with nature, you're in for a treat. Athabasca County boasts the great Athabasca River, which makes its way from Jasper, Alberta, through Athabasca and north through Fort McMurray to Lake Athabasca. It's a natural wonder that fascinates tourists and residents alike. Dip your toes or test the waters in a boat, canoe, or paddleboard. You won't be disappointed by the scenic beauty of the riverside.

Speaking of scenic, if hiking is your thing, the Athabasca Landing Trail is a must on your to-do list. The Trail's origin goes back to 1876, when it was built as an access route to the Hudson's Bay Company. A popular 11.7 km trek, the Athabasca Landing Trail begins in Athabasca and winds south along the Tawatinaw River. It truly is a hidden gem waiting to be rediscovered.

While you're here, experience our region's many campgrounds and day-use sites. Wind



**Reeve
Brian Hall**

down and enjoy time with family and friends in peaceful surroundings. Be sure to bring along your swimming, hiking, fishing, and relaxing-around-the-fire gear.

If you're a history buff, you'll want to visit the Amber Valley Museum. It offers a glimpse into the history of the first African American families that came from Oklahoma and Texas to homestead in the area in the early 1900s. The museum is located within the Amber Valley Community Hall, east of the Athabasca townsite.

We can go on about the summers in Athabasca County, but it wouldn't be fair not to mention winter activities planned each season. Did you know that the County has nearly 300 kilometers of groomed snowmobile trails? Embrace winter by signing up for a family-friendly snowmobile rally – you'll be amazed by the white wonderland in north-central Alberta.

Whether you're here to hike, bike, boat, fish, golf, snowmobile, tour, or unwind by one of our many lakes, we hope you take back great memories of your time here and return to make more.



Welcome to the Village of Boyle



The Village of Boyle is a thriving community located along the Highway 63 corridor between Edmonton and Fort McMurray. It serves as a hub for a large area that encompasses agriculture producers, forest industries, oil and gas service businesses, First Nation communities and cottagers living at Skeleton Lake, Amisk Lake, Long Lake, Hope Lake and North Buck Lake.

Our vibrant business sector offers both everyday necessities and specialty products and services. You will find our business community to be both very friendly and accommodating while maintaining competitive pricing and a wide selection of products.

Our Municipal Centre is an architectural gem, housing the Senior's Drop-in Centre as well as the Library and Archives. The Boyle Community



**Mayor
Colin Derko**

Centre can seat hundreds and plays host to many events throughout the year. Our Millview Recreation Complex boasts an arena and curling rink.

The Boyle Agricultural Society remains active year-round hosting workshops and 4-H events, barrel racing, Farmer's Market, various concerts and community friendly events.

In the summer, enjoy our ball diamonds, skateboard park, sand volleyball courts, spray park and tennis. Go golfing at the Skeleton Lake Golf & Country Club or Northern Ridge Golf & RV Resort. Go swimming, boating, water skiing and camping at any of our nearby lakes. Flat Lake is a haven for birdwatchers and is just west of Boyle.

On behalf of the citizens of Boyle and the rest of the council, I welcome you to Boyle.



New Splash Park!

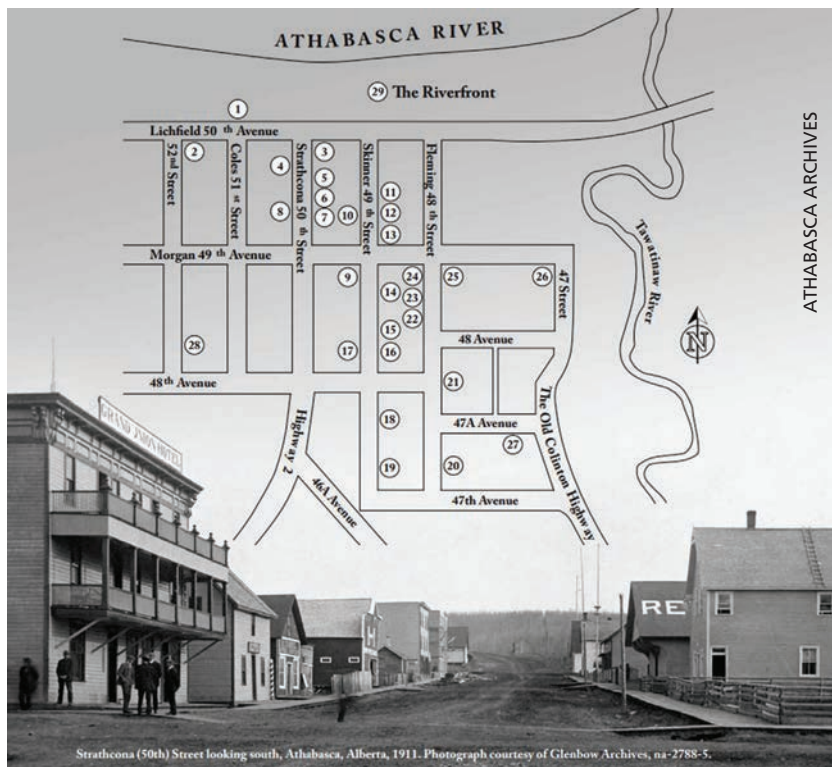
**Walking Trails and
an Amazing Library!**



The Boyle and area offers numerous recreational opportunities including several lakes, 2 golf courses (Skeleton Lake & Northern Ridge Long Lake) and endless miles of ATVing on crown land. Amenities within the Village of Boyle include

a youth centre, fitness centre, indoor and outdoor skating rink, a curling rink, community centre, ball diamonds, walking trails and a new spray park. We are also looking forward to the completion of a new skate board park.

We invite you check out our Town Hall, Library and Seniors Drop-In Center. Stop in Boyle for a wide range of goods and services provided with small-town hospitality.



CANADA'S BUILDING BLOCKS

The Athabasca region enjoys a deep and rich history. The region was first settled as the Hudson's Bay Company's "headquarters of northern transportation" and "gateway to the north."

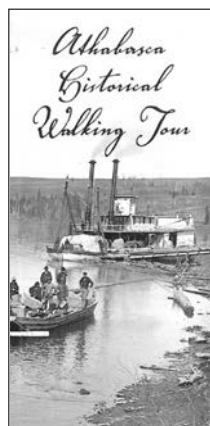
Athabasca Landing was a meeting place of First Nations, Métis, and Europeans, and gained the national stage by 1900 – as the key transportation centre linking the Hudson's Bay Company and other independent traders to Canada's northwest and the Arctic. athabascaheritage.com

WALKING TOUR

From the early days as a frontier town to the fire of 1913, Athabasca – or Athabasca Landing, as it was known – was built by a complex web of peoples.

The "Athabasca Historical Walking Tour" guide takes visitors and locals alike through layered histories and how the town came to be. Starting at the Athabasca Train Station, you can walk either along the riverfront or back up toward the downtown core.

Download the map and other publications at <https://www.athabascaheritage.com/publications>



Athabasca Regional Multiplex Fitness & Aquatic Centre

Located on the west side of Athabasca, our Multiplex houses an arena, curling rink, 25-metre swimming pool, kiddie pool, hot tub, lazy river and a water slide, as well as the fieldhouse indoors. Outside are baseball diamonds, soccer pitches and playgrounds. The Multiplex can host all of your sporting events, meetings, parties or conferences in their spacious rooms upstairs.

780-675-2967 | athabascamultiplex.ca

Nancy Appleby Theatre

Featuring 280 seats, a 780-square-foot stage, a green room, fully equipped modern lighting and sound board technology, this theatre can hold any type of performance drawing in local, national and international productions.

780-675-2967 | athabascamultiplex.ca

Athabasca University

As Canada's Open University, AU serves over 40,000 students, offering over 850 courses in more than 55 different programs. Stroll around the campus, or schedule a tour of the building. 780-675-6349

Northern Lakes College

Northern Lakes College is a unique and growing institution that serves a region covering 164,000 square kilometers and more than 50 communities, including 10 First Nations and four Métis Settlements. Athabasca is home to one of their campuses: located at Athabasca University. 780-675-9484

Shopping in the downtown district

Athabasca's commercial district offers a variety of gift, craft and specialty stores, plus all the essentials for residents and visitors alike. Watch out for Moonlight Madness in November, and Customer Appreciation Day in July.

QUICK STOPS

Athabasca Riverfront Park

The historic Athabasca Landing features a spray park, skateboard park, playground, fitness equipment, boat launch, picnic area, walking trail, outdoor stage and heritage displays, plus parking for larger vehicles.

Lions Centennial Park

Enjoy the view of the town from across the river at the Lions Centennial Park. To access the park, take Highway 813 north and your first left after you cross the Athabasca River bridge – watch for signs.

Boyle Splash Park/Skate Park and Tennis Court

Located in Boyle next to the Arena, you will find something for everyone. Cool off at the spray park, get a workout, daydream in fields while watching the clouds or take some photos at the gazebo.

Off-leash Dog Park

An old baseball diamond has been converted to an off-leash dog park. Tucked away on the north side of town turn east onto 46a Ave. across from Fas Gas on Hwy 2 and follow that to the end of the road. 4504-48 Street



TOWN DEER WALKING BY THE ATHABASCA POTTERY CLUB LOCATED IN THE NORTH SIDE OF THE OLD BRICK SCHOOL

Alice B. Donahue Library and Archives

Open to the public year-round except for holidays, the Town of Athabasca Library has an extensive collection of books, reference books, DVDs, magazines, and e-resources. Services include free access to computers/internet, free WIFI, an assistive technology workstation, examination proctor, and photocopying/printing at a nominal cost. The Library also offers programming for children, adults, and seniors. Please check the website for programs, and for the days and times the Library is open.

780-675-2735 | <https://www.athabascalibrary.ab.ca/> | cgraefe@athabascalibrary.ab.ca

Athabasca Archives

The holdings in Athabasca's public Archives relevant to the area include 85 metres of textual records, 20,000 photographs, microfilmed and PDF newspapers from 1908 to the present, maps and blueprints, school yearbooks, artefacts, and a collection of local art. Staff is available to help with your research and answer your questions. Please check the website for the days and times the Archives is open.

780-675-2735 | athabascaarchives.org | manderson@athabascalibrary.ab.ca

Boyle Public Library

Located in the municipal building in Boyle, the library provides free public access to computers, the Internet, and offers wireless connections. The Boyle Public Library holds a popular summer reading program in July and August as well as story hours and Read and Rhyme programs and has a Digital Accessible Information System (DAISY) for the visually impaired. Other services are photocopying, scanning, colour printing, faxing and exam proctoring all for a nominal fee. Please check the website for hours and pricing of our other services.

780-689-4161 | boylelibrary.ca/

Lose Yourself in the

The Athabasca-Boyle region is the perfect destination to experience adventure, culture, history and relaxation. Amid lush boreal forests, the Athabasca-Boyle region features picturesque lakes, dynamic communities, scenic natural vistas and unique recreation opportunities — all less than a 90 minutes' drive north of Edmonton.



Geography: Majestic

The Athabasca River enters the region near the Hamlet of Smith, winding its way to the Town of Athabasca before turning north toward Lake Athabasca. The Tawatinaw River and Muskeg Creek valleys also shape the landscape. Lakefront living is popular with both residents and visitors to the Athabasca-Boyle region.



Athabasca Region

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Population: 12,000

Many families choose our small communities, lakefront and rural living as an alternative to the big city lifestyle, and leading the Athabasca-Boyle area to grow over the years. According to the most recent census (2016), just over 12,000 people live in the region.



Climate: It's Canada!

The Athabasca-Boyle region averages 382 mm of rain and 122 cm of snow per year. Average temperatures range from 16 C at the height of summer to -15 C in January. The region's latitude provides almost 17.5 hours of daylight at the summer solstice, and just over seven hours in December.



Amber Valley

In the early 1900s, 170 Black settlers came from Oklahoma in search of a more tolerant home and formed the community of Amber Valley, east of Athabasca. Though most of the original families have moved on, the Amber Valley Cultural Centre, and Jordan Murphy Cemetery remain. Tours of the museum are available by appointment.

780-675-3490 | 780-675-4699

Atmore

Located at the junction of Highways 63 & 55 where Fort McMurray travelers make the final northward turn, residents show their community pride through two signature events: the annual Hoof-a-Thon trail ride in support of the world-leading Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute and the popular Community Christmas Supper supporting the local food bank and Santas Anonymous program.

780-327-4357

Calling Lake

Located north of Athabasca on Highway 813, Calling Lake is the earliest known settlement in the region. First Nations tribes discovered plentiful fishing in the lake, which remains today as one of the preferred spots for anglers. Part of the Bigstone Cree Nation, Calling Lake offers camping, summer and full-time cottage living.

Colinton

Located south of Athabasca in the scenic Tawatinaw River valley. The Colinton Hotel's Thursday steak nights, held through the summer months, draws regular visitors from as far away as Edmonton.

Grassland

Located on the east side of our region along Highway 63, Grassland is well known as a convenient stopping point

for travelers between Edmonton and Fort McMurray. The community offers options to fuel vehicles and motorists alike, with events throughout the year.

Perryvale

Located just off Highway 2, deep in the Tawatinaw Valley, Perryvale carries a nostalgic feel with the classic architecture of its church, old-style general store and community centre. Locally-produced honey is available and is popular throughout the summer.

Rochester

A historic community founded in 1912 by the Canadian Northern Railway, Rochester remains an active, vibrant community. The local agricultural society hosts dances, suppers, bingos and other events through the year. A highlight featured every August is the Rochester Fair, featuring a parade, children's games, heavy horse pulling events and an old-time bench show.

Smith-Hondo

In the northwest corner of our region lie the twin communities of Smith & Hondo. Located near the joining of the Athabasca and Lesser Slave Rivers, it's a popular launching point for canoe or raft trips down the Athabasca River. The community shows its pride every Labour Day weekend with the Smith-Hondo Fall Fair that features animal exhibits, kids' games and exciting pony chuck and chariot races.

Wandering River

The last stop on the northward trek up Highway 63 to Fort McMurray, Wandering River is a growing community. It offers a myriad of services for travelers and a fun yet challenging golf experience at the nine-hole Riverside Golf Course.

SUMMER VILLAGES

Baptiste & Island Lake

Located west of Athabasca, a handful of summer villages surround the neighbouring lakes of Baptiste and Island Lake. Campgrounds, picnic areas, boating and fishing are available at both. Island Lake also has a special bird-watching area.

Skeleton Lake

East of Boyle lies picturesque Skeleton Lake and the summer villages of Bondiss and Mewatha Beach. There are camping and picnic areas, as well as the Skeleton Lake Golf Course. Further east near Caslan lie Amisk Lake and North Buck Lake, which also have day use areas.



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EVENTS



2023 EVENTS

Pastimes

Watch for bonspiels in both Athabasca and Boyle as well as concerts, plays and more. Winter is a great time to check out the trails in and around Athabasca and farther south in the Tawatinaw Valley for downhill and cross-country skiing opportunities. Ice fishing is always a popular pastime. Don't forget about square dancing every Sunday afternoon in Boyle and every Friday evening in Athabasca.

MAY

Atmore Hoof-A-Thon

This annual trail ride, taking place on May 6th, 2023, raises money in support of the world-leading Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute in Edmonton. A donation gets you a full day of activities, meals and entertainment. More information can also be found on the Atmore Community Hall Facebook page.

Contact Travaix for more information.

grassland37@yahoo.ca | 780-327-4357

Boyle Barrel Racing

Every Sunday in May the Boyle Agricultural Society hosts barrel racing. Run the cloverleaf in your fastest time at the Boyle rodeo grounds.

Email the BoyleAgSociety@outlook.com or follow them on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) for more information.

JUNE

Jet Boat Poker Rally and Rodeo June 3rd, 2023

All jet boats and watercrafts are welcome to participate! This is a popular event with boat owners from throughout the region and beyond and is providing a great way to get introduced to the amazing Athabasca River. The run operates like any other poker rally: stop in at the checkpoints to add a card to your hand, and the best poker hand wins. The fun doesn't end there – live music, kids' scavenger hunt, concession, cash prizes, and lots of door prizes make this an event for the whole family. Everything wraps up at Riverside Recreation Park, where you can camp for the night and participate in the boat rodeo on Sunday. Hosted by the Athabasca Riverboat Association. Call Darcy at 780-689-0567 or Crystal at 780-689-9584. You can also follow them on [Facebook](#) for more information.

National Indigenous Peoples Day

Join the Athabasca Native Friendship Centre to celebrate National Indigenous Peoples Day on June 21. Follow their [Facebook](#) page for more information and events. facebook.com/Athabasca-Native-Friendship-Centre-121200047972763

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HAWG FLATTS ANNUAL TOY RIDE EVENT - 2022

JUNE

Hawg Flatts Bike Rally & Pig Roast

Bikers everywhere know that Hawg Flatts is the place to be in June. The four-day event boasts a show & shine, bike rodeo, concessions and contests. The venue has the amenities you need to camp comfortably, including showers, fire pits and water. The secluded location, beer gardens and live music will keep you in good company. All age of majority are welcome. hawgflatts.com

Celebrate Lemonade Day in Northern Alberta!

Help us empower today's youth to be tomorrow's entrepreneurs! Lemonade Day is a free, fun, experiential learning program that teaches youth how to start, own and operate their own business – a lemonade stand. The foremost objective of Lemonade Day is to empower youth to take ownership of their lives and become productive members of society – the business leaders, social advocates, volunteers, and forward thinking citizens of tomorrow. Lemonade Day was brought to Northern Alberta in 2018 by one Community Futures office and was offered to participants in their region. Since then, Lemonade Day has spread to 11 Northern Alberta Community Futures regions.

JULY

Family Camp

The Athabasca Native Friendship Centre hosts their Family Camp in July. Call **780-675-3086** for information or follow them on Facebook. <https://www.facebook.com/Athabasca-Native-Friendship-Centre-121200047972763>

Athabasca Regional Airport Fly-In BBQ

The annual Athabasca Regional Airport Fly-In BBQ takes place in July and offers a fun afternoon watching planes and learning about aviation. Last year's event drew over 30 planes and 1,000 spectators. Sponsored by Athabasca County, the event offers a free barbecue lunch, kids' activities and exciting demonstrations in the sky and on the ground. There is also a vehicle Show 'n Shine on the grounds. athabascacounty.com



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JULY

Magnificent River Rats Festival

One of Northern Alberta's premier outdoor music festivals, attracting regional and national talent to its unique riverfront stage. The family festival boasts more than 16 hours of live music, a kids' zone, marketplace and lots of food. A Canada Day parade, classic car show, and fireworks round up a fantastic way to celebrate Canadian music talent.

riverratsfestival.com

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Show 'n Shine, free face painting, RCMP display, Farmers' Market/Bench Show, kids carnival, motorcycle bike ride and local business specials. The Wildberry Festival is celebrating over 10 years of local entertainment.

AUGUST

Back Pack Program

Watch for the Back Pack Program run by the Athabasca Native Friendship Centre in August. Be sure to follow them on Facebook for this and other events and programs.

facebook.com/AthabascaNativeFriendship-Centre-121200047972763

Boyle Wildberry Festival

This fun family festival draws hundreds from around the region every year for a

Rochester Fair

The annual Rochester Fair brings hundreds of visitors to the famed Main Street parade and Show 'n Shine, traditional jamboree, heavy horse pulls, marketplace and activities for the kids. Come for the day and bring your family – the pancake breakfast, great concessions, beer garden and steak supper in the evening will keep you well fed.

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AUGUST

Boyle Gymkhana

Held in August at the Boyle Ag grounds. 11 a.m. start both days. Take part in barrels, poles, stakes, flags and keyhole! Levels include mites (8 & under), peewee (9-11), junior (12-15), adult (16+) and green horse. \$10 entry for the weekend. For more information follow the Boyle Ag Society [Facebook](#) page or call/text 780-689-6568.

SEPTEMBER

Kapâwinihk Wilderness Triathlon

Kapâwinihk is Cree for Athabasca Landing and the Kapâwinihk Wilderness Triathlon is a Triathlon Alberta sanctioned event that usually takes place in September in Athabasca, Alberta. The triathlon consists of a 12 KM trail run on the TransCanada Trail, a 10 KM bike ride along the Muskeg Creek Trails and a 25 KM SUP or kayak down the mighty Athabasca River culminating at the Riverside Campground 25 KM northeast of Athabasca. Check out their website parallel54.org for more information.

Walk a Mile in her Shoes

Walk a Mile in her Shoes is an annual fundraising event hosted by PRAAC (Prevention of Relationship Abuse Action Committee) every September. <https://athabascapraac.ca>
Or Call 780-519-0577

OCTOBER

Sisters in Spirit Vigil

The Sisters in Spirit Vigil will be held in the beginning of October. It is open to the public who want to show support and walk in solidarity with the families of missing and murdered Indigenous women. Follow the Athabasca Native Friendship Centre's [Facebook](#) page for date, time and location.

Take a Stroll

Take some time to stroll the Muskeg Creek Trails or wander down Tawatinaw Valley to see the vibrant fall colours. Can you spot the bison along the ridge just north of Colinton? The Athabasca Golf & Country Club closes Thanksgiving weekend, weather permitting, so get in some last rounds before the snow flies. Check out the amazing Hawkey Studios, a truly unique experience where you can watch them build puppets and ask them questions.

NOVEMBER

Moonlight Madness

When Christmas is just around the corner, downtown Athabasca gets in the spirit! The local Chamber of Commerce organizes the last Friday in November when stores are open late, Santa Claus leads the parade, and fireworks fill the sky. Shop local with these great deals, contests and activities.

Kids Wrap

Every year the Athabasca Native Friendship Centre hosts a Kids Wrap in conjunction with the Athabasca Red Apple store. Check out the Athabasca Native Friendship Centre's [Facebook](#) page for more information.

While you are in the Athabasca area camping or visiting for the day, take your waste to our

Recycle/Waste Transfer Sites

You can recycle cardboard, newspapers, (rinse items), food cans, glass bottles, drink cans, juice boxes and more. Check out our website for full details.



Phone: 780.675.1117
athabascaregionalwaste.com

Thank you for visiting our Community.

2023/24 EVENTS

NOVEMBER

Christmas Artisan & Gift Show

Athabasca University hosts an annual artisan market once the Christmas season begins to grow near. It showcases one-of-a-kind crafts, baked goods, specialty items, and entertainment for the whole family. wellness.athabascau.ca/events/xmas

Tis the Season

Holiday themed events happening throughout November. Check the calendar on the Athabasca Chamber of Commerce Website: <https://www.athabascachamber.org/tistheseasoncalendar>

DECEMBER

Annual Bird Count

Since 1994 the Crooked Creek Conservancy and Science Outreach – Athabasca conduct their annual Athabasca Christmas Bird count December 24-30, where they spend several hours in the field observing and counting the boreal birds that reside across the region. For more information contact Ursula 780-675-9249 or Wayne 780-675-4461.

Boyle Community New Year's Eve Dance

Held on December 31 this fun, family-friendly event is great place to take the whole family. Featuring a DJ, photo booth, crafts and more everyone will have fun. Watch the fireworks display at 10 p.m. Hosted by the Boyle Agricultural Society.

JANUARY

Winter Sports

Hockey tournaments, bonspiels, ice fishing and more should be temptation enough to get you outside and checking out the local events, restaurants, shopping and more. Take an indoor tour of the historic United Church or Train Station. Go skating on one of the many outdoor rinks in and around Athabasca. Grab some hot chocolate at any of our great restaurants. Curl up at the library with a good book, either in Athabasca or Boyle.

FEBRUARY

Athabasca River Runners Snowmobile Rally

Everyone is welcome in this family-friendly snowmobile rally, which offers short and long routes. The area trails are groomed by the River Runners and the ride follows part of the Trans Canada Snowmobile Trail. Participants receive a poker hand and free hot dog lunch along the trail. athabascariverrunners.ca

Athabasca Loppet

Hosted by the Athabasca Northern Nordic Ski Club, this cross-country skiing event draws people from all over the province to the Muskeg Creek Trails. The 10 km track in the Town of Athabasca is groomed regularly for beautiful skiing anytime. Follow them on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/127885794569229/>





ATHABASCA GOLF COURSE

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Athabasca Golf & Country Club

The Athabasca Golf & Country Club is a championship-calibre 18-hole course that is the hidden gem of golf in Northern Alberta. It offers a licensed clubhouse, Fox Den Restaurant, pro shop and the capacity to hold tournaments and special events.

780-674-4599 | athagolf.com

(Camping facilities are also available at the adjacent Blueberry Hill RV Park – 780-675-3733, blueberryhillrvpark.ca)

Skeleton Lake Golf & Country Club

Located east of Boyle along the picturesque shores of Skeleton Lake, this par-36 nine-hole course is both fun and challenging. It hosts the annual Bryan Mudryk Golf Classic fundraiser for the Cross Cancer Institute. Club and cart rentals are available.

780-689-2455 | skeletonlakegolfandcountryclub.com



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www.skeletonlakegolfandcountryclub.com

Riverbank Golf & RV Park

Located just south of Wandering River off Highway 63, this fun 9-hole golf course is nestled along the banks of the Wandering River. Riverbank boasts reasonable golf fees and excellent food, so come down and check out this little hidden gem.

780-771-2582 | riverbankgolfandriv.com

Northern Ridge Golf Course

Located south of Boyle on Highway 831 near Long Lake Provincial Park, Northern Ridge Golf Course is easily recognizable by the antique farm machines adorning the tee boxes. The nine-hole course has grass greens, a clubhouse and camping on site.

780-576-3939 | northernridgegolf.ca

Hidden Valley Golf Course

Located in the southwest corner of region, 30 minutes north of Westlock on Highway 44, Hidden Valley Golf Course is a nine-hole golf course with campground.

780-954-2262 | hiddenvalleygolf.ca

Rocky Lane Fairways & Recreation

Located 3 km south of Athabasca, just off Highway #2, Rocky Lane Fairways is a family-focused recreational facility offering Par 3 golf, disc golf, soccer golf, fling golf and if the weather is poor, check out our top of the line golf simulator experience. Contact us for information on bookings for camping, corporate parties, reunions, weddings, and team building events. Google Rocky Lane Fairways and check out our website.

780-327-9671 | rockylanefairways@gmail.com

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Highways

Secondary

Primary

Trails

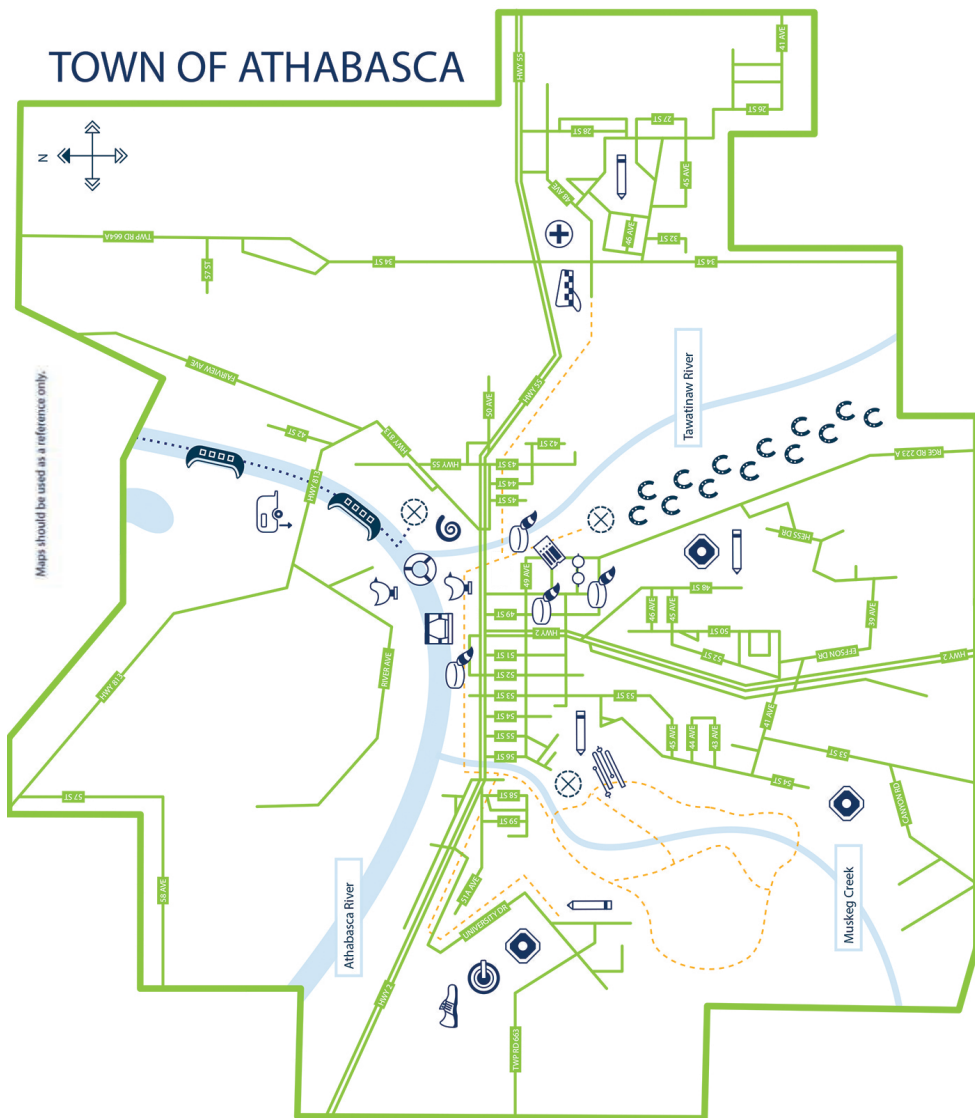
Athabasca Landing Trail (Finished)

Trail Head

Walking Trail

Trans Canada Canoe Trail

Maps should be used as a reference only.



Attractions

- Baseball Diamond
- Historical Site
- Riverfront Stage
- Theatre
- Spray Park / Skateboard Park
- Library
- Swimming Pool
- Playground / Park
- Cross Country Ski Chalet

Amenities

- Multiplex / Arena
- Rodeo Grounds / Agriplex
- Curling Rink
- Community Hall

Camping

- Municipal Campground
- Boat Launch
- Saint Dumps

Services

- School
- RCMP
- Hospital



Athabasca^{region}

NATURE HISTORY EVENTS

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Highways

Primary

Secondary

Attractions



Greenhouse



Bird Watching



Stocked Fish Pond



Baseball Diamond



Bowling Lanes



Golf Course



Historical Site

Tours

Trails



Trans Canada Canoe Trail



Motorcycle Route



Athabasca Landing Trail (Complete)



Athabasca Landing Trail (In Progress)



Trans Canadian Snowmobile Trail



Athabasca River Runners Trail



Trail Head



Staging Area



Peace River Trail

Amenities



Rodeo Grounds / Agriplex



Curling Rink



Community Hall



Airport

Camping



Private Campground



Municipal Campground

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Ghost Lake Campground

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Narrow Lake Campground

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Long Lake Campground

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Forfar Recreational Park

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Baptiste Lake Campground

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Hope Lake Campground

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North Buck Lake Campground



Provincial Campground

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North Buck Lake Provincial Park

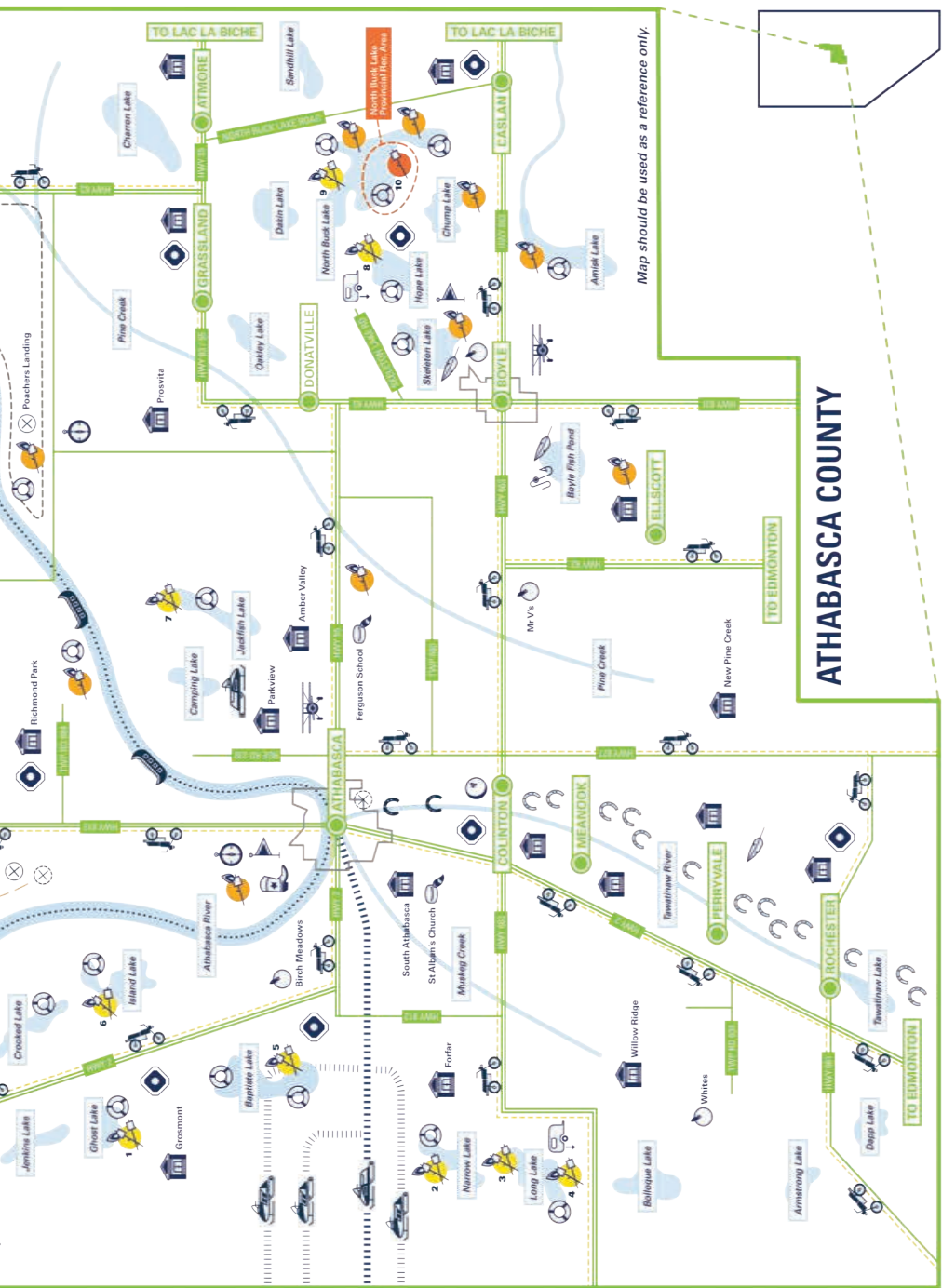


Boat Launch



Sani Dumps





ATHABASCA COUNTY

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SNOWMOBILE TRAILS



WINTER WARMTH IN THE COLD

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GETTING BACK TO NATURE

Cross-Country Skiing

In winter months, over 17 km of cross-country ski trails (1.2 km lighted) are maintained and groomed by the Athabasca Nordic Ski Club. Enter at the Muskeg Creek Chalet, by the Landing Trail Intermediate School, or at Athabasca University. For information on loppets and cross-country skiing follow the Athabasca Nordic Ski Club on Facebook. The Tawatinaw Valley Ski Area south of Rochester also has 25 km of groomed trails for classic and skate skiers. skitawatinawvalley.com

Downhill Skiing & Snowboarding

The Tawatinaw Valley Ski Area is south of Rochester just off Highway 2, while the Long Lake Ski Area is south of Boyle on Highway 831. Both offer slopes for all ages, rentals, lessons, chalets and concession services. skilonglake.com | skitawatinawvalley.com

Ice Fishing

Lakes in Athabasca-Boyle are open through the winter months for ice fishing. Check the official Alberta Sportfishing Regulations for full details, or for a special experience, contact Reel Angling Adventures to set up a guided expedition. reelangling.com

Curling

Both Athabasca and Boyle have thriving curling clubs that host a number of bonspiels during the winter. The Athabasca Curling Club can be reached through the Athabasca Regional Multiplex at 780-675-2199, while the Boyle Curling Club can be reached through the Village of Boyle, 780-689-3643.

Skating

Arenas at the Athabasca Regional Multiplex (780-675-2967), Millview Recreation Complex (780-689-3643), and Calling Lake Arena (780-331-2603) offer indoor public skating and drop-in shinny through winter. Outdoor ice surfaces are kept flooded around Athabasca (Cornwall & Hees Estates) in places like Rochester, Colinton, Island Lake South, Grassland, Wandering River and Richmond Park.

RIVER RUNNERS

With an annual membership of around 200, the Athabasca River Runners Snowmobile Club is an enthusiastic, family-oriented group with plenty to be proud of: they won the ASA Excellence Award for Outstanding Snowmobile Club in Alberta for the 2013/14 year, and they put Athabasca on the map as SnoRiders Magazine's No. 1 snowmobiling destination Alberta in the 2016 Sled Town ShowDown.



The club's 300 kilometres of groomed and well-marked trails pass through beautiful boreal forests west of Athabasca. There are 5 open fire pit areas where you can stop, always stocked with plenty of dry wood. Three of the locations – Spotted Horse Lake, September Lake, and Kuzyk's – have warm-up shacks.

The annual family-friendly rally in February has short and long runs fit for any style of snowmobiler. athabascariverrunners.ca

Amber Valley Chicken Supper

Amber Valley was settled in the early 1900s by black immigrants from Oklahoma seeking a better life. The twice-annual chicken suppers in **April** and **October** commemorate this history with traditional fried chicken, biscuits, corn fritters and vegetables. Visit the website for dates. visitathabasca.ca

Athabasca River Ramblers Square Dancers

Looking for some good friends and some fun on a Friday night? Join the River Ramblers for some good old-fashioned fun downstairs in Turnabout Avenue Place (5412 - 50 Avenue) in Athabasca every Friday night at 7 p.m. All ages and abilities welcome! Get more information on their [Facebook](#) page.



Athabasca Ukrainian Folk Dance Club

Celebrating 40 years, Athabasca has a strong Ukrainian dance club, with a long history of promoting quality dance and Ukrainian culture in our community. Watch for the yearly festival in the early spring.

Follow them on [Facebook](#). [facebook.com/Performing-Arts-Presenters-of-Athabasca-PAPA-292409442712](https://www.facebook.com/Performing-Arts-Presenters-of-Athabasca-PAPA-292409442712)

Back Alley Book Nook

Back Alley Book Nook is Athabasca's hottest used bookstore. They sell books, comics, art and they'll share a cup of coffee with you. Watch for their events featuring Canadian artists performing in the Book Nook's personal up-close setting. Check them out at backalleybooknook.com or on [Facebook](#).



TAWATINAW RIVER

Big River Arts Society

A diverse group of artists who cultivate local talents, bringing arts to local schools and stages. Check out their website for details about upcoming shows, including the spring dinner theatre. bigriverartssociety.wixsite.com/bigriverartssociety

Boyle Twilight Twirlers Square Dancers

Looking for a fun afternoon out and some great exercise? Shine your shoes, primp your skirt and head over to Boyle to check out the local square dance club. They do-si-do on Sunday afternoons from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Boyle Seniors Drop-In Centre 4800 - 3rd St S. Follow their [Facebook](#) page for information.

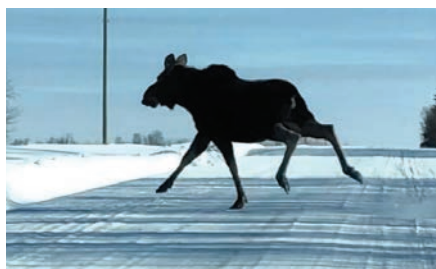
Colinton Hotel Steak Night

Weekly steak night at the historic Colinton Hotel is a unique local event that brings hundreds of people to the hamlet, every Thursday, from the beginning of May to the end of September. Enjoy a homecooked meal with locally raised beef steak on their large patio, and maybe you'll catch some live music! Seasonal daily soup specials (Oct. – March), sandwiches and appetizers are also available daily. Off sales and pre-made frozen meals as well as inspected beef are for sale. ATM on site.

visitathabasca.ca | 780-675-4744

Heartwood Folk Club

From David Francey to Cam Neufeld and the Gadjo Collective, this decades-old club hosts exceptional musicians in Athabasca throughout the year. Showcased in the Nancy Appleby Theatre, these performances allow up-and-coming artists and established musicians from around Canada to wow crowds with their talent. Tickets are available for most shows at Value Drug Mart (4911-50 Street) or Whispering Hills Fuels (2717 48 Avenue) in the town of Athabasca, or at the door. Season passes and gift certificates are also available. heartwoodfolkclub.com





Northern Lights Spiritus Singers

The Northern Lights Spiritus Singers is a holiday choir composed of 50 to 100 voices in five-part harmony. Every December, they put on a series of concerts filled with Christmas music that is one of the most highly anticipated events of the season. The Nancy Appleby Theatre has every seat filled for their thrilling performances. The concerts are by donation, with proceeds going to local charities. To learn more about the Northern Lights Spiritus Singers visit 2020nlssingers.wixsite.com/nlss

Pancake Breakfast - Athabasca Seniors' Centre

Our well known Pancake Breakfast is available the last Tuesday of every month, running from 7:30am - 10:00am! Only \$12.00 for pancakes, ham, sausages, eggs, juice & coffee! 4810-48th Street <http://www.athabascaseniors.ca/>

Performing Arts Presenters of Athabasca

PAPA brings high-quality Canadian content from the classical music scene to Athabasca. Visit their Facebook page for details on upcoming shows.



River Rats Festival

Athabasca's Magnificent River Rats Festival — one of Alberta's premier outdoor music events — offers two days of all-Canadian live entertainment on the scenic riverfront stage. Started in 1996, the Magnificent River Rats Festival has become a popular venue among some of Canada's best-known artists, who are consistently impressed by the unparalleled setting along Athabasca's

picturesque and historic riverfront. It also serves as a showcase for talented local musicians, allowing regional bands to reach new audiences. Previous Magnificent River Rats headliners have included country music icons like The Road Hammers, High Valley, and Michelle Wright, popular folk artists that include Leahy, Valdy, and Gary Fjellgaard, and classic

Canadian rockers like Randy Bachman, Kim Mitchell, Big Sugar and Finger Eleven. More recently, the festival has welcomed a new generation of Canadian performers, including Victoria Duffield, Dear Rouge and Tupelo Honey. Kids love the River Rats Festival too! The festival features a beer garden, classic car show & shine, arts & crafts vendors, on-site food services, a Canada Day parade, fireworks and more! riverratsfestival.com. Follow them on [Facebook](#).



Whispering Hills Country Music Association

Promoting country, western and old-time music as an integral part of Canadian culture and introducing young people to it, the association holds music jams on the first Sunday of every month from September to June at the Athabasca Senior's Drop-in Centre. **780-675-4828**

	<h3>Whispering Hills Fuels</h3> <p><i>Get it. UFA Done.</i> Est. 1986</p> <p>Athabasca: 780-675-2538 • Wabasca: 780-891-0111</p> <p>www.whisperinghillsfuels.com • markufa@telus.net</p>	<p>Convenience Store</p> <p>Hours of Operation: Monday to Friday 8am – 5pm</p> <p>At Any UFA</p>
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When the sun goes down, Athabasca boasts some of the best skies for stargazing around. For decades, the region has been home to national and international research in astronomy, aurora borealis (also known as the Northern Lights), and other night sky phenomena.

The Athabasca University Geophysical Observatory (AUGO) located right in Athabasca, and a second observatory, AUGO II, located about 25 km southwest of town, conduct optical and magnetic studies of the aurora borealis. Researchers from around the world have made use of these facilities, and in some cases collaborated by providing state-of-the-art equipment.

Amateur astronomers can take advantage of this dark sky as well! Some locals say Baptiste Lake and Colinton are great places to host star parties, stare at the sky, and take photos. Others say Narrow Lake Campground and Long Lake Campground are good locations, and an application was placed in early 2017 to make the Long and Narrow Lakes are a Dark Sky Reserve.



Athabasca Legion

Stop by the Athabasca Legion Branch #103 for a beverage and some time with friends. It's the place to be in town Friday nights September to May, when teams get together for a battle of the wits with Pubstumpers. Open Crib night runs Thursday September to May. [780-675-2173](tel:780-675-2173)

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REGIONAL LAKE AND FISHING RULES

Please note: This is a guide only, intended to identify the fish species available. Please read and follow the information regarding limits and regulations found in the official Alberta Fishing Guide when you purchase your Alberta fishing license.

		TYPES OF FISH							
LOCATION	LOCATION / INFORMATION	Pike	Perch	Walleye	Goldeye	Rainbow Trout	Whitefish	Grayling	Burbot
Amisk Lake	Located east of Boyle on Highway 663. Closed April 1 to May 14.	✓	✓	C&R Only			✓		✓
Athabasca River	Boat launch located in the Town of Athabasca and campgrounds are located further upstream at Riverside Park and Poachers Landing. Closed Nov. 1st - May 31st.	✓ 50 cm		✓ 50 cm	✓		✓ 30 cm	✓ C&R Only	✓
Baptiste Lake	Located 16 km west of Athabasca on Highway 2. Overnight campground at southwest corner of lake.	✓ C&R Only	✓	✓ C&R Only	✓				✓
Boyle Pond	Located 5.5 km south of Boyle on west side of Hwy 831. Fishing pier.					✓			
Calling Lake	Situated 60 kms north of Athabasca on Highway 813. Campground. Closed from April 1st to May 31st.	✓ C&R Only	✓	✓ 45-55 cm			✓		✓
Calling Lake Tributaries	Limits apply to lake and tributaries and outlet downstream for 1 km. Closed from Nov. 1st to May 31st.	✓ C&R Only	✓	✓ 45-55 cm			✓		✓
Fawcett Lake	Turn 27 km north of Smith. Campground west end of lake.	✓ C&R Only	✓	✓ C&R Only			✓		✓
Ghost Lake	About 32 km NW of Athabasca on Hwy 2, then 2.5 km west. Max. boat speed of 12 km/hour.	✓	✓						
Hope Lake	20 km NE of Boyle. Campground with resident manager. Max. boat speed of 12 km/hour. Closed April 1 to May 14.	✓ 63cm	✓	✓ C&R Only			✓		✓
Island Lake	Located 28 km west of Athabasca on Highway 2. Campground on east side of lake. Closed April 1 to May 14.	✓ 55 cm	✓	✓ C&R Only					
Jackfish Lake	8 km NE of Athabasca. Campground and boat launch. Closed April 1 to May 14.								
Lawrence Lake Provincial Park	50 km NE of Athabasca. Campground and boat launch.	✓	✓						✓
Long Lake Provincial Park	Located 20 km south of Boyle on Sec Rd 831. Camping, boat launch, boat rentals. Closed April 1 to May 14.	✓ C&R Only	✓	✓ C&R Only			✓		
Meyer Lake	ATV access only. Access by heading west on cutline 2 km South of Chain Lake (Lower). Reference to a map is recommended.	✓	✓						
Narrow Lake	West 30 km on highway 663 from Meanook. Camping, boat launch at Forfar Recreation park.	✓ C&R Only	✓	✓ C&R Only					
North Buck Lake Provincial Park	Campground available. Closed April 1 to May 14. 4 km north of Caslan on RR 173A.	✓ C&R Only	✓				✓		✓
Orloff Lake	Located 20 km northwest of Calling Lake. Limited access.	✓ C&R Only	✓	✓ 50 cm					✓
Rock Island Lake	25 km north of Calling Lake. Closed April 1 to May 14.	✓ C&R Only	✓	✓ C&R Only			✓		✓
Skeleton Lake	Located 5 km east of Boyle on Highway 63. Closed April 1 to May 14.	✓ 63cm	✓	✓ C&R Only			✓		✓

FARMERS' MARKETS

Athabasca Farmers Market

You can enjoy this Alberta-approved farmers' market year-round – weekly on Saturdays during the summer on the beautiful Athabasca riverfront. When it gets cold, the market becomes bi-weekly and moves to the Multiplex. [780-675-4398](tel:780-675-4398). Find their schedule and vendor list on [Facebook](#).

Boyle Farmers Market

The Boyle farmers' market meets from mid-May to mid-September on Thursdays at the Boyle Community Centre and holds special holiday markets throughout the winter season. Follow them on [Facebook](#).

ARTISANS AND COLLECTIVES

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Athabasca Native Friendship Centre

Traditional Native crafts and art available for purchase. On Fridays, enjoy a lunch of bannock and soup. Visit the second-hand Riddle Shop downstairs. 4919 53 Street, Athabasca. [780-675-3086](tel:780-675-3086)

Athabasca Pottery Club

Located in the historic Old Brick School, the club uses local clay to hand build, throw and fire pots sold in a spring pottery sale. Find them on [Facebook](#).

Back Alley Book Nook

Back Alley Book Nook is Athabasca's hottest used bookstore. They sell books, comics, art and they'll share a cup of coffee with you. Watch for their events featuring Canadian artists performing in the Book Nook's personal up-close setting. backalleybooknook.com

Bear in Mind Vintage

Bear in Mind Vintage supports local artisans and consignment vendors, and also showcases an artisan of the month. 4804 49 Street, Athabasca. bearinmindvintage.com

Country Treasures

Country Bliss is a cute little Country Home Decor Store located in the heart of Boyle! You can find it on main street right across from ATB. 5114 3rd Street (Main Street), Boyle. Call them at [780-689-6053](tel:780-689-6053) and follow them on [Facebook](#).

Ella & Birch Collective

A collaboration between Elladora Boutique and Deep in the Trees Soap Co. This little shop is a collection of clothing, accessories, soap, and spa products made and designed by women in Canada. Follow us on [Facebook](#) for current sales and hours of operation. 4916A - 50 St.

Hawkey Studios

A puppet production company offering workshops, live puppet shows, and custom order puppets. Also offered are music lessons, a recording studio (The Nest), sewing lessons and more. Visit them at 4818-49 Street in Athabasca or hawkeystudios.com or find them on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#). (See photo on page 15.)

Lolly Pop Thrift Shop

Clean and organized, the shop sells clothing, footwear, housewares and more. All you need to make your thrifty dreams come true. 4913 51 Street, Athabasca. 780-675-4477

NTW Studio

A studio and gallery that offers workshops and a variety of products, including wearable items, sculpture, oil paintings, drawings and abstract art. ntwstudioart.com

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Long Lake Provincial Park

220 serviced and unserviced sites, boat launch, concession, rentals, playground, laundry, showers, firewood, fire pits, day use, designated swim area, reservations available. Access 20km south of Boyle on Hwy 63. 1-877-537-2757

North Buck Lake Provincial Park

95 unserviced sites, 30 serviced sites, beach, playgrounds, boat launch, picnic table, fire pits, day use, lawn bowling, first come first served, access east of Boyle on Hwy 663. 780-689-4602

Poachers Landing Provincial Recreation Area

6 unserviced sites, picnic tables, fire pits, playground, boat launch, ATV's allowed, horse corrals, excellent trail network, North of Athabasca on ALPAC connector 780-623-5235

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Athabasca Lions Campground

The Lions Campground is only 2.5 kms from downtown Athabasca. Offering 10 power sites right across the road from Athabasca Golf & Country Club, campers have access to picnic tables, firepits, and a baseball diamond. A separate tenting area is available for those interested in a rustic experience. [780-675-3733](tel:780-675-3733)

Blueberry Hill R.V. Park

44 serviced and 7 basic sites, plus 6 unit group camping, laundromat, well water, flush toilet, showers, playground, hiking trails, Access north of Athabasca on Hwy 813 located next to the golf course.

[780-675-3733](tel:780-675-3733) | blueberryhillrvpark.ca

Chump Lake Campsite

15 unserviced sites, fire pits, picnic tables, boat launch, well water. Access east of Boyle on Hwy 663. First Come First Serve sites available.

Katherine's Camping Corner

Located 11 km west of Grassland and featuring 20 year-round fully serviced sites, on site laundry and showers, playground, off-leash area, parking for heavy haul equipment.

[780-690-0714](tel:780-690-0714) | [780-519-0857](tel:780-519-0857) or email mmallock@yahoo.com for information. katherinescampingcorner.info

Riverside Recreation Area

This park is a volunteer-based, pack in/ pack out facility - first come, first served. A great location for group camping, enjoy one of three available shelters, boat launch, quad trails, and walking trails. Use Riverside Campground as a base for golfing, fishing, and adventure! A new playground provides some fun for kids as you unwind in nature. The campground is run by the Richmond Park Hall Association, and mail-in donations for your use of the campground are appreciated. To access the campground, cross the river in the Town of Athabasca on Highway 813, then turn right on Twp Rd 684. Turn right on Range Road 214 and continue until you reach the campground.

Rocky Lane Fairways

Located 3 km south of Athabasca, just off Highway #2, please see page 21 for more information

Smallwoods Campsite

60 unserviced seasonal sites, no ATV.

[780-213-0562](tel:780-213-0562)

Rock Island Lake Campground

51 unserviced sites, boat launch, trails, no reservations, 30km north of Calling Lake on Hwy 813. [1-855-953-3358](tel:1-855-953-3358)

South Baptiste Campground

Enjoy one of 42 campsites with full hookups, water/sewer, and 15/30 amp and 50-amp power available. A facility with two bathrooms featuring hot showers and a coin-operated washer and dryer is also available for your convenience. Take in the beauty of Baptiste Lake, or enjoy exploring the area by land. Daily, monthly, and seasonal rates are available.

[780-689-7286](tel:780-689-7286) | baptistelakecampingandstorage.com

Shoreline Camping & Fishing Resort

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Note: No ATVs are allowed to be used in any county operated recreational campsite or day use area.



Forfar Park

72 unserviced sites, ATV compound, well water, group area, fire wood, beach, playground, boat launch, dump station, day use area, access south of Athabasca on Hwy 2.

Hope Lake

60 unserviced sites, picnic shelter, fire wood, picnic tables, fire pits, beach, lake access, playground, ATV trails outside of park boundary, locked ATV corral available for storage, access north of Boyle on Hwy 63.

Island Lake

Group Camping by reservation, 11 unserviced sites, well water, picnic tables, fire pits, boat launch, bird watching station, day use area, access from Hwy 2 northwest of Athabasca.

Ghost Lake

5 unserviced sites, picnic tables, fire pit, boat launch, firewood, northwest of Athabasca on Hwy 2.

Baptiste Lake

12 unserviced sites, day use, beach, playground, picnic shelter, picnic tables, boat launch, access west of Athabasca on Hwy 2.

Narrow Lake

10 unserviced sites, picnic tables, fire pits, boat launch, pier, firewood, access south of Athabasca on Hwy 2.

Jackfish Lake

35 unserviced sites, well water, group camping, firewood, picnic tables, fire pits, beach, playground, boat launch, cookhouse in group camping site, Access Hwy 55 east of Athabasca.

Long Lake

4 unit group camp area, picnic table, fire pits, fishing, boat launch, access south of Athabasca on Hwy 2.

North Buck Lake Narrows

6 unserviced sites, day use, bird watching station, picnic tables, unserviced boat launch (small boats only). From Boyle: North on Hwy. 63 to Twp. Rd. 665. Stay on main road winding east to Rg. Rd. 181 heading south to Blue Heron Estates. Turn east on Twp. Rd. 664 and continue 3 kms south on Rg. Rd. 180 to recreation area.



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ACCOMMODATIONS

Athabasca Hillside Motel

4804 46A Ave. Athabasca
1-888-675-8900 | 780-675-5111 |
athabascahillsidemotel.net

Athabasca Lodge Motel

4004 Highway 2, Athabasca
1-888-500-2266 | 780-675-2266 |
athabascamotel.com

Athabasca Super 8 Hotel

4820B Woodheights Rd. Athabasca
1-877-502-5384 | 780-675-8888 |
super8.com |
gm@super8athabasca.com

Boyle Motor Lodge

5101 Railway Ave. Boyle
1-888-689-3994 | 780-689-3944

Colinton Hotel

AB-663, Colinton
780-675-4744

Days Inn

2805 48 Ave. Athabasca
1-888-675-7020 | 780-675-7020

Grassland Motel

4918-49 Ave. Grassland
780-525-3740

Grassland Ramada

4701 50 Ave. Grassland
1-800-854-9517

Twilight Country Motel

5102 Lakeview Rd Boyle
780-689 2188

Wandering River Motel

Wandering River, Alberta
780-771-3777

CABIN RENTALS

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49th Street Grill 49thstreetgrill.com	4901 49 St.	Licensed, pizza, pasta & steakhouse, special events	780-675-5418
A&W	4820 Woodheights Rd.	Fast food, dining room, drive-thru	780-675-0327
Athabasca Burger Bar	4719 50 St.	Fast food, take-out	780-675-2672
Boston Pizza	2201 48 Ave.	Pizza, grill, licensed	780-675-3761
Dominos dominos.ca	4810 - 50 St.	Fast food, pizza, take-out or delivery	780-675-7575
Fox Den Restaurant athagolf.com	Athabasca Golf Course	Summer only. Patio, licensed, special events	780-675-7033
Golden Fountain Restaurant	4905 49 St.	Chinese & buffet, licensed	780-675-2781
Happy Garden Western & Chinese	4912 50 St	Licensed	780-675-3551
Johnny's Eatery	4904-50 St.	Eat-in, take out, events, licensed	780-213-9155
Mike's Pizza & Restaurant mikespizza.ca	5212 50 Ave.	Eat-in, licensed, delivery, take-out	780-675-5020
Paddymelon's Gifts, Espresso & Eatery	4911A 49 St.	Specialty coffees, teas, and fresh baked goods	780-675-1103
Neighbour's Pub	4810 50 St.	Serves lunch, dinner, drinks and coffee	780-675-9219
Sal's Famous salsfamouscanada.com	5012 50th Ave.	Dining & take-out	780-675-5616
Subway	4812 50 St.	Fast food, take-out	780-675-5588
Tim Horton's	2201 48 Ave.	Coffee and sandwiches	
Van Hout Bakery	4901 51 St.	Soups, sandwiches, best doughnuts you'll ever eat	780-675-2128

RESTAURANTS AND MORE

BOYLE

Boyle Burger Bar	4911 8 St.	Chinese & Western cuisine, weekday lunch buffet	780-689-4086
Boyle Pizza House	5601 Railway Ave.	Pizza/subs	780-689-4646
Boyle Truck Stop	5100 Lakeview Rd.	Western & Chinese	780-689-4999
Pepper Tree Café	5102 3rd St.	Chinese Food	780-334-1888
The Gathering Place Co-op	Located just south of Long Lake Provincial Park and north of Waskatenau on Hwy 831.	Western Cuisine and Special Seasonal and Holiday Menus	780-801-0830

COLINTON

Colinton Hotel	Main St., Colinton	Steak Night, Thursdays Seasonal Soups, Sandwiches and Appetizers, Licensed	780-675-4744
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GRASSLAND

Esso Family Restaurant	Hwy 63	Family dining	780-525-2900
Subway	Hwy 55	Subs, eat-in or take-out	780-525-3388
Wally's Fast Food	Hwy 63	Drive thru, eat-in	780-525-2522
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A&W	Hwy 63	Fast food	780-993-2580
Burger King	2nd St.	Fast food	780-485-0055
Riverbank Golfing & Clubhouse	Hwy 63	Seasonal, Western & Ukrainian cuisine	780-771-2582

FOOD TRUCKS

Check out the great food trucks that run April to September!

Val and Chris on the Run

Catering, tournaments, auctions, festivals.
Follow on Facebook under Christopher's Concession [780-689-7734](tel:780-689-7734)

Minhgo's Way

No bells or whistles, just great food!
[780-213-4174](tel:780-213-4174) and follow on [Facebook](#).

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Athabasca Native Friendship Centre



We are a non-profit organization. Our vision is to have an environment where the values, spirituality, beliefs and attitudes of First Nations people are respected and the wisdom of the Elders is revered. Our programs and services promote the strengthening of friendship and cooperation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous members of the community and the surrounding area.

All proceeds help us continue our work:

Programming:

Cultural Crafts and Activities: Beading, Sewing, Women's Group,
Ongoing Family and Community Programs and Events
Office Services
Referral and Advocacy

Gift Shop: Featuring First Nations Crafts and Giftware
Secondhand Thrift Shop
Fridays Soup and Bannock

Giving back to the community:

- Community Garden
- Clothing and hygiene products
- School supplies
- Fundraising



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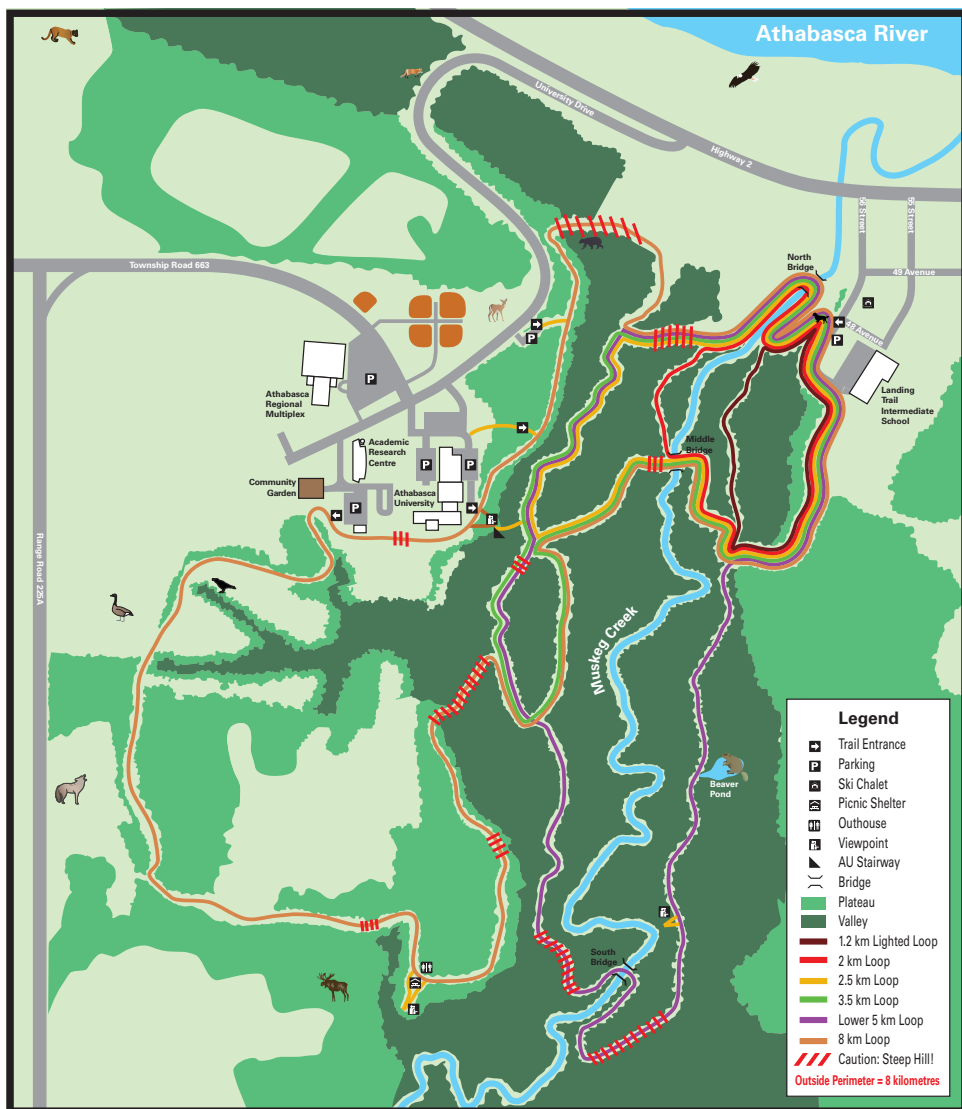
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Hospitals:

Athabasca Healthcare Centre	3100 48 Ave.	780-675-6000
Boyle Healthcare Centre	5004 Lakeview Road	780-689-3731

Medical Centres:

Athabasca Family Health Centre	4915 52 St.	780-675-5018
Athabasca Professional Building	4903 51 St.	780-675-2498
Silver Birch Medical Centre (Boyle)	5114 3 St.	780-689-0003

Pharmacies:

I.D.A. - Rx Drug Mart Boyle	5118 3 St.	780-689-3762
Loblaw Pharmacy	5007 52 St.	780-675-8410
Medicine Shoppe	2810B 48 Ave.	780-675-3855
Value Drug Mart	4911 50 St.	780-675-2188
Value Drug Mart Boyle	5407 Railway Ave.	780-689-2425

Dentists/Denturists:

Athabasca Dental Clinic	2810A 48 Ave.	780-675-5595
Athabasca Denture Clinic	4818 49 St.	780-675-7070
Morrill Dental Clinic	4918 48 St.	780-675-5630
Boyle Denture Clinic	5100 3 St.	780-689-3334

Optometrists:

Riverside EyeCare	4818 49 St.	780-675-2749
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Chiropractors:

Compass Chiropractic	4916B 50 St.	780-675-2692
Dr. Kurt Deutscher	4907 51 St.	780-675-4030

Automotive Parts, Repairs, and Tires:

Affordable Mechanical Services	5314 41 Ave.	780-675-1911
All-Pro Truck & Trailer Repair	3925 53 St.	780-675-3906
Athabasca Automotive	4911 47 St.	780-675-2951
Boyle Automotive & Industrial	5110 3 St.	780-689-3605
Boyle Mechanical Services	5219 Railway Ave.	780-689-2694
Canadian Tire	2913 48 Ave.	780-675-3019
Gustafson's Trail Tire Auto Centre	3915-53 St.	780-675-5869
Hunter Motors	4810 28 St.	780-675-2917
Kal Tire	5220 41 Ave.	780-675-2134
Koch Auto Body	3800 53 St.	780-675-1313
NAPA – Central Sales & Service	5117 3 St., Boyle	780-689-3613
NAPA - D&L Automotive Parts	4006 53 St.	780-675-4272
OK Tire - Athabasca	5602 50 Ave.	780-675-3211
OK Tire - Grassland	1111 Main St.	780-525-2220
PJs Mechanical & Consulting	665035A RR 230	780-675-1191
SK Distributing	5107 3 St., Boyle	780-689-3447

Outdoor Sports/OHV Sales and Repair:

Athabasca Outdoor Products	3608 Hwy 2	780-675-7009
Grassland Trailer Sales	1 Main Ave.	780-525-5820

Towing:

Boyle Auto Rescue	Boyle, AB	780-689-3111
Steve's Towing	4008 50 Ave.	780-675-1133

Boat Repairs and Storage:

Sun Seekers Adventures	Range Rd 230, Hwy 2	780-675-3009
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- Financial planning
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