

Here Are Local News Stories Making Headlines from October 2 to October 30, 2025



Coffee with a Cop got off to a slow start, but Olds RCMP Const. Mitch Price is confident it will get bigger as more people find out about it. The event is held the last Thursday of every month at McDonald's in Olds from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. Doug Collie/MVP Staff

Council News:

Daley double: After one term on Olds council, Dan Daley elected Mayor

After one term as a councillor, he was the winner of the two candidate race for Olds Mayor and will be in for a second term at the council table. Daley finished with 1,266 votes and former Mayor Michael Muzychka wound up with 761.

New Olds council sworn in: Mayor weighs in on what voters wanted

The 2025 - 2029 Town of Olds municipal council was sworn in on Monday, Oct. 27 with a new mayor at its helm.

Former councillor Dan Daley has a theory as to why he won the race for mayor in Olds during the recent 2025 municipal election.





NEWS RELEASE

Roads, safety, and recreation top Olds residents' budget priorities

The Town of Olds has released the results of its 2026 Budget Engagement survey, revealing what more than 300 residents identified as their top community priorities.

Through the annual summer survey, residents provided input on municipal services, community safety, infrastructure, recreation, and long-term planning, helping to guide Council as it prepares the next municipal budget.

Community News:

Public art installation in Olds gets a facelift

New works were chosen through a community art contest staged by the Public Art Collective of Olds

Olds Aquatic Centre's first sauna opens to public use

"We're always looking for ways to make the facility welcoming, accessible, and enjoyable for everyone. This addition is a direct result of innovative thinking and the generosity of our community."

Olds small business award nominees, winners celebrated

Jensen's Men's Wear is the 2025 Olds & District Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year.

It's one of eight awards that were given out during the chamber's 2025 Small Business Awards Gala, held Oct. 23 at Royal Canadian Legion Branch #105.

Olds closing several port-a-potties for the winter

Port-a-potties that will remain open during the winter will be found at:

- Centennial Park (three units – including an accessible one)
- Rotary Athletic Park / Toboggan Hill (two total units)
- Highlands Pond Area (one unit)
- Off-Leash Dog Park (one unit)
- Imperial Park ball diamonds (one unit)
- Olds Cemetery (one unit)

Heated washrooms will stay open in Centennial Park and Rotary Athletic Park, at least for a while.

Housing:





NEWS RELEASE

Single-family residential zoning grandfathered in Olds under new name

Olds council passed a bylaw that would preserve the character of existing neighbourhoods comprised of single family homes but would allow everything from single-family homes to multi-unit housing in new neighbourhoods

Modular home neighbourhood a new approach to housing in Olds

Development said to directly respond to the findings of the municipality's [2025 Housing Needs Assessment and Housing Strategy](#), which identified an urgent need for starter homes

Local Sports:

Olds Grizzlys' Upcoming Game Preview

October 31- Vs. Calgary Canucks: For the first time this regular season, the Calgary Canucks and the Olds Grizzlys will face off in a Halloween Night matchup, where fans of all ages who are dressed up at the game will be eligible to win prizes throughout the game.

Chinook's Edge:

Chinook's Edge outlines expectations as school classes set to resume

"As we resume learning, our focus is on ensuring that all students experience a calm, purposeful return to the classroom," Ryan Sawula said in a letter to families issued Tuesday, Oct. 28.

Former Olds high school valedictorian goes into genetic studies

Rexelle Asis received a gold medal from the faculty of Arts and Science at the University of Lethbridge for his marks and also community involvement

Olds College:

Visiting Australian engineering student praises Olds College

"The facilities are first class," Bramley is quoted as saying in a news release.

"It's great to see a place equipped with all the bells and whistles, where you can trial and explore without the same time and financial pressures many producers face.

"Having 3,000 acres for large-scale testing and research is incredibly unique for Olds College. I want to thank the Olds College Smart Farm teams for having me."

Protective Services:





NEWS RELEASE

[Coffee with a Cop a chance for casual chat in Olds](#)

"Whether you have questions, want to share ideas, or just want to get to know the faces behind the badge, this is the perfect opportunity," says Olds RCMP officer

['Report it, don't risk it': RCMP remind drivers about Alberta's collision-reporting options before winter](#)

The Government of Alberta's Report My Collision service allows Albertans to report property-damage-only collisions online, instead of attending a police detachment or collision reporting centre.

[RCMP investigating serious crash on QEII where driver ran away](#)

Mounties north of Calgary are investigating an overnight crash on the QEII highway, where one driver involved ran away on foot.

[Olds RCMP arrest man in connection with stolen property](#)

On Oct. 15, 2025, an Olds RCMP Crime Reduction officer attended the Motel 8 in search of a man wanted on an arrest warrant. During the arrest, the officer noticed several items of stolen property in the hotel room.

[Suspected drug house closure in Olds could be open-ended](#)

The shutdown of a suspected drug house in Olds on Oct. 7 may not be the end of the matter if the homeowner doesn't ensure there's no more illegal drug activity there, a spokesman for the Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods (SCAN) unit of the Alberta Sheriffs says.

[OFD dispatched to fire in Silver Lynx Community: 'Smoke alarm did save a life'](#)

The Olds Fire Department responded to a residential structure fire prior to 6am on Tuesday, October 14th.

According to Fire Chief Justin Andrew, when they arrived they found a detached mobile home in the Silver Lynx Community with full fire involvement in the back compartment or the bedroom area of the unit. The occupant was able to escape through early activation of a smoke alarm.

Regional & County News:

[MVC declines to approve Parkland Regional Library System's budget](#)

Mountain View County's council has declined to approve the proposed 2026 Parkland Regional Library System (PLRS) budget, which called for a per capita rate increase from \$9.81 to \$9.99.

[Lone newcomer officially joins Mountain View County council this week](#)





NEWS RELEASE

Angela Look, elected as Division 3 councillor in Mountain View County on Oct. 20, says protecting agricultural lands while supporting and promoting responsible development is a priority for her.

Look garnered 182 votes to defeat incumbent Alan Miller, who garnered 136 votes. A county resident for the past 25 years, Look is a farmer and business owner.

[County officials consider participation in new Central Alberta economic group](#)

During a recent, regularly-scheduled council meeting, councillors carried the following motion: "That council direct administration to prepare a project sheet for the 2026 budget to reflect participation in Central Alberta First (CAF) for \$10,000."

The motion came after council received and reviewed the recently released Business Retention and Expansion Workshop Development (BREWD) report.

In 2023, the county contributed \$10,000 in the BREWD initiative, a collaboration project with the Town of Olds and other nearby municipalities.

