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## Chetwynd 3 day forecast

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22 Feb	23 Feb	24 Feb
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2°C	-1°C	-6°C
20	-10	-00
Sunny	Sunny	A mix of sun and cloud

#### Council Meeting February 18th

The District of Chetwynd held their second Council meeting of February this past Tuesday, February 18th in Council Chambers. Only Councillor Galbraith was missing from the meeting.

The first presentation was from Curtis Redpath, Chetwynd's Fire Chief. He was at the meeting to give an update on happenings around the Fire hall, last year's callout numbers, and talk about upcoming plans. Mr. Redpath began by mentioning that they have recruited 5 new faces in the past two years. He went on to talk about a few upgrades the firehall has received including new dispatch monitors to help be better informed about who, what, and where. They are also installing dispatch monitors in three fire trucks. They are reviewing and revising emergency



management and evacuation plans with three First Nations groups. Mr. Redpath touched on the grant they received from Shell Oil that will provide the District with a "Wildland" truck which is a one tonne truck with a flat deck that will be equipped with a removable Wildland Fire Skid Unit. They Also just received a shower decontamination unit. Curtis finished off his presentation by saying that their focus will now be on training.

The next presentation was from the Chetwynd Social Planning Society. The society came to council to thank the District for being a continued support to their "100 people who care event" by issuing the cheque to the recipient (along with holding the funds and issuing tax deductible receipts to all donors). Windrem PAC was the recipient of the last event's \$3,700 award. Victoria Person, PAC President says: "I would, again, like to extend a huge thank you to the Chetwynd social planning society. The donation we received gave us a huge boost in our funds! We have worked extremely hard to fundraise for our playground, and donations like this gave us encouragement that our goal could be achieved in time. And it will be! For that, we are so thankful for this small community we all call home. Thank you so much, on behalf of the Windrem Elementary Parent Advisory Council."

Council finished the meeting by voting on a travel authorization for Mayor and council to attend an event in Dawson Creek. They also voted on a zoning amendment Bylaw and ran over the proposed North Trunk Main Flow Metering which will begin spring 2021.



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#### ComParrot: Can you spot 12 differences between these pictures? by Bonnie J. Malcolm





Solution: 1. Leg on table is missing. 2. Extra branch appears on plant. 3. Plant appears in fishbowl. 4. Fin on fish drawing is missing. 6. Bush in window is colored in. 7. Leg on table is colored in. 8. Nose on face drawing is missing. 6. Bush in window is colored in. 7. Leg on table is wider. 12. Design on cactus pot is different.



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## Chetwynd and District Rec Centre

#### **Arena Concession Request for Proposals**

The Chetwynd and District Rec Centre is inviting proposals from individuals, groups, organizations, and/or businesses for the operation of the facility concession and the provision of catering services for the period of April1, 2020 to March 31, 2024.

All applicants must provide a business management plan that includes:

Budget

Safe Food Plan to be approved by the Health Authority

Sample menu selection with prices

Proposed hours of operation

Catering activity plan

Record of past performance

References

Any other information that may be pertinent to a successful operation Viewing of the facilities is required prior to submitting any proposal and further contract specifications and requirements are available to bidders at time of viewing. Contact Steve McLain by phone at 250-788-2214 or by email at smclain@gochetwynd.com for an appointment to view the facilities and to view and pick up contract documents.

Proposals should be submitted to:
"Chetwynd and District Rec Centre Concession Proposal", ATTN:
Steve McLain, Director of

Recreation for the District of Chetwynd, 4552 North Access Road, Chetwynd, BC, V0C 1J0.

Deadline for receipt of proposals is 2:00 pm, local time, March 1, 2020. The Peace River Regional District and the District of Chetwynd reserves the right to reject any and all proposals for any reason, or to accept any proposal received which the Peace River Regional District and the District of Chetwynd, in their unrestricted discretion deems most advantageous to their selves. The greatest or any proposal may not necessarily be accepted.



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- a cold

- a coin What kind of tree can you carry in your hand?

- s bsim

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What is as light as a feather, but even the world's strongest man couldn't hold it for more than a few minutes?

- his breath







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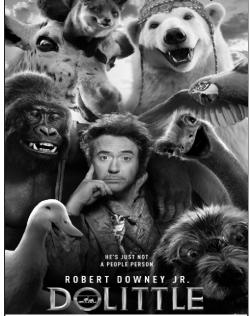
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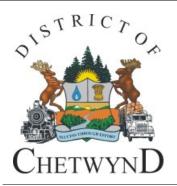
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# Winter Parking on District Roads Information Everyone Should Know



Winter is upon us and with it comes heavy snow falls. The District of Chetwynd is committed to keeping all our roads safe for all citizens and therefore any vehicles parked in a manner that interferes with effective snow removal may be removed. A full list of the District of Chetwynd

Bylaws can be found on our website at <a href="https://www.gochetwynd.com">www.gochetwynd.com</a> under the heading Municipal Office/Bylaws and follow the link. For further information regarding this or other Bylaw related questions please call Bylaw Enforcement at 250-401-4119

The Streets and Traffic Regulation Bylaw # 909, 2009 section 5.13: Obstruction of Motor Vehicles No vehicle shall be left standing or parked:

(iv) in a position that causes it to interfere with the construction, improvement, maintenance, alterations, extension, widening, marking, or repair of or snow removal from a highway.

As per the District of Chetwynd's Snow Clearing Policy, snow plowing will commence after 50mm of snow accumulation, roads will be plowed on a priority basis and residential streets will be plowed within 48 hours following the subsidence of the snowfall. If vehicles are parked on residential streets following a snow fall, the road will not be cleared until all vehicles have been removed and it has been deemed safe by the District.

# BC Family Day At The Chetwynd & District Rec Centre

Chetwynd's Rec Centre was filled with Families this past Monday for Bc's Family Day. The Rec Centre was offering free activities all day long. Many families took full advantage of the day by skating, swimming, playing in the courts, mini athletes, Wellness training, Zumba, even the climbing wall. A pizza lunch was provided as well as a coffee and hot chocolate station. Check out the Chetwynd and District Rec Centre's Facebook page to keep up to date on upcoming events.





### The Brewski 2020

The Brewski Recreation Cross Country Ski event was held this past weekend at Chetwynd's Community forest. It was cold, but there were sunny skies on the well groomed 8 kilometre trail. The event was hosted by Chetwynd's Outdoor Society.

Beer and snack stations were all along the 8 km trail to help encourage and warm up skiers.

The costumes were a huge hit and made the day that much more fun!! Two old time trappers with a dead bunny as a mascot; a beer can sasquatch, park ranger who kept losing her moustache, an unidentifiable beast; then the paper bag foursome dressed as Corona beer bottles in paper bags with aluminum pie plates as bottle caps.

The winning time was 47 minutes, with the last skier coming in at 2hrs 37 minutes.

An afterparty was held at the senior hall with chilli and apple crisp. Medals, and prizes were awarded for best times and best costumes.







Brew-ski 2020 Race Times						_	117 Tan 110 A	
Age Category 20 - 30	Female	Town	Time	Carsten Erbe	Dawso		on Creek	47.20*
Jessica Daigneault		Chetwynd	2:12.39	Age Category 51 – 60	Fema	le	Town	Time
Sarah Pardy		Chetwynd	2:12:40	Eileen McPherson		Mobe	erly Lake	112.17*
Hilde Kirschbaum		Chetwynd	2:24.18	Deanna Steward		Moberly Lake		115.20
Anna Neale		Chetwynd	2:24.19		Male			
Logan Orton		FSJ	Finish – Unrecorded time	Darcy Stanyer	Chetwynd			52.00
	Male			Guy Armitage	Hudson's Hope			107.48
Valentin Schellhorn		Austria	1:19.21	Duane Leer			on Creek	119.20
Age Category 21 – 30	Female	Town	Time					
Becca Widdicombe		Chetwynd	1:15.19	Plus 60	Fema	le	Town	Time
Angela Steward		Chetwynd	1:20.18	Denise Gardiner	ardiner Moberly Lake		erly Lake	2:37.52
Julia Nelson		Chetwynd	1:46.02	Male				
Colleen Kinley		Chetwynd	1:46.11	Alan Loose		Huds	on's Hope	2:09.49
Jen Parrish		Chetwynd	1:52.48	*denotes fastest male and female				
Kayla MacDonald		Chetwynd	2:00.20	Costume Winners were:				
Jessica Hammerstrom		Chetwynd	2:00.57	Duo: Mad Trappers: Dana Bergen and Lori Spoklie				
Andree-Anne Rivard		Chetwynd	2:00.58	Trio: Team Kokanee: Kayla MacDonald, Lisa Johnson, Sara Hoehn				
Sara Hoehn		Chetwynd	2:02.48	The first of the control of the cont				
Lisa Johnson		Chetwynd	2:02.53	Quartet: The Brown Baggers: Jessica Daigneault, Jessica Hammerstrom, Sarah Pa Andree-Anne Rivard				
Melinda Lau		FSJ	Finish – unrecorded time	Thank you all the others who wore costumes!				
Age Category 41 – 50	Female	Town	Time					
Lori Spoklie		Chetwynd	1:28.53					

Chetwynd

1:28.57

Dana Bergen

# Five common roof problems to watch out for this spring

When it comes to roofing, little problems often go undetected until they become major issues, costing a lot of time and money to resolve. An annual roof inspection each spring is the best way to catch any problems before they cause serious damage. Here are five common problems to watch out for:

#### 1. Broken gutters

Failing to repair or replace broken gutters could cause serious issues, especially after a big rainstorm. When your gutters are not properly attached to your roof, they are not able to do their main job: divert water away from your home. This can lead to costly property damage and flooding.

#### 2. Defunct downspout

Downspouts can become dislodged, causing water to flow directly around the foundation of your home. This can lead to foundation cracking, mould growth, and the potential destruction of any renovations you've already done. Have your downspouts checked to ensure they are connected and positioned correctly.

#### 3. Chimney deterioration

The older the chimney, the more likely it is to have cracks in the crown (top). When water gets into these cracks during the winter it freezes, which pushes the mortar and bricks further apart and makes the cracks larger. When the ice eventually melts, these cracks can cause your roof to leak and could even result in your chimney falling off your house.

#### 4. Visiting pests

Loose flashing, rotten fascia boards and dormant chimneys all make great homes for raccoons, squirrels, birds, bats and wasps. If you hear strange sounds, or you're concerned something could get inside, call in a wildlife or pest removal company to get rid of any unwanted house guests and protect the areas where they are entering.

#### 5. Leaky roof

When snow melts and re-freezes, it can act as a wedge under shingles. Once the weather begins to warm up, these ice wedges melt and can leak through your roof. Your roof may look fine as you look up at it from the ground, but a

professional will be able to determine any issue and how to fix it.

Inspecting your roof for these common problems is very important and hiring a professional to take on this task is always recommended. Find more information, or a roofing pro near you, at homestars.com.





## 5 ways to boost your career in 2020

Today, it's easier than ever to better your job prospects and improve yourself with minimal cost and

effort. Even if you're perfectly happy with your current job, there are still things you can do to take the next step in your career. Here are some tips to consider.

**Listen to podcasts.** No matter which industry you're in or aspire to be in, there's a podcast out there that can help you understand what's trending and what's next. So use your commute wisely to learn more about your field. You can even find a podcast that focuses on news and current events to get a deeper understanding of the general marketplace and economy.

Improve your writing. It doesn't matter what you say in your presentations, reports, or resumé if you can't say it clearly and make it engaging. Fortunately, you can use the Language Portal of Canada, a free website from Public Services and Procurement Canada, to improve your business communication, vocabulary and more.

Check out industry events. It's important to keep your finger on the pulse of what's going on in your field and who the movers and shakers are by attending conferences and talks. Not only will this help you come up with better, fresher ideas at work, you'll also make important connections for your next step.

**Focus on learning.** Upgrading your skill set is key in our current work culture, so find ways to continually educate yourself and get better. Whether it's taking a continuing education course, participating in a webinar or watching a TED Talk, there's sure to be a way to learn that can fit into even the busiest schedule.

**Publish your ideas.** A great way to market yourself and position yourself as a thought leader in your industry is by writing blog posts or articles on timely topics in the field. Sure, it would be great to see your name in an industry publication, but you can work towards this by posting your writing on your LinkedIn page or website and sharing it on your social media channels.



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