

**August 2016**

**The Village of Dewberry Community Newsletter [www.villageofdewberry.ca](http://www.villageofdewberry.ca)**



**Whitney and Chris Gagne**

Would like to thank everyone that came to the bridal shower and came to celebrate their wedding.

Also thank you to those who extended a gracious hand in making their day such a success.

Thank you also to everyone for our gifts

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**Does the Village Office have your up to date mailing address?**



**Does the Village office have your up to date contact number?**


**If you are unsure check with the Village Office**

**Dewberry Community Church News**

Pastor Brian Stiles  
780-847-3344  
Dewberry Church  
780-847-3956

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Church Services at 10:30am  
Summer Schedule




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Take Peek into the Past and Visit the Dewberry Valley Museum

Museum Hours  
During normal Village office hours.

Call to book group visits  
780-847-3053

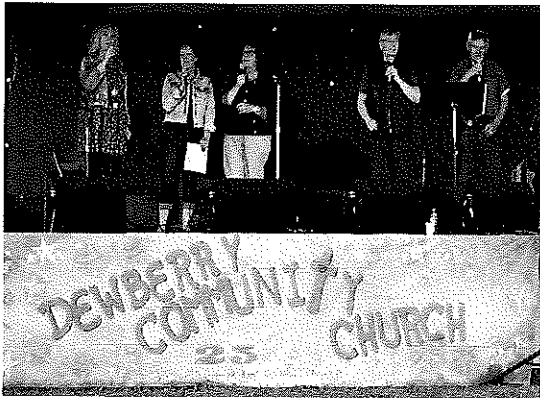
The Family of Sandy & Bonnie Robinson invite family, neighbours & friends to their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration on Saturday August 6<sup>th</sup> @ 2:00pm at their farm.

For more information call 780-847-2639  
No Gifts Please

On behalf of the Dewberry Community Church I would like to thank everyone who made our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations, of being in our current Church building, such a resounding success. We also want to thank each one of you who came and joined us on this special weekend. A special shout out to Country Rose for playing and providing the sound equipment and to the Sports Ground Committee (Ag. Society) for all your help before and throughout the weekend.

We are proud to be a part of this community and look forward to doing so for a long time to come.

Summer Services are at 10:30 and everyone is welcome always  
Pastor Brian Stiles



The HIS Group Reunion



Ted Etherington and his and Anne's Team



**Bridal Shower for  
Kaitlyn Ryan**

**at the Dewberry Senior Centre**

**on August 07 2016**

**at 2:00pm**



**Vacation Bible School**

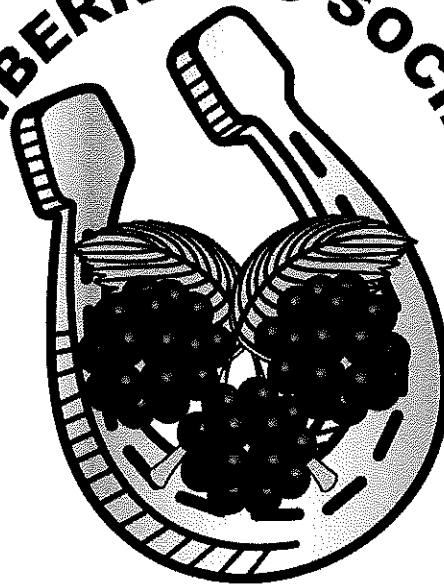
**at Dewberry Community Church August 22 – 25, 2016  
9:15 am – 12:00 noon For Kids 4 – 12**

**Everyone is welcome to join us for the closing  
program and free lunch on Thursday Aug 25 at noon**

**For more info call Pastor Brian at 780-847-3956 or  
Cheryl at 780-847-2274**

# AUGUST 2016 NEWSLETTER

## DEWBERRY AG SOCIETY



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*The Spirit of Country*

A Great Big Dewberry  
Welcome to all the new  
Newsletter subscribers  
that have joined our  
publication group after  
visiting the webpage at  
[dewberryagsociety.com](http://dewberryagsociety.com).  
We hope you enjoy  
reading our news each  
month and perhaps find  
something that piques  
your interest and makes  
you glad you joined us—  
'cause we're sure happy  
you have taken the time!!

### New Dewberry Arena Update

2016 has definitely not been the best year to have started construction on a major project such as the Dewberry Arena—economic downturn in the energy sector and ensuing spinoff slowdowns has made fundraising difficult to say the least, however we have overcome the odds and have had some amazing results from some wonderful donors and we can say that our expectations have been exceeded! Then there's surprises during sight preparation that no one could have foreseen—unexpected structure underground that added to the task of solid sight preparation—our professional advisors have worked through those obstacles and we have a building foundation that will withstand catastrophic weather events should Dewberry ever experience such a disaster. Then comes Mother Nature; she has not been kind to us to say the least! There has been so much rain on construction site that our crews have basically worn out a new trash pump removing standing water from the trenches, again, we have worked through these difficulties and although overall timelines are a bit behind schedule our construction foreman is still hopeful that we can make up lost time and still get into the new building to make ice for a mid to late October start up. Now for the really good news—our new steel structure should be on the ground and probably some of it standing by the time you read this! We are hopeful that the excitement of structure starting to take shape will re-energize those of you that are feeling dismayed with the weather delays. Our fundraising gals and guys are in the planning stages for our next round of innovative and fun events to help reach our final goal so stay tuned in the coming weeks as those plans become reality and we create more opportunities for more people to become part of this exciting venture!

Don't forget, we are a registered charity

All donations will receive a tax deductible donation receipt

## COMMEMORATIVE T-SHIRTS

### FOR SALE

Available for youth and adults - both styles only \$20 each. They wash really well and are good quality "Fruit of The Loom" brand shirts. Call Carmen (780) 214-1992 or Carrie (780) 205-6034.

½ price sale--\$10 each  
Get yours before  
they're gone!!!



### 3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL CALGARY STAMPEDE CHUCKWAGON CHALLENGE PRESENTED BY THE DEWBERRY & DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY RESULTS

Our Top 10 Competitors from our 139 entries are:

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|-------------------------------|------|
| 1. Bernie & Audrey Bensmiller | 1901 |
| 2. Art Parr                   | 1898 |
| 3. Brandon Isert              | 1844 |
| 4. Kirk Sutherland            | 1840 |
| 5. Bob Knight                 | 1823 |
| 6. Alvin Bowman               | 1816 |
| 7. Daryle Simmers             | 1802 |
| 8. Lindsey Bates              | 1799 |
| 9. Hillcrest 13 Racing        | 1797 |
| 10. Mike Watson               | 1797 |

Bernie and Audrey Bensmiller will receive a cheque for \$3475.00 which is ½ the total entry fees paid. This fundraiser is a lot of fun for all the participants as rivalry is created during the 10 days of the Calgary Stampede and entrants cheer for their driver choices to help them gain top spot with points gathered. Stay tuned for the 4<sup>th</sup> annual in 2017!!

Congratulations to our local drivers and outriders; their families and crews. You provided us all with 10 days of heart stopping entertainment and thundering excitement and we are happy to say everyone came away from the competition safe and sound. Each of you performed professionally and you all had moments of absolutely brilliant performance that made us very proud to say "that guy's from Dewberry" or "I know that family; they're my neighbors". You are all tremendous ambassadors of our small town and we are very pleased to have you as part of our history and making us glad to say we live in the Chuckwagon Driver Capital of Alberta.

Congratulations-well done-thank you for your dedication and your commitment to our community.

**KNOWLEDGE IS CONFIDENCE  
AND CONFIDENCE LETS YOU PLAY FAST**

*Congratulations to our early bird winner of \$1000 on June 18—Clifford Stanley of Frog Lake*

***GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY—TIME IS RUNNING OUT!!***

20 Commercial Bred Heifers (shown in photo) or \$40,000.00 Cash Plus 9 cash prizes of \$1000  
Tickets are \$100.00 each. Only 2500 tickets printed. AGLC License #420541.

Proceeds to new ice hockey rink in Dewberry

Mail your cheques for \$100.00 payable to:

Dewberry Ag Society Box 35 Dewberry, AB T0B 1G0

**OR** Interac E-transfer \$100.00 to [dewberryag@gmail.com](mailto:dewberryag@gmail.com)

We will mail back a photo of your ticket with your name on it and your ticket stub.

Bulls will be put with the herd on May 15 and removed July 15. Heifers will be pregnancy checked prior to draw date of ~~July 28, 2016~~. Extended to August 2, 2016

Please include your mailing address and phone number so we can contact you when you win the big prize!!!



#### DEWBERRY CHUCKWAGON RACE WEEKEND REPORT

Final results show that the net profit for this year's weekend event is \$3674.39. A quick overview indicates that the weekend was a success with attendance higher than last year, due in large part to a combination of better weather and some new attractions and events. There were again several repairs that had to be completed in the bathrooms and waterlines as we work each year to maintain the facility for use the following season. Corporate sponsorship was a little lower than expected; due in large part to the economic climate in the oil patch and beyond. We were able to negotiate a slightly lower contract for this year and next which will help as we strive to make some much needed improvements to the bleachers next spring and a possible fence along the east side of the track to aide in crowd security in the coming years. All in all the event was a success and we invite anyone interested to join in the planning for next year!! For information contact David Bensmiller or Lexi Hines/Dyck.

# DEWBERRY & DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Is now accepting tenders for the following:

1. **ARENA CARETAKER ---- FULL TIME SEASONAL POSITION**
2. **ARENA BOOTH CO-ORDINATOR---PART TIME SEASONAL POSITION**

DUTIES TO BEGIN MID - LATE OCTOBER  
COMPLETE JOB DESCRIPTIONS AND EXPECTATIONS  
AVAILABLE BY REQUEST

**TENDERS CLOSE SEPTEMBER 08, 2016**

For more information or to submit a tender call  
Allan Parr (780) 847-2839, email to [dewberryag@gmail.com](mailto:dewberryag@gmail.com)

or mail to  
Dewberry Ag Society  
Box 35  
Dewberry, AB  
T0B 1G0

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted



**Thank You**

Thank you to everyone who came to help us celebrate our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and made it such a great time.

Also thank you to anyone who helped in any way it was much appreciated.

Thank you to those who brought gifts but they were not expected. Thanks for all the wonderful cards that came from everyone.

It could have been better and we will remember it for many years to come.

Hope you all enjoyed it as much as we did.

Thanks again

Lynn & Eleanor Parr

**Memoriam**

Ms. Karen Evison passed away on July 3 2016 at the age of 61 years. Graveside service was held at the Dewberry Cemetery on July 16<sup>th</sup> 2016.

**The Regional Water Consortium  
Meter Replacement and Upgrade Project  
Involving  
Villages of Dewberry, Marwayne and Kitscoty**

**Thanks to 100% grant funding received through  
Alberta Community Partnership**

**Contract awarded to Metercor**

The Villages of Dewberry, Marwayne and Kitscoty Will be undertaking the replacement/installation of residential and commercial water meters in the Villages.

Thank you to all who have made installation appointments/had their water meters replaced, for those who have not done so please make your installation appointment soon.

As of the date of newsletter printing the Village of Dewberry has 13 installation appointments made and 47 installations completed. The Village for both residential and commercial have approximately 125 utility accounts so we are getting there, please help and make your appointment today. The Villages will be installing leak sensors on every second service line to help detect leaks. This will occur at the same time that the new remote read water meters are being installed. These leak sensors will be installed permanently on the water service pipes, usually near a water meter. The strategically placed sensors analyze water consumption patterns every day, detecting new, evolving and pre-existing leaks automatically. The ability to remotely monitor data from the sensors will help identify loss patterns within the distribution system at specific locations, help ensure more sustainable water use, as well as analyze seasonal water use anomalies. By flagging areas of change within the system this indicates the probability that a leak has formed.

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**Transfer Site Hours  
"unless otherwise posted"**

**Thursdays 12:00noon – 5:00pm**

**and**

**Saturday 10:00am – 2:00pm**

**SUMMER TIME!!**



Well its summer and with that brings all the lovely flavors and colors of the season.

It also brings the wildlife in to see what bounty we've left for disposal. To help deter these "unexpected guests" from seeing what you have please make sure to dispose of refuse in the supplied residential bins and dispose of non household waste at the Village transfer site.

