



# Annual General Meeting

**When:** Saturday, 22 April, 2023

- **GAMES** start at 10 a.m. (Games will depend on level of interest, but may include card games, Cornhole, Pool, Floor Curling & Shuffleboard, Table Shuffleboard) Come out for some fun & bring a friend (or two). Newcomers can come & play one time without a membership to join in the fun & see what we're all about!!
- **Lunch** at noon
- **A.G.M.** starts at 1 p.m.

## Where:

- In person at the High Prairie Golden Age Centre (4721 51 Ave., High Prairie AB)
- A Zoom connection will be available.  
If you wish to join us via Zoom, please register before Wednesday, April 19 with Mike Bain at [mbain@cool.ca](mailto:mbain@cool.ca) (he will send you the link).

*Everyone is most welcome, but you must be a current member of Alberta 55plus to vote at the AGM. Memberships are available @ \$40 per year online at [www.alberta55plus.ca](http://www.alberta55plus.ca) or by contacting our Membership Director, Bob Walsh by email at [skiibike@hotmail.com](mailto:skiibike@hotmail.com) or at 780-835-1492.*

**\*\*\* Please let us know you're attending by Wednesday, April 19 (just 'reply' to this email or let a board member know) so we can plan lunch.**

## Agenda Items include:

- Long Service Awards
- Election of Officers: President, Treasurer  
**Please consider putting your name forward for a Board position (or talk someone else into it!). Area Directors are urgently needed - please consider getting involved with our organization: it will not survive without more involvement from the membership!**

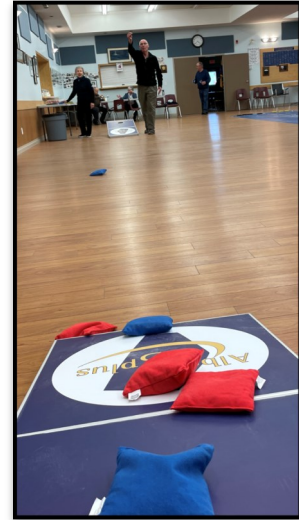
**We look forward to seeing you at the AGM in High Prairie!**

# Zone 8 Fun Games/Playoffs

Several Fun Games/Playoffs have been held. Winners are eligible to participate in the 2023 Alberta 55plus Brooks/Newell Summer Games.



Fairview hosted the **Floor Shuffleboard** event. Dave and Marie Coristine were victorious in the 55+ category and Gary and Elaine Sky won in the 70+ category.



A little **Cornhole** practise!



**Contract Bridge** was hosted by the Grande Prairie Golden Age Centre.

George Salacki and Doug Mills took First place and Char Metz and Wendy McMillan took Second.



The High Prairie Golden Age Centre hosted **Cribbage**. Shirley Yamkowsky and Lance Ledger placed First and Ed Luck and Richard Walliser placed Second.



## More Games ...

**Military Whist**  
Was hosted in the  
Grande Prairie  
Golden Age Centre.



The team of Sharon Lejeune, Terry Zoerb, Margaret Neufeld, and



The team of Gary & Julia Doll and David & Judy Young had the most flags and came in First.

The following Fun Games/Playoffs are still coming up!

Some dates are still uncertain, as outdoor events have not been scheduled. However, if you are interested in any of these events, please contact Velvet a.s.a.p.:

**Velvet Davies, Zone 8 Activity Director**  
**780-978-0954 or 780-532-6689**  
**velvet@leta.ca**

Pickleball (all categories)	May 5-6, 2023	Starts May 5 @ 4:30 pm	Baytex Energy Centre, Peace River
Cycling	May 27, 2023	Time TBA	Location TBA
Track & Field	To coincide with the	Peace Country	Classic at Legion Field in Grande Prairie
Golf	June 3, 2023	9:00 am	Fairview Golf Club
Swimming	June 17, 2023	10:30 am	High Prairie Aquatic Centre
Photography Crafts	No 'playoff' unless numbers warrant	Register by June 1, 2023	Contact: Freddi Bromling freddi@telusplanet.net 780-897-4463
Cornhole	TBA		

Newcomers to AB55plus are allowed to participate in one event for free to try us out, but you **must have a current membership to play off for the Summer Games**. Memberships are available online at [www.alberta55plus.ca](http://www.alberta55plus.ca) or contact Membership Director Bob Walsh 780-835-1492 or [zone8membership@alberta55plus.ca](mailto:zone8membership@alberta55plus.ca).



# Are you going? (Or still thinking about it?)

## 2023 Brooks-Newell Summer Games

### August 17-20, 2023

<https://brooksnewellgames.ca/>

SPORT	ADDRESS	Fri., Aug. 18	Sat., Aug. 19	Sun. Aug 20
Art Viewing	The Medium 511 2nd St W.	9:00am - 4:00pm	9:00am - 4:00pm	
8-Ball Pool	Brooks Legion 235 3rd St. W.	9:00am - 4:00pm	10:00am - 4:00pm	
BOCCE	Evergreen Park	9:00am - 4:00pm	9:00am - 4:00pm	9:00am - 1:00pm
Contract Bridge	Tilley	9:00am - 4:00pm	9:00am - 4:00pm	
Cornhole	St. Joes Tennis Court 408 1st St. W.	9:00am - 4:00pm	9:00am - 4:00pm	9:00am - 12:00pm
Cribbage	Evergreen Activity Centre	9:00am - 4:00pm	9:00am - 4:00pm	
Cycling	Centennial Regional Arena	9:00am - 12:00pm	9:00am - 12:00pm	9:00am - 12:00pm
Floor Shuffleboard	Tilley Arena?	9:00am - 4:00pm	9:00am - 4:00pm	
Golf	Brooks Golf Course 1211 1st Ave E	8:30am start	8:30am start	
Horseshoes	Horseshoe Pit	9:00am - 4:00pm	9:00am - 4:00pm	8:30am - 11:30pm
Military Whist	Legion 235 3rd St. W.	9:00am - 4:00pm	9:00am - 3:00pm	
Pickleball	JBS Canada Centre Flex Hall/ Brooks Junior High School	9:00am - 4:00pm	9:00am - 4:00pm	8:30am - 11:30pm
Slo-Pitch	Quad Diamonds	8:00am - 9:00pm	8:00am - 4:00pm	8:00am - 1:00pm
Swimming	JBS Canada Centre	12:00am - 4:00pm	9:00am - 1:00pm	
Tennis	Griffin Park School	9:00am - 4:00pm	9:00am - 4:00pm	9:00am - 12:00pm
Track & Field	Brooks Junior High School	9:00am - 4:00pm	10:00am - 4:00pm	9:00am - 12:00pm

Opening Games August 17th  
7:00 JBS Canada Centre

★ Official Opening Ceremonies - Thursday, August 17th 7:00pm JBS Canada Centre

★ Participants Banquet - Saturday, August 19th JBS Canada Centre  
Cocktails 5:30  
Dinner 6:30

★ Merch Sales: Chandos Room (Wed. - Sun)  
JBS Canada Centre

★ Games Headquarters: East / West Room  
JBS Canada Centre



# Accommodations & Travel



## Preferred Hotels

### Canalta Brooks (Brooks)

- 91 rooms including kitchenettes, suites, family rooms, and meeting rooms
- Games room, fitness center, pet friendly, and heated indoor pool and hot tub
- Prices starting at \$139 a night

### Heritage Inn Hotel & Convention Centre (Brooks)

- 104 rooms including dog-friendly rooms, and meeting/conventional facilities
- On-site restaurant and lounge, and fitness rooms
- Prices starting at \$99 a night

### Heritage Inn & Suites (Brooks)

- 61 rooms including dog-friendly rooms, suites, family rooms, and meeting rooms
- Indoor pool, sauna, and fitness room
- Prices start at \$155 a night

### Ramada (Brooks)

- 104 rooms including kitchenettes, meeting rooms, and family rooms
- Fitness Center, hot tub and indoor pool, sauna, pet friendly
- Prices starting at \$135 a night

## Other Hotels & Motels

### Days Inn & Suites (Brooks)

- 77 rooms, including family rooms and suites
- Fitness centre/gym, swimming pool, and hot tub on site
- Prices start at \$124 a night - Wyndham

### Motel 6 (Brooks)

- 56 rooms, all double queens
- Ricky's All Day Grill and Lounge on site
- Prices start at \$80

### Travelodge (Brooks)

- 60 rooms including single, family, suites, meeting rooms, fitness centre
- Prices start at \$64 a night

### Tel Star Motor Inn (Brooks)

- 51 rooms including family rooms and Kitchen Aid rooms upon request
- Prices start at \$60 a night

### Plains Motel (Brooks)

- 53 rooms including kitchenettes, smoking and non-smoking rooms
- Prices starting at \$65

### Royal City Motor Inn (Brooks)

- 22 rooms including family rooms
- Restaurant on-site
- Prices starting at \$55 a night

### Sure Stay (Bassano)

- 44 rooms, including pet-friendly options
- Free breakfast, fitness centre, and meeting rooms
- Prices starting at \$115 a night

Take the Bus...  
it's a long drive!



**Cost: \$75**

If there are a

minimum of 15 people signed up, Zone 8 will charter a bus (\$75 per person total, there & back). We will subsidize the rest of the cost.

Let Velvet know when you register!

**Velvet Davies, Zone 8  
Activity Director  
780-978-0954 or 780-  
532-6689  
velvet@leta.ca**

## Campgrounds

### Kiwanis Campground

- 27 sites - Power, water, and sewer available
- Located in Brooks
- \$30/night

### Westside Campground

- 50 sites - Power, flush toilet and shower facilities available
- Located 3km West of Brooks

### Tillebrook Provincial Park Campground

- 85 Sites - Power, flush toilet and shower facilities available
- Located 6km East of Brooks
- \$31-\$39/night

### Rolling Hills Reservoir Campground

- 110 sites - Power, flush toilet and shower facilities available
- Located 20km South of Brooks
- \$40/night

### Kinbrook Island Provincial Park Campground

- 199 sites - Power, flush toilet and shower facilities available
- Located 13km South of Brooks
- \$31-\$39/night

### Crawling Valley Reservoir Campground

- 145 Sites - Power, washroom and shower facilities available
- Located 14km NE Bassano (60km NW of Brooks)
- \$30-\$40/night

### Emerson Bridge Campground

- 65 Sites - Power, flush toilets and shower facilities
- Located 45km North of Brooks
- \$15-\$30/night

### Dinosaur Provincial Park Campground

- 121 Sites - Power, flush toilet and shower facilities available
- Located 48km NE of Brooks
- \$31-\$39/night

### Rosemary Campground

- 12 Sites - Power and water, flush toilets and shower facilities
- Located in Rosemary (30km NW of Brooks)
- \$20-\$30/night

### Scandia Campground

- 33 Sites - Power, flush toilets and shower facilities
- Located in Scandia (40km NW of Brooks)
- \$25/night

### Cobblestone RV Park

- 20 Sites - Power, water available
- Located in Duchess (15km North of Brooks)
- \$30/night

### Poplar Grove Campground

- 20 sites - Shower facilities
- Located 1km East of Bassano (40km NW of Brooks)

### Bassano Homecoming Park

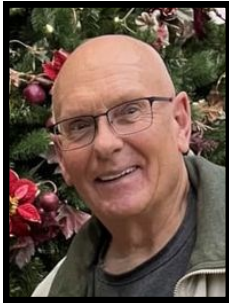
- 20 sites - Power, flush toilets and shower facilities
- Located in Bassano (40km NW of Brooks)
- \$20-\$25/night

### Tilley Campground

- 10 serviced sites
- Located in Tilley (20km SE of Brooks)

## In Memoriam

We are sad to share the passing of the following Zone 8 members:



**Ray Gilkyson** passed on December 19, 2022. Ray was a long-time supporter and member of Alberta 55plus and competed over the years in Zone 8, Alberta 55plus and Canada 55+ events. He enjoyed all sports, and competed in several sports in Alberta 55plus, including Slo Pitch, Track and Field, and Golf. He most recently represented Alberta 55plus playing golf in the 2022 Canada 55plus Kamloops Games.



**John Kenney** passed on March 5, 2023. John was a newer member, who enjoyed card games, in particular Bridge. John (along with partner George Salacki) represented Zone 8 playing Contract Bridge at the 2022 Peace Region Summer Games and the 2022 Kamloops Canada 55+ Games.

We need people to help us out on the Board!!

We are in desperate need of Area Directors, representing Zone 8 of Alberta 55plus.

Getting the news out, organizing activities at the local level, that sort of thing.

Our small group of hard working volunteers is stretched way too thin, with some areas/communities without any representation at all. If you can help us out, please

contact us - **we need you!!**

Better yet, come to the AGM in High Prairie!!

## Zone 8 Executive

President / Newsletter	Freddi Bromling
Past-President	Mary Zabalotniuk
Vice - President	Barry Sideroff
Treasurer / Casino Coordinator	Mike Bain
Secretary	Brenda Pelletier
Activity Director	Velvet Davies
Membership Diirector	Bob Walsh

## Area Directors

Area 1: Slave Lake, Faust, Kinuso, Widewater, Canyon Creek, Smith	Marlene Gamble (Contact)
Area 2: Falher, Girouxville, High Prairie, McLennan, Jossard, Driftpile, Grouard, Eaglesham, Tangent	Looking for someone!
Area 3: Peace River, Grimshaw, Berwyn, Manning, Nam-pa, Brownvale	Mary Zabalotniuk
Area 4: Fairview, Worsley, Hines Creek, Bear Canyon, Whitelaw	Bob Walsh (Contact)
Area 5: Rycroft, Bonanza, Silver Valley, Spirit River, Bay Tree	Pat Sydoruk (Contact)
Area 6 : Wembley, Hythe, LaGlance, Elmworth, Valhalla Centre, Saskatoon Lake, Beaverlodge	Barry Sideroff
Area 7: Grande Prairie, Grovedale, Bezanson, Clairmont, Sexsmith	Mike Bain
Area 8: Valleyview, Fox Creek, Crooked Creek, Sunset House, Debolt	Ruby Morrison
Area 9: High Level, Fort Vermilion, LaCrete, Keg River	Still looking for Someone!