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Summer 2019

ACROSS the WATERSHED







Summer Outreach Updates

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It is unreal that the summer is already half over for us. We have gone to lots of different places, met many different people and most importantly done lots of watershed education. You can follow our adventures on Instagram and Twitter.

We've been to events in Lamont, Ryley, St. Albert, Fort Saskatchewan, Wabamun, Vegreville, Strathcona County, Gibbons, Drayton Valley, and Tofield (and that's just to name a few). We have gone to open houses, rodeos, markets, and even walked in a parade! We are looking forward to attending more events as the summer progresses. By being outreach assistants, we are learning so much, and love sharing our knowledge about the watershed. We have so much fun and enjoy that we are making an impact. It is great to have a job that involves so much learning and growth as individuals.

We would love to see your faces at the next event we are attending, so come visit us at our tent, to learn more about the NSWA! We are often updating our social media to let stakeholders know where we will be. You can also find out which events we are attending on our website.

NSWA SUMMER EVENTS



RIVERFEST IS BACK!!

EPCOR's RiverFest is a celebration of our North Saskatchewan River and the River Valley park system. Each location (Edmonton and Devon) features a different variety of outdoor activities all geared up to help get you active in our river valley and on the North Saskatchewan River.

Participants purchase tickets to float on the North Saskatchewan River, explore free land activities that you can do in the river valley, and connect with river-valley related businesses, organizations, and clubs.

NSWA will be at the Terwillegar Park in Edmonton on August 10th!

RIVERFEST TICKETS



Edmonton River Ambassador EcoFloat Trips

If you can't make Riverfest, there is another opportunity for you to explore the River this summer. You're invited to join RiverWatch Institute of Alberta for a 3-hour guided raft tour of the North Saskatchewan River right in Edmonton. Back by popular

demand, these exceptional opportunities are a great way for the public to get active, get outdoors, learn lots and enjoy nature this summer! Dress for the weather and we'll handle the rest. EcoFloats are FREE with a \$20 deposit refundable with attendance. Additional information for the 3-hour interpretive trips is through Eventbrite. If you, your family or your team can join us or share this opportunity, RiverWatch will look forward to making everyone "welcome aboard" this summer!

Eco-Float tickets





On July 9th NSWA staff were invited by Lafarge Canada to see their Kestrel project near Tomahawk, Alberta. What a great way to learn more about these amazing birds, and see three week old chicks. Kestrel numbers are declining in parts of their range, so the nesting boxes provided by Lafarge help increase their survival rates and population numbers. Banding the kestrels helps researchers keep track of their locations and nesting patterns. This forms part of Lafarge's Berrymoor Pit biodiversity program.

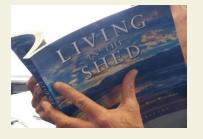
SAVE THE DATE

Join Alberta Lake Management Society (ALMS) at their Annual Conference at Camp Chestermere on September 18-19, 2019. Check out their website for more information.

ALMS Conference



With all of the rain we have been having this summer, river and lake levels in the North Saskatchewan River watershed are higher than normal. Are you curious about water levels in our rivers, lakes and creeks? There is great information on the Alberta Rivers: Data and Advisories app or on the Alberta River Basins webpage (https://rivers.alberta.ca/).



Living in the Shed makes a terrific tour guide to the North Saskatchewan River watershed. Plan your next adventure by purchasing a copy at our office or at our online SHOP

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