

In the Loop: February 2021



From February 1-8, enjoy a series of virtual contests and at-home fun for Altona's annual Winter Carnival!

Contests include:

Scavenger Hunt

Head out into the community to find letters hidden at a number of different locations around Town - you'll need to solve the riddles to figure out where!

Cardboard Toboggan Contest

A winter carnival classic, build your best toboggan out of cardboard! Win a prize for the most creative!

Outdoor Rink Photo Contest

Send in a photo of your family enjoying an outdoor rink and tell us what you like most about the rink for a chance to win an Outdoor Rink Package

Lego Building Contest

Practice your creative Lego building skills for a chance to win!

Snow Sculpture Contest

Bundle up and build a sculpture out of snow! Send us a photo of your creation, and you could win a prize!

We look forward to seeing all of your submissions.

You can learn more about these contests, and all sorts of fun DIY activities on the Town of Altona Recreation Department Facebook Page, or at www.altona.ca!

Paperless Billing

Would you prefer to receive your utility bills through email? Let us know, and we will happily make that change for you!

Send us an email at reception@altona.ca to sign up! Please include the following information:

- Name
- Account Number
- Street Address
- Email Address
- Phone Number

Thank you for helping us serve you better.

Already signed up? Thank you, and please make sure to update us if your email address ever changes (such as when changing internet service providers)

Winter Carnival Activities: Try these at home!

DIY Maple Syrup Taffy:

- 2 cups of real maple syrup
- Clean snow
- Wooden popsicle sticks

Step 1: Collect clean snow! One easy way to do this is put a baking sheet outside when the snow is in the forecast.

Step 2: Boil 2 cups of maple syrup

Step 3: Pour the maple syrup in thin lines about 5" long onto the snow (about 2 tbsp per candy). Allow the syrup to cool and firm for 3-5 seconds

Step 4: Wind the taffy onto a stick

Step 5: Enjoy right away!

Homemade Snow Paint

- Spray bottle
- Cold water
- Food colouring
- Snow

Step 1: Fill a spray bottle (or a small bowl with brushes) with cool water.

Step 2: Add a few drops of the food colouring of your choice, and shake or mix it up.

Step 3: Bundle up and head outside to test your "paint" on the snow!



Dates to Remember for February 2021:

- ⇒ **February 1-5**: Compost Collection Week
- ⇒ **February 1-8:** Virtual Winter Carnival
- ⇒ **February 9:** Committee of the Whole/Council Meeting @ 3:30/5:30 pm
- ⇒ **February 9:** Public Hearing for A-01-2021-VA Variation @ 6 pm
- ⇒ **February 15:** Louis Riel Day, Offices Closed
- ⇒ **February 16:** 2020 4th Quarter Utility Bill Payment Deadline
- ⇒ **February 23:** Committee of the Whole/Council Meeting @ 3:30/5:30 pm
- ⇒ March 1: Garbage Bag Limit Changes to <u>ONE</u> per household

Valentine's Day Take Home Craft Kits

Pottery painting, card making, cookie decorating and more!

Visit the Recreation Facebook page, www.altona.ca, or give us a call at 204-324-9005 to learn more about Valentine's themed activities available for purchase for you and your household to do at home!



APS: Criminal Record Checks

The Altona Police Service conducts Criminal Record Checks (CR) for the residents of Altona and Plum Coulee only.

Should you require a CR, please obtain forms from our website and fill them out prior to attending our office. The forms can be found on altona.ca/police/crime-prevention-tips/

You will need to personally report to the Altona Police Service located at 111 Center Avenue East. You will need to produce two pieces of identification, including one with a photograph. The cost for the CR is \$20.00, and is made payable via cash, cheque or debit.

Please note there may be times when fingerprinting is required. Should this service happen, a fee of \$40.00 will apply.

In most cases the processing time of a CR is 72 hours, or in some cases less. Fingerprinting results take longer to receive, as they are sent to Ottawa for processing.

If you have any questions, you can call our office at (204) 324-5373. Our office is open from 8:30am – 4:30pm, Monday to Friday.

For anyone living in the Municipality of Rhineland, please call the RCMP at (204) 822-4476 for Criminal Record Check information

Join Our Team: Now Hiring

The Town of Altona is looking for an energetic individual who is committed to the community to join our Public Works Team in a full-time, permanent position of **Public Works Assistant**.

The **Public Works Assistant** reports to the Public Works Manager and the Public Works Foreman in the operation of the Transportation Department for the Town of Altona. Duties for this role include street maintenance, construction projects, landscaping, heavy equipment operations, utilities maintenance, and machinery repair, as well as being part of an on-call rotation.

The successful applicant must have a minimum Grade 12 high school diploma or equivalent, a desire and willingness to obtain further training as required, and the ability to work in different conditions, independently or as part of a team. Experience in the operation of heavy equipment, construction, landscaping and/or machinery repair is an asset for this position, as is a Class Three driver's license with air brake endorsement.

The salary for this position will be commensurate with experience and qualifications. We thank all that apply; however, only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. Candidates being considered will be required to undergo a Criminal Record Check.

Please submit your resume and cover letter by **Wednesday**, **February 10** to:

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