

May Daze 2020: Friday through Sunday, May 15, 16, 17

Held at the: Woodbend Community Hall,
26002 Township, Road 515, Spruce Grove, AB.

The hall is located about 15 - 20 minutes northeast of Devon, after crossing on the North Saskatchewan River bridge on highway #60. Signs to the hall will be posted.

May Daze is being hosted by the Edmonton Tumblewood Lapidary Club at the same location where they hosted May Daze 1915. Ample trailer parking and tent set up is available. *More location information and other accommodation options are listed at the end of this article.*

Events Summary:

When you arrive at the Woodbend Hall, please sign in at the Greeting Table and receive your information for the weekend. This will include activities such as buying your Friday dinner ticket, signing the Guest Book, signing up for fieldtrips and receiving a gift bag. The Greeting Table will be operating on Friday afternoon, Saturday and until about noon on Sunday. It is helpful to have your membership card with you.

Friday: As participants to the event arrive, after signing in at the Greeting Table, display cases will be set up, auction items will be assembled on the tables provided, and general set up for the event will take place. The auction material will be set up for viewing until the Saturday evening auction. If you want a display case contact Pauline Zeschuk at paulinez8@shaw.ca.

There will be a monitor to help with directing the parking of trailers and vehicles outside the hall. Inside the hall, tea, coffee and water will be available all weekend.

The Barbeque Dinner will take place at about 6:00 pm

An evening program will be announced.

Saturday: Organized fieldtrips and Self-directed fieldtrips leave in the morning.

Breakfast and Lunch are each member's responsibility.

Demonstrations and "hands on activities" will take place in the hall during the afternoon.

A Silent Auction will take place in the hall on Saturday.

At about 5:30 pm, the Potluck will take place. Everyone participating in the Potluck Dinner is expected to contribute to the meal. The person bringing the item for the meal is expected to attend to the food item, such as place the item in the refrigerator or plug in a crock pot, as needed. He or she is also expected to place the item on the table when the meal is about to begin. Items not eaten at the Saturday Buffett will be kept in the refrigerators and served for lunch on Sunday.

Everyone participating in the buffet dinner will supply their own plates and cutlery.

A Live Auction will take place after the buffet dinner items are cleared. At the end of the auction the payment for each item will take place and the purchased items will be removed from the hall.

John Cherwonogrodsky and volunteers will carry out the duties required to hold the auction.

Sunday: Complementary breakfast: 8:00 am to 10:00 am.

Annual General Meeting: 10:00 am to 12:00 noon

Potluck left overs for lunch.

Tail gaiting outdoors. A set percentage of the total sales will be retained by the AFRC.

Indoor cleanup if tailgating takes place outdoors. (Indoor tailgating in bad weather).

Most people leave in the late afternoon. Campers may be an exception.

Accommodations info:

Rooms can be booked in Devon at the Key West Inn. The Key West Inn is located along Hwy. 60 which is used when traveling from the south, going north to arrive at the Woodbend Hall.

Rate details in email from the Manager below: Phone No. 780 987 2511

Good Morning Pauline, Dec. 26, 2019, Thank you for reaching out to me this morning.

As per our conversation this morning, here are the room rates I can offer you for the May 18th, 2020 weekend. If 10 or more rooms are booked in advance...I can give a rate of 94.00 per night no matter how many people occupy the room. If less than 10 rooms then the cost is as follows... 1 person 94.00 per night, 2 people 104.00 per night, 3 people 117.00 per night

I hope this info helps you and I look forward to hearing from you in the future.

Thank You

Diana, Front Desk Manager

Those who wish to camp in the Edmonton area after the May Daze event are invited to check the Lion's campground located in Devon near the N. Saskatchewan River. (780 987 4777)

Below is the access to the Woodbend Hall interactive map.

Regarding the Saturday Evening Auction, please contact John Cherwonogrodzky at <cherwono@shaw.ca> if you have any inquiries.

Demonstrations of lapidary skills are a great way to share information with AFRC members. It would be helpful to have a list of Demos. that are taking place on Saturday afternoon (May 16, 2020) in the next newsletter. If you are able to do a demonstration or do an interactive class, please contact Pauline Zeschuk at paulinez8@shaw.ca

More detail will be included in the April newsletter.

Interactive Map to Woodbend Hall

Click on the link to access the map. Enlarge the map to see secondary roads leading to the hall from Hwy# 60.

<https://www.google.com/maps/dir/53.4524189,-113.5137815/woodbend+hall+spruce+grove/@53.4346888,-113.6719222,11.5z/data=!4m9!4m8!1m1!4e1!1m5!1m1!1s0x539ff4f4256438b9:0xa20ab89493da22e5!2m2!1d-113.690244!2d53.425451>

Pauline Zeschuk, Event Co-ordinator.