

Dust in the Wind

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 4	First Day of School
September 12	Trauma Informed Care Alliance Church—1:00 pm
September 15	Welcome Back BBQ FD Gym—2:30 pm
September 19	Run for Life FD Gym—4 pm
September 20	Elders Wellness Elders Lodge—10:00 am
September 22	Firearms Safety Course
September 27	Traditional Parenting Sargent Hall—9:00 am

***Due to the school using the Community gym,
there will be no bookings aside from weekly
bingos until after the new year***

***Flying Dust First Nation
150 years of Respect,
Caring, Sharing and
Honoring our roots***

***Hoping everyone
had the best
summer making
memories with
friends and family***

***Good luck to all the
students starting a
new school year***

***Please remember
to watch for the
flashing red lights
on the bus!!***

A Message from the Office of the Chief

Hello to all!!!

I hope you all had a great summer making memories and enjoying our beautiful territory. We have been very busy here on Flying Dust. Many of you have seen all the work going on in the community. We have a few projects going on in lands, recreation and Ec/Dev. In this issue, we have some basic updates for you to explain the work going on in each area. If you want a more in depth explanation, please contact the office and we would be happy to provide the information.

In closing I want to wish all our students a great year, all our hunters a good season and our members a wonderful fall.

My family and I wish blessings on all your households



Yours in Leadership,
CHIEF JEREMY NORMAN



Tansi Flying Dust Members

First of all I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer with Family and Friends.

We just finished hosting the Annual Flying Dust Pow wow and it went very well, I would like to commend the Pow Wow Committee for all their hard work throughout the year to put on this major event.

We also hosted 3 golf tournaments to fundraise for the 2019 First Nation Summer Games, we will need volunteers for this event which is happening July 14th to the 19th 2019. If you would like to help out please call office and we will get you signed up.

There is a lot of construction in our Community right now with housing, school project and remediation of the of the railway as well as getting ready for next years summer games. We have some important issues coming up in the near future and hopefully will be seeing all very soon with updates from Your First Nation Administration.

Respectfully

Richard "Chook" Derocher

Tansi Dusters!

Well I hope summer was good to you and your family. It was a little short but our time was filled with a lot of community activities. I hope everyone enjoyed the powwow and treaty days. We also look forward to the upcoming general band meeting.

We have been busy in housing with the addition of new housing as well as the beautiful arbor. The market garden addition is almost complete and will make the production team way more efficient. Remember to pick up your organic produce there!

Flying Dust purchased a new 26 passenger van. Several Elders took it on its maiden voyage on a trip to Peace River to visit a power plant. They were blessed with great weather and all had a great time. Thank you to Val Desjarlais for attending and making sure our Elders had a great time.

The Youth Centre has been trying to get a schedule done to keep the youth busy and provide meaningful programming. We have also purchased a new youth van and should be on the go soon. The school project is going strong and we anticipate the completion date for the fall of next year.

The remediation work on the railway lands is underway. We have contracted Pinter to come in for the environmental part and we have been able to put our own guys and equipment to work for the project. This means more money for Flying Dust instead of hiring outside companies.

We have begun the site prep for our new gas station. Maybe you have noticed the surveyors and the line guys across from the band office. Now that we know what our station can do, we can better plan out the new one to better take care of our customers. The construction will go on all winter and the new station should be open for business next summer.

We have a lot going on in Flying Dust and that is thanks to the people working for us. They are all caring individuals who also have a great vision for the future of our nation. With that, remember my door is always open and my number is 306-240-8655 or at the office 306-236-4437. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or voice your concerns or maybe you just want to talk. I am here for you my people

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TYSON BEAR, COUNCILOR

Good Day:

Just a little write-up on what I have been involved with in the last month. Most of my days have been day-to-day unplanned duties; what comes up every day keeps me busy; committing to band membership and their requests. Most focus is with the health staff with work planning their approvals and participating in their sessions, whether its workshops, for support and training.

Anytime anyone has questions, please keep stopping in or call my cell 240-9519.

God Bless

MARIE GLADUE



FDB HOLDINGS MISSION STATEMENT

To promote the economic self-sufficiency of the Flying Dust First Nation through sound investments, profitable and sustainable business operations, and effective management of business



Message from Chief Jeremy—Chairman

Tansi Band Members;

I am pleased to present a yearly report of the activities of FDB Holdings Ltd. This is the economic arm of the Flying Dust First Nation. Flying Dust is recognized throughout the province of Saskatchewan as being a very progressive and business minded First Nation. We have various business holdings that are providing an income for FDFN. FDB Holding Corporation is the corporate entity overseeing the business enterprises of Flying Dust First Nation. FDB Holdings. A strong working relationship with Flying Dust First Nation Leadership is important for ensuring good governance, performance, accountability and transparency.

FDB Gravel Ltd.

FDB Gravel provides aggregate sales from our pits on the Labrash TLE purchase. FDB Gravel provides gravel to the FDFN, NorSask Forest Products, Inland Concrete and various other customers. We have purchased a Loader, Trac Hoe, Screening Deck (separates gravel) and plan to purchase a conveyor system, weigh scale, new invoicing and security system to make the operation more efficient. We are also providing remediation services for INAC on the railway lands cleanup.

The coming year looks very positive as we anticipate more gravel opportunities with the Dept. of Highways and Mistik Management. We are also continuing cleanup on the Railway lands near the city.

Flying Dust Property Management

The property management arm of F.D.B. Holdings is comprised of several key areas such as Land Code Coordination, Land Clerk, Land Manager. These titles also service property management, land use and occupancy, matrimonial real property, land use plan in addition agricultural leases, property leases, commercial space leases and oversight of private property management issues. The provincial building property management subsidiary, which is located in the City of Meadow Lake, falls under a separate company, 625706 SK. Ltd.

FDFN Property Management leases to farmers, businesses, Provincial Government and MLTC for office space. This year we are planning for a new building for MLTC for 20-40 office spaces.



FDB Fuels

FDB Fuels is located on FDFN. It is the hub of the community and provides tax free fuel and tobacco for treaty card holders. It provides confectionery and sundry items. The fuel station has provided the community (through the rebate program) with a very reliable business that supports many programs in Flying Dust.

F.D.B. Holdings is exploring building a new fuel station that will provide a more varied selection of additional items, as well as an increased selection of healthy ready-made, grab-and-go items. Building a new, more modern fuel station will ensure the continued success of the operation.

FDFN Market Garden

FDFN Market Garden was started in 2009 and has grown significantly in the last few years. Although the garden is not a money maker it provides FDFN Membership with food sovereignty which means we don't have to depend on others for our food source. This diamond in the rough is something most communities dream about and many are working towards that goal as well. We were successful in obtaining an \$185,000 grant from SEIF for a new wash line and upgrade our harvester. We have applied for funding from INAC and Western Economic Diversification to expand the Market Garden to make it more viable and efficient.

We have an agreement with a wholesaler named Thomas Fresh Company. The agreement states that they will purchase 250,000 tonnes of potatoes every year for the next 4 years. We also provide to M.L. COOP, Sobeys in Saskatoon and SIGA restaurants as well as FDFN membership.

Flying Energy LP

Flying Energy is owned and operated by FDB Holdings Corp. FDFN through its TLE process purchased land in the Bakken area (Stoughton & Estevan) to gain access to the oil producing lands. With the downturn in oil prices our investment although still very good has not been as lucrative as first thought. However; Flying Energy has been successful in supporting community programs, infrastructure (Elders Home) and educational services (Scholarships). With the a small upturn in oil prices FDB Holdings remains positive about the benefits that Flying Energy can provide to the community in the future.

Flying Dust Power Corporation Ltd

FDB Holdings has been working on a 20 MW power project since 2014. In partnership with First Nations Power Authority and Sask Power Corp. we have been negotiating a Power Purchase Agreement. FDB Holdings intends to capture Flare Gas (gas that is burnt into the atmosphere) and turn it into power. This would be one the biggest Flare Gas projects in Canada. It will provide a stable future income for the FDFN as power never goes down and stays stable in price. This is an 80 million dollar project but we already have many developers wanting to work with FD Power to achieve our goals.

Presently we are releasing an Expression of Interest (EOI) to give all developers a chance at the Request for Proposal (RFP). This will provide us the details of who can do these projects, whether they know what they're doing, if they have the financial capability to do it.

FDB HOLDINGS—CONT'D

FDFN has many other activities that we are pursuing for the betterment of FDFN Membership. Quality of life, healthier lifestyles and more employment opportunities are the goal of FDB Holding Corp. Part of that process is identifying the needs and wants of the community. As part of the CCP (Comprehensive Community Plan) we have taken those ideas and needs and applied them to our Goals and Objectives.

1.) FDFN Commercial Sub Division – Since 2012 FDFN has been working on a Commercial Sub Division in anticipation of converting the railway lands to reserve. We have been working with INAC, CN, Pinter & Associates, All North Engineering and KGS Engineering to complete this. We will be having open houses to discuss this project further with band members. We will have drawings, plans and renderings to show membership some of the plans and also provide an opportunity to make changes if necessary. This will happen in **May/June/July 2019**. Look out for flyers and we look forward to great turnouts.

2.) Water Treatment Plant – Since 2013 we have been lobbying INAC for a new \$13 million WTP. We are considered B1 which is the highest priority level for funding since 2014. We have developed an engineered plan and have completed ESA's (environmental site assessments). We are waiting for INAC to respond. This facility would be great for the FDB Gravel and Concrete.

3.) Solid Waste Management Facility – Since 2014 FDFN has been trying to get a SWMF. This is essentially a modern garbage dump that recycles the garbage where it can. We have developed the engineered drawing for this facility as well as ESA's. We are waiting for a response from INAC.

4.) FDB Concrete Proposal – To add value to our gravel FDB Holdings is pursuing a partnership with Colas Canada which is a multi-national company from France. They specialize in road construction, asphalt and concrete which require vast amounts of gravel. We are looking to get started soon once we finish negotiating our agreements and complete a business plan.

5.) Gensource Potash Investment – FDB Holdings has invested monies with Gensource Potash Corp. This is a junior potash company with land holdings in central Saskatchewan. They presently have partnered with an East Indian Group (ESSEL INC.) to construct a \$250,000,000 potash mine. They are also in negotiations with a Chinese Company for another potash mine for a guaranteed purchase of 250,000 tonnes of potash per year for the next 20 years.

These mines will require co-generation power that will produce 15 MW's of power per year each. FD Power Corp. in partnership with Gensource is exploring the opportunity to provide power to these mines. It's a very exciting project but still in the early stages. We will keep you up to date.

LANDS— REMEDIATION



The remediation will allow Flying Dust to develop the lands along Railway Ave. previously held by the federal, provincial and municipal governments. This land was taken in 1932 for the railway. The work is expected to take a year to have the land ready for development.



FDB FUELS— NEW CONSTRUCTION

2019 SASK FIRST NATION SUMMER GAMES

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS!!!

The Games Sub committees are set to start work. If you are interested in being involved in the planning and preparation, please come in to sign up for a committee.

We have spots in the following sub-committees:

Food Services, Entertainment, Cultural, Lance Run, Venues, Accommodation (Athletes Village) Security and Medical

The Flying Dust Ball Diamonds have already been utilized for 2 provincial tournaments. The FSIN championships and the FSIN Youth Championships were held here in the past month.





Summer Games

Flying Dust Summer Games Steering Committee will be mobilizing the sub committees in the very near future. We will be hosting thousands of people throughout the Games so we will need hundreds of volunteers to step in and step up.

If you are interested in becoming involved in the planning and preparation, please contact the office to sign up for a sub committee. If you are interested in only volunteering throughout the games, you can sign up with the venue you are interested in.

HOUSING

In the past 2 years, we have almost completed construction of 21 new homes. The new builds have been primarily in the Potato Loop sub-division. We have 5 new rental units which will be available for rent in October and 3 CMHC units which have already been allocated. FD Housing has also been approved for funding from INAC for 10 renovations.

FD Housing is committed to providing the best construction and developing the skills of its employees. With that in mind we have provided the following training to staff:

Home Builder Program, GED, Level 1 Apprenticeship Training.

FD Housing can proudly say 90% of construction staff are indentured apprentices.

Building better lives by building better homes

HOME

IMPROVEMENT LOAN

The Flying Dust Housing Corp has begun a pilot project to help people in making their wish list a reality.

The Loan has been accessed to several tenants to build garages, fences and renovations. The loan is repayable over 10 years and is another step toward self sufficiency





EDUCATION



Tansi

I hope everyone had a great summer and is ready to take on a new school year! I want to thank the leadership, community and friends of the community that supported our 10 month fundraising campaign for our student year-end trip to California. It should be acknowledged that Chief and Council made a wonderful contribution of \$1000 each for this trip. The 9 day adventure was the experience of a lifetime for all of us and it meant a lot to be able to provide that experience for our youth. I know it gave a lot of them a new perspective to be able to travel across the border and see different landscapes, culture and livelihoods. It was a long bus ride and the temperatures were warmer than we are used to but all of the youth were respectful, polite and grateful for the opportunity. There is a bulletin board display pictures from the trip at the office...if you stop by check them out.

This fall Kopahawakenum School welcomes some new staff. We'd like to welcome Mr. Ken Gaudin, our new principal, Mrs. Della Duquette, Miss Shavon Norman and Miss Cam Coullineur, our new Educational Assistants, and Mrs. Cheryl Derocher who will now take on the additional role of vice-principal. As we are all aware, Kop. School is undergoing construction with plans to expand to grade 9 in the fall of 2019. Part of the project is modifying areas of the existing k-4 school.

During this phase of the project there structural issues that came up that needed to be addressed for the safety of staff and students. Fixing these issues set back the timeline and unfortunately we were unable to open the school doors on the original Sept 4th start date. However, our resourceful, dedicated school staff have been putting in extra time to plan for land-based instruction for our students which will take place in the first 2 weeks. Instruction will continue in portable class room which will be set up outside the gym in the coming weeks. We realize the inconvenience of this situation and we appreciate everyone's understanding and faith in our school program during this transition. We expect to be back in a newly renovated school after the Christmas break.

Over the last few years we have seen a huge increase in applications for post-secondary and trades funding. This is wonderful to see our members pursuing higher education. Due to the high number of applications and limited amount of federal funding the Post-Secondary Student Support Program was only able to take on a few new applicants. After some good discussion on the matter, the Chief and Council made the decision to supplement the program with **\$100,000** of own source revenue, which allowed us to support 6 additional full time students in their educational endeavors. Education is a great investment in our community and we wish all our students success in their studies.

Connie Derocher, Education Portfolio



“Education is at the heart of both personal and community development.”



The construction office is housed in a trailer brought onto the site. The entire site has been fenced off to prevent any accidental injuries of curious little minds.

All of the playground equipment had to be taken apart and stacked. The new addition is being built where the playground used to be.

Once the school addition is complete, a new playground will be constructed.



HEALTH

Through Jordans Principle funding, Flying Dust health was able to secure funding for 5 support positions, 2 Elder mentors and 3 youth Mentors. These positions will be starting immediately and will be aimed at support and counselling.

Health is anticipating a very full year with many activities and events. If you would like to get involved or would like more information, please call 306-236-8670.

Flying Dust held 2 youth cultural camps this year. Leadership and Health have committed to the future of our most valuable resource—our youth



The youth and Elders spent days together at Gladue Lake having fun and learning from each other.





Breakfast with participants
at Project Hope



Families that play
together stay together



Babysitting Certification
Graduates

RECREATION

U14 and U17 Fast Ball

Practices and games with other communities

Ended with a one day tourney that MLTC hosted.

Family camp (July)

Youth Camp (Aug)

Rec as taken over the concession at FD arena as of Aug 20th

Rec Bingo's- Sept (Wednesday & Fridays)

Monthly calendars- youth centre

Daily activities- youth centre

Highway clean up- youth centre

UPCOMING EVENTS

Skills and Development-Hockey (Clay) Aug

3 on 3- hockey (Clay) Sept

Axe sleepover-TBA

Dove sleepover-TBA

Firearms Safety-TBA

Youth Hunting Trip- TBA



Pine Ridge Ford Place

Pineridge Ford Place Arena has been in full swing with numerous activities. The King's Hockey school was held Aug 6 to Aug 17, 2018. A huge thank you to the King's Hockey School for their commitment to providing an excellent hockey school for community members and also for allowing us to be the host venue. The Snipe and Celly Skills and Conditioning Camp was held Aug 20 to Aug 30, 2018. Each age group from Novice to Midget had max capacity of registrations and was an overall successful camp for all participants. There was a Minor Hockey tournament held Aug 31-Sept 1, 2018 with 8 teams entered. Currently the Snipe and Celly 3 on 3 league is happening every evening during the week, it is scheduled to continue until the end of September. We will be hosting the Meadow Lake Mustangs Jr A Main camp this month and the Meadow Lake Minor Hockey along with MTN Goaltending sessions have been scheduling numerous times with our facility.

We were proud to be the host facility for the FSIN Fastball Championships (Canoe Lake host), our ball diamonds have been going through major renovations. We have installed new shale, a scoreboard, new dugouts, additions to the fields, a new fence and a new score-keepers tower. All of these renos are being done to be ready for the 2019 Summer Games. We would like to thank the Meadow Lake minor ball and slo-pitch league for utilizing our ball diamonds this past summer as well.

The Snipe and Celly Hockey Pro Shop located inside the Arena has started to provide apparel and equipment services for customers. We provide all the basic needs for hockey and apparel for teams, companies and organizations.

I have also applied and was granted 20 sets of hockey equipment along with basketball, baseball, volleyball equipment for the youth, this was granted through SaskSport and Sports Council program. We are very thankful to have a partnership with these organizations.

Summer games projects have been ongoing with the ball diamonds, and the athletes village being created. We have been putting a plan together in all areas leading up to the games. It is going to be a huge task and we will be planning a volunteer drive in the near future.

Upcoming:

Snipe and Celly Hockey Breakfast program, Adult Recreation Hockey League, continued Minor Hockey games and practices, Goaltending sessions, private 1 on 1 sessions.

Thanks!

Clay DeBrayArena Manager
Summer Games Manager

2018 FLYING DUST POWWOW



*The arbor is currently getting a new cover.
The completely covered arbor will make
sure rainy weather doesn't interrupt the fun*

Flying Dust Powwow 2018 was a traditional powwow. As there are many competition powwows throughout the year, it was agreed that Flying Dust would like to promote the traditional values of the Powwow—celebration, community, family.

The Powwow Committee put many tireless hours in planning, preparing and organizing the event and the many dancers and spectators had a great time—the weather even cooperated.

Thank you to the City of Meadow Lake who donated over \$5000 worth of fireworks to kick off our weekend

Celebrate each day like your last and honor it like your first

***HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO
CARRIE ANNE AND
JORDYNN LACHANCE
LOVE MOM AND DAD***



"Hometown Proud"

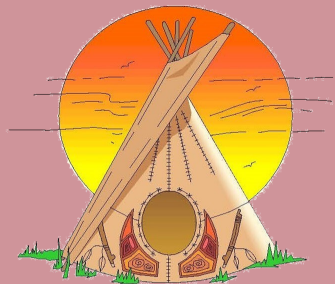
**Lt Trenton Gervais
meeting the Minister of
National Defence—
The Honorable Harjit
Singh Sajjan**



Congratulations to Bailey Mirasty and Delanion Fiddler on their wedding!!!

Elders got to go on trip to the Genalta plant in Peace River to see an actual Power plant in operation. This was done to give them a better understanding of the flare gas power project currently being planned by Flying Dust.





**Flying Dust
First Nation**

TELL US YOUR STORY!!

If you have news to share or would like to submit an article, anniversary or birthday greetings, please forward your information to

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