



TransAlta  
Tri Leisure Centre

# 2022

## ANNUAL REPORT





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# Welcome to the TransAlta Tri Leisure Centre

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## VISION STATEMENT

Inspiring quality life experiences and healthy, active living.

## MISSION STATEMENT

To enrich the well-being of our communities by providing exceptional activity and lifestyle opportunities in high-quality facilities.

## CORE VALUES

Adaptability, Collaboration, Inclusion, Integrity, Respect and Safety.

## 2022 | WAS QUITE THE YEAR

2022 was quite the year, the TransAlta Tri Leisure Centre experienced the end of COVID restrictions in early spring and began welcoming our community back to our facility. This past year, a significant highlight for the TLC was celebrating our 20th year of serving the tri region community. Many of our programs and services have returned, and by the end of the year, things have been looking up, and we are looking forward to something we haven't felt in years, normal.



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## Greetings from the Board



Jerry George  
Board Chair

As we waded through the aftermath of a pandemic filled few years, it was great to see many of the smiling faces and busy use of our various spaces return in 2022. As 2022 progressed, we saw a gradual return to the activity levels, the energy and the smiles that this regional community centre piece strives to be. It isn't quite a 100% recovery to pre-pandemic times, but we are happy to report everything is moving in the right direction, and we are excited about 2023.

Every year brings a new set of challenges and opportunities, and 2022 was no different, with an unexpected closure to the main pool to navigate and renovation to our former Sholtz lounge space to a rentable space for our communities. I would like to thank our TLC staff for their continued support as the face of those challenges and opportunities. I firmly believe that sport and recreation are about so much more than just exercise and activity. Involvement in sports and recreation is about building life skills such as communication, dedication, problem-solving, relationship-building, and so much more. The TLC looks forward to another great year ahead in 2023 and knows we can play an essential role in our region's mental and physical health.

As we reflect on the past year in this annual report, I want to say thank you to my fellow Board Members, the TLC staff, our members, user groups, and guests for their continued support and commitment to the TLC. On behalf of the Board of Directors, we hope you remain healthy and active and take advantage of the many opportunities available to you at the TLC.





## Board of Directors

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The TransAlta Tri Leisure Centre is governed by a Board of Directors comprised of two public representatives and one elected official from each municipality. Each year, our Board members work together to make sure the TLC is and continues to be a champion of community involvement and healthy, active living in the Tri-Municipal Region. For board member contact information, please visit our website at [www.trileisure.com](http://www.trileisure.com).

### JERRY GEORGE

Chair,  
Public Representative  
Town of Stony Plain

### TODD HAIST

Public Representative  
Town of Stony Plain

### ROB HAGG

Vice-Chair,  
Public Representative  
Parkland County

### JAY GRANLEY

Public Representative  
City of Spruce Grove

### SALLY KUCHER-JOHNSON

Elected Official  
Parkland County

### MICHELLE GRUHLKE

Public Representative  
City of Spruce Grove

### ERIN STEVENSON

Elected Official  
City of Spruce Grove

### BRENDA BUCHKO

Public Representative  
Parkland County

### PAT HANSARD

Elected Official  
Town of Stony Plain

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## Message from the GM



**Lenny Richer**  
General Manager

2022 was a tremendous year overall for the TLC! Programs and services were able to return to full capacity, and facility access levels also returned to more typical levels. We were so happy to see so many familiar faces as well as so many new ones back on a very regular basis! The facility was back to the more typical hum of activity, which was so exciting!

2022 also marked the TLC's 20th anniversary, which was celebrated in October with a day of free access for all, family fun and games, inflatable obstacle courses and much more. A good time was had by all!

Additionally, we saw the return of many annual special events such as the Alberta Mine Rescue Competition, Alberta Champions Cup, Spruce Grove's Strongest Men & Women competition, City of Spruce Grove and Legion Remembrance Day Ceremony, as well as new events to the TLC including the Alberta Cubers' Rubik's Cube competition and the National Indigenous Peoples Day Celebration.

From a facility upgrade perspective, we also saw several projects completed. Most notably, our preschool classrooms received new flooring and cabinetry phase one of our locker replacement plans was completed providing free access to more secure lockable lockers in the family change room, dry changerooms and down the pool hallway.

As 2022 came to a close, all signs pointed towards an even busier, more exciting year ahead, including a new swimming lesson program structure through Lifesaving Society, new rental space for birthday parties, meetings and special events, plus several capital projects and upgrades scheduled. We cannot wait for all that 2023 has to offer, and we can't wait to see you all!





## Sponsor Profile:

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## NWT

### Group of Companies Ltd



We proudly feature NWT Group of Companies Ltd., a long-time partner and TransAlta Tri Leisure Centre supporter. Since 2012, NWT Group of Companies Ltd. has played an essential role in our organization as a supporter, safety supply expert and go-to signage and uniform supplier.

The NWT Group of Companies Ltd. sponsorship of the TLC's Arena Complex shows its dedication and support for local events and sports teams in their local community. We are proud to be able to continue this relationship, as NWT Group of Companies Ltd. renewed their sponsorship commitment for another five years.



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## Program Stats | Wellness FITNESS

|                                 | TOTALS |      |
|---------------------------------|--------|------|
|                                 | 2021   | 2022 |
| Registered Programs Offered     | 27     | 102  |
| Registered Program Participants | 229    | 508  |
| Drop-In Programs                | 16     | 10   |
| Drop-in Participants            | 2223   | 6541 |

### HIGHLIGHTS

#### My Path Program

Renewed partnership with Parkland School Division My Path program, delivering programming on Fridays over the school year for Grades 1-9 with a focus on movement development, fitness, and physical literacy.

#### Fitness Equipment Upgrades

Completed Fitness Equipment Capital installation in September 2022 bringing one new strength item and nine replacement items.

#### Increase in attendance

Increase in sport conditioning programs as services return to normal operations.



# Program Stats Wellness

## CHILDREN & YOUTH

|                  | TOTALS |      |
|------------------|--------|------|
|                  | 2021   | 2022 |
| Programs Offered | 56     | 150  |
| Participants     | 789    | 1320 |

### HIGHLIGHTS

#### Preschool Grant Funding

March 2022 the TLC Licensed Preschool entered into the Affordability Grant Agreement with the Government of Alberta reducing fees for all preschool families and providing additional subsidies for those who qualify. This program also provides wage top ups for preschool employees who meet the requirements.

#### PLAY Parkland Funding

PLAY Parkland for the 2022-23 school year commenced with 10 schools participating. The TLC received \$8000 to reduce costs to students in Fall 2022 from the Canadian Tire Jumpstart Community Development Grant.

#### Summer Jobs Grant

We received \$12,600 from the Canada Summer Jobs Grant to support 3 students in TLC Summer Camps.

# Program Stats

## AQUATICS

|                             | TOTALS |         |
|-----------------------------|--------|---------|
|                             | 2021   | 2022    |
| Registered Programs Offered | 692    | 1485*   |
| Participants                | 3340   | 5,836** |
| Drop-In Programs Offered    | 291    | 636     |
| Drop-In Participants        | 7,239  | 17,206  |

\* Original program offerings; does not include cancelled programs

\*\* Excludes impacted participants from Leisure Pool closure.

## HIGHLIGHTS

### Last Year for Red Cross Swimming Lessons

In January 2022, the Canadian Red Cross informed its partners that they would discontinue its involvement in all swim and lifeguarding programming as of January 2023. As a result, we began transitioning from Red Cross "Swim Kids" to the Lifesaving Society's "Swim for Life" learn to swim and lifesaving programs.

After reviewing the program curriculum and meeting with representatives from the Lifesaving Society representatives to explain how we wanted to "beef up" their program, they agreed to our recommendations and supported our additions.

### Lifesaving Sport Swim Meet

Saturday, December 3, the TLC hosted our Lifesaving Sport swim meet. This was the first time we were the sole hosts in eleven years. We co-hosted with the Drayton Valley Lifesavers in previous years and shared the planning responsibilities. It was also the first swim meet post-Covid that we didn't have to implement any restrictions.

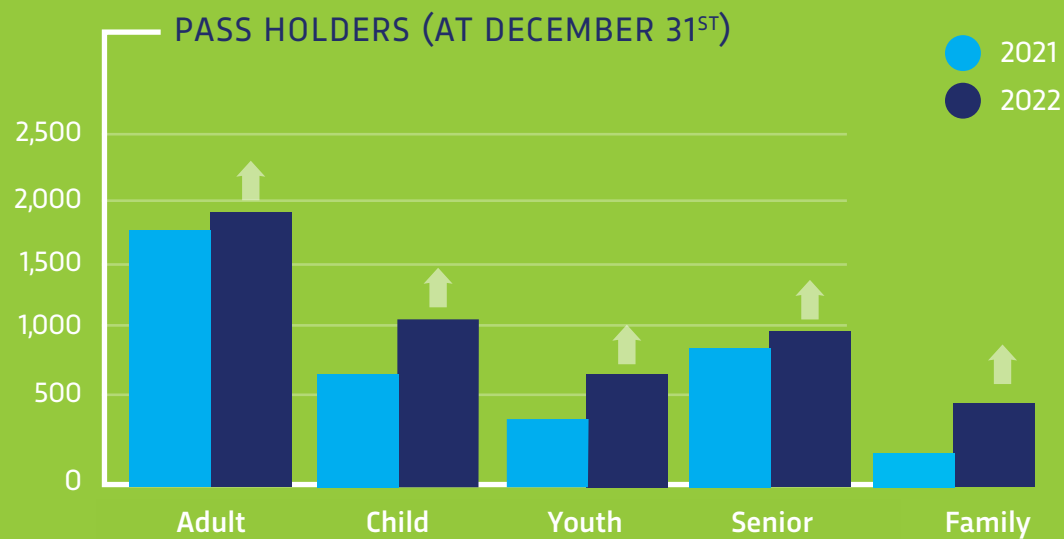
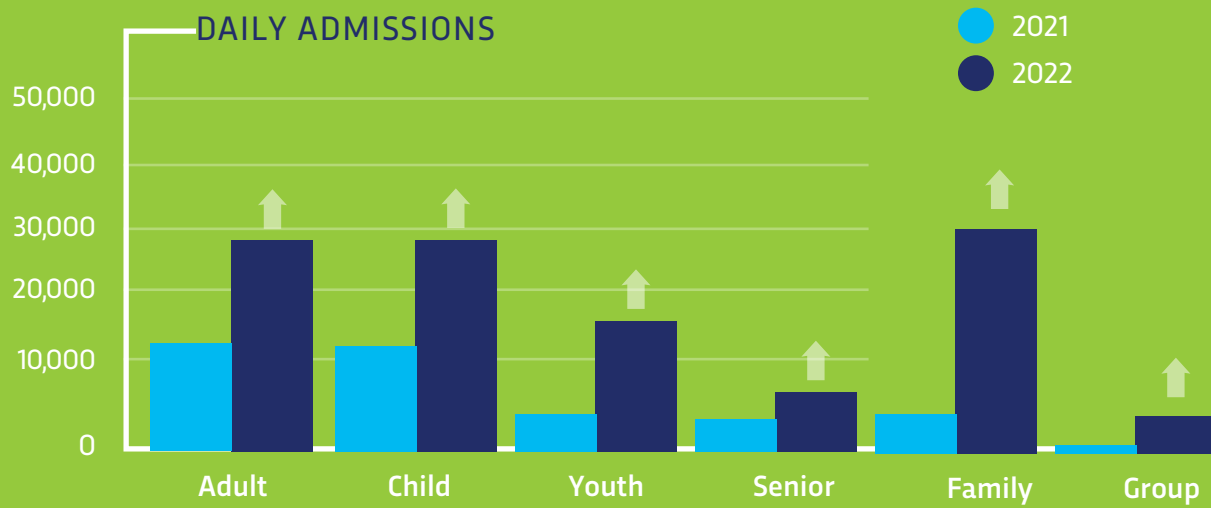
Five clubs attended (from Camrose, Wetaskiwin, Hinton, Drayton Valley, and our Blue Fins Junior Lifeguard Club), which brought a total of 165 athletes, 57 of which were our own Blue Fins swimmers, and 67 volunteers made the event possible.

### Dealing with COVID restrictions ending

On March 1, the province moved to Step 2 of its plan to ease Covid-19 restrictions, which included no more masking. This last-minute change increased the public swim numbers exponentially, and we needed to be staffed to accommodate the massive influx of patrons. After the first weekend, shifts were required to be created to ensure proper coverage for patron-to-lifeguard ratios.

**LOWLIGHT** - On October 2nd, a leak in one of our pipes was discovered underneath the pool deck. After a three-month closure of the Leisure Pool and slide, we re-opened those amenities on January 2nd.

During the closure, all the programs in the Leisure Pool were cancelled, impacting 312 classes - 1,583 participants.



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## TLC Usage

### Daily Admissions and Pass Holders

2022 started under restrictions, but by the end of the year, we were approaching pre-COVID numbers.

| MEMBER & PASS HOLDERS   | 2021         | 2022         |
|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Adult                   | 1,682        | 1,714        |
| Child                   | 715          | 1,206        |
| Youth                   | 388          | 587          |
| Senior                  | 856          | 950          |
| Family (up to 5 people) | 15           | 22           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>            | <b>3,656</b> | <b>4,479</b> |

| DAILY ADMISSIONS         | 2021          | 2022           |
|--------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Adult                    | 13,488        | 30,610         |
| Child                    | 12,656        | 30,107         |
| Youth                    | 3,870         | 16,718         |
| Senior                   | 1,432         | 3,585          |
| Family (up to 5 persons) | 3,870         | 36,590         |
| Family (6 or more youth) | 562           | 1,004          |
| Group                    | 4             | 436            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>             | <b>35,882</b> | <b>119,050</b> |



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## Report of the Independent Auditor On The Financial Summary

### Opinion

The financial summary is derived from the audited financial statements of the TransAlta Tri Leisure Centre (the "Centre") for the year ended December 31, 2022.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial summary is a fair summary of the audited financial statements.

### Financial Summary

The financial summary does not contain all the disclosures required by Canadian public sector accounting standards. Reading the financial summary and the auditor's report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited

financial statements and the auditor's report thereon. The financial summary and the audited financial statements do not reflect the effects of events that occurred subsequent to the date of our report on the audited financial statements.

### The Audited Financial Statements and Our Report Thereon

We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on the audited financial statements in our report dated March 9, 2023.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Summary

Management is responsible for the preparation of the financial summary.

### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the financial summary is a fair summary of the audited financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with Canadian Auditing Standards (CAS) 810, Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements.

**MNP**

*MNP LLP*

Chartered Professional Accountants

\*To view our complete 2022 Financial Statements, please visit [Trileisure.com/about/our-board/](https://trileisure.com/about/our-board/)

Leduc, Alberta  
July 13, 2023

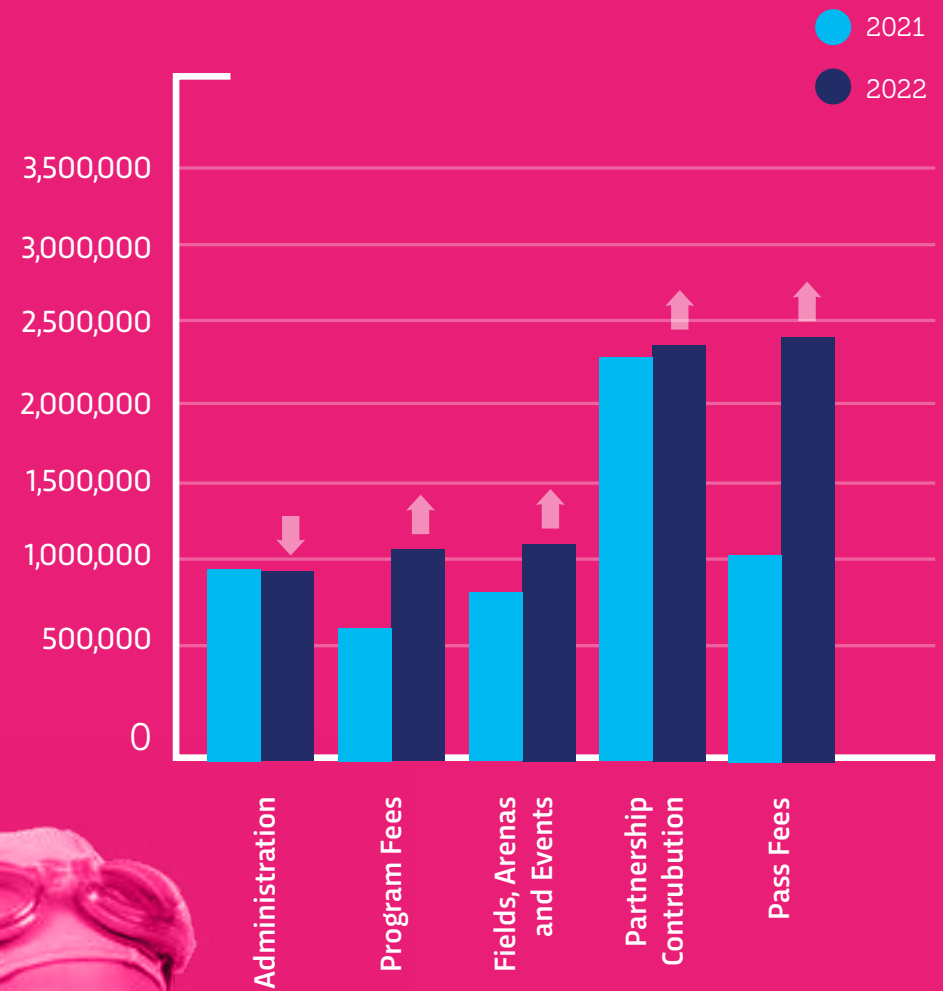


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## Financial Summary

| OPERATING REVENUES                        | 2021               | 2022               |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|
| Administration                            | \$935,034          | \$907,604          |
| Program Fees                              | \$618,963          | \$1,109,118        |
| Rentals: Fields/Arena/<br>Events/Aquatics | \$759,564          | \$1,063,060        |
| Partnership Contribution                  | \$2,381,942        | \$2,453,545        |
| Pass Fees                                 | \$1,046,828        | \$2,374,363        |
| <b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE</b>            | <b>\$5,742,331</b> | <b>\$7,907,690</b> |

## Operating Revenue



# Financial Summary cont.

| OPERATING EXPENSES              | 2021               | 2022               |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Salaries and Benefits           | \$3,076,828        | \$4,121,720        |
| Materials, Goods and Supplies*  | \$2,060,827        | \$2,627,748        |
| Utilities                       | \$851,982          | \$996,854          |
| <b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b> | <b>\$5,989,637</b> | <b>\$7,746,322</b> |

\* Excludes depreciation.

## Operating Expenses





# Financial Summary

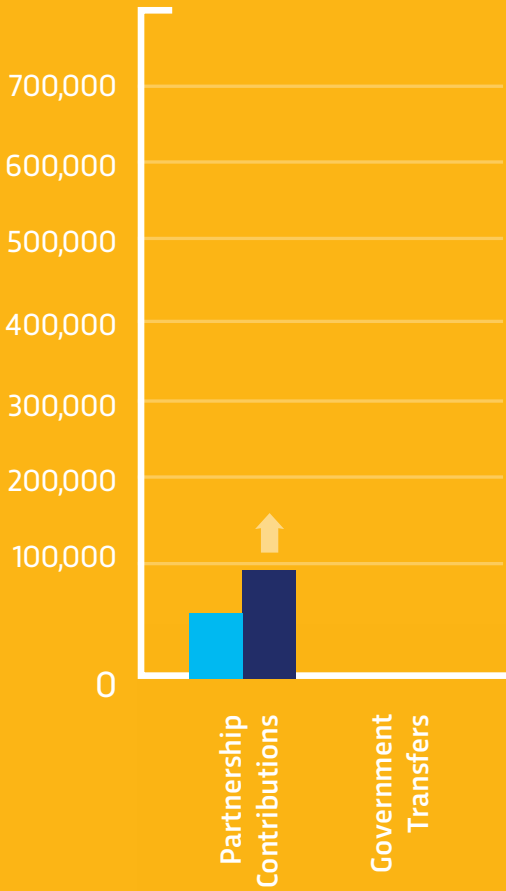
## Capital Revenue

| CAPITAL REVENUE           | 2021     | 2022     |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|
| Partnership Contributions | \$59,506 | \$93,133 |
| TOTAL                     | \$59,506 | \$93,133 |

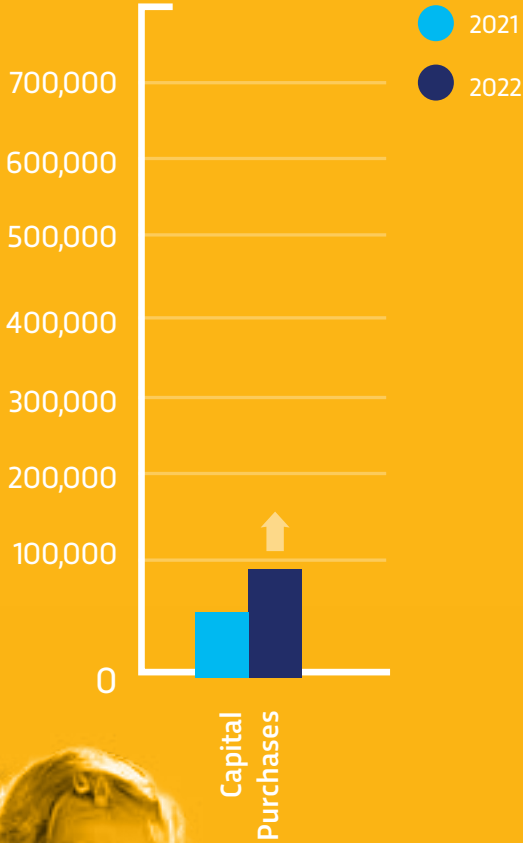
## Capital Purchases

| CAPITAL PURCHASES | 2021     | 2022     |
|-------------------|----------|----------|
| TOTAL             | \$59,506 | \$93,133 |

CAPITAL REVENUE



CAPITAL PURCHASES



## Staff Profile

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**Jovi Jensen**

### **How did you get involved at the TLC?**

I was looking for a job for quite a while, and then Goodwill helped me find one at the TLC in maintenance. As a kid, I always came swimming here, and I was like, why not? Let's give it a try, and I got it. And it's been the best thing that's ever happened in my life.

### **How long have you worked at the TLC?**

I have been here at the TLC for almost two years.

### **What is your favourite part about your job?**

There's a lot, but driving the Zamboni is my favourite. So they're training me to drive the Zamboni right now. It can be tricky because you've got to get the speed and all that and drive slow so you don't hit the boards.

I also love being involved with events, especially when Lindsay and Katrina tell me all this stuff to do for set up, and then I get to go for it and then see the results, if they like it or not. (Editor's note - They usually do.) And then, you know, helping everyone out at the pool, fitness, just being everybody helping.

### **What are some of your favourite activities to do at the TLC?**

Yeah, I love using the pool. And I especially like that there's a swim program for special needs kids like my brother to go swimming lessons because he's lost, like, 30 pounds.

I also love being outside, going for walks, playing with my animals, and hanging out with my special needs brother.

### **What could be one of the more challenging things about working at the TLC?**

I wanted to drive big equipment, so Margaret, one of the operators, helped explain things to me because I have a disability, so she explained it to me, and now I understand.

### **Where do you see yourself in two more years?**

I would like to get more experience in learning to drive the Zamboni and taking the courses for it. And, of course, still being here, too, bugging everybody.

# 11 Board Member Profile

## Todd Haist



**Todd Haist**  
Public Representative  
Town of Stony Plain

### HOW LONG HAVE YOU LIVED IN THE REGION?

I grew up in the centre of the universe but lived in Manitoba for a short period of time before moving here twenty(20) Years ago. I picked Stony Plain because of its small-town atmosphere with close proximity to the City. I enjoy what this community has to offer. Stony Plain has a fantastic Chinese restaurant.

### WHAT ARE SOME OF YOUR FAVOURITE ACTIVITIES TO DO AT THE TLC?

I attempt to run/walk the track and work out in the fitness room every morning, and I come periodically in the evenings once I get home from work. My children would often visit the TLC to participate in hockey, soccer and ringette, plus swimming lessons in the pool over the past number of years, so I would be here to cheer them on and support them in their physical activities.

### WHY DID YOU DECIDE TO BECOME A TLC BOARD MEMBER?

I believe strongly in physical activity and have brought my children to many sporting activities at the TLC, and I wanted to promote health and wellbeing in the community. I enjoy developing policies, overseeing the facility's operations, and ensuring the centre meets the needs of its users. It is a great organization which I wanted to be involved with.

### WHAT HAVE YOU ENJOYED MOST DURING YOUR TIME ON THE BOARD?

I enjoy meeting the many staff who make this facility such a great place to visit. Serving on this board is a rewarding experience, as it allows me to contribute to the growth and development of this organization and make a positive impact on the community. I have gained valuable skills and experiences such as leadership, communication and strategic planning, which can benefit me personally in my career.

### WHAT EVENT OR EVENTS DO YOU LOOK FORWARD TO AT THE TLC?

I do not look forward to any specific events, but glad it's part of my regular fitness workouts, including occasionally skating, swimming, running/walking, and weightlifting. I do hope to one day start playing pickleball. I am hoping that Spruce Grove Soccer will bring back an Adult Indoor Soccer League.



## WHAT PERSONALLY OR AS A BOARD MEMBER DID YOU LEARN THIS YEAR?

Over the past year serving on this board, I learned some key learning experiences, such as overcoming challenges, especially during the pandemic, gaining new perspectives from my colleagues, improving communication skills and the requirement for good communication skills both individually and as a group, and definitely learning from mistakes.

## WHAT DO YOU HOPE THE FUTURE WILL BRING FOR THE TLC?

I am hoping for prosperity as an organization recovering from the lows of the pandemic, and I hope the TLC may continue to expand its digital presence and offer more online classes, training programs, and resources to its users as a community hub. This could include virtual classes, online fitness tracking and mobile applications that enhance the user experience. With growing concerns about health and well-being from an aging population, the TLC may prioritize developing programs that promote overall well-being, including nutrition, mental health, and stress management. It would also be exceptional if we could be a leader in the community by promoting sustainability initiatives such as reducing energy consumption, using renewable resources, and reducing waste to minimize its environmental impact.

I would also like to see it incorporate electrical charging stations for sustainable transportation. I hope the TLC introduces new programs and amenities that cater to the evolving needs and interests of its users. This could include new fitness equipment, specialized training programs, or unique event offerings, like Ninja Warrior Courses. I believe the facility should establish more partnerships with local organizations, businesses and community groups to enhance the services and resources the TLC offers to its users and expand the reach within the community. The future of the TLC will depend on a range of factors including ever changing user needs and preferences, technological advancements and external factors, but with its commitment to providing high-quality recreation and wellness services, it will likely continue to be a valuable hub in the community and I am looking forward to being a part of that growth as we move forward.

For more information on the Board of Directors visit our website at [www.trileisure.com/about/our-board/](http://www.trileisure.com/about/our-board/)



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## Staff Service Awards

We are pleased to celebrate the success of our dedicated staff. Congratulations to the following TLC team members who received long-time service awards in 2022.

**5  
YEAR**

**Service  
Awards**

- Chloe Smith
- Jessica Warkentin
- Ethan Schimpf
- Chloe Crawford (Mathieu)
- Sheila Quintal
- Samantha Kuzio
- Jennifer Burton

**10  
YEAR**

**Service  
Awards**

- Shana Helmle
- Mona Rockwell
- Jaqueline Rudelich
- Tanya Ironside

**15  
YEAR**

**Service  
Awards**

- Lenore Harder
- Jenine Armstrong
- Laura McGillis
- Derek Galliford

**20  
YEAR**

**Service  
Awards**

- Michelle Osinchuk

# 13 Corporate Sponsorship

The TLC believes that a strong and vibrant business community fuels the growth of healthy, active communities. We are

thrilled to have tremendous relationships with a variety of local businesses that truly value community health and wellness.

Corporate sponsorships are vital to allowing the TLC to engage with the broader community and to partner with like-

minded organizations in the promotion of healthy, active living.

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