

# Mark Messier, Christine Sinclair named to Order of Canada

The Canadian Press

**TORONTO**  
Christine Sinclair and Mark Messier, who have led Canada to international glory on grass and ice, have been appointed to the Order of Canada.

The two are among 99 new appointments to the Order, considered one of the country's highest civilian honours. It recognizes outstanding achievement, dedication to the community and service to the nation.

Sinclair has long been the face of Canadian soccer, captaining the senior women's side to back-to-back bronze Olympic medals.

"I think what's special for me is that this goes beyond soccer," Sinclair said in a statement. "I am a very, very proud Canadian, I am proud of where I am from, and to be recognized in this nature is surreal. It's not something you can dream about happening to you? I can dream of winning a World Cup or an Olympic gold medal, and that's my job, but to have your country recognize you — I don't even know what to say."

The 34-year-old from Burnaby, B.C., who was Canada's flag-bearer at the closing ceremonies of the London Olympics, has scored 168 goals in

259 games in a stellar international career that shows no signs of slowing.

Only retired American Abby Wambach has scored more international goals (184) than Sinclair in women's play.

Messier, 56, is a Hockey Hall of Famer who retired in 2005 after 25 NHL seasons with Edmonton, Vancouver and the New York Rangers.

"He was the best player I ever played with and it was a pleasure to play with him each and every day," former teammate Wayne Gretzky said at the time.

Messier ranks second in NHL all-time points with 1,887 (694 goals, 1,193 assists). Like Sinclair, Messier was an accomplished leader.

With the Rangers trailing New Jersey 3-2 in the 1994 Eastern Conference final, Messier promised the series would go to seven games. The Edmonton native scored a hat trick to live up to his word and New York won Game 7 in double overtime to advance to the Stanley Cup final.

The Rangers went on to win the Cup in seven games, with Messier scoring the winning goal against Vancouver to end New York's 54-year title drought.

# Doping always part of the story at Tour de France

JOHN LEICESTER  
The Associated Press

**DUESSELDORF, Germany**  
A scene from Godfather III about sums up where the Tour de France is with doping as the 2017 edition begins on Saturday.

In the movie, Al Pacino's character Michael Corleone laments that his efforts to become a bona fide businessman are being undermined by his family's underworld connections. "Just when I thought I was out, they pull me back in," he wails.

Likewise, cycling's showcase race seemed largely to have extricated itself from the swamp of widespread blood doping that characterized Lance Armstrong's era. The 12 riders banned or provisionally suspended by cycling's governing body, the UCI, in 2015 and 2016 for using blood-boosting agents like Armstrong were

largely second-tier. Just one, France's Lloyd Mondory, had previously raced in the Tour — in 2009 and 2010 when Armstrong was still competing.

But just four days before the 2017 edition gets rolling in Duesseldorf, Germany, came a reality check.

The UCI announced that Andre Cardoso, a seasoned pro who was to have raced in support of 2007 and 2009 champion Alberto Contador in his quest for another Tour title, tested positive for EPO, a hormone banned because it stimulates the production of oxygen-carrying blood cells.

EPO was also part of Armstrong's doping armoury when he cheated his way to seven Tour wins from 1999-2005. Those victories were subsequently all stripped from the Texan, who has been banned for life, leaving the sport and the Tour labouring under corrosive clouds of suspicion.



# PUBLIC NOTICES

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## 8 AM - 4 PM SPECIAL SERVICES

Electric Outages.....	403.529.8260
Gas Emergency.....	403.529.8191
Water & Sewer Emergency.....	403.502.8042
After Hours Special Services.....	403.526.2828



## DEVELOPMENT PERMITS APPROVED JUNE 22 TO JUNE 28, 2017 PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

### RESIDENTIAL

<b>275 13 STREET SW</b>	(LOT 13, BLOCK 43, PLAN 9941C) DP13918. Single Detached House (Above Ground Swimming Pool).
<b>110 ABERDEEN STREET SE</b>	(LOT 23, BLOCK 82, PLAN 636M) DP13922. Single Detached House Including Exterior Side Setback Variance. (Main Floor Addition).
<b>111 RANCHVIEW WAY NE</b>	(LOT 101, BLOCK 13, PLAN 0910426) DP13923. Single Detached House.
<b>817 A 4 STREET SE</b>	(LOT 3, BLOCK 28, PLAN 56507) DP13926. Single Detached House.
<b>33 SHARPE CRESCENT SE</b>	(LOT 5, BLOCK 17, PLAN 8211253) DP13927. Single Detached House (Covered Deck).
<b>220 SOMERSET ROAD SE</b>	(LOT 32, BLOCK 6, PLAN 0715106) DP13930. Single Detached House. Driveway Width Variance.



## PARKS AND RECREATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 150th Canada Day in Kin Coulee

"Celebrate Canada's Sesquicentennial"

Enjoy the outdoors and entertainment with family and friends in Kin Coulee Saturday July 1st.

Stay for the Fireworks!

### Enjoy the City's Waterparks – it's hot out there!

**Water parks are at:** Strathcona Island Park, Ross Glen Towne Centre, Saamis Rotary Park, and Central Park. Residents are reminded that the water playgrounds and spray decks throughout the City's Parks System are enjoyed by residents and visitors alike during typical hot Medicine Hat summers. However, the last few years' water balloons were being found at these facilities and Echo Dale Regional Park in increasing numbers. They present a hazard, especially to young children, wildlife, they may plug irrigation pumps and interfere with the operation of the circulation systems, and it does in fact constitute littering. We would ask that users cooperate in this regard and refrain from the use of water balloons in these areas, and if they are used in our parks that they are picked up.

### Disc Golf

Have you tried Disc Golf? Try it today at Central Park and the new more challenging course in Lienweber park (the park behind the Medicine Hat and Exhibition Stampede grounds).

Both these courses are professionally developed and gives you a great experience of each park.

Score cards available at Central Park, Lienweber Park or at the Parks and Recreation office.

### Fish released in Ponds = Bad for Environment

Goldfish should not be released or kept as 'pets' in City Park Ponds. The Alberta Government's message to Albertans is to refrain from dumping unwanted fish into ponds.

Ponds that are filling up with those discarded goldfish begin to compete with local fish and other pond species that negatively affects the current natural eco-system. Some scientists say that goldfish feces might even help support certain types of algae, leading to algal blooms that further disrupt the eco-system

For more information on Alberta Environment visit <http://aep.alberta.ca/>

### Off Leash

A reminder that dogs need to be under the control of owner at all times in both on AND off leash designated areas (Bylaw #3935)

### WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY

Residents are reminded that the City of Medicine Hat Waste Management Facility will **remain open on Saturday, July 1 as well as Monday, July 3, 2017** and currently operates on regular (summer) hours from April 1 to October 31 as follows:

- Monday through Friday  
8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
- Saturday and Sunday  
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Refer to [medicinehat.ca/eu](http://medicinehat.ca/eu), download the MyWaste App, or contact Environmental Utilities at 403.529.8176 for more information.

## ASSESSMENT REQUEST FOR INFORMATION PACKAGES

City of Medicine Hat Tax Assessment department has mailed out Request for Information (RFI) packages to property owners of improved non-residential property class.

This process of collecting property related data is the first step towards developing the 2018 assessment roll. Collecting data annually ensures the assessment roll reflects current market information.

Completing the RFI is an important part of the tax assessment process. Assessment values are established to allow for equitable distribution of taxes. Higher response rates will increase the statistical confidence level in the resulting assessment values. It's also important for property owners to retain their ability to participate in the assessment appeal process. For property owners to be eligible to appeal their 2018 assessment, they must respond completely to a RFI by the August 1, 2017 deadline.

As always, property owners are encouraged to contact the Assessment department directly if they have questions regarding their property assessment or if they require any assistance in completing their request for information forms.

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Assessment Department  
City of Medicine Hat  
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## RESIDENTIAL WASTE COLLECTION

### COLLECTION DAY CHANGES

There will be **no residential waste collection on Monday, July 3, 2017** in lieu of the Canada Day Statutory Holiday.

Waste collection zones will advance as follows:

DATE	CITY ZONE
Monday, July 3	No Collection
Tuesday, July 4	Zone 2
Wednesday, July 5	Zone 3
Thursday, July 6	Zone 4
Friday, July 7	Zone 5
Monday, July 10	Zone 1

Download the MyWaste App, refer to [medicinehat.ca/eu](http://medicinehat.ca/eu) or contact Environmental Utilities at 403.529.8176 for more information.

### CART COLLECTION TIPS

- Carts must be out by 7 a.m. on your collection day.
- Household waste and yard waste carts are collected separately with collection times that vary.
- Make sure carts are accessible with 3ft (1m) clearance on all sides.
- Ensure cart lids are closed to avoid litter or collection problems.
- Yard waste material in plastic bags will not be collected.

To prevent theft or damage to your cart; remove carts off roadways, sidewalks, back lanes etc. and return to private property within 24 hours of collection.

## LOCAL AUTHORITIES ELECTION ACT (SECTION 79) BLIND BALLOT TEMPLATE REQUEST

If you are an elector with a visual impairment and require a blind ballot template at your voting station, contact the City Clerk's Office at 403.529.8382 to make arrangements.

Requests for this service must be made/received by 4:30 pm, Monday, July 17, 2017.

## WATER MAIN FLUSHING & FIRE HYDRANT INSPECTIONS

Environmental Utilities performs regular, routine maintenance to uphold the water quality and system infrastructure by annually flushing water mains and inspecting fire hydrants.

During these operations, there may be some discoloration in the water which is not harmful to consume and will disappear when flushing is complete. Please note that discoloured water should not be used for laundry and that fluctuating water pressure may also be noticed.

Should discoloration persist beyond three hours, turn on your cold water tap or an outside sprinkler and let the water run for several minutes until the water runs clear.

For additional information or to confirm whether crews are working in your zone, refer to the Water Flushing Programs page on the City's website at [www.medicinehat.ca/eu](http://www.medicinehat.ca/eu) or contact Environmental Utilities at 403.529.8176.