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Celebrating 75 Years of History 1947-2022

In 2022 Wild Rose REA is celebrating 75 Years of history, delivering safe and reliable power.

Did you know that at Wild Rose REA we can trace our roots back to 1947 when our first service was built. Today Wild Rose REA is a fully operational Electrical Utility that is a wire owner (distributes electricity) and a retailer (provides retail energy billing). We would like to thank all of our Members old and new for helping Wild Rose REA reach this milestone. We look forward to celebrating Wild Rose REA's history in 2022.

75th Anniversary Contest

During each month we will be running a different contest as part of our 75th Anniversary. During the month of March if you sign up for Pre-Authorized Payment Withdrawal, your account will be entered for a chance to WIN a \$75.00 Credit! Please stay tuned to our Facebook page and website for more announcements on celebrating 75 Years.

2022 Scholarship

Each year, the Wild Rose REA scholarship recognizes the academic accomplishments of children of Wild Rose REA Ltd. members and assists and encourages further education for the betterment of our community. Scholarships of \$500.00 are granted annually. To apply or for more information, please contact our office 780-349-3655 or visit

www.wildroserea.com/community
Deadline to Apply is March 31, 2022

2022 Rural Roots Award

Each year, the Wild Rose REA Rural Roots award supports the development of rural clubs, societies, groups and programs within our service area and highlights the enhancements these groups make within our community. Awards of **\$500.00** are granted annually.

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Did You Know? Transmission -> Provincial Charges

Did you know that the Transmission, Rate Riders and Quarterly Adjustment Charges shown on your bill are <u>not</u> Wild Rose REA charges. These are Provincial charges that are billed per kWh and fluctuate based on your consumption. These rates are approved and regulated by the Alberta Utilities Commission. For more information, visit <u>www.auc.ab.ca</u> or call 310-4282.

Did you know that you can find a breakdown of your monthly charges on the back of every bill? To understand more about the charges on your bill, please visit the following link from the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC).

https://www.auc.ab.ca/Pages/items-on-your-bill.aspx



Did You Know? High Consumption

Did you know that If you have found that you have higher than expected consumption during any billing period, you can take a look around your home or in any outbuilding you have to take a look for items that have been left running or are plugged in which are not actively being used. Items that are plugged in, but are not in use can still draw power and can contribute to higher overall consumption. Below are two common items that people find draw higher consumption then expected:

Space Heaters: Even if a space heater is temperature controlled during the colder months a single space heater can draw enormous amounts of electricity.

Vehicles or Equipment Plugged In: If you plug in your vehicle to keep it warm during the colder months, remember that your block heater will draw power for the entire time it is plugged in, unless you have a timer set to turn it on and off as required.

Space Heater Consumption Calculator

Have you ever wondered how much power your space heater really uses?

By using this simple formula, you can calculate the approximate consumption of your space heater.

Watts / 1000 x Hours x Days in Month= kWh

1500 / 1000 x 24 x 31 = 1116 kWh

If you had the above noted space heater plugged in, running for 24 hours a day, for 31 days in a row, it would cause an overall increase in your consumption by 1,116 kwh.

Did You Know? Energy Saving Tips

The following energy saving tips can help you reduce your consumption as we move into spring this March.

- Switch the direction of your ceiling fan. In the spring, the fan should turn counter-clockwise to force air down into the room to help cool its occupants.
- Clean off your refrigerator coils. As the weather warms and your pets start to shed, more hair will collect on the coils making the refrigerator work harder. A long-handled brush is perfect for cleaning coils on the bottom or back of the refrigerator.
- During daylight hours, switch off artificial lights and use windows and skylights to brighten your home.
- Seal all window and door drafts to reduce heat loss.
- For more energy saving tips, please visit us online at www.wildroserea.com

Members are free to purchase electricity services from a retailer of their choice.

For a list of retailers, visit <u>ucahelps.alberta.ca</u> or call 310-4822.

Do you have a question or concern? We would love to hear from you! Please contact our office to speak with a Customer Service Representative today.





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