



Esler Soccer Complex Upgrades 2019 - 2021



Esler Soccer Fields



It takes dedication from the WLYSA fields committee to take the fields from their dormant winter stage to the playing surface players and parents are accustomed to seeing.

The main goal throughout the year is to maintain the health of our fields for all ages of players. Thank you to Brian Hansen, Robert Bremner, Daelin Riplinger, and Oliver Hitch for taking care of our fields.

In 2019 WLYSA received a grant approval from Northern Development Initiative Trust for the purpose of completing Field and Clubhouse upgrades at Esler. The work and grant has now been completed. We are excited to share all the upgrades that have occurred!



Scotiabank Field Resurfacing

Thanks to a grant received from Northern Interior Development Trust, our fields committee was able to complete top dressing the Scotiabank Field.

The process of top dressing the field was not an easy undertaking. The Scotiabank Field received an additional 40 loads of mixed topsoil to completely revamp the surface. The field was reseeded and will require touch up work in the Spring prior to the hopeful start of our 2021 Spring Season.

The end result is a field that will respond better to more usage, grow more evenly, and feel better under the feet of athlete of all ages.

Thank you to
United Concrete & Gravel
for working with WLYSA for all
our dirt and gravel needs!



Clubhouse Upgrades

With the support of local businesses, volunteers, staff, and the NDIT Grant, several of the projects on the Clubhouse "to do" list were completed in 2020!

- ✓ Two new sets of stairs for the Clubhouse
- ✓ New railings around the Clubhouse
- ✓ Floor in downstairs bathrooms painted
- ✓ LED lighting upgrade throughout the Clubhouse with motion sensors
- ✓ AED supplied by CRD set up outside the mechanical room
- ✓ New Roof
- ✓ Clean up of viewing area on East side of Lake Excavating Field and extra gravel in the parking lot
- ✓ Water system and shed (6ft x 8ft) to house it.

Thank you to West Fraser and Tolko for the donation of lumber to complete the new clubhouse stairs, deck and railing!



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Special thank you to
Brian Hansen and Robert Bremner
for planning, overseeing, and completing
several of the Esler Field and Clubhouse
projects!



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Thank you to Williams Lake Men's Soccer for assisting with completing the Esler Clubhouse Roof Upgrades!



Before summer came to an end, the Williams lake Men's Soccer completed renovations to the clubhouse roof.

The new roof moved away from shingles to promote longevity and reduce maintenance costs in the future.



Thank you to Peter Arnold and Kevin Ernst for organizing and completing the Clubhouse roof upgrades!



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2021 In Review

2021 was all about water!

In February, the VFD in the pump house failed causing the well pump to work continuously in -25 degree weather until the line broke and the pump burned itself out. A new pump and VFD were installed and the lines were repaired. This system still is giving WLYSA issues and investigations into the problems are ongoing.

Following the spring runoff, the Esler Soccer Field's experienced a multitude of water related issues. Throughout the Spring and Summer, our committee addressed the following;

- built new drains in the fields to accommodate the influx in ground water
- rebuild corroded sprinkler heads, remove sediment build up in the system, and maintain operating pressure with aging air compressors
- added additional sprinklers between Tolko and Peterson Fields
- correct several line breakages due to significant ground movement around the complex
- rebuild mower engine
- install new tank float shut off switch. The valve and electrical work will be competed spring 2022

After the 2021 Fall Season, our field committee was able to spread enough dirt onto Lake Excavating to make two full regulation fields. Top dressing of the newer area will be completed in 2022.



Left: new lines at water tanks
Above: February water repairs
Right: New field drain



Thank You!



**Thank you to the Cariboo Regional District
for their continual support
of the Esler Soccer Complex!**



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Thank you to Northern Development for their 2019 grant contribution that helped WLYSA complete upgrades to our fields and facilities.

