



As the weather is starting to warm up and the seasons changing it is becoming time to start thinking about our favourite outdoor activities. It could be organizing your fishing equipment or cleaning your guns. We are all itching to get outdoors. As summer holidays are approaching it is becoming time to partake in some of our favourite activities. If you are having a hard time finding things to do this summer consider a local youth fishing derby or outdoors camp. Simply enjoying a camping trip, hike or even a fishing day with your family is always a great option too.

Invasive species are a great threat to Alberta's wildlife as they can drastically alter natural habitat, making it uninhabitable for native wildlife. Tell

your friends not to release or let loose Goldfish or other aquatic species into lakes and streams, it is illegal and can result in large fines or even jail time.



Your fish or pets can be given away, donated to schools or community organizations, or returned to a pet store. To see Don't Let It Loose videos about how Goldfish are invading our waters or get posters to put up in your schools go to the AEP invasive species website:

<http://aep.alberta.ca/fish-wildlife/invasive-species/aquatic-invasive-species/dont-let-it-loose.aspx> or to report invasive species call 1-855-336-BOAT (2628).

AEP invasive species website

There has been a lot in the news about zebra and quagga mussels. Make sure you and your parents Clean, Drain and Dry your boats

<http://aep.alberta.ca/recreation-public-use/boating/clean-drain-dry-your-boat.aspx>.

If those things get into our waterbodies in Alberta it will be a disaster. If you think you have seen one of those mussels call the above hotline number.

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