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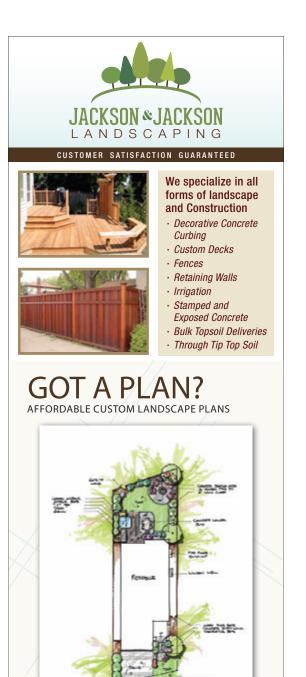
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# Summer Wines WITH DICK MCDOUGALL

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### **Rosé for Every Guest**

In the warm lazy evenings this summer, consider breaking away from your go-to white wine spritzer or cold beer and try a refreshing glass of dry rosé.

Words like sweet and feminine may come to mind when you hear the word rosé, but a look past the White Zinfandels and the fat-bottomed bottles of Mateus will lead you to dozens of excellent options available throughout the city.

The process that creates the delicate pink colour in a rosé involves leaving the wine on the skins of the grapes for a shorter time that would be necessary to produce a red. As a result of this lighter treatment, the wine has less tannin – a terrific benefit for the wine drinker who normally stays away from reds because of the tannin. Rosés are rarely oaked, so again, if you don't care for heavy oak flavours, rosé could be a great choice.

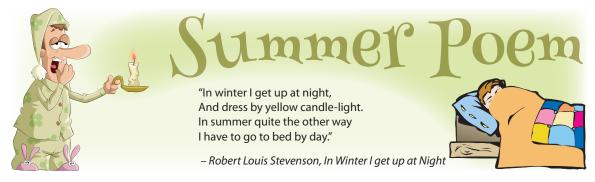
Rosé may be produced from nearly any red wine grape but those with less colour and more acid such as Grenache,

Cinsault, Sangiovese and Pinot Noir grapes are most commonly used.

Visit your neighbourhood wine shop and ask for a dry rosé. I recommend Whispering Angel (\$30). It has crisp summery flavours of strawberry and raspberry, mouth-watering acidity and an amazingly long, dry finish. This wine is a perfect pairing for shellfish. It is produced by Chateau d'Esclans along with two other rosés worth mentioning: **The Palm**, (\$20) and Garrus (\$100), considered one of the best rosés in the world.

Want something a little bolder with more bite? The **Beaurevoir Tavel** by Marc Chapoutier is a full-bodied rosé with a hint of spice that will knock your socks off (\$25).





#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MESSAGE**

We hope everyone is having a fantastic summer! Our community is definitely alive with kids playing in Yellowslide park, people going for a game of tennis, others doing some gardening in our community garden and our furry friends (and their owners) walking together in the off leash area.

Thank you to all the people that showed up to enjoy Movie in the Park and to all the volunteers that helped putting this summer event together. We hope you enjoyed the evening! Also, we will publish our official list of business supporters in the next newsletter. Remember to buy your goods and services from them as they all support the community by participating with sponsorships in our events.

Please note that Shady's Park construction will not take place this summer due to some unanticipated delays. Hold on to your shovels though! We will definitely need some tools and strong arms next summer!

Remember that **membership drive** happens in September!! Every house in the community will get a form dropped off at the door or home mailbox. Please keep supporting the community with your membership.



The sunny days of summer are coming to a close and parents and youth are starting to think about the fall activities. Girl Guides in your community welcomes all girls ages 5 and up to join them for a year of fun, friendship and adventure as they explore their community, their world and themselves. Girl Guides promotes teamwork, self-esteem, confidence building, environmental awareness and so much more in an atmosphere of selfdiscovery and leadership. Register your daughter today, on-line at www.girlguides.ca. Use the Unit Locator tab to locate the best unit for you and your family. We look forward to her participation.

We're also looking for women to be leaders in a team of women to guide the girls in their learning. Training is available, no experience is necessary. It isn't necessary for you to have a daughter. Contact Pat Istead at isteads@telus.net for more details. Join us to make friends, learn and support young girls in our community.

#### **DRCA MESSAGE**

### **Deer Ridge Message to Community Partners/ Business Owners:**

The Deer Ridge Community Association exists to make life better in our neighbourhood. Run by a dedicated team of volunteers, we operate and maintain the community ice rinks, tennis courts, gardens, host social events, and fund-raise to support facilities and programs. We also work to help promote and support local businesses, such as yours, in the area.

There are a variety of ways we can work together to support the community, including:

- Movie in Yellow Slide Park donations of promotional giveaways to promote your business;
- Movie in Yellow Slide Park cash donations in support of food, entertainment (face painting, bouncy castles) or equipment (screen, movie) at the event;
- Movie in Yellow Slide Park individual business booth set up at the event;
- Offering discounts on regular priced items in your store for community residents presenting their community association membership card;
- A one time "Business of the Month" full page feature (free of charge) in Deer Ridge Journal community newsletter delivered to over 1500 Deer Ridge residents;
- Sponsor a Deer Ridge Community Garden plot;
- Volunteer your time at events or casino fundraising; and
- Acknowledgement of your community support at events, in the newsletter and on our website (www. DeerRidgeCA.com).

If you feel any of these opportunities would benefit your company or organization or you have promotional items or giveaways you would like to contribute, please contact us to discuss your level of involvement.

The Deer Ridge Community Association would like to thank local businesses for their past support and commitment in the Deer Ridge Community. If you have any questions, concerns or comments, please contact us at your convenience.

#### **DOLLARS & SENSE**



Owning a home is something to be proud of. Every year, Canadians show their pride by renovating or improving their homes. In fact, Canadians spent \$49.7 billion on home improvements in 2017. (Statista, 2018).

While it's common to use cash or savings to pay for renovation projects, getting a home equity line of credit is also a popular option. The key is to make sure you have a plan in place to pay off the debt quickly.

Here are some tips to help keep your debt in check during your home renovations:

#### **Plan for Interest Rates**

Remember that the payments for a home equity line of credit are variable and based on interest rates. If rates rise, your payments will go up as well.

#### **Have a Project Plan**

Before starting your project, put together a budget that includes a contingency fund. That way you don't have to take on more debt to cover unexpected costs. Setting a timeline for the project can also help you keep your budget on track.

#### Tackle One Home Improvement Project at a Time

Once you get started, it may be tempting to upgrade everything at once. While you're revamping your bathroom, you may get the urge to overhaul your kitchen. Spacing out projects will cut down on the extra interest charges that will mount up if you spend more than you can afford.

#### **Find Wavs to Limit Costs**

Make sure you keep to your budget when choosing building materials. There may not be much difference in quality between the mid-priced and more expensive products.

Labour is a big renovation cost. Try saving money by doing some of the smaller jobs—like cleaning up yourself. Or take care of the prep work, such as removing old carpets or trim, before turning your project over to the professionals.

Some projects, like energy efficiency upgrades, qualify for government rebates. Before getting started, research to see if you can offset your costs with these benefits.

If you're thinking of using your home equity for renovations, now is a great time to talk to a Servus financial advisor. We're offering a limited time special at 0% interest for the first six months to help you save money. Call us at 1.877.378.8728.

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# 10 Important Ways to Avoid Summer Tick Bites

It's summertime, which means outdoor play, hiking, gardening — and tick bites. The creepy crawlies tend to latch on during the summer months.

But tick bites are more than just an annoying spring and summer nuisance. Each year, about 300,000 people in the U.S. catch Lyme disease, which is caused by bacteria, from a tick bite, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates. Thousands more develop tick-borne diseases such as the malaria-like disease babesiosis, the flu-like anaplasmosis and the Heartland virus infection.

#### 1. Repel the bugs

Insecticides can be used to repel ticks, said Thomas Mather, a public health entomologist at the University of Rhode Island, and the director of tickencounter.org.

Permethrin, the insecticide found in antimalarial bed nets, kills adult ticks as well as those in their larval stage, called nymphs, which are the likeliest to harbor Lyme disease.

Ideally, people should buy permethrin-treated clothing, socks and shoes, Mather said.

By contrast, evidence suggests that the more common bug spray chemical, N,N-Diethyl-meta-toluamide (DEET), isn't useful against ticks.

"It's not toxic to the ticks," Mather told Live Science. "They still can scurry across a DEET-treated surface, and get to places where the DEET is not," such as a warm human leg, he said.

#### 2. Be vigilant at home

Hiking and camping aren't the most common ways to catch a tick-borne disease, said Kirby Stafford III, the state entomologist at The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station and the author of the "Tick Management Handbook."

"We estimate three-fourths of people pick up the ticks in activities in and around the home," with children's play and gardening being some of the riskiest activities, Stafford told Live Science.

Parents should also make sure to do tick checks on children when they come in, he said.

#### 3. Stay in the sun

Tick nymphs have leaky cuticles, or outer covers, that rapidly lose moisture.

As a result, they can't survive in environments with lower than 80 percent humidity for more than eight hours, Mather said.

As a result, nymphs congregate in leaf piles in shady, humid environments, so sticking to sunny areas can reduce tick exposure, he said.

#### 4. Change the landscape

Most ticks around homes stay within a few yards of the interface between the yard and a wooded area, Stafford said.

To keep the yard tick-free, use landscaping that deters mice, deer, woodchucks and other rodents that carry ticks, he said. People should also remove tick habitat such as leaf piles, shrubs and groundcover near the house. Play sets should be kept in the sun, away from the shade, he added.

Ticks won't cross a barrier of wood chips placed around the yard's perimeter, perhaps because the dry material makes them dry out too much, he said.

#### 5. Check the dog

Though American dog ticks don't usually harbor diseases that sicken people, the lone star tick can often hitchhike on a pet into the home, so pet owners should check pets for the bugs as soon as they come indoors.

"Give them a good rub down and give them a good spray with the hose. They hate it but you can make it fun," Donohoe said.

#### 6. Cover up

Covering up can prevent ticks from latching on, said Holly Donohoe, a researcher at the University of Florida who studies the health risks of travel and sports.

"Tucking pants into socks is a totally nerdy-looking thing, but in this case it can save you the suffering from a tick-borne disease later on," Donohoe said.

Of course, that advice may be hard to follow during peak tick season, Stafford said.

"In the summer months nobody is going to do that, it's too hot. I don't. I'll be protected from ticks but keel over from heat stroke," he said. Other prevention measures may be more useful when the mercury rises.

#### 7. Lighten up

The clothes people wear should also be light, said Kathryn Berger, a disease ecologist at the University of Calgary in Canada.

"Nymphal ticks are about the size of a poppy seed, so if you wear lighter-colored clothing like light socks, lighter-colored pants, you're going to have an easier time identifying them."

#### 8. Quick dry clothing

Because ticks are so vulnerable to drying out, the hitchhiking parasites can be killed by giving clothing a quick whirl in the dryer on high heat for five minutes, Mather said.

Ticks can survive the wash, and people who have to both wash and dry their clothes may just toss their clothing into a pile for later. It's better to do a quick dry cycle immediately than to let the tick linger, he said.

#### 9. Shower and inspect

After high-risk activities, people should immediately take their clothes off and do a tick inspection and shower. People who are in the habit of showering immediately after outdoor activities are less likely to get Lyme disease, perhaps because they can catch any biting ticks before they've transmitted the disease, Stafford said.

After biting, ticks can take several hours to transmit Lyme disease, said Laura Kramer, the director of the Arbovirus Laboratory at the New York State Department of Health's Wadsworth Center.

#### 10. Remove the tick

If, after taking all these precautions, people do get bitten, they should remove the tick immediately with tweezers or forceps, experts said.

It's important to visit a doctor if flulike symptoms or a suspicious rash appear, and to bring the tick in for testing.

Taken from https://www.livescience.com/46160-how-to avoid-tick-bites.html









#### HISTORIC CALGARY



# **Rutledge Hangar (Municipal Airport No. 1)**

731 13 Ave. N.E., Renfrew

Article and photos provided courtesy of Discover Historic Calgary resources via calgary.ca.

Calgary's first publicly operated airport, it was also the first airport in Canada with state of the art illumination allowing night flying. The first regional air mail service operated here until 1932 when it was cancelled due to the Depression. The hangar is an early example (i.e., possibly the earliest remaining example in Calgary) of a light weight arched roof system providing a clear span of 80 feet. Some of the original airfield context remains intact in the large open playing fields adjacent.

The Rutledge Hangar, built in 1929, is the only remaining building from the original Calgary Municipal Airport. Commonly known as the Stanley Jones Airport, this facility was Calgary's third air field, but the first with substantial improvements and the first to be publicly operated. It was used for an experimental prairie air mail service in 1928, and for regular prairie air mail from 1930 to 1932.

Functions at the airport included scheduled and charter passenger service, sight-seeing trips, air shows, and flying instruction. By 1937, the federal government maintained a meteorological office that issued daily weather reports. Scheduled passenger flights were sometimes unreliable, and depressed conditions bankrupted several firms in those years. Rather than build and operate hangars at its own expense, The City leased airport space to companies, on which they could build their own hangars. Three or four were eventually built, but the only substantial one was the hangar built by Rutledge Air Services.

A new airport with longer runways was needed for Calgary to be included in 'Trans-Canada Airlines' national passenger and mail service, which began in the late 1930s. The new airport opened at McCall Field in 1939. The Calgary Aero Club rented the old airport from The City and purchased the hangar from the Edmonton Credit Corporation. During World War II, the club briefly trained pilots for the Royal Canadian Air Force at the old airport, but in 1940 this elementary flying school moved to Lethbridge. For the duration of the war, the federal government operated the hangar and several purposebuilt buildings surrounding it as a technical school for training airplane mechanics and other skilled tradesmen.

The hangar building is the only remaining structure from Calgary's first public airport; it is also its most significant structure. It is an industrial building and is an early example of a light weight timber-framed arched roof. All of the roof framing and concrete buttresses are intact. This hangar building was located at the terminus of the main east west runway (i.e., now converted to 12th Ave. N.E.) and was visually the most prominent structure at the airport. Known as the Stanley Jones airport it was an important landmark in Calgary, particularly in regards to the development of the city. (1996)



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By Barbara Shorrock



Have you ever found yourself, while reading a book, exclaim "How interesting" and "Imagine that! I had no idea" and "Wow! That is very cool"? This has been my experience with The Hidden Life of Trees by Peter Wohlleben. Wohlleben has been a forest manager in Germany for much of his life, and his observation of trees there led to the writing of this book. These are not the trees we see in our back yards and city parks. They are in true forests, more or less undisturbed by man. Europe has been populated by humans for many hundreds of years, so large expanses of old growth unlogged forest are rare, but some do exist. What he tells us about how trees communicate with each other through their roots and even the air is fascinating. His favourite trees are the beech and oak, native to his country, but he also speaks about various conifers as well as other deciduous species in Europe and North America. Under these trees, beneath the forest floor, is a network of fungi and mycelium, among other organisms, that live because of the trees. And the trees thrive because of this "wood wide web" and the benefits they provide each other.

Wohlleben tells of the social life of trees, where they live in communities of parents and children, sheltering the little ones, nurturing the sick and struggling, helping one another throughout the seasons. When you comprehend that the natural life of these trees is 400 years and more, you must stretch your perspective when thinking what a youngster, an adolescent, and an adult is. A 150-year-old tree may be just entering its adolescence in some environments. While every species is intent on living and flourishing, they also support one another in many ways we are only just beginning to understand.

The flow of water and sugar within the tree, just under the bark in the cambium layer, is clearly explained. Photosynthesis through the leaves (and needles in the conifers) is essential during the spring and summer as the tree makes food for growth and stores it in preparation for winter. In his estimation, each tree in the forest will reproduce itself and make exactly one new tree in its lifetime. Think of the seeds the maple produces, or our poplars with their June fluff. Each of those little pieces of fluff contains a seed, and some of them will land in a place where they will germinate, and start a new tree growing. So why only one descendent? Because many animals browse, roots get too wet and rot, not enough light prevents the baby from thriving, or a bird makes a hole for a nest one year and for whatever reason, fungus and bacteria move in and the tree is doomed. It may take years to die but die it will. Then there are insect predators that can wipe out an entire forest until something like a fire stops their progress. When a tree dies, a whole new story commences as it heads off on the path to humus on the forest floor many years in the future, having nourished a myriad of critters and life forms on its way. Fascinating.

I like the author's way with words as he speaks of the trees as children, parents, elders, neighbours and street kids. Each species has its own character and a healthy forest has room for many different characters. This book is not a quick read, but a thoughtful and interesting one and the language is not difficult, despite having been translated from the original German. Not once did I find myself thinking "I wish this guy had had a better editor" as is the case with some of the novels I have read lately. It is no surprise that it remains a New York Times bestseller.



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#### Stampede in the House of Commons

Stephanie rose in the House of Commons, on the last day of the Parliamentary sitting, to highlight the Calgary Stampede. The following is excerpted from Hansard:

"Mr Speaker, I rise today to shamelessly promote my home town and one of the greatest annual traditions in the country, the Calgary Stampede. Having joined with the Calgary Exhibition in 1912, the Stampede has weathered recessions, world wars, floods, and even a relocation to New York. However, thanks to the vision of Guy Weadick, it now attracts over one million visitors a year. Showcasing the best of our province, our western culture, and our strength as a community, the Stampede is just simply 10 days of gosh darn fun. Whether someone wants to ride the midway, watch the rodeo, take in a grandstand show, or attend one of the amazing concerts, I invite everyone on both sides of the House to come to Calgary for Stampede. YaHOO!"

#### **Voting Against the Carbon Tax**

During an all-night voting marathon in June, Stephanie joined her colleague Rosemarie Falk, Member of Parliament for Battlefords-Lloydminster, to explain why Conservatives forced the Liberals to vote for almost 12 hours straight.

"We are here in the House of Commons at 1am because Justin Trudeau refuses to tell Canadians how much his carbon tax cover-up will cost them," said Stephanie. "Yet this affects every single aspect of our lives. Driving our

children to school, to sports, heating our homes, putting food on the table—It will all cost more.

"And the tax will hit small businesses, suppliers, distributors—every sector of our economy will be affected by this Liberal carbon tax and that will be passed on to Canadians. That is why we voted all night and that is why we will continue to pressure Justin Trudeau to be honest with Canadians about how much this tax will cost them."

#### **Marijuana Bill Passes**

Bill C-45, which legalizes marijuana for recreational use, passed in both the Senate and the House of Commons this past month. On June 20th, the Prime Minister indicated that legalization will take effect on October 17th, 2018.

Stephanie spoke against C-45 twice in the House of Commons this past year, highlighting concerns from organizations such as Canadian Medical Associations and Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police.

She remains very concerned about the significant flaws in C-45 as children are still allowed to possess significant amounts of marijuana despite their higher risk for mental disorders from Cannabis use, and there is also still no reliable method for law enforcement to determine or measure impairment from cannabis. As she pointed out, unfortunately the Liberals rushed this legislation through the Parliamentary process, completely disregarding the health and safety of Canadians.



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- ◆ Forty word limit

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The warmth of August allows us to spend time in the sun, take in festivals, and stroll through Fish Creek Park.

Pipelines have been in the news over the last few months. As your MLA, and Shadow Minister for Economic Development, I have visited with many oil and gas industry leaders who are committed to innovation and environmental stewardship. They are proud Albertans who support recreational programs, not-for-profits, and family and child wellness. One company's tour left me reflecting on Alberta's resource-rich history. MEG Energy's hallways are lined with a visual history of our oil and gas development. The famous Alberta picture of the first gusher in Turner Valley on May 14, 1914 is proudly displayed along other early images of the 1950s with our indigenous population proudly working in the oil and gas industry, to modern day production and reclamation projects.

In the 1940s, our legislators understood that the natural resources belonged to all Albertans and established the precursors to current legislation such as surface vs. mineral rights and royalties. In 1949, the Alberta Legislature passed the Gas Resource Conservation Act, which allowed exports of gas to be authorized when an adequate supply of gas was assured for Alberta's energy security. In addition, Alberta understood that the Federal Government controlled pipelines that crossed provincial borders; therefore, to limit Ottawa's control, the Alberta government created a separate entity to carry gas within the province. The Alberta Gas Trunk Line (AGTL) was an internal regulated system that carried gas only within Alberta. Today AGTL is primarily operated by TransCanada.

As we struggle with the cross-border issue, we hope for TransMountain to proceed and carry Alberta oil to coastal tidewater. I am a strong advocate for pipelines across Canada, which fosters energy security, and displaces "conflict oil" imports. Building pipelines attracts investment, creates Canadian jobs, and delivers wealth and prosperity to all Canadians. Stay tuned for more on this file as my UCP Caucus colleagues and I stand up for the future of our great province. My door is always open, so please reach out via phone, email, or social media. Enjoy the rest of summer with your family in the great Canadian outdoors!



Councillor, Ward 14
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**Greetings Ward 14!** 

August is the one month of the year where Council does not meet, but I can tell you I will be keeping busy travelling all over Alberta for AUMA and Enmax board meetings. At the moment Council is grappling with more big-ticket items than I can ever remember in my eight years as a Councillor. We've got the Olympics, arena talks, cannabis legalization, city charter stuff, the Green Line, and budgeting for the next four years on our plate, so I will gladly take a little spare time from Council meetings to prepare myself.

#### 2019-2022 City Budget

This "big ticket item" might not get as much attention (which I am trying to change), but it is every bit as important as the others. I will be speaking about it extensively over the next few months. Until then, I urge you to familiarize yourself with calgary.ca/ourfinances and let me know what you think.

#### **Cannabis Update**

We now have an official legalization date, and there are some changes to the rules that will be of interest to you. Check out calgary.ca/ward14newsletter for an update on cannabis.

# New Summer Hours for Shepard Landfill Throw n' Go

The Shepard Landfill Throw'n' Go will accept waste from residential customers Tuesday to Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. until October 28. The Throw'n' Go accepts household chemicals, paint, electronics, appliances, tires, yard waste, separated construction and demolition materials (asphalt shingles, drywall, construction lumber), and garbage that is too bulky for your black cart. For more information, visit calgary.ca/landfill.

Don't forget to visit calgary.ca/ward14newsletter for the full version of this column, and feel free to contact me any time. The best way to do so is by visiting calgary.ca/contactward14.



Deer Ridge Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months Deer Ridge MLS Real Estate Sale Price Stats

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
June 2018	\$350,000	\$339,000
May 2018	\$370,000	\$360,000
April 2018	\$408,000	\$397,000
March 2018	\$409,900	\$401,250
February 2018	\$349,900	\$344,250
January 2018	\$599,900	\$584,500
December 2017	\$0	\$0
November 2017	\$460,000	\$426,000
October 2017	\$349,500	\$333,000
September 2017	\$394,900	\$390,000
August 2017	\$349,900	\$342,000
July 2017	\$474,950	\$456,500

Last 12 Months Deer Ridge MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Stats

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
June 2018	5	2
May 2018	1	1
April 2018	4	3
March 2018	4	3
February 2018	3	1
January 2018	2	1
December 2017	1	0
November 2017	2	6
October 2017	3	2
September 2017	3	4
August 2017	7	1
July 2017	3	5

To view more detailed information that comprise the above MLS averages please visit **deer\_ridge.mycalgary.com** 

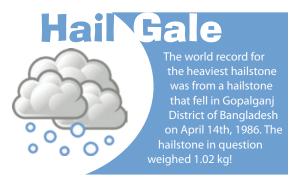


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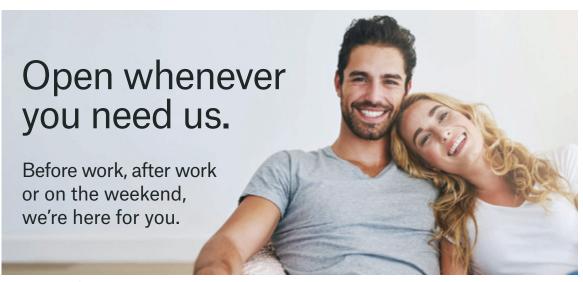
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