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The Weather



The High yesterday 95° The Low this morning 69°

The Lampasas Airport received .06 inches of rain last night

. **Today:** Look for mostly cloudy skies with a high near 89° and a 40% chance of precipitation. Wind will be N near 5-10 mph.

Tonight: Look for increasing clouds with the low dropping to about 70° by morning and a 70% chance of showers and storms. Wind will be N near 10 mph gusting to 20 mph.

Wednesday: Mostly cloudy with a high temperature near 85° and the 70% chance of showers continues. Look for wind from the N-NE wind to continue near 5-10 mph.

Wednesday Night: Look for partly cloudy skies with a low near 70° and an E-NE wind at 5-10 mph. There is a 50% chance of precipitation.

Thursday: Partly sunny skies and the high will be near 90° with a 50% chance of showers and a SE wind near 5-10 mph.

Thursday Night: A 50% chance of showers and storms with partly cloudy skies and a low near 71°. E wind near 10 mph gusting to 20 mph.

City Council Notes

The Lampasas City Council met last night and the Hike & Bike trail and disc golf course was discussed and will begin construction on October 2nd. Much has been accomplished with grant funding between the Lampasas Animal Shelter & The Best Friends Animal Society to help improve the Shelter, launching another Cattery Project, Microchipping, and they have also used the money to increase the "live release rate" significantly. September is Public Library Card Sign up Month, and the Hancock Pool had to close early this year due to a valve break, the repair will take place this fall. There is a Developers Meeting to be scheduled for early to mid-October, the Fiscal year 2023-2024 City Budget was approved, 4th St. & Spring St. will get a 4-way stop sign and concern was expressed that the Central Appraisal District may not be following the Tax Code Law in several instances and the City Manager will follow up on that.

Local Wildfire Preparedness

Lampasas County residents interested in learning how to protect themselves from wildfire are invited to a wildfire preparedness workshop on Thursday September 21, 2023.

Lampasas County Farm Bureau is pleased to host representatives from Texas A&M Forest Service and Lampasas Fire Department who will present on the ongoing 2023 fire season and what residents can do to protect their home, property, family and livestock from wildfire.

Residents will be encouraged to work together with their fellow attendees to identify common concerns and potential solutions to wildfire topics; all while being introduced to concepts including evacuation preparedness, structure resiliency, and ranch pre-planning options.

Continuing periods of extreme weather, such as the current drought, are expected into the future. Stressed vegetation will carry fire easier and often lead to more extreme wildfire behavior. However, both research and first-hand accounts from firefighters show time and time again that residents can have a massive impact on how their home and property withstand the worst effects from extreme wildfires. Small changes around the home and ranch can give residents enough time to safely evacuate. Additionally, they can create enough separation from flames and resistance to embers that fire behavior is decreased, leading to an improved change that structures survive.

Learn how some simple steps and risk reduction actions that are adaptable to your circumstances can help protect your community and first responders.

The meeting is scheduled for 6-8pm on Thursday, September 21st at the Lampasas County Farm Bureau Building (1793 US Hwy 281N, Lampasas, TX 76550).

For more information, visit <https://tfsweb.tamu.edu/PrepareYourHomeforWildfire/>



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Wednesday September 12:

Lampasas Freshman & JV Football @ Badger Field at 5pm

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The Blotter



The Lampasas Police Dept. blotter for Monday shows the early morning arrest of Jonathan Kuhn, 20, of Jersey City, New Jersey in the 100 block of CTE at 2:23am for possession of a controlled substance PG2 less than a gram and possession of marijuana less than 2 oz. and a suspicious vehicle was reported in the 100 block of E. 9th St. at 6:47am. The afternoon shows a domestic disturbance reported in the 300 block of N. Porter St. at 1:15pm. a suspicious person was reported in the 400 block of Live Oak St. at 1:47pm, and a domestic disturbance was reported in the 300 block of E. 4th St. at 2:33pm. There was a minor accident in the 400 block of E. 7th St. at 3:43pm and a major accident with injuries reported in the 800 block of N. Key at 7:34pm.

Lampasas Sheriff's Dept. blotter for Monday shows Kempner with medical calls and animal issues. Out in the county there were medical calls, civil matters and animal issues. Deputies went into Cove on an alarm call, and animal/livestock issues.

County-Wide Burn Ban in effect! No outdoor burning!

Batteries and the Electric Grid

(Texas Tribune) This summer, industrial scale batteries have helped boost the energy supply during critical evening hours. Battery storage represents a small fraction of Texas' energy mix now, but it's expected to rise sharply in coming years.

Last Wednesday night, minutes before the state's grid operator went into emergency mode to make sure it would have enough power to meet high demand during another triple-digit day, batteries provided more electricity to Texas homes and businesses than ever before. A small but growing number of batteries sent 2,172 megawatts to the grid on that critical evening — just under 3% of the overall supply. One megawatt can power about 200 homes when demand is high, so batteries dispatched enough electricity to power roughly 434,000 homes at that moment.

Some batteries are built to charge directly from wind or solar farms, but increasingly, stand-alone storage is being built to charge from any power source on the grid. The rows of utility-scale batteries vary from about the size of schoolhouse lockers to as large as shipping containers. Most batteries charge up when electricity is cheapest, such as early in the morning, and typically discharge for one to two hours in the evening before they need to recharge again.

Battery supporters credit the technology for helping during tight times when every megawatt counts to keep the power on for Texas' growing population. This summer, batteries have mostly sold their power to meet high demand around 7pm-8pm when solar production winds down as the sun sets but temperatures are still high.

The emergency conditions on Wednesday were triggered because the amount of power available to the grid fell dangerously low after a transmission line in South Texas malfunctioned. Although the grid operator has repeatedly asked Texans to conserve power this summer, Wednesday was the first time this year that ERCOT entered emergency operations — which involves paying large industrial customers to reduce energy usage and importing electricity from the grid's limited connections to neighboring states to avoid the need for rolling blackouts to reduce demand.

Batteries can turn on almost immediately. For example, on June 16, when a nuclear power plant tripped offline, Shaw said that Plus Power sent energy stored in Angleton to the grid to make up the difference and prevent an imbalance of supply and demand.

About 7,500 megawatts of battery storage projects set to begin operation in 2024 have already secured financing and cleared initial legal hurdles with ERCOT.

Sports

Badger Football

Middle School Football

Badger Middle School Football will host Lago Vista today at Badger Field with games beginning at 4:30pm.

Sub-Varsity Football

The Badger Freshmen & JV will host Pflugerville Connally at Badger field tomorrow with games beginning at 5pm.

Tickets for both games are available at the Lampasas ISD website under the athletics tab. .



Varsity Football

Congratulations to Reed Jerome on being named one of David Smoak's Players of the Week for his performance against Georgetown Eastview Friday night.

The Badgers travel Thursday night to Pflugerville Connally with kickoff at 7pm. There is a clear bag policy (*see below*) and Tickets are available online at <https://www.pfisd.net/HS-Tickets>

Badger Cross Country

The Varsity Boys Badger Cross Country came home from the Pflugerville ISD invitational cross country meet with the Runner-Up Plaque. There were 10 teams and 53 runners. From Lampasas High School Ken Ashley placed 3rd, Brayden Phillips placed 4th and Royce Clary placed 11th. Hailey Palmer of the Varsity Girls team placed 15th out of 70 runners. Congratulations Badgers !!

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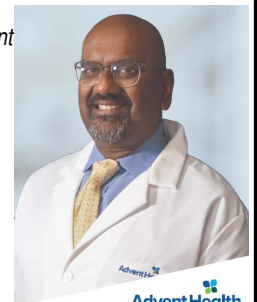
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