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Max Bell Regional Aquatic Centre set to reopen after upgrades

Media are invited to see the newly refurbished pool at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 12

The University of Lethbridge’s Max Bell Regional Aquatic Centre will reopen on Tuesday, Nov. 12, after being closed for over four months for upgrades.

“We are so excited to welcome everyone back,” says Mark Sera, director of Horns Recreation. “All four bulkheads were replaced, and upgrades to the movable floor have been completed.”

When work started on the headwalls, crews discovered that additional repairs were needed on the concrete.

“The major outcome of this renovation is that the facility can now host records in 50-meter long course swimming competitions, allowing us to host a wider variety of events. This facility is one of the best on-campus long course pools,” says Sera. “What I’m happy about is that you can see the change, and it looks like new.”

Sera also thanks the City of Lethbridge for helping with the closure by providing alternative facilities for Pronghorn swimmers and swim clubs.

Sera and the staff at the Max Bell Regional Aquatic Centre look forward to welcoming back the ULethbridge Pronghorn team, the Mantas Lifesaving Club, Lethbridge Amateur Swim Club, Career Transition’s Cardboard Boat Race, and all other users who visit the pool for lane and recreational swimming.

The Max Bell Regional Aquatic Centre, opened in 1985, was named in recognition of its major benefactor, the Max Bell Foundation. The facility features several springboards, as well as three-metre and five-metre dive towers. The pool has a capacity of 3.5 million litres of water.

Media are welcome to see the changes for themselves and talk with Sera at **10:30 a.m.** on **Tuesday, Nov. 12.** Attendees are asked to meet at the customer service desk on the lower floor of the Centre for Sport and Wellness.

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