



Media Release

TD Main Stage Concerts Announced for Westerner Days

May 26, 2022 | Red Deer, AB – Westerner Park is excited to announce the concert headliners performing on the TD Main Stage for the Westerner Days Fair & Exposition, running July 20-24, 2022:

BILLY TALENT

Thursday, July 21, 8:00pm, presented by X100.7

CORB LUND

Friday, July 22, 8:00pm, presented by Real Country 95.5

ALAN DOYLE

Saturday, July 23, 8:00pm, presented by 106.7 Rewind Radio

Our sincere thanks to returning sponsor, TD, of the main stage, and to our media partners, for their support of the concert series.

“Westerner Days is an opportunity for people to reconnect and celebrate with each other, and live music contributes to the fair experience,” said Mike Olesen, CEO of Westerner Park. “We also want to provide great value for our fair attendees, so concert tickets will now include admission to the fair. For a \$30 bowl ticket, that means an \$18 savings for an adult.”

Concert tickets will go on sale June 1 at 10:00am at Tickets Alberta. Tickets are \$30 for the bowl or \$40 on the floor, including fair admission. The diverse lineup of music means there is something for everyone.

Billy Talent - Thursday, July 21, 8:00pm Presented by X100.7

Billy Talent is a Canadian rock band formed in 1993 with lead vocalist Benjamin Kowalewicz, guitarist Ian D'Sa, bassist Johnathan Gallant, and drummer Aaron Solowoniuk. The band is currently touring internationally in support of their new album, *Crisis of Faith*.

In their own words, Ben, Ian, Jonny & Aaron describe, “A ‘Crisis of Faith’ is what the last few years have felt like while making this record...it’s filled with snap shots of what it means to be human and the struggles we all face both individually and collectively as people. This record was written from the heart. You’ll hear a diverse range of sounds on this album, and lyrics that capture every emotion that we were feeling throughout the writing and recording process. This diversity represents a culmination of who we are, what we’ve gone through, and where we’re at as a band.”



Corb Lund - Friday, July 22, 8:00pm
Presented by Real Country 95.5

Corb Lund has received multiple CCMA, Juno, and international award nominations and wins. A rural Albertan hailing from the foothills of the Rocky Mountains with a long family lineage of ranchers and rodeo people, Lund is about as authentic as they come. Embracing both his Western heritage and his indie rock past through his music, Lund has been known to filter a range of cowboy themes past and present through his unique lens - from rough-and-tumble tales of lawless frontier saloons to the somber realities of running a modern family ranch.

Agricultural Tragic, his first album of original material in five years came out June 26th, 2020. It debuted in the Top 5 on Billboard charts in both the US and Canada, and was met with critical acclaim. *Agricultural Tragic* is a highlight in Lund's long and successful career and his best selling album to date.

Alan Doyle - Saturday, July 23, 8:00pm
Presented by 106.7 Rewind Radio

The boy from Petty Harbour, Newfoundland, is a born explorer who carries home with him wherever he goes. Anyone who's been observing keenly or casually over the last three decades will know Alan Doyle shifts his musical emphasis with natural ease while remaining true to the traditions of the place and people which form his artistic foundations. These truths hold on his latest release, *Back to the Harbour*.

If one knows the canon of Great Big Sea and Alan Doyle's solo records, there can be no mistaking his distinctive voice and steady themes. With *Back to the Harbour*, Doyle seamlessly introduces new elements to his range while remaining close to his cherished traditions. Always pushing the boat out a little further, ever returning to shore.

Concert tickets, as well as Ride All Day (RAD) Passes, will be available June 1 at 10:00am at www.ticketsalberta.com. Both include admission to the fair. Westerner Park now offers Free Parking too, providing even greater value.

The new [Westerner Days](http://www.westernerdays.com) website, launching June 1, will provide all the details on tickets, concerts, and more about Central Alberta's largest summer celebration.



About Westerner Days

Westerner Days Fair & Exposition is Central Alberta's largest summer celebration, with five days of live entertainment, midway rides, nightly Pony Chuckwagon Races, good food, and great company! Each year, Westerner Days has a major impact on the economy of Red Deer and surrounding area, with the overall effect estimated to be in excess of \$7 million. Local businesses recognize this value, providing support and participating by sponsoring the many activities that make the event special and fun.

About Westerner Park

Westerner Park is Central Alberta's largest tradeshow, agricultural, sports, entertainment and convention facility. A not-for-profit organization and agricultural society, Westerner Park typically generates \$150 million annually in economic activity, hosting over 1,500 events and 1.5 million visitors each year.

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