

Blood Indian Park

Situated in the Heart of the Special Areas at Big Stone, Alberta

"Where the Big One Doesn't Always Get Away!"



The Legend of Blood Indian Creek

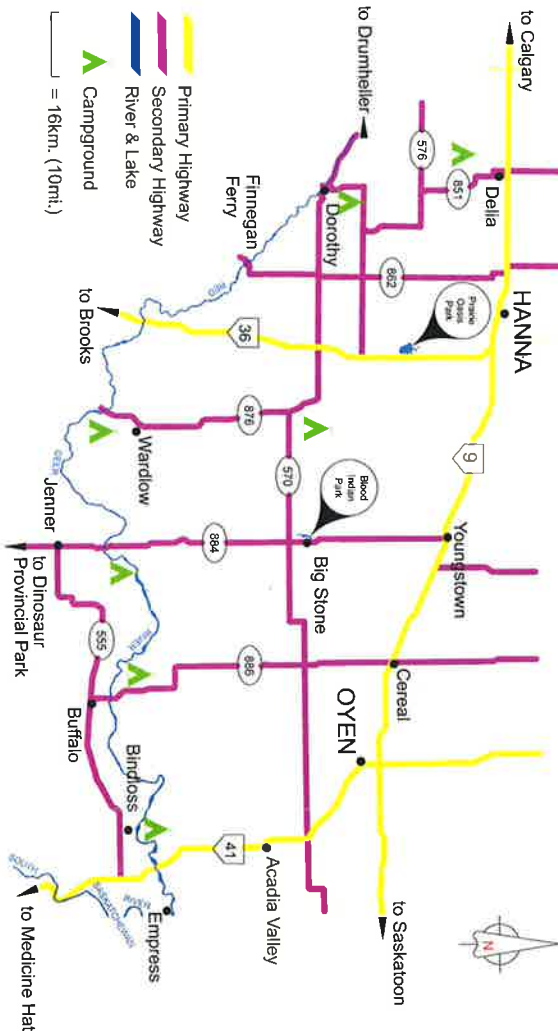
The story passed down to local residents by an aged Indian woman goes as follows:

This "Old Lady" was one of the *Salteaux* tribe, whose band had come west from Lake of the Woods. In about 1840, a raiding party of Blackfeet, plundering horse herds, attacked their camp and killed many of the Salteaux. Three of her sons were among the victims and in her sorrow and anger, she herself organized a party of vengeance. The "Old Lady" and her war party caught up to the raiders at the mouth of the present Blood Indian Creek where they were camped. The enemy were overwhelmed by a surprise attack and also outnumbered. The pursuing Salteaux fell upon the camp with a fierce, bloody attack. The routed remnants tried to escape across the Red Deer River, but the pursuers followed them into the river where all but a handful were killed or drowned in a ferocious hand battle. The creek literally ran red with the blood of the slain Blackfeet. Thus Blood Indian Creek received its name.



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The Blood Indian dam was built in 1965 by P.F.R.A. in co-operation with the Special Areas Board. The reservoir is stocked with 175,000 fingerling Rainbow Trout annually and has been ranked as one of the top ten trout lakes in the province.

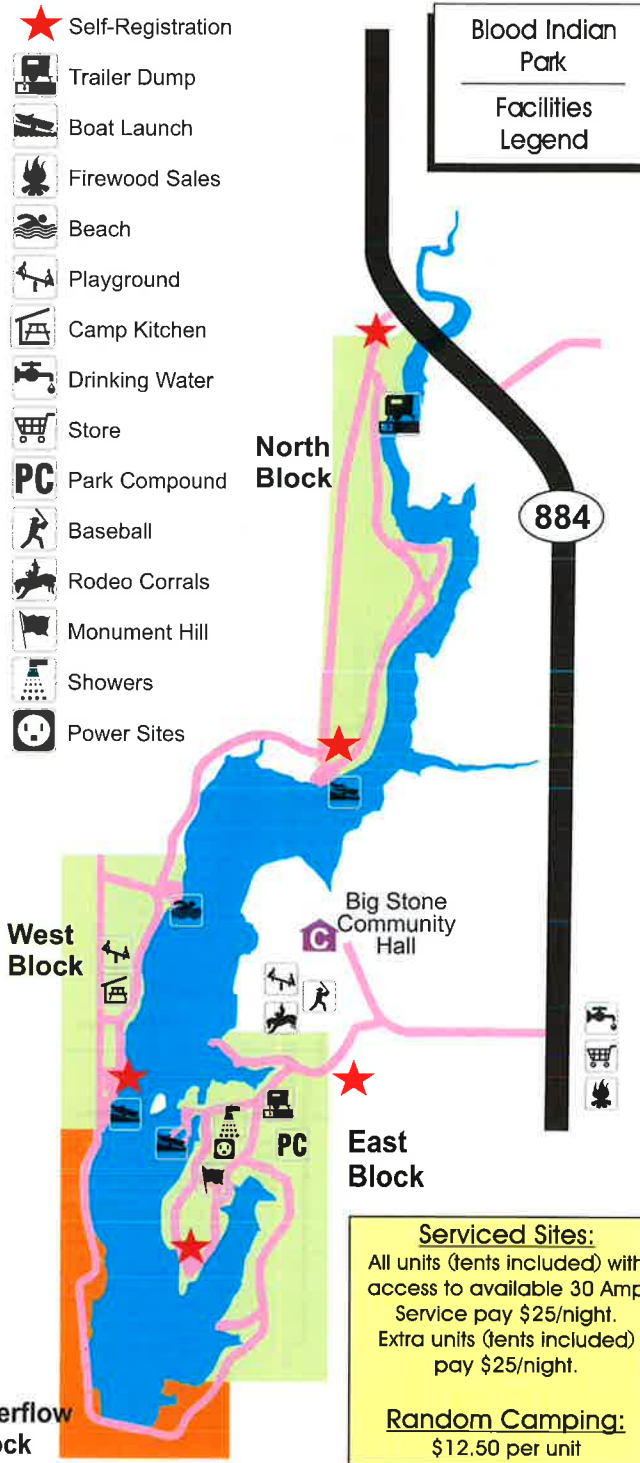
With the official opening in August 1987, the name Blood Indian Park was given and commemorated on a plaque on Monument Hill by the flag poles. The campground operated by the Special Areas Board is on a self-registration system. Overnight campers must "pay before they stay" and display their registration envelope insert prominently at their campsite.

There are 29 serviced sites (19 of these are full service) and the remainder of the 300 unit campground is random camping.

Blood Indian Park is quiet with a nostalgic country ambiance and is a welcome reprieve from your work-a-day world.

Given the "random camping" policy the following are some of the regulations being enforced to minimize the harm to vegetation...especially the grass areas and to ensure the maximum enjoyment of our facilities by all park users.

1. Stay to the graveled roads and trails until you find a suitable camping spot, then pull over to camp.
2. Block your unit up to level it. Do not dig holes.
3. If there is not an existing fire pit at your chosen campsite, do not make a new one. You will not be able to have an open fire at this site.
4. All boats on trailers (except those that can be carried) must be launched and loaded at one of the designated boat launches.



5. If you bring pets into the Park, you must keep them in the immediate area of your campsite and under your control at all times. If they poop you scoop! Complaints regarding your pet will result in it having to be leashed for the duration of your stay.

6. No ATV's are to be used in the Park.

7. **Quiet time is from 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.** No generators or music during quiet time. Please use respect.

8. **60/30/15 RULE: Only generators rated 60 decibels at 30 feet effective 2015.**

9. Check out time in the serviced sites is 11:00 a.m.

10. Different restrictions apply for campfires in the Overflow Block of the Park...please "read and heed" posted signage.

11. When Fire Hazard rating permits the use of fireworks is restricted to the shoreline of the East, West and North Blocks. Fireworks are not permitted at any time in the Overflow Block.

12. Free Wi-Fi in Serviced Sites.

Non-compliance is deterred by eviction and/or fines.

For further clarification or additional information check with Park Staff or phone:

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