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# Stonewall couple celebrates 70 years of marriage

By Jennifer McFee

A local couple who recently celebrated their platinum wedding anniversary took a little time to reflect on seven decades of adventures — and counting.

Audrey and Allen Lutomsky marked the milestone of their 70th anniversary on Jan. 15 and took a trip down memory lane to recall some of their momentous experiences together.

Now nearly 89, Audrey remembers back to being a 17-year-old girl when she met her future husband for the first time.

Her family lived in a small Saskatchewan town called Wynyard, while Al was from a nearby town called Jansen that was just up the road.

At the time, young Al, who is now 91, worked in his uncle's butcher shop. The family business also rented out freezer storage units to local families.

"We didn't have freezers at home out at the farm in those days, so you could put your meat in there. My mom always used to put containers of fruit in there that she'd freeze with a little bit of sugar," Audrey recalled.

"I went with my mom one day and Al happened to be there. He asked his uncle 'Who is that girl?' His uncle told him who I was, and Al said, 'I'm going to marry her one day.'"

And that's exactly what happened.

"We went together for a while and then we got engaged a year before we were married. Then he decided that he had to look for a further career, so he joined the Air Force in the spring of 1954. He went to basic training first in Quebec and then in Ontario for a few months. At Christmastime he came



The Lutomskys were married Jan. 15, 1955.

home and got stationed to Moose Jaw, Sask.," she said.

"When he came to see me again, we were engaged at that time. We decided in December that we were going to get married on Jan. 15, 1955. It was the middle of winter in Saskatchewan, colder than a son of a gun."

For the next five years, the newlyweds lived together in Moose Jaw where they welcomed their first child, Sheri Lee. Six weeks after the baby girl was born, the growing family was transferred to Germany. They remained in Germany for three years and celebrated the birth of their second child, Terry Dean.

After that, they spent six months in France before being transferred back to Canada. They settled in the New Brunswick community known at that time as Chatham and now referred to as Miramichi.



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Audrey and Allen Lutomsky recently celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary with friends at the South Interlake 55 Plus.

"Being in the Armed Forces, one moves an awful lot. So from Chatham, we got transferred to Gimli. When they shut the base down in Gimli, we got transferred to Winnipeg," Audrey said.

"Then Al decided to get out of the service in 1979, and I had a job with the federal government that took us back to Gimli."

They weren't in Gimli for long when Audrey got a job transfer to Penticton, B.C. She continued to work with the federal government for a couple more years before they retired to Osoyoos, B.C. After that, Audrey and Al moved to Alberta, followed by Brandon and



Audrey and Allen have visited 46 countries over the decades, including riding rickshaw in Beijing, China.

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## > 70 YEARS, FROM PG. 2

eventually to Stonewall, where their daughter lives. They've remained in Stonewall for the past 13 years.

Meanwhile, their son Terry spent a few years in Penticton with them until he got a job offer that took him back to Winnipeg.

About a year and a half ago, Audrey and Al sold their Stonewall home and moved into the Lions Manor. They enjoy playing cards with the local 55 Plus group, which added a festive flair to their anniversary celebrations complete a delicious cake for the couple.

Looking back, Audrey and Al enjoyed a lifetime of memories in many communities across Canada — and in dozens of countries around the world.

"We've travelled a ton in our married life — and once our retirement came, we really started to travel. We've been to 46 different countries. It gives you an opportunity to see a different slant on life, to see how other people live," said Audrey, a self-proclaimed nomad.

"One of the nicest places that we have been was to Ireland. Ireland and New Zealand are very similar. We've been to Russia and China and South America and all the countries in Europe. We were vagabonds for a while. Al said he married a gypsy."

She recalled strolling with Al through Tiananmen Square in China. When locals spotted the Canadian flags on their jackets, they came over to shake their hands.

"They were so polite," Audrey said. "It didn't matter which country we went to, they were just like that."

And as they reflect on their seven decades of marriage, Audrey shared some wisdom she's gleaned over the years.

"I think marriage encompasses a lot of different things. No. 1 is respect, commitment, learning how to listen, learning how to forgive, responsibilities, having a positive outlook, learn-

ing to compromise — all those things. And you also need to acknowledge a lot of those things in other people," she said.

"No marriage is perfect. There's always ups and downs and give and take. Certainly, there's always attraction, but there's much more to a marriage than that. It's learning to work with your partner during stressful times. But more than anything else, it's your commitment and respect for each other."

At the same time, Al expressed gratitude for their lives together — as well as for the eras that they've enjoyed together.

"It's been a very interesting life and we're very appreciative for being able to have lived during the era that we lived in. We're fortunate that we lived during this particular time of Canada, and we went overseas at the time after the war when things were being rebuilt," he said.

"It was a good era that we lived in. We have lived a wonderful life."

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## Community shows charitable holiday spirit

By Jennifer McFee

The holiday spirit was alive and well in local communities where residents shared a healthy dose of donations with the Interlake Eastern Health Foundation.

The Interlake Eastern Health Foundation aims to improve quality of life throughout the region by supporting facilities and programs close to home.

Averill Stephenson, executive director of Interlake Eastern Health Foundation, shared her thanks with everyone who made donations to the organization — including many people who chose to donate in lieu of

giving holiday gifts to friends, family and co-workers.

"Despite our holiday campaign looking a little different this year with no direct mail, the support of the community did not waiver," she said.

"With a social media campaign and articles in local newspapers, we raised just over \$32,000."

In addition to monetary contributions, the foundation also received many messages from patients and families to share their gratitude and support for health-care staff.

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# Rockwood reeve reflects on successes, challenges

By Jennifer McFee

The RM of Rockwood was a hub of activity in 2024, with much to look forward to in the new year.

For starters, the RM announced the expansion of Sapphire Springs, a large-scale fish farm located on Road 87N. The project is valued at \$145 million. The company aims to build the world's largest inland recirculating aquaculture system.

In addition, Rockwood welcomed more than 30 new housing starts in 2024, and the 2024 assessment increased in value by more than \$52 million.

Rockwood Reeve Wes Taplin also noted that the RM tendered a force-main and lift station for the Stony Mountain area.

"The tender was awarded to Tailieu Construction and installation started in the spring of 2024. This is to accommodate approximately 1,700 new doors in the Stony Mountain area (north of Allard), which will be known as West Ridge Lakes. This new area is in the process of being rezoned, with a distinguished zoning category of CM-1," he said.

"The RM is excited to see the growth in the West Ridge Lakes area, as well as the growth in all the other five

communities."

The RM has partnered with Kenaston Developments and formed a community development corporation. The first step of the building process will be the construction of a seniors housing facility to begin in late spring or early summer of 2025.

"The RM proceeded to install a massive infrastructure utility upgrade without any financial support from the provincial or federal governments," Taplin said.

"The seniors housing is a project being completed without any provincial or federal financial support."

When it comes to challenging situations, Taplin pointed to Plan20-50 and the importance of understanding the concept of a regional plan, which encompasses 18 municipalities including the City of Winnipeg. He noted that the provincial government announced a bill that would allow municipalities to opt out of the current plan and proceed to implement a reset of a regional plan.

"Until more information is given to what opting out means to the RM, we cannot make an informed decision as to what direction Rockwood will take," he said. "This is of extreme importance to our residents."

In addition, the RM faced numerous hurdles with its 2024 budget due to the increased cost of machinery pricing and roadway material. As well, the RM is working to keep up with allocating funds to reserves to meet future growth.

Another challenge relates to the municipality's interactions with the provincial Mines branch.

"The RM of Rockwood is the largest



Rockwood Reeve Wes Taplin

producer of quarry mineral deposits in Manitoba. Leases from the Province of Manitoba are at least two years behind, and moving forward with current projects have been challenging," Taplin said.

"The change of government in 2023 and recent portfolio changes in 2024 have increased the difficulty of provincial contacts."

At the same time, the RM has been working with the provincial government to implement a community safety officer position in 2025. This position would enhance the bylaw enforcement portfolio and allow Highway Traffic Act enforcement with the ability to issue provincial tickets through the Provincial Offences Act.

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# Woodlands council news in brief: Jan. 14

By Autumn Fehr

At the regular meeting for the RM of Woodlands, council designated that the 2025 tax sale will occur on Wednesday, Oct. 8 at 6 p.m. at the RM of Woodlands, 57 Railway Ave. in Woodlands.

The Municipal Act outlines that a municipality must designate the immediate preceding year or any earlier year for which properties must be offered for sale to recover the tax arrears and costs. The RM of Woodlands council designated the year 2024 for tax sale purposes.

At the same meeting, council approved the 2025 purchase of a 2025 CAT 160-15 AWD grader for \$301,606, including trade-in, and to be funded from the equipment replacement reserve.

## IN OTHER COUNCIL NEWS:

- Coun. Lorna Broadfoot was appointed deputy reeve for another consecutive year.
- Council authorized the sale of the following fire department assets:
  - 1981 Chevy Truck
  - Mitsubishi generator
  - Firetank portable water tank
 The proceeds from the sales go into the fire control equipment replacement reserve.
- Council gave third reading to a bylaw to provide for designation of a number for each lot in the LUD of Warren and surrounding settled area. This ongoing bylaw assigns a civic address (street number) to each property. Every time there's a subdivision, or if a house is built on a property that didn't formerly have a home, council needs to amend the bylaw so that the property has a house number or civic address.
- Silverbridge Land Development Inc. and the RM of Woodlands entered into an agreement on Feb. 28, 2023, for a development in Warren (Silverbridge Drive). The agreement has been met, and the maintenance period ended; therefore, council au-

thorized the issuance of the final acceptance certificate and the security of \$20,000 being held by the municipality for the agreement has been released. The RM also entered into an agreement with the same company and Riddell Farm Ent. on June 25, 2013, for another development in Warren. For this agreement, the RM passed a resolution to issue a completion certificate on June 22, 2021, with the condition that the seeding of the ditches must be completed by Oct. 31, 2021, with the possibility of reapplication in the spring of 2022 at the discretion of council. If the seeding was not done by Oct. 31, 2021, the RM reserved the right to use the \$20,000 security to complete the seeding of the ditches. The seeding of the ditches has successfully been completed; therefore, the security of \$20,000 has been released. The acceptance certificate and release of security make it "official" that the developer's duties are done.

- Council authorized Chad Green, building and development officer, Coun. Valerie Stelck and Coun. Carl Fleury to attend the 2025 Manitoba Planning Pre-Conference Workshop for \$125 and the 2025 Manitoba Planning Conference for \$500 per person from March 5 to 7.

- The RM of Woodlands entered into an agreement with RFNow, a fibre company, for an additional location to be serviced, located in the ditch along Road 81N to a house just east of Argyle.

- Council entered into an agreement with the Vintage Locomotive Society. They will be paying the RM to mow the grass on their property in Warren. They own the land on which the Warren elevator is located and the railway tracks.

- Council authorized the Northern Lites Snowmobile Club to use certain road allowances for their trails. The club has been doing this for years, but approval has never been formalized. There are two agreements because one of their trails runs along a boundary road between the RM of

Woodlands and the RM of St. Laurent. Therefore, a separate agreement is required for that trail, as both RMs need to approve the use (whereas the other trails just need to be approved by Woodlands). Bylaws for this also need to be passed, which will be discussed in council within the coming weeks.

- Council appointed TAXservice to conduct the tax sales for Woodlands. All costs are passed on to the owners of the properties that are in tax sale.

- Council adopted a life event policy change to include recognition for the death of a former elected official. This policy recognizes life events for staff. For example, when an elected official or staff member gets married, has a child, is hospitalized or experiences a death in the family, this policy allows the municipality to recognize it with a gift or contribution.

- Council authorized Coun. Bryan Myskiw, Deputy Reeve Broadfoot and Coun. Darrell Sinclair to attend the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference from May 29 to June 1, in Ottawa. The municipality will pay flights, hotels and conference fees and will confirm costs. The resolution allows them to start planning.

- Council authorized council, staff, and the municipal emergency coordinator to attend the Emergency Measures Organization's 2025 Local Authority Workshop held at various Manitoba locations during January and virtually on Feb. 7 at no registration cost.

- Council entered into an agreement with the Electronic Products Recycling Association (EPRA). At the transfer

station, electronics are collected and recycled through the EPRA.

- Council has authorized building inspector Lyman McLeod to register for the following courses:

- Introduction to the Manitoba Construction Codes for \$585

- NBC Section 9.36 Energy Efficiency in Housing and Small Buildings for \$312, along with the exam for \$200

- Manitoba Building Bylaws for \$597, along with the exam for \$200

- Part 9 The house for \$830, along with the exam for \$200

## > RM OF ROCKWOOD, FROM PG. 4

Looking ahead at 2025, Taplin shared a heartfelt message with Rockwood residents.

"The RM of Rockwood would like to thank all of the residents for their patience and understanding while we work together to build our communities. We encourage anyone with questions, concerns or comments to please contact the municipal office," he said.

"In closing, I would like to thank council, the wonderful administration and staff team for their ongoing support and professionalism — 2025 will be an exciting year for the RM and its residents."

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## Grant applications now open for Stonewall's community groups and organizations

By Jennifer McFee

The Town of Stonewall plans to collaborate with the RM of Rockwood, the RM of Rosser, South Interlake Recreation Centre and RONA Rockwood to enhance electric vehicle charging infrastructure to better serve local communities through SAMS (Stonewall and Area Mobility Service).

More charging stations will be needed throughout the region for future modes of communication, including electric vehicles used by SAMS.

The town accepted a proposal from DGH Engineering Ltd. to provide the design, tendering and inspection related to the building of a 60-foot by 60-foot vehicle storage building for SAMS at a cost of \$42,595.

### IN OTHER COUNCIL NEWS:

- The Town of Stonewall received a 2024 Community Collabora-

tion Grant in support of a project to enhance transportation for isolated seniors.

- Council received \$3,390 in funding from the provincial government to assist with Dutch elm disease management.

- Mike Dola was appointed as the noxious weeds inspector for the town.

- Council hosted a public hearing related to a special services proposal for curbside waste and recycling. The town aims to establish a rate on all residential and institutional property within town limits for waste and recyclable curbside collection, removal and service for 2025. The proposed special services plan would replace the rates that were set up for 2023 and 2024. The special service tax amount would be based per parcel of land. Properties with one to

80 dwellings would pay an equal rate of \$170.70 each. Properties with more than 80 dwellings would pay 60 per cent of this rate, or \$102.40 each.

- Council also hosted a public hearing related to a special services proposal to establish a rate for urban services excluding the annexed lands for 2025. The urban services levy addresses the discrepancy in services between properties inside and outside the annexed area. Special services could include snow removal, street lighting, policing, parks and arena services. Part of the agreement for the annexed lands is that they don't need to pay for urban services they're not receiving or that are compensated through an alternative funding arrangement.

- Council gave first reading to a bylaw to allow the town to establish

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## Interlake School Division news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

The number of registered home-school students in the region rose by one this school year.

In 2024-25, there are 79 students who are home-schooled, made up of 24 students in kindergarten to Grade 4, 32 students in Grade 5 to 8, and 23 students in Grade 9 to 12.

Last school year, from 2023-24, there were 78 home-schooled students from 32 families.

In other Interlake School Division news:

- Interlake School Division buildings lowered their flags to half-

mast in memory of Nello Altomare, minister of Education and Early Childhood Learning. Altomare died on Jan. 14.

- For the 2024-25 school year, a total of 86 students submitted school-of-choice applications within the Interlake School Division. In addition, 25 students from other school divisions applied to attend a school of choice in the Interlake School Division, while 87 local students applied to attend a school of choice outside the Interlake School Division.

- The school board appointed Heidi Reeb as the interim principal

of Teulon Elementary School effective Jan. 6.

- Kelly Kimball from the Town of Stonewall and Amanda Clarke, chair of the parent advisory council for Ecole RW Bobby Bend School, spoke to the school board about their interest in running a recreational before and after school program. They're seeking a suitable space for the program, and they requested that the school board help to remove barriers to use Ecole RW Bobby Bend School for the program.

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# Manitoba logs lowest 2024 inflation rate across Canada

By Jennifer McFee

Manitoba had the lowest annual inflation rate in Canada in 2024, but not everyone sees that as reason to celebrate quite yet.

According to the Stats Canada report on the Consumer Price Index, Manitoba had an annual inflation rate last year of 1.1 per cent. Meanwhile, the 2024 annual Canadian average inflation rate was 2.4 per cent.

Finance Minister Adrien Sala said the provincial government's plan is working to make life more affordable for Manitobans.

"The gas tax holiday helped ensure Manitobans had more money in their pockets to help afford things like their mortgage and groceries," Sala said. "And with a permanent cut to the gas tax and a hydro rate freeze in 2025, Manitobans can remain confident our government is doing everything we can to make life as affordable as possible."

Sala noted that lower gas prices, driven by the provincial fuel tax holiday, contributed to this slowdown. A permanent cut to the fuel tax was instated on Jan. 1, which was a 10 per cent reduction to the fuel tax rate previously in place.

However, it might be too soon to celebrate these successes.

Lakeside MLA Trevor King said Manitoba still leads the country with some of the highest year-over-year price increases for food and housing.

He added that gas rates shot up with the return of the gas tax, and Autopac rates are increasing by 5.7 per cent along with the federal carbon tax set to start on April 1.

"The gas tax holiday in 2024 most definitely had an impact on Manitoba's lower inflation rate; however, going into 2025 with a new 12-cent tax implemented, we can predict that these rates will change immediately," King said.

"Although the gas tax holiday may have lowered the inflation rates for Manitoba in 2024, I feel it did not help the ones who needed help the most, such as those that cannot afford to drive a car or maybe not afford to register and drive the one they own. With the loss in revenue of almost \$400 million from this tax holiday, we will see much of our failing infrastructure and social programs ignored with no funding available."

Looking ahead, King expects that families will pay more than \$800 more on groceries this year due to food inflation.

"Every day, Manitobans are making tough choices between putting food on the table, heating their homes, filling their gas tanks or paying their bills on time," King said.

"Many are cutting back on groceries, falling behind on payments or going without basic necessities just to make ends meet."

Robert Price-Lewis, president of

the Stonewall & District Chamber of Commerce, said it's positive to hear that Manitoba is finally below the national average Consumer Price Index, yet he also expressed some reservations.

"This hasn't been the case for many years. However, I don't think the government should be patting themselves on the back quite yet," he said.

"According to recent projections, the Consumer Price Index for Manitoba in 2025 is expected to be slightly above the Bank of Canada's two per cent target, with estimates placing it around 2.1 per cent inflation."

And while the fuel tax break may have helped in 2024, Price-Lewis doesn't think it will be a factor this year — especially if current prices are anything to go by.

"Stonewall is marginally a bedroom community, which means a lot of our residents drive to the city or elsewhere for work," he added. "If they're spending more on gas it's less they will have in their pockets for other things. That's bad for local businesses."

As a business owner himself, Price-Lewis notes there is a flip side to lower inflation, and its impact on business growth is a crucial consideration.

"While lower inflation can ease cost pressures for consumers, it can also signal slower economic activity. If local businesses aren't seeing enough



Lakeside MLA Trevor King

revenue growth due to restrained inflation, it creates challenges for expansion, hiring and overall profitability," he said.

"To counter this, policies aimed at stimulating commerce — such as small business grants, incentives for local entrepreneurship or initiatives to promote shopping locally — could help balance the equation."

At the same time, Price-Lewis looks at the year ahead with a sense of optimism, particularly for local communities.

"I'm encouraged by the loyalty of the Stonewall community to its local businesses and to the resilience of our business owners," he said, "and I hope 2025 is a good year for all."

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one or more positions of a designated officer.

- Council accepted a quote for painting services in the Heritage Arts Centre auditorium from Doug Kroll

at a cost of \$7,945.

- Council conditionally approved a request from a resident hoping to keep three dogs for companionship. The excess animal permit needs to be renewed annually.
- The Town of Stonewall's grant application program for community groups and organizations is now open. The submission deadline is March 1. More informa-

tion, including the application form, is available on the Town of Stonewall website at [www.stonewall.ca](http://www.stonewall.ca).

- The March 5 regular council meeting will be changed to March 12, and the March 12 committee of the whole meeting will be cancelled.

## Mark your calendar for yoga and wellness open house

By Jennifer McFee

Why not launch the new year with a focus on health and wellness?

On Saturday, Feb. 1, 310 Wellness on Main Street in Stonewall is teaming up with Heather McDermid Yoga for an open house event from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

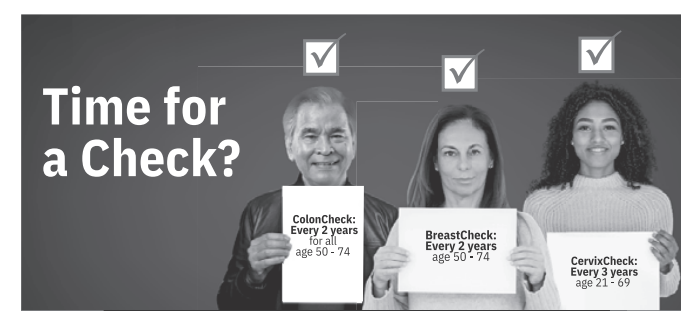
Through 310 Wellness, they will be offering free demos of the sauna, ion foot bath, chair massage, reflexology, singing bowl therapy, ear candling, quantum laser therapy, chakra balancing, aroma touch technique and ITOVI health scan.

In addition, Heather McDermid Yoga will offer four free 30-minute yoga classes for a maximum of 16 participants per session.

The first class will be Heather's

Meditation and Mindful Movement at 11:15 a.m., followed by Ness's Stretch and Yin Fusion at noon. Then the next yoga offering will be Angela's Vinyasa at 1 p.m., and finally Carla's LightBody Activation at 2 p.m.

Although pre-registration is not required for yoga, participants can RSVP online at [www.heathermcdermidyoga.com/events-page](http://www.heathermcdermidyoga.com/events-page). Yoga sign-up will also be available at the event.



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# Teulon council news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

Teulon residents will soon have a convenient option to pay their property taxes on a monthly basis.

The tax installment prepayment plan (TIPP) allows ratepayers to make consecutive monthly payments that are deducted automatically from their bank account.

This monthly tax payment plan will be available to Teulon residents in 2025.

## IN OTHER COUNCIL NEWS:

- The memory of a local man will live on — and so will his love of sports. The Teulon Minor Hockey Association is teaming up with the Town of Teulon to create a shooting corner at the Teulon Rockwood Arena in honour of Wes Killbery. In November 2022, he was diagnosed with Stage 4 non-small cell lung cancer, and he lost his battle six months later.

- Council is providing a letter of support for a local committee's fundraising efforts with a goal of developing a multi-purpose building at Teulon Rockwood Green Acres Park.

- The town needs to retain municipal records for a minimum retention period set out in the Municipal Act. After that time, certain types of records must be retained and others can be destroyed. The town will destroy some documents and records as allowed by the Municipal Act.

- The town's online campground reservation service ([www.campreservations.ca](http://www.campreservations.ca)) has been sold to an American company. The Town of Teulon will now be working with a Canadian company called Let's Camp.ca for its reservation system for

2025.

- The Town of Teulon hadn't been using any payroll software and was starting to implement Payworks as its payroll software system. At the Dec. 10 council meeting, council passed a resolution to stop the implementation of Payworks for now because of staff shortages delaying its possible implementation. Reid & Miller Chartered Professional Accountants Inc. is providing interim payroll services starting in January 2025 for the Town of Teulon, and they will also finish the setup process on behalf of the town on the Payworks system.

- The Town of Teulon will purchase a quarter-page ad in the 2025 Stay Manitoba Camping Guide for \$395 plus tax.

- Council approved a three-year quote from GFL Environmental Inc. for recycling. Cascades Recovery will no longer accept recycling starting March 1.

- Council approved a garbage collection contract with 4570732 Manitoba Ltd. for \$3,600 plus tax per month for 2025.

- The Town of Teulon will enter into mutual aid agreements with the RMs of Rockwood, Armstrong, Woodlands and St. Andrews.

- Council approved spending \$675 on employee Christmas gifts.

- The Town of Teulon will sponsor the costs of one event to be held at the Teulon Rockwood Centennial Centre for a trivia night fundraiser that will be organized by the Teulon Travel Club and TCI Safe Grad in March 2025.

- Council authorized reimbursement of phone expenses for the financial and administrative assistant at a cost of \$60 per month effective Jan. 1, 2025.

- The Town of Teulon will collaborate on an initiative called the Capstone Project with Assiniboine Community College. Through this project, the college's creative media students will revitalize and improve the town's website and digital presence in an effort to create stronger connections with residents.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY RITA WEARE

Evvy and Colton Weare and dad Clinton Weare stood on a snow bank in their pasture outside of Teulon to marvel at the sky as the blizzard began to dissipate on Jan. 17. Environment Canada reported winds as strong as 90 km/h, which caused poor visibility and blowing snow, especially in the open countryside. The weather system was caused by an Alberta Clipper, which is a fast-moving winter weather system originating in the Canadian Rockies that typically brings snow, high winds and cold temperatures. Help the Tribune record the weather of the week and send in your photos of friends or family enjoying the outdoors. Email: [news@stonewallteulontribune.ca](mailto:news@stonewallteulontribune.ca)

## Newton's Law of Cooling



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED BY JOE COADY

Terri Coady and her mom Marie threw a bucket of water into the -28 degrees C. freezing air on Jan. 20, which instantly appeared as a cloud of ice crystals. A rapid temperature change causes the water vapour to quickly condense and freeze into tiny ice particles, creating a visible cloud effect; this demonstrates how cold air can't hold as much moisture as warm air, leading to rapid condensation and freezing. With the cool westerly winds, the temperature felt like -32 degrees C. Help the Tribune record the weather of the week and share photos of friends and family enjoying the outdoors. Email: [news@stonewallteulontribune.ca](mailto:news@stonewallteulontribune.ca)

### Al-Anon and AA Meetings Information

**Balmoral Al-Anon Family Group**  
Balmoral Community Hall basement  
6003 E MB-236, Balmoral, MB  
Contact: (204) 470-8972  
Meets every Wednesday 7-8 PM  
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**Selkirk Red River Al-Anon Family Group**  
Christ Church Anglican  
227 McLean St., Selkirk, MB  
Contact: (204) 482-6287  
Meets every Monday 7-8 PM

**Teulon AA**  
Christian Education Building  
3rd Ave. SE, Teulon, MB  
Contact: (204) 461-0155  
Meets every Tuesday 8-9 PM

**Stonewall AA**  
Parochial Hall  
291 1st St. W., Stonewall, MB  
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# Evening of music



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Music was in the air at Ecole Stonewall Centennial School (ESCS) on Jan. 22. Friends and family enjoyed an evening of music celebrating the talent and creativity of the Grade 8 Band, the Grade 5/6 Lunch Hour Choir and the Grade 7 & 8 Choir. The performances showcased the hard work and dedication of the students. The band, lead by conductor Don Horbas, opened the evening with O Canada and played four numbers throughout the evening. Choir director Vhana Moldowan led the choirs as they sang water-themed songs with the Lunch Hour Choir incorporating kazoos into their performance. Meanwhile, some students from the Grade 7 & 8 Choir showcased their individual talents through solos.



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Completed applications must be submitted to the Municipal Office at P.O. Box 10, 57 Railway Avenue, Woodlands, R0C 3H0, or by fax to 204-383-5169, or by email to [admin@rmwoodlands.ca](mailto:admin@rmwoodlands.ca)

The deadline for submissions is February 15, 2025.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### 2025 GRANT APPLICATIONS

Notice to Town of Teulon Community Groups and Organizations.

This is a reminder that the deadline for all 2025 budget and grant requests are due February 15th, 2025 as per Town Grant Procedures.

Please visit [www.teulon.ca](http://www.teulon.ca) for the grant application.

Please send questions or applications to [info@teulon.ca](mailto:info@teulon.ca) or contact us at 204-886-2314.





**February is Pet Dental Health Month!**  
Our furry friends need clean gums and teeth just like humans do.

Oral care is an important part of maintaining the overall health of your dog or cat. Bacteria and plaque can harden on your animal's teeth to form tartar, which can result in gingivitis, receding gums, pain and tooth loss. Dental problems not only affect your animal's teeth; if left untreated, dental infections can spread to the heart, kidneys and other vital organs.

#### Regular brushing

Ease regular brushing into your daily care regime. Brushing is the best way to prevent tartar build-up and gum disease. There are also some rinses and gels on the market for pets that contain xylitol, which is actually toxic. Please check with your local vet on what is best to use on you pet.

Animals can wriggle and squirm when it comes to having their teeth cleaned, so timing is key: scheduling tooth brushing after physical activity can make the process easier. Cats and dogs will usually tolerate having their teeth cleaned if the process is introduced gently and gradually.

#### Use the right tools

Use a toothbrush and toothpaste specially designed for animals, or you may prefer to use either a finger brush or clean gauze wrapped around your finger. There are also a number of products that promote oral health in animals, including gels, rinses, teeth-cleaning kibble or textured chew toys. Make sure to never use human toothpastes or rinses for your furry friend.

#### Weekly check

You should check your furry friend's mouth once a week to make sure gums are pink, not white or red, and teeth are clean without signs of brownish tartar. There are other clues that may indicate possible mouth problems, like exceptionally bad breath, loss of appetite, drooling or changes in behaviour. Talk to your veterinarian if you suspect any mouth problems or if you have any questions about how to brush your companion animal's teeth, selecting the right products, or for tips on how to keep your furry friend's teeth clean.

#### Schedule regular checkups with your vet

During regular visits to the vet, your furry friend's teeth are examined, and recommendations will be made regarding their dental health and needs. Sometimes animals will periodically require professional scaling and examination of their teeth under general anesthesia.

#### Avoid too many treats

Just like humans, too many treats are bad for animals. Animals should never be given candy of any kind. Chocolate and sorbitol-sweetened candy is toxic to dogs.

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# Richardson supporting farming communities



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY EMMY BYLE

Richardson International Limited representatives Trever Warburton (director of operations) and Maegan White (area marketing rep) presented a cheque for \$25,000 to the Balmoral Recreation Centre's board of directors (Krista Speer, Kaitlyn Peters, Alexie Mauthe, Blake Mauthe, Al Sookermany) during the Saturday Learn to Skate Program. The funds will support key upgrades at the facility, including the replacement of aging equipment and improvements to infrastructure. One critical upcoming project is the replacement of a key component of the ice plant, the condenser. These enhancements aim to ensure the Rec Centre continues to be a welcoming and functional space for all residents.

"We're incredibly grateful to Richardson International for their generous support," said Blake Mauthe, president of the board of directors at the Balmoral Rec Centre. "Having the cheque presented during one of the programs offered here, power skating, was a perfect reminder of how vital this facility is to our community. This donation will help us maintain and improve the Rec Centre so it can serve residents for years to come."

The Balmoral Rec Centre serves as a gathering place for the community, hosting activities including Balmoral Rec Hockey, Powerskating and public skating. "With Richardson International's support, the Rec Centre will continue to provide opportunities for recreation, connection and growth," said Mauthe. Every year, Richardson donates to support a variety of community projects and organizations across the country. These donations are used to fund community projects that enhance the quality of life in the communities in which Richardson operates.

# Stonewall RCMP shares 2024 stats

By Jennifer McFee

Stonewall RCMP shared some reflections on policing in the community in 2024.

Last year, local RCMP responded to 25 traffic collisions, including off-vehicle road collisions, compared to 15 in 2023.

In addition, there were 49 provincial traffic offences that resulted 32 charges and three warnings. In 2023, there were 37 provincial traffic offences with 21 charges and three warnings.

In both 2023 and 2024, there were two reports and charges of impaired driving.

"Crimes against person" were down to four in 2024 from six in 2023.

Similarly, reported "crimes against

property" were down to 29 in 2024 from 40 in 2023.

False alarms were also down to 10 in 2024 from 16 in 2023.

"Overall, we are very pleased with the stats in comparison to the previous year," said RCMP Staff Sgt. Jason Vrooman.

"We encourage the community to report all crimes to the detachment and take necessary steps to ensure that personal property is always secure."

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# sports & recreation

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## Merces pickup key wins with regular season winding down

By Kieran Reimer

The Warren Merces secured two much-needed victories last weekend, highlighted by a significant offensive breakout.

The first win came on Friday night in Carman, where the Merces defeated the Beavers 8-5. Dexter Kuczek was a standout performer, scoring a hat trick and adding two assists. Eric Swanson and Trent Genyk also made valuable contributions with two goals each. Additionally, Karson King netted his first goal in the South Eastern Manitoba Hockey League during this game, while goalie Mitch Adamyk made an impressive 40 saves on 45 shots.

On Sunday, the Merces faced the Notre Dame Hawks in a rematch of the previous Saturday's game, winning by a score of 6-3. Although Notre Dame opened the scoring, the Merces responded with four unanswered goals in the second period, courtesy of Drake Lindsay (two goals), Johnny Lazo and Dexter Kuczek. The Hawks managed to narrow the gap to 4-3 in the third period, but the Merces quickly answered back with two goals from Foster Bytheway and another from Johnny Lazo, who finished the night with two goals as well. Mitch Adamyk also had a solid performance in net, stopping 23 of 26 shots.

With these victories, the Merces climbed to fourth place in the standings, boasting a season record of 9-7-



The Warren Merces' Drake Lindsay scored twice at home last Sunday.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER  
Foster Bytheway celebrates his team's fifth goal in their 6-3 victory over the Notre Dame Hawks in Warren last Sunday.

1-0.

Warren has one final regular season game scheduled for this Sunday against the Springfield Winterhawks in Oakbank, with puck drop at One Insurance Arena set for 6:15 p.m. down.

At Sunday's Alumni game, it was a celebration of history bringing together past players, fans, and families.

Second-generation Merc Geoff Corbett introduced special guests from the legendary 1967-68 team, who



Members of the 1967-68 Warren Mercurys made the ceremonial puck drop at the annual Merces' Alumni Night last Sunday. Pictured left to right: Notre Dame Hawks' captain Eli Carels, Chris Riddell, Myron Kotelko, Fred Corbett, Ken Riddell, Barry Baldwin and Warren Merces' Scott Corbett.

came together to relive those glory days.

Chris Riddell played on the team for 20 years, Barry Baldwin 13 years, Myron Kotelko and Ken Riddell 12 years and Fred Corbett seven years. That year the league consisted of four teams: Oakville, Lunda, Stonewall and Warren.

The 1967-68 season was a landmark year for the Warren Mercurys, win-

ning the provincial title which showcased their talent and solidified their place in local sports history.

At that time fans were more than just spectators; they became an essential part of the journey, filling arenas and travelling with the team on chartered buses. Memories were made both on and off the ice.

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## Martin to be honoured at 42nd Veteran's Cup

By Kieran Reimer

The 42nd annual Veteran's Cup returns to Veterans Memorial Sports Complex this Friday to Sunday and will be honouring another hockey great who's seen her career take off since her days as a Stonewall Blue.

Selected as this year's guest of honour is Amy Martin, a referee who also played in Stonewall until Grade 11.

Since officiating her first game locally in 2008, Martin has gone on to officiate multiple international games and tournaments.

Most recently she officiated the IIHF U18 Women's World Championship gold medal game between Canada and the United States in Vantaa, Finland, in early January.

She was also named the Interlake's Most Improved Official in 2014 and Hockey Manitoba's Most Promising Official in 2015.

Ralph Nespor, former Stonewall Minor Hockey referee in chief, was the one who nominated her to be the guest of honour.

"Amy Martin has succeeded and excelled at every level," said Nespor. "One of the first female referees in

Stonewall, she developed her skill and passion for officiating on the local rinks in town and the Interlake. Amy embraced the challenges of putting on the stripes and continued on her quest to become one of the top female officials in the world. I was the referee in chief when Amy did most of her minor hockey officiating. Amy's willingness to learn, her commitment to detail and knowledge of the rule book was exceptional for such a young referee."

The dedication ceremony will take place Saturday, Feb. 1 at 1 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Sports Complex.

SMHRA president Kyle Kauk is the master of ceremonies, Zach Hildebrandt will play the bagpipes and Jamie Yeo and Friends will sing *O Canada*.

Stonewall Mayor Sandra Smith, Rockwood Reeve Wes Taplin and Stonewall Legion Branch #52 president Ken Power will also be in attendance.

The Military Family Resource Centre at CFB Winnipeg will accept a donation. A ceremonial puck drop will conclude the dedication ceremony.

This year's tournament features 24 U13 teams broken into the three A1, A2 and A3 divisions which includes the U13 A1 Stonewall Jr. Jets, U13 A2 Stonewall Blues and U13 A3 Stonewall Blues in their respective divisions.

Puck drop for the U13 tournament starts at 8 a.m. each day with the preliminary rounds on Friday and Saturday and playoffs and medal rounds on Sunday.

### STONEWALL BLUES GAME TIMES:

U13 A1 Stonewall Jr. Jets schedule: Friday vs La Broquerie Habs at 8:30 a.m. at VMSC, Friday vs Winkler Flyers at 5:30 p.m. at VMSC and Saturday vs Rat River Saints at 2 p.m. at VMSC.

U13 A2 Stonewall Blues schedule: Friday vs Dauphin Kings, 2:45 p.m. at Warren, Friday vs Lumsden Lions at 7 p.m. at VMSC, and Saturday vs Nipigon Elks at 6:30 p.m. at VMSC.

U13 A3 Stonewall Blues schedule: Friday vs Macdonald (Lister) at 10 a.m. at VMSC, Friday vs Selkirk Fish-



**TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED**  
Stonewall's Amy Martin has been chosen as the Vet's Cup guest of honour and will attend a dedication ceremony on Saturday, Feb. 1 at 1 p.m. at the VMSC.

ermen at 4 p.m. at VMSC and Saturday vs Brandon Wild at 5 p.m. at VMSC.

## Teulon Curling Club hosts ladies bonspiel



**TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JUNE MCMAHON**

The Teulon Curling Club hosted a rock and country stars/bands-themed ladies bonspiel on Jan. 10 and 11. Pictured clockwise, from left: The winners of the A-event were the Amber Blue team, also known as Jem & The Holograms, which included Carrie Lafournaise, Amber Blue, Michele Possberg and Danna Shannon. The B-event was won by Janis Brown, Sarah Tyluk, Karen Tyluk (skip) and Lisa Brown. The C-event winners were the Lindsey Jack team, known as Guns N' Roses, consisting of Lindsey Jack, Heather Tatarzyn, Maegan White and Kristyn Brown (who was missing Kim Hiebert and Cristy Leahey). Finally, the D-event was claimed by Kara Lee Woods, also known as Willie Nelson, along with Kristine Sim, Christine Schmidt and Stacey Olsen.



# Lightning Report: U17s getting hot at the right time

By Kieran Reimer

Watch out because the U17 AAA Interlake Lightning are getting hot at the right time.

After winning just three games from October to December, the Lightning are starting to turn their season around with just a month before the playoffs begin.

In January they went 3-2-2 in league play and 2-1-1 in tournament play at the Robin's Minor Hockey Tournament in Thunder Bay last weekend.

At the tournament, they took on U18 AA teams, and even with by far the youngest team, they still found ways to win and wound up making the semi-finals, where they were eventually eliminated in a shootout.

Head coach Niels Kaczorowski believes the team's struggles in the first half of the season were due to being one of the younger teams in the league and needing time to get their feet wet.

Now, with just seven regular season games left, anything is possible for this confident Lightning squad.

"Our goal is to jump Pembina Valley for sixth place and get a better playoff position and work toward winning some playoff games," said Kaczorowski. "It's not surprising it took us so long to get going with such a young team. They needed a little confidence to be able to battle some adversity and over the first three weeks of January we're a whole different hockey team."

As of right now, the Lightning are tied with the Pembina Valley Hawks for sixth place, with a 6-17-5 record and a game in hand.

Kaczorowski is confident that they can take sole possession of that spot based on the effort and never-give-up attitude he's seen from his team over the past few weeks.

That attitude was especially on display in their 6-6 comeback tie against the West End Bruins U18 AA in Thunder Bay last Saturday.

"We were down 6-4 with two minutes to go and we took a penalty and scored two shorthanded goals to tie the game. Then we needed a win in our last game to make the semi-final and we went down early but had not quit and came back and won it 4-2. Even in the semi-final we gave up two shorthanded goals early and still managed to battle back but just couldn't do it in the shootout. A great effort from the kids, and they are a close-knit group; it's honestly a pleasure to coach them. They are a great group."

The Lightning are now set for a busy February, which will see the playoffs



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED

The U17 AAA Male Interlake Lightning visited the Terry Fox Memorial in Thunder Bay last weekend during their off time at the Robin's Minor Hockey Tournament. The Lightning went 2-1-1 at the tournament, making it to the semi-finals.

start at the end of the month.

They hope to channel their inner 2018-19 St. Louis Blues and go from being one of the league's last-place teams in December to being the team that wins it all by the end of the season.

Next up on the weekend is the Eastman Selects and Winnipeg Wild. Puck drop in those goes at 7 p.m. on Saturday in Garson and 3:45 p.m. on Sunday in Warren.

The **U13 AA Female Interlake Lightning** won 4-3 over the Twins in St. Norbert on Sunday night. They currently sit seventh with a 6-13-0-1 record.

Upcoming Games: Sunday, Feb. 2 vs Twins, 3:30 p.m. at Stony Mountain Community Centre

The **U13 AA Male Interlake Lightning** won 3-2 over the Winnipeg Wild White on Wednesday and 8-4 over the Winnipeg Thrashers Red on Saturday. They currently sit 12th with an 11-11-0-1 record.

Upcoming Games: Sunday, Feb. 2 at Kenora Thistles, 3 p.m. at Bowman Electric Keewatin Memorial Arena

The **U15 AA Male Interlake Lightning** lost 5-3 to the Winnipeg Wild Green on Wednesday and tied 2-2 with the Winnipeg Wild White on Sunday. They currently sit eighth with an 8-9-5-2 record.

Upcoming Games: Thursday, Jan. 30 at Winnipeg Bruins Black, 6:30 p.m. at East End Arena

The **U15 AAA Female Interlake Lightning** lost 3-1 to the Pembina Valley Hawks on Saturday night in Car-



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

U18 AAA Female Lightning's Keira Pattie scored in Interlake's 8-2 loss to the Pembina Valley Hawks at home last Friday night.

man. They currently sit seventh with a 3-16 record.

Upcoming Games: Friday, Jan. 31 vs Eastman Selects, 7:30 p.m. at Access Credit Union Arena; Saturday, Feb. 1 vs Pembina Valley Hawks, 4:15 p.m. at Access Credit Union Arena; Sunday, Feb. 2 at Westman Wildcats, 1:15 p.m. at Deloraine Doc Bonar Arena

The **U15 AAA Male Interlake Lightning** lost 7-4 to the Pembina Valley Hawks on Sunday. They currently sit fifth in the Central Division with a 4-23 record.

Upcoming Games: Tuesday, Jan. 28 vs Winnipeg Wild Red, 7:30 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Sports Complex

The **U18 AAA Male Interlake Lightning** won 6-2 over the Central Plains Capitals on Friday and 4-3 over the

Winnipeg Bruins on Sunday. They currently sit eighth with a 17-14-2-1-3-2 record.

Upcoming Games: Wednesday, Jan. 29 vs Winnipeg Wild, 7 p.m. at Teulon-Rockwood Arena; Saturday, Feb. 1 at Winnipeg Thrashers, 7 p.m. at Seven Oaks Community Centre; Sunday, Feb. 2 vs Kenora Thistles, 2 p.m. at Teulon-Rockwood Arena

The **U18 AAA Female Interlake Lightning** lost 4-0 Wednesday to the Winnipeg Ice, 8-2 Friday to the Pembina Valley Hawks and 7-0 Saturday to the Eastman Selects. They currently sit eighth with a 5-26-0-1-3 record.

Upcoming Games: Saturday, Feb. 8 vs Pembina Valley Hawks, 8 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Sports Complex



# Jets split a pair of high-scoring games in MMJHL action

By Kieran Reimer

The Stonewall Jets split last week-end's slate to remain eighth in the Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League with January winding down.

On Thursday night, the Jets dominated the St. Vital Jr. Victorias with a score of 7-3. The Victorias currently sit in fifth place in the league. Karson King and Cohen Cheung each scored twice, while Cole Emberly, Austin Lourenco and Kai Smith contributed the other goals. The Jets exploded for

four goals in the first period, added one in the second and netted two more in the third, never trailing in the match. They also outshot the Victorias 47-41, with Jets goaltender Spencer Hunnam making 38 saves.

However, on Sunday, the Jets faced a different outcome, suffering a 7-4 defeat to the Charleswood Hawks at home in Stonewall. The Jets managed to tie the game at 4-4 in the third period, but the Hawks quickly



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The Stonewall Jets' Karson King scored twice against the St. Vital Victorias last Thursday and then followed it up on Sunday with a goal against the Charleswood Hawks.

responded to take the lead at 5-4 and later scored two additional goals with the net empty. Karson King, Peyton Bateman, Cole Emberly and Gavin Holod each scored for the Jets, while Spencer Hunnam stopped 45 of the 50 shots he faced. With this loss, the Jets' record falls to 14-17-2, putting them two points behind the Raiders Jr. Hockey Club, who currently hold seventh place. The Jets will return to action this Thursday at home against

Ft. Garry before heading to River East on Sunday night.

## UPCOMING GAMES:

Thursday, Jan. 30 vs Ft. Garry/Ft. Rouge Twins, 8 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Sports Complex

Sunday, Feb. 2 at River East Royal Knights, 7:30 p.m. at Terry Sawchuk Arena

## Boisvert misses playoff round at RME Women of the Rings



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Team Rachel Kaatz and Stonewall's Jenna Boisvert, second from left, finished with a 2-3 record at the 2025 RME Women of the Rings last weekend.

By Kieran Reimer

Stonewall's Jenna Boisvert will not be heading to the 2025 Scotties Tournament of Hearts to represent Team Manitoba.

Boisvert, who plays third for Team Rachel Kaatz, finished with a 2-3 record at the 2025 RME Women of the Rings in Pilot Mound last week, placing fifth in the Asham Pool.

Despite not advancing to the playoff round, Team Kaatz secured a 12-7 win against Team Cheyenne Ehnes on Friday morning to conclude their tournament.

Team Kate Cameron went on to win the final, defeating Team Beth Peterson 7-6 on Sunday, and will represent Manitoba at the Scotties from Feb. 14 to 23 in Thunder Bay.

## Stonewall Curling Club hosts Junior Open Bonspiel

By Jo-Anne Procter

The Stonewall Curling Club hosted 22 U15 and U18 teams for the 2025 Stonewall Pharmacy Junior Open Bonspiel, which took place at the Access Curling Rink from Jan. 24 to 26.

In the U18 division, the winners of the A-Event were Team Graham from Gimli, while Team Burton from Winnipeg finished as the runner-up. For the U18 B-Event, Team Boutet from Winnipeg claimed victory, with Team Diotte, also from Winnipeg, taking second place.

In the U18 C-Event, the winners were Team Shea from Winnipeg, and Team Newcombe from Winnipeg was the runner-up.

In the U15 division, the A-Event champions were Team Andersen from Winnipeg, and Team Hoplock from Gimli finished as the runner-up.

The winners of the U15 B-Event were Team Beaumont from Ste. Anne, with Team Reynolds from East St. Paul securing the runner-up position.



### Stonewall Jets Player Profile

# #5

## Brayden Bear

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## UPCOMING GAMES

Ft. Garry/Ft. Rouge Twins at Stonewall Jets  
Thursday, Jan. 30 at 8 p.m.  
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Stonewall Jets at River East Royal Knight  
Sunday, Feb. 2 at 7:30 p.m.  
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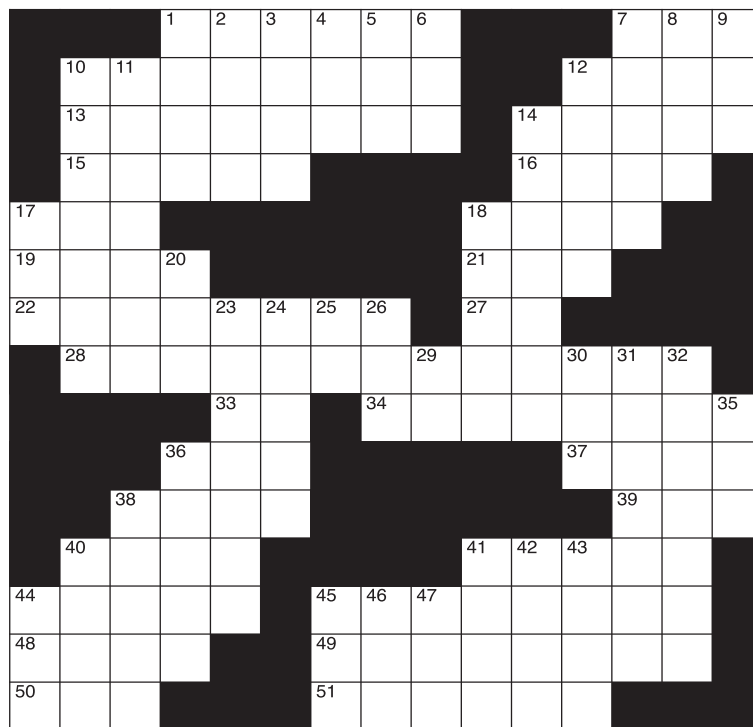
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## CLUES ACROSS

1. Where entertainers perform
7. Miller beer variety
10. Ageless
12. River in SE Europe
13. Able to be repaired
14. Type of wrap
15. Atomic #54
16. Type of tent
17. U.S. Treasury position
18. Opposed to
19. Protective covering
21. Bridge building degree
22. Clouding of the lens
27. Priestess of Hera loved by Zeus
28. Unacceptable
33. Mr. T's "The A-Team" character
34. American national park
36. One point south of due east
37. Assist in a crime
38. Greek mythological personification of Earth
39. A major division of geological time
40. German courtesy title
41. English family dating back to Norman times
44. Discounts
45. South American nation
48. Former Milwaukee Buck Michael
49. Hostile
50. Passports and drivers licenses are two
51. Discourages from doing

## CLUES DOWN

1. Supreme god of ancient Egyptians
2. Nevada city
3. Energy, style and enthusiasm
4. Bird's beak
5. Language
6. Midway between south and southeast
7. Punjab village
8. Small biting flies
9. Sportscaster Patrick
10. A way to get around
11. Repeat
12. A way to cook with fat
14. Temporary loss of consciousness
17. Reciprocal of a sine
18. Fir tree genus
20. "Transformers" director Michael
23. Criminals who steal
24. Genus of leaf-footed bug
25. Music product
26. "Talk to you"
29. Santa says it three times
30. Doctors' group
31. African nation
32. Ageless
35. When you hope to get somewhere
36. Worn
38. Deprives of vigor
40. Used to have (Scottish)
41. Where you live
42. Muslim ruler title
43. Basics
44. Type of drug (abbr.)
45. Spanish soldier
46. It precedes two
47. Illuminated



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> GAMES

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Sudoku Answer

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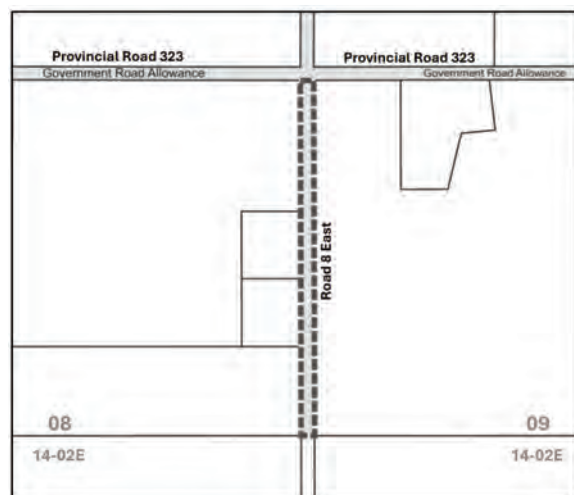
The R.M. of Rockwood hereby gives notice pursuant to Section 290 of The Municipal Act (Manitoba) regarding a Public Hearing to receive public representation on a proposed by-law to close a public road:

**R.M. OF ROCKWOOD BY-LAW NO. 20/24**  
**Being a BY-LAW to CLOSE A PUBLIC ROAD**  
**in the R.M. OF ROCKWOOD**

**HEARING LOCATION:** Rural Municipality of Rockwood Council Chambers  
285 Main Street, Stonewall, MB

**DATE & TIME:** Wednesday, February 12, 2025, at 10:00 AM

**GENERAL INTENT:** To receive representations from any person on the proposed Public Road Closure By-Law No. 20/24 concerning a portion of Road 8 East in the R.M. of Rockwood, as shown below:



**FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:** Chris Luellman, Chief Administrative Officer  
Rural Municipality of Rockwood, 285 Main St,  
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Phone: 204-467-2272

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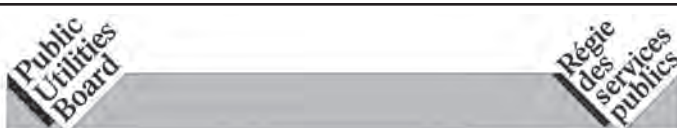
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Order No. 7/25

### RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ROCKWOOD BALMORAL WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY REVISED WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

#### Executive Summary

By this Order, the Public Utilities Board (Board) varies the requested water and wastewater rates for the Rural Municipality of Rockwood (RM), Balmoral Water and Wastewater Utility (Utility) on a one-time basis effective January 1, 2025.

The board approves rates as follows:

	Current Rates	January 1, 2025
Quarterly Service Charge	\$15.95	\$22.50
Water (per cubic meter)	\$1.05	\$3.50
Wastewater (per cubic meter)	\$1.90	\$4.25
Minimum Quarterly Charge*	\$60.20	\$138.75
Bulk Water Sales	\$3.15	\$3.94
Disconnection/Reconnection Fee	\$50.00	\$100.00
Service Charge for Uncollected Bills	-	\$100.00
Hydrant Rental Charge	\$150.00	\$200.00

\*Based on 15 cubic meters

Details of other rates may be found in Schedule A.

### SCHEDULE A RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ROCKWOOD BALMORAL WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY RATES BY-LAW #15/23 SCHEDULE OF QUARTERLY RATES

#### SCHEDULE OF QUARTERLY RATES

##### 1. COMMODITY RATES PER CUBIC METRE:

	WATER	WASTEWATER
2025	\$3.50	\$4.25

##### 2. MINIMUM QUARTERLY RATES

Notwithstanding the commodity rates set forth in Paragraph 1 hereof, all customers will pay the applicable minimum charges set out below which will include with water allowances indicated:

#### WATER & WASTEWATER CUSTOMERS: 2025:

Meter Size (Inches)	Group Capacity Ratio	Minimum Quarterly Consumption	Service Charge	Water	Wastewater	Minimum Quarterly Charges
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1	4	60	\$22.50	\$210.00	\$255.00	\$487.50

##### 3. BULK SALES:

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i) 2025: \$3.94

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A complete copy of The Public Utility Board Order 7/25 can be found at The RM of Rockwood office, located at 285 Main Street in Stonewall, on the website at [www.rockwood.ca](http://www.rockwood.ca) or on the Public Utilities Board website [www.pubmanitoba.ca](http://www.pubmanitoba.ca)

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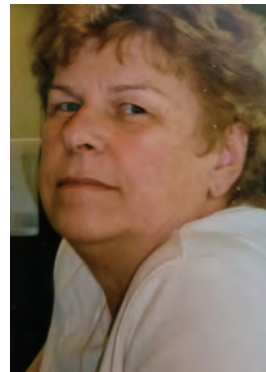
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## OBITUARY



**Helga Kratzer**

October 11, 1944 – January 18, 2025

It is with great sadness that our family announces the peaceful passing of our loving, devoted mother and grandmother, Helga Kratzer, at the age of 80.

Fondly and lovingly remembered by her three children Frank, Chris (Patti) and Gabi (Mark), her greatest joy in life were her grandchildren Matteo and Kevin and numerous friends and relatives.

Mom was predeceased by her husband Albert in 2011 and daughter-in-law Megumi in 2023.

She loved to travel and made many trips back to Burghausen to see family and friends.

We would like to thank the staff at Betel Care Home in Selkirk and doctors and nurses at the Selkirk Hospital for their care and

kindness.

A small private celebration of Mom's life will take place at her wish at a later date.  
In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to your choice of charity.

## OBITUARY



**Steffie Dziedzic (Shulha)**

December 15, 1929 – January 21, 2025

It is with profound sadness that we announce the sudden passing of our dear Mom and Baba at the Middlechurch Home of Winnipeg.

She is survived by her six children Donna (Gord), Rose Anne (Owen), Kenny, Tommy (Bonnie), Linda (Murray), Raymond (Susan); 12 grandchildren Tyra (Darren), Trisha (Dan), Jonathan (Chantelle), Janna, Jared (Hallie), Danya (Eric), Amanda (Matt), Anthony (Stefanie), Carah (Sean), Duncan (Loida), Tyler (Diana), Julia (Nathan); and her six great-grandchildren Clara, Justin, Hayley, Ember, Jack and Libby. Also surviving her are her sister Marie, brother-in-law Victor, sisters-in-law Theresa and Carol.

Mom was predeceased by her husband John, her parents Anne and Stephan, sister Sandra, brother John and many in-laws.

Mom was born in Hlyniany, Poland, third of four children. In 1939 her whole family sailed to Canada to visit her father's sister and ended up staying here. The family settled in the Pleasant Home area. She loved her music which included playing her accordion at any given opportunity. On November 7th, 1953 she married her sweetheart and travel partner John Dziedzic; together they blazed trails on the road to the west coast including southern California and the island on BC to the east throughout Ontario and down in the USA to New York.

A funeral service will be held on Friday, January 31, 2025 at 12 noon at the Komarno Community Hall on Second Street in Komarno, Manitoba, Pastor Dave Friesen officiating.

Active Pallbearers will be her grandsons Jonathan Wedel, Anthony Dziedzic, Duncan Campbell, Jared McDonnell, Eric Meier, Matt Friesen. Honourary Pallbearers will be Tyler Metcalf, Sean Stapley, Nathan Misir, Roy Ostafichuk, Alex Shulha, Orest Rybachok, Darren Harmon.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Society of Manitoba, 120 Donald St Winnipeg, MB R3C 4G2 or the St Mary's Cemetery, Polson, MB in care of Theresa Capuska.

Our family would like to thank the staff at Middlechurch Home of Winnipeg for all their genuinely exceptional care and love shown to our mother; the whole front line staff of workers truly cared for Steffie aka Momma.

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**Eugene Fleury**  
December 6, 1943 – January 16, 2025

Our hearts ache with immeasurable sadness as we announce the sudden and unexpected passing of our beloved father, grandfather and great-grandfather, Eugene Fleury, on the morning of January 16, 2025.

Dad was born at home to Joseph and Eva Marie Fleury in Binscarth, MB on December 6, 1943. A proud Metis citizen, a favourite childhood treat was his mother's Bannock and Jam. Dad described himself as troublesome, scrappy and carefree in his youth, gaining discipline as an Air Cadet, and supported by his strong mom; he also enjoyed playing pool, baseball, and road hockey.

He lived in Zelma and Watrous, SK as well as Oakner and Hamiota, MB while growing up. Dad played junior hockey with the Watrous hockey club and was asked to try out for the WHL's Saskatoon Quakers (Farm Team to the LA Blades) around the age of 16, but life circumstances at that time did not allow him that luxury. Dad taught himself to drive in his 1949 Ford, having lost his own father suddenly at the youthful age of eight. He had a lifelong passion for hockey, first as a player, a coach, and a lifetime fan of the WHA/NHL Winnipeg Jets Hockey Club.

He moved from Binscarth to Winnipeg in the early 1960's where he met his best friend and love of his life, Nancy Friederici ("Nanny") on a blind date, and the rest is history! They married on May 1, 1965 and raised two beautiful daughters, Laurie Eva Marie and Catherine Annette Angela, born 10 months apart. While in Winnipeg, they enjoyed league bowling, evenings with family (Thursdays were Game Nights – unless the Jets were on the radio), weekends dancing at Assiniboine Downs with friends Fred and Marlene Nagam, Rolly and Audrey Boadway, and eating Gondola Pizza – always thin crust pepperoni.

Life was hard, but not without the rich rewards of a happy and loving household. Dad held a variety of jobs to support his young family, from working on loading docks, driving cement trucks for Building Products, eventually finding his calling as a Class 1 truck driver at Reimers & MacArthur Trucking, culminating his career as a professional award-winning driver at Kingsway Transport. Mom and Dad, never ones for city life, moved their young family to Teulon, MB in the summer of 1977, where they remained until the time of their passing. Some of Dad's fondest Teulon memories were leading the Teulon Tigers to the MAHA Juvenile Provincial Championship in 1983, and to the Pee wee Championship in 1999-2000. Dad's house was always full of girls (Mom, us, our friends, and even the pets); we are certain he was thrilled to have these boys to mentor. He remained well-loved and respected by his team in the years that followed.

He and Mom were the original founders of the Teulon & District Food Bank and Christmas Cheer Board ('78), Canada Day Celebrations (est. 2000) and Dad also served as the Chairperson of the Teulon & District Metis Association Inc. for many, many years, establishing a youth drop-in center and community resource center for all during his tenure. He received plaques of recognition for his service to the MMF's Laws of the Hunt in 2002, and for his dedication to the Teulon Local and the communities they serve.

Together, they shared a lifetime of love and laughter, some hardship and immense joy along the course of their almost 60 years together. They loved deeply, challenged each other, and shared common passions for the outdoors and everything nature had to offer. They became the ultimate power couple, loving life and becoming whatever the other needed to be throughout their time together on this earth and beyond. Dad enjoyed fishing, hunting, camping, and spending as much time as he could with family, especially after Mom's sudden passing on Jan 31, 2022. He missed her deeply every day.

Dad was kind, honest, loyal, hardworking, quiet, strong, passionate, loving, caring, supportive, funny, charismatic, smart, resourceful, resilient, and so much more. He loved to tease and throw out words like "Indubitably" as though they were part of his daily vocabulary, which was always good for a laugh. He adored being a grandfather and spent countless hours with Brandy and Nikki, pulling them in a cart behind the garden tractor back in a simpler time, catching suckers in the spring ditches, or teasing them relentlessly until Mom made him stop. They had numerous nicknames for all of us – Laurie ("Lou" or "Lo"), Cathy ("Capper" or "Tigger"), Brandy ("Mushmouse" or "Bandit"), and Nikki ("Nik" or "Nikster"). There were many more, but for the sake of preserving our collective dignity, we'll just leave it there!

It is impossible to appreciate the essence of a man in a few short sentences but just maybe you can gain an understanding of how important he was to every person whose life he touched. They instilled lifelong values in us all, values that we cherish and will all carry forth and pass on for lifetimes to come.

Dad was predeceased by his loving wife Nancy, father Joseph, mother Eva, brother Maurice/SIL Agnes, sister Mary/BIL Mel, BIL Pete, grandson Christopher, and other beloved family members, too numerous to list.

Left to mourn his passing are his daughters Laurie (Tim Verdone), Cathy (Keith Halmrast), granddaughters Brandy (Tony Stark) and Nikki (Martin Dobson), along with his great-grandchildren Toni, Marley, and Jack. His sister Kate Venne, his brother Allan Ducharme (Lorna), and their families. He also leaves his step-grandchildren and their spouses/families: Megan (Darius, Rae-Anne), Alexandra (Elizabeth) and Tyler (Kristy, Harrison). Much love and acknowledgement to all sides of our beautiful family and their extended families, including Mom's life-long best friend, Ellie Hodges of Mission, BC, who was like a sister to our dad.

Our family would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the two teams of paramedics and RCMP who worked so hard to change the outcome. With sincere gratitude to Constable Janis Kelly – your compassion and empathy will soon not be forgotten.

In accordance with Dad's wishes, cremation has taken place, and a celebration of life and interment with Mom will occur sometime in the summer of 2025.

In lieu of flowers, a donation to your local food bank or shelter in their honour would be appreciated.

The finality of losing both parents is hard, but we find solace in knowing you and Mom are together again, as it has always been. Your everlasting love is a testament to the boundlessness of time.

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## OBITUARY



**Charles Christopher Connelly**  
May 1, 1943 – January 21, 2025

Charles Christopher Connelly was born and raised in St. Laurent, MB on the Connelly farm, where he lived to the day he died. Charlie was the 11th child of 14 children born to Partrick and Aurise Connelly. Charlie "graduated" in grade 10. He was raised on the farm where he gained his ethic for hard work and perseverance that carried him through-out his life.

Charlie's first job was at Canada Packers making \$1.89/hour. He worked at various jobs and positions throughout the years, until 1970 when he started working with the City of Winnipeg as an Equipment Operator. Charlie started dating the love of his life, Annette, in 1989. He was gifted the love of Annette's three children Jeff, Charlene and April. Charlie was the owner operator of Connelly Septic Service for 10 years. In 2000 Charlie retired from the City of Winnipeg, married Annette and the two of them bought the Connelly farm and farmed cattle until 2006. Charlie was also a commercial fisherman for 30 years up to 2010. He hayed the fields right up to last year with his side kicks and farming protégés Germain and Chi-Ben. Of all his titles in life, his most cherished title was "Pépère". Pépère loved his seven grandkids and 11 great-grandkids more than life itself and it showed every time one of them walked into the room.

Charlie will be deeply missed by his wife of 36 years Annette; step-children Jeff (Teresa), Charlene (Robert), April (Ivan); grandchildren TJ (Meghan), Chelsea (Byron), Robbie (Brooke), Jayde (Prabneeka), Rayden (Kyra), Brody and Davis; great-grandchildren Kiara, Aubree, Luke, Arabella, Kai, Milo, Raf, Neo, Isaiah, Onyx-Rose and River; his siblings Jean Gauthier, Irene Connelly, James Connelly (Giselle), May Connelly, Raymond Connelly (Diane), Aggie Connelly; brother-in-law Bernard Fournier; in-laws Beatrice Chartrand (Ken), Cathy Allard, Noella Lavallee, Claudette Allard, Donald Lavallee (Mark), Andrea Medeiros (Luis), Ben Allard Jr. (Rachel), numerous nieces and nephews and good buddy Germain Bruce Jr. (Cheryl).

He was predeceased by his parents Patrick and Aurise Connelly; siblings Robert Connelly (Denise), Theresa Connelly, Cecile Perron (Alphonse), John (Bing) Connelly, Marg Fournier, Bryan Connelly (Connie), Hilda Robert (Gilles); brother-in-law Romeo Gauthier, William Swallow; father and mother-in-law Ben and Margaret Allard; and in-laws Barbara Leclerc (Robert), Emile Allard, Floyd Lavallee, Brian Desjarlais.

Funeral Service was held on Saturday, January 25, 2025, at the St. Laurent Roman Catholic Church.

Pallbearers: TJ Appleyard, Chelsea Deogracias, Robbie Erasmo, Jayde Erasmo, Rayden Erasmo, Brody Lambert, Davis Lambert.

Honorary Pallbearer: Germain Bruce Jr.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Stonewall Hospital, 589 3rd Ave. South, Stonewall, MB, R0C 2Z0.

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## OBITUARY



**Joseph Aurele Remi (Ray) Marquette**  
May 24, 1940 – January 2, 2025

Ray was born in Perigord, Saskatchewan. His parents were Rose (Barteluck) and Aurele Marquette. He has one sister, Laurice and two brothers, Ron and Daryl.

He was predeceased by his parents; Laurice (Gary), Ron (Mary); and niece Jessica.

He is survived by Daryl (Bobbi) and his nieces Valerie and Sara and their families.

He was raised in the Perigord area. He spent many summers at Marean Lake with cousins and family.

As a young man Ray and his parents purchased a riding stable at Clear Lake, Manitoba. His dad was a "horse trader" and his mom helped with the daily business. Good times and hard work for all of the family.

Some time later they sold the business and moved to Portage la Prairie, where Christopher and Cheryl were born. Ray began his career there with Manitoba Telephone System, he retired 34 years later in 1995.

An opportunity arose in Arborg and the family moved again. While there, he was involved with some "town boards" and made many long lasting friends. He was also busy with any sports that the children were in.

His final work move was to Teulon. He was happy to be on town council for 12 years. He enjoyed working with Mike Maksymyk, Amy Dellebuur and Matt Ewankiw.

In Teulon, Ray would again be busy with children's sports. Many good times were spent with Martin Bocker and "Shifty" Cheyne at the Teulon Arena. They were coaching, and Ray helped out. Their children played on the team together. Everyone had fun and even won some championships.

Later on, Ray began as an umpire in softball. Summers were very busy and he loved it!

Ray always loved watching sunsets, sitting around a good fire, watching night skies, and gardening. His greatest joy was hauling wood in for the winter months. Thank you to Lyle Cook for allowing Ray to pick up wood from his property. Ray was thankful and enjoyed their talks.

Winter was spent watching sports, old western movies and nature shows, X-country skiing and of course feeding the birds.

Many thanks to Betty and Doug Waluk for the many visits and fun times at their home. Ray would be happy to know that they are still offering help, if needed.

Ray had a good healthy life. Always busy, telling stories and throwing in whatever joke popped into his mind. He was ready to offer help anytime.

We enjoyed going to many dances and visits with cousins Linda and John, Wayne and Yvette, David (Lorna), and Darlene Johnson.

During Christmas and summer holidays, Ray was happy when his children and grandchildren could come and visit. They did not live nearby. Ray will be sadly missed by his son Christopher (Diane) and grandchildren Mitchell (Sara), Jared and Pierson; daughter Cheryl (Kevin) and grandchildren Abby and Lucas.

Ray will be forever remembered by his soulmate Joan and her children, Kevin and son Connor, Christopher and children Samuel, Camryn and Jacob. Also by Joan's brother Tony (Orlene). He welcomed them all as his family.

We would like to thank Teulon home care and respite workers for all their help and always treating us well. Also thank you to the doctors and nurses and all the staff at the Selkirk Hospital. Ray was treated kindly and with care.

Cremation has taken place and an inurnment will take place at his mother's resting place in Camp Morton. A celebration of Ray's life will take place later in the summer.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Ray's memory may be made to the Alzheimer's Society.

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