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The 'Hot One' – a bright bus ready to ride

By Jennifer McFee

A Teulon entrepreneur is hoping to drive forward with a creative way to transport daycare kids for activities and excursions.

Kirt Ansell, founder of Playstreet Childcare, is customizing a retired school bus to look like a life-sized toy car. Along with a friend, he purchased the used bus for a unique restoration project that is sure to catch the attention of youngsters — and the young at heart.

The bright orange bus, nicknamed "Hot One," features detailed decals and racing-style letters on the tires to make it look like an enormous child's toy.

Ansell is steering towards his vision of using the eye-catching bus as a way to transport daycare kids on field trips and other outings. He envisions a non-profit entity to manage this new transportation service project, which would be available specifically for childcare organizations.

"There are some very specific grants out there for the transportation challenges in rural communities. This is very much something that childcare facilities could enjoy at a very low cost if subsidized by the right grant or other funding support," said Ansell, who is also a town councillor.

"The eventual management entity would have a responsibility to man-



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age and operate a bus-type vehicle to provide that transportation service between communities of the Inter-lake."

As an example, Ansell said the bus could bring daycare kids to visit a splash pad in a neighbouring community for some summertime fun in the sun.

"What about a trip to Oak Hammock Marsh or simply an outing to another community's park for different surroundings? I'm sure there are a multitude of ideas that could be solved with an easy-to-retain, dedicated transportation service," he said.

"Some childcare facilities have buses already, but most do not. Individually, most centres can't justify the cost

of owning a bus for an on-occasion use, and organizing transportation through the school division during the summer off-season has challenges as well."

The shared bus could offer transportation at a fraction of the cost of sole ownership, he added.

"The reality is that a new dedicated childcare transportation service will likely have to run as a business first before it can be successfully proven and graduate into a charitable non-profit down the road," Ansell said.

"Aside from licensed childcare-specific organizations, there are other community groups that could also

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Annual memorial Family Fishing Day at Shoal Lake

By Jo-Anne Procter

Mother Nature provided a perfect day for hard water fishing at the annual Ernie Welburn Memorial Family Fishing Day hosted by the Woodlands & District Wildlife Association on Shoal Lake last Saturday.

Welburn was one of the driving forces in the strong youth movement in the club and helped out in any way he possibly could. He was one of the first serious fishermen on Shoal Lake and was instrumental in setting up the angling division in the club.

He and his wife Janet were both active members of the club and shared a passion for fishing, the outdoors, family and gatherings.

In the youth category, Fiona and Oakley Adams tied for their perch that each measured 13 inches. Armand Buors and Dylan Uppang tied for their 16.5-inch pike. In the adult



Cyril Lillies shows off his 12 1/4" perch from his ice shack with his lab Sandy.

category, Melissa Waldner caught the biggest pike of the day, which measured 20 inches, and Bob Procter caught the biggest perch that measured 12 3/4 inches.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Winners of the Ernie Welburn Memorial Family Fishing Fun Day, from left: Melissa Waldner, Fiona Adams, Oakley Adams, Armand Buors, Dylan Uppang and Bob Procter with his daughter Brielle.



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Stonewall RCMP warn residents about scams

By Jennifer McFee

Stonewall RCMP are warning residents to never provide personal details over the phone after a Stony Mountain couple lost money in the “grandparent scam.”

On Feb. 28, the elderly couple contacted Stonewall RCMP after they lost a significant amount of money to a person they believed to be a family member who was in legal trouble and needed money to get released from custody.

The couple told the RCMP that they had arranged to give another large sum of Canadian currency to the alleged scam artist at their Stony Mountain home.

Stonewall RCMP members went to Stony Mountain and located the suspect approaching the couple’s residence.

Nathaniel South, 32, of Quebec was arrested and charged with fraud over

\$5,000. He also has several outstanding warrants from across Canada for other fraud-related offences. He was remanded and remains in custody.

“Citizens of Stony Mountain and the Interlake region are reminded to never give personal details such as your SIN number or credit card info over the phone,” said Cpl. Mike Garton, a supervisor and investigator with Stonewall RCMP.

“If you have doubts about the identity of a caller in a suspected fraud, request a call-back number, name and address. Contact the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre to report a suspected scam.”

The Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre can posts information about recent scams on its website at <https://antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca>. Fraud can be reported on the website or by phone toll-free at 1-888-495-8501.

IN OTHER RCMP NEWS:

On Feb. 20 at 6 a.m., Stonewall RCMP were dispatched to a complaint of a break and enter and a suspicious person near Highway 6 and Provincial Road 236 in the RM Rockwood.

“Members attended and met with the complainant, and they confirmed that a rural property and residence was broken into and some property was stolen,” Garton said.

“Stonewall RCMP members, with the assistance of police dog services, located an adult male suspect in possession of stolen items.”

The suspect was located by police dog services hiding in a nearby field. Dustin Parenteau of Little Saskatchewan, Man., was arrested and remanded in custody, where he remains.

He was charged with theft under \$5,000 from a motor vehicle and mischief under \$5,000. Parenteau also

had several warrants for his arrest from Winnipeg Police Service for property-related crimes.

On Jan. 6 in the early afternoon, Stonewall RCMP were conducting traffic enforcement on Highway 6 near Warren when they stopped a southbound Mazda A3 with Alberta licence plates for speeding.

“Subsequent investigation led RCMP officers to locate a significant amount of Canadian currency, drug paraphernalia and cocaine hidden in the vehicle,” Garton said.

Henok Yihdego, 27, and Danico Yeni, 25, both of Winnipeg, were arrested and remanded in custody.

They are facing several charges, including possession of proceeds obtained by crime over \$5,000 and possession of cocaine for the purpose of trafficking.

Town of Stonewall regular meeting news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

Rockwood Stonewall recreation committee is working to develop a local post-secondary training option to meet the needs of local residents.

The Town of Stonewall and RM of Rockwood are collaborating with Red River College Polytechnic on the possibility of offering an accelerated 16-month early childhood education diploma program in Stonewall.

This initiative would help to address

the need for more early childhood educators in the area.

The details of the agreement are still being ironed out, and more information should be available soon.

IN OTHER COUNCIL NEWS:

The Town of Stonewall is purchasing an eighth-page ad for \$395 plus tax in Courageous Companions Canada’s magazine called Courage K9. The organization is a registered charity that trains and certifies service dogs for veterans and first responders across the country.

“It’s an excellent organization to support,” said Coun. Kim Newman. They do extremely good work with the animals but also to support the veterans.”

- A municipal team will attend the 51st Interlake Municipal Curling Bonspiel and Dinner on March 15 at the Riverton Curling Club. Expenses will be paid according to the indemnity bylaw.

- The Town of Stonewall is working with Braid Solutions on a proposed work plan for an aging-in-place campus vision development and feasibility assessment.

- Council accepted the Quarry Park master plan prepared by Scatliff + Miller + Murray. The plan, which is posted on the Town of Stonewall website (www.stonewall.ca), proposes enhancements in the park in several areas: circulation and accessibility, heritage interpretation and programming, the beach and Kinsmen Lake, West Community Park, Fines Field

baseball complex and all of the park’s entries. The 25-year vision incorporates existing uses and interpretive components while also enhancing its role as a community and regional destination.

- The Town of Stonewall will host a public hearing about the potential designation of the Anglican Church as a municipal heritage site under The Heritage Resources Act. The public hearing will take place in the council chambers at town hall on Wednesday, April 17 at 6:35 p.m. Council passed first reading of a bylaw on March 6 related the heritage designation of the church, which is located at 286 2nd St. West. Historical church records indicate it was constructed in 1881-82.

- The April 10 committee of the whole meeting is cancelled.

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Meets every Monday 7-8 PM

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

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benefit from a dedicated childcare transportation service. Summer day camps operating in small communities are becoming more and more popular. There’s only so many things for kids to do in the summer with one organization in one small community. Why not include a field trip if transportation isn’t a headache?”

Anyone who would like more information about organizing transportation on “Hot One” or who would like to learn about Ansell’s non-profit vision can contact him at 204-886-7717.

And anyone who is curious to check out the restored school bus can find it on display at the World of Wheels custom car show at RBC Convention Centre from March 22 to 24.

Free digital training in rural communities to launch meaningful careers in tech

By Lana Meier

NPower Canada has grown extensively, with program opportunities now accessible to individuals in Manitoba.

The organization began operating in Canada back in 2014, and since then has assisted over 8,000 graduates all over the country, promoting a varied tech workforce that welcomes talent from all cultural backgrounds, genders and socio-economic statuses to thrive in the digital era.

NPower Canada is a nationwide employment initiative that offers individuals complimentary training in digital and professional skills through online platforms. This program aims to connect participants with fulfilling job prospects in the technology sector.

NPower Canada is committed to supporting marginalized youth and adults seeking to enter the tech industry, particularly those in rural areas. Our programs aim to bridge the gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities throughout the province.

"We know there's a tech skills gap in rural communities, but with the stable growth of the economy and labour force in the province, underserved and underemployed Manitobans are in a unique position to benefit from NPower Canada's programs," said Karolya Vargscarr, regional director for Manitoba. "Manitoba's talent is diverse, innovative and ready to contribute to the evolving tech landscape.

Our programs are the bridge from education and professional development to new employment for those who want to join this growing sector of the economy."

The free 15-week program for Junior IT Analyst Certification, developed in collaboration with Google Canada, is designed for individuals with limited experience seeking essential IT knowledge. It includes hands-on tech training, professional development and job placement support. On average, 80 per cent of graduates secure employment within six months of completing the program.

"We've heard from students that our programs have enabled them to learn IT skills and be able to apply for jobs where they can work remotely from home, reducing the barriers of having to leave community for work. We're committed to empowering students to succeed and equipping them with the most in-demand skills and certifications to join the growing IT sector no matter where they live in Manitoba," said Vargscarr.

NPower Canada's dedication to serving rural communities and helping individuals develop their talents will continue to scale their virtual-first programming across the province by adding additional programs in the future to ensure participants' skills remain relevant to employers and to serve job seekers with accessible training.

NPower Canada's success is built on

partnerships with the Government of Manitoba, local and national employers, Indigenous nations, non-profit organizations and community partners, with funding from the federal and provincial governments and corporate sponsors.

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WCI student places well at annual Brain Bee

By Jo-Anne Procter

Warren Collegiate's Charlie Huard put her brain to the test this past weekend at the University of Manitoba Bannatyne Campus.

Huard competed in the Manitoba Brain Bee and ranked fifth out of roughly 50 students.

The Brain Bee is an academic competition organized by the Neuroscience Network in which students are tested on their neuroscience knowledge.

The first round consists of 20 multiple-choice and true-false questions followed by 20 short answers.

The top two students from each group move on to the second round. The second round (final round) consists of 15 short answer questions, five diagram questions and five case studies in which students must self-diagnose patients.

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More doctors, more nurses, shorter wait times in Manitoba

By Lana Meier

The governments of Canada and Manitoba are working together to bring the health-care workers to the front lines to cut wait times and deliver the best possible care to Manitobans.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, alongside Manitoba Premier Wab Kinew, announced more than \$633 million in funding to improve health care in Manitoba last week. Through the Working Together agreement, the Government of Canada will provide close to \$434 million to support Manitoba's three-year action plan to improve health care and approximately \$199 million through the Aging with Dignity agreement to support their five-year action plan to improve home, community and long-term care for seniors.

"Canadians value universal public health care. That's why we're signing agreements with provinces and territories to make health care work better for Canadians. Today's agreements with Manitoba will help hire more health workers, reduce wait times, support seniors and make sure Canadians get the care they need, when they need it," said Trudeau.

Under the Working Together agreement, Manitoba will move forward with its commitments to fix health care, starting with staffing shortages.

"Fixing the health-care staffing shortage is job No. 1 for our government — that means more support for the bedside instead of the bureaucracy. We will work with the Government of Canada to hire more doctors and more nurses into our system so we can start to cut wait times and deliver the best care possible for Manitobans," said Kinew.

By providing financial support, Manitoba aims to fulfill its objective of recruiting additional medical pro-

fessionals. This strategic allocation of resources will aid in increasing the number of acute and medicine beds within the province's health-care system, alleviating the strain on overburdened emergency departments and broadening primary care resources for families. As a result, individuals can spend more time engaging in their passions instead of waiting for necessary medical attention.

Together, Canada and Manitoba are working to remove barriers for internationally trained doctors and health professionals to practise in Manitoba. This includes removing barriers to foreign credential recognition, simplifying licensing processes and increasing program access to educated and skilled health professionals.

Manitoba will make it easier for health workers to move within Canada so they spend less time dealing with red tape and more time helping patients in need.

Manitoba will hire more psychologists to help reduce wait times for counselling and double hospital spaces for those experiencing homelessness and needing comprehensive health care and treatment. Additionally, the province will support addictions treatment services, peer support and other community-based mental health initiatives.

Manitoba is committed to promoting the Aging with Dignity agreement to provide seniors with the dignity and respect they deserve. The province will enhance its support for seniors who choose to age at home, in their community or in personal care homes.

To enhance long-term care services, Manitoba will raise safety and standards, as well as recruit more workers to ensure hygienic, high-quality and customized care. A dedicated seniors advocate will also be established to

serve as an impartial and influential advocate for seniors and their loved ones.

The federal and provincial governments are committed to collaborating with Indigenous Peoples to address disparities and systemic inequalities in health care for Indigenous communities. This partnership will also aim to enhance access to culturally sensitive care. As part of this effort, government funds will assist in supporting Granny's House, a project that offers community-led and culturally appropriate services to children and families.

Additionally, resources will be allocated towards Indigenous-led treatment programs that offer personalized and culturally sensitive care for youth. As we continue on the journey of reconciliation, timely and secure health care remains a top priority for Indigenous communities.

This investment is part of the government of Canada's larger work to invest more than \$200 billion to improve health care, including through tailored bilateral agreements with provinces and territories, as well as \$5.4 billion for Aging with Dignity agreements. Through the recently announced agreements, the governments of Canada and Manitoba aim to deliver better results for patients, support health workers and protect the health-care system.

The federal government works collaboratively and in partnership with Indigenous Peoples and communities to support improved access to high quality, culturally appropriate health services, greater Indigenous control of health services and improved health outcomes. Each year, the federal government invests approximately \$5 billion in Indigenous health.

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Just six days into March, a quick blast of winter hit most of the province, dumping between 10 and 35 centimetres of snow in the Interlake in a very short period of time. According to a senior climatologist with Environment and Climate Change Canada, it's already the snowiest month southern Manitoba has seen this season. On Thursday morning, 63-year-old Sylvia Cook was clearing her driveway with an electric snowblower and her snow scoop. She told the Tribune she had lots of practice shovelling since that was one of her responsibilities growing up. 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

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Considerations of carbon tax

Cam Dahl of the Manitoba Pork Council tells us "every business" cannot be sustainable without being profitable in his opinion piece published in the *Stonewall Teulon Tribune* on March 7.

Even if this was true, it would mean

our plundered planet likely has little chance in sustaining life as we know it. He ignores movements like Sustainable Ag, which with the help of the federal government is assisting farmers in being responsible citizens and profitable. Most people are OK with taxation to provide services like roads, medicare and climate change mitigation. The goal of the carbon tax is to use money generated to help in this and dissuade over-use.

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erations (it's hard to see how these are not profitable) need to find ways to use less fossil fuel and therefore pay less carbon tax. Dahl mentions "collaboration" but history shows big business's only goal is profit. He blames the carbon tax on reducing profitability, but what about the cost of all the other inputs — fossil fuel being top of the list? Why does he not request oil companies reduce their profits to help out his clients?

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At the time of Jesus every year people went to Jerusalem for the Passover feast. The Passover Feast commemorates Israel's deliverance from slavery in Egypt. On Passover, Jews also celebrate the birth of the Jewish nation after being freed by God from captivity. Along with his disciples, Jesus also went to Jerusalem to celebrate this feast. During the festival, some Greeks, new converts to Judaism who had come to Jerusalem for worship, heard about Jesus and his preaching and wanted to see Jesus. Their curiosity about Jesus led them to Philip, one of Jesus' disciples, with a simple yet profound request: to see Jesus. Philip, one of the twelve disciples then informed Andrew, who, in turn, conveyed the message to Jesus. (However, they never directly met Jesus). Hearing the request Jesus replied, emphasizing that the hour had come for the Son of Man to be glorified. He used a metaphor involving a grain of wheat: unless it falls to the ground and dies, it produces many seeds. This imagery pointed to Jesus' impending passion, death, resurrection and glorification - "His Father's Plan." Just as a grain of wheat must die to produce abundant fruit, Jesus would soon face His own sacrificial death, leading to eternal life for humanity. Jesus used the metaphor of a grain of wheat falling into the earth and dying to illustrate a deeper truth.

How does this apply to us today? "Seeing" Jesus isn't merely about physical sight; it's about spiritual perception. To encounter Him, we must embrace a similar process of dying and bearing fruit:

1. Dying to Self: Like the grain of wheat, we must let go of our ego, attachments, and selfish desires. Resentment, hatred, and self-centeredness blind us. By dying to these, we open our eyes to a new life in Christ.

2. Bearing Fruit: As we die to our old ways, we bear fruits of love, peace, justice, forgiveness, unity, and solidarity. These fruits reflect Jesus' character and impact the world around us.

Henri Nouwen's prayer, titled "A Cry for Mercy," poignantly expresses the need for inner transformation: "Yes, Lord, I have to die... There is so much in me that needs to die: false attachments, greed, anger, impatience, and stinginess." In embracing this dying process, we discover an abundant and new life. St. Francis of Assisi beautifully captures this paradox: "It is in dying that we are born to eternal life." As followers of Jesus, we encounter a challenge: to live out His message and example. The Lenten journey invites us to intensify the rhythm of dying and rising. By doing so, we continue to witness Christ and embody Christian virtues in our lives. St. Pope John Paul II emphasizes that we must also allow Jesus to be "seen" through the eloquent witness of our own lives. Lent is an opportune time given to us to witness God's love and kingdom values in our daily lives. During this sacred time of Lent, God provides an opportunity for all of us to renew and purify our hearts. By freeing ourselves from unhealthy attachments and disordered desires, we can focus on eternal values rather than fleeting worldly concerns. As we approach (Easter) the paschal feast of Jesus' death and resurrection, let us prepare ourselves by dying to sinful ways and rising to new life with Him. May this Lent be a season of special grace for each of us. Blessings!

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Stonewall artist forges forward in CBC pottery competition

By Jennifer McFee

Stonewall artist Jen Sonnenberg is still in the running in a nationwide pottery competition that's running on CBC as an eight-week series.

The Great Canadian Pottery Throw Down is a friendly competition among a group of amateur potters from across the country. Each week, they compete in a main pottery task as well as a skill-testing challenge.

At the end of each episode, one potter leaves the show until the finale, when the final three will compete to be the winner of Season 1.

Seth Rogan serves as a guest judge and an executive producer for the show, which is based on a British format created and owned by Love Productions. The other judges are Brendan Tang, a Vancouver-based artist and ceramics instructor, and Natalie Waddell, a Toronto-based ceramicist and educator.

Now past the halfway point in the competition, Sonnenberg continues to make her mark with her clay creations.

According to Sonnenberg, Episode 4 was illuminating since the remaining artists were tasked with creating a table lamp.

"The inspiration for my lamp was a dry and cracked earth. This would be achieved by throwing a tall cylinder and adding pieces of clay to the outside, which I would then stretch out using a bit of an unconventional clay tool, but something that my family and I use a lot outside of my studio — a hockey puck. The puck allowed me to push the clay out in a way that clay tools just couldn't," she said.

"The lamp base was looking great, even into the glaze decorating stage. During the throw-down, we were asked to throw a double-walled vessel as close to the demo shape that Seth Rogan had thrown as we could."

To her amazement, the judges chose Sonnenberg's as the best creation.

"Winning first place in the throw-down was needed in this episode, though, as my lamp had a bit of a hiccup in the glaze kiln," she said.

"The heat from the firing made the neck slump to the point where a gap opened up and forced the bulb and shade to have a definite tilt."

Nonetheless, Sonnenberg progressed forward to the next episode, which focused on using a raku technique to create a bottle and cup set. This technique involves taking glazed ceramics red-hot from the kiln and then placing them in a lidded vessel to catch fire. After that, they're cooled in water to reveal the unique finish.

"Episode 5 was such a milestone. In the British version of the show, raku week was very iconic with the intense firing being so different than previous weeks. Making it to raku week was so amazing to me. I had never fired in a raku kiln; however, as a wood-firing artist, I sort of felt like this was the closest form of firing to my regular practice," she said.

"My design for the bottle and cup set was inspired by the house that my family has been building, with strips of clay representing rafters and studs and the bulbous form representing the two storeys of our home. The build time always runs away, but I was able to get most of the design added to the



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Stonewall's Jen Sonnenberg is still in the running in The Great Canadian Pottery Throw Down airing on CBC at 8 p.m. on Thursdays.

pieces that I had intended."

In the same episode, the throw-down challenge involved a blindfolded test of ability.

"We had to throw three identical pitchers — yes, blindfolded! I was so happily surprised after the 20 minutes, mine came in second place," she said.

"The episode was a success for me, as I got second place in the main make and will be continuing on into the sixth episode, airing this week at 8 p.m. on CBC or any time starting Thursday on the CBCGem app."

For Sonnenberg, the throw-downs have created some of the most challenging moments, yet they've also resulted in some of her greatest successes — including winning Potter of the Week in Episode 3.

"The crazy timeframes and the surprise of the challenges definitely add-

ed some stress, but I just told myself it was all for fun, which I think helped a lot. I've had a lot of success in the throw-downs so far, winning two and getting a second and third place as well," she said.

"The neck cracking on the lamp was definitely a challenge as well, but I loved the surface that I achieved so in the end I was still happy. While the throw-downs have been very challenging, they've also been a big part of my successes. Winning Potter of the Week in Episode 3 was a huge achievement as well."

She's also been having fun watching the episodes with her family and receiving encouragement from the community.

"It's been amazing hearing from people that they have been watching and cheering along," she said. "I'm so grateful."

Warren's LJ's Grill serving up soup for a cause

By Jo-Anne Procter

Warren's LJ's Grill will serve lasagna soup this week as part of the 12th annual Stone Soup fundraiser.

The Child Nutrition Council of

Manitoba (CNCM) hosts Stone Soup Week annually as a fun event where the community can come together to

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Farmers and ranchers are encouraged to plan for #FarmSafetyEveryday

By Lana Meier

Canadian Agricultural Safety Week (CASW) takes place March 10 to 16, and this year, farmers, farm families, farm workers and farming communities are encouraged to consider how they plan for #FarmSafetyEveryday.

CASW, a yearly event organized by CASA, aims to promote the significance of safe agriculture throughout Canada. The concluding phase of their three-year safety campaign, titled "Your Farm, Your Family, Your Success: Safety is Our Heritage," continues to emphasize the importance of safety in agriculture.

This year, the focus of organizers is on offering practical safety tips and promoting



discussions about farm safety. The goal is to highlight the significant role that safety plays in ensuring the prosperity and lasting impact of farming businesses.

"There is no question that farm accidents can have a devastating toll with physical, psychological and financial consequences," says Andrea Lear, CASA's chief executive officer. "But we also

know that many on-farm incidents are preventable. That's why we want to provide Canadian producers with the tools and resources they need to protect the health and safety of everyone who lives and works on or visits farms and ranches. Canadian Agricultural Safety Week serves as a reminder that farm safety is important year-round and that by working together, we

can ensure a safer agricultural sector."

Annually, CASA promotes safety on Canadian farms through CASW. This year, CN, Syngenta Canada, Canadian Canola Growers Association, Fertilizer Canada and Parrish & Heimbecker are sponsoring the event.

More resources and information related to CASW can be found at agsafetyweek.ca.

The media kit on the website includes a variety of materials such as feature stories, safety advice articles, public service announcements and graphics.

The CASA is a non-profit organization that works towards enhancing the well-being of farmers, their families and workers in the agricultural sector. It receives partial funding from the Canadian government through the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership, a joint effort between federal, provincial and territorial authorities. For more information, visit www.casa-acsa.ca, find them on Facebook or LinkedIn or follow them on X @planfarmsafety.

Open Mic evening of entertainment coming to Balmoral

By Jo-Anne Procter

Mark your calendars for March 15 to take in or participate in an Open

Mic event at the Balmoral Rec Centre.

Balmoral resident Keith Lillies is hosting the event and hopes to establish it as a regular event.

Interlake performers are welcome to come to share their musical talents in the lounge. Entertainers can sign up

to play at the door and all ages are welcome.

Doors will open at 7 p.m. with music starting at 7:30 p.m. There will be no cover charge.

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From March 11-17, restaurants serve signature soup and donate \$1 for each bowl sold to CNM to support school meal and snack programs across Manitoba.

A complete list of restaurants competing can be found at www.childnutritioncouncil.com/soups, which is where diners can also vote for their favourite soup.

Carlo's Cucina in Winnipeg

Beach and Breezy Oaks Inn & Tavern in Beausejour are competing alongside LJ's Grill in the Interlake-Eastern region.

Be sure to stop by LJ's Grill at 250 Railway Ave. in Warren for a bowl of lasagna soup — made with Italian sausage, tomato and herb-based broth, lasagna noodles and topped with a whipped herb and garlic ricotta cheese mixture — for \$5.68. And don't forget to vote for your favourite soup at the link above.



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Fond memories of trailblazer Margaret Saundry

By Jennifer McFee

A Stonewall woman is being remembered for blazing a trail around the globe, with strong roots that continued to bring her back home.

Margaret Saundry was born in Stonewall on Aug. 10, 1926, to parents Agnes and Joseph Saundry. As the second of four daughters, she made her mark in her family, in the community and in the world.

Saundry died at the age of 97 on Nov. 23, 2023, and her legacy continues to serve as an inspiration. She never married or had children, yet she remained a pivotal presence in the lives of her seven nieces and nephews.

"She always said she felt blessed that her sisters shared their families with her," said nephew Scott Koetke. "And, of course, we felt blessed to have Auntie Scottie."

Saundry, a highland dancer, earned the "Auntie Scottie" nickname in honour of her family's Scottish heritage.

From humble but hardworking beginnings, Saundry graduated from Stonewall Collegiate in 1943 and launched her career at McConkey's General Store followed by Stonewall's CIBC branch. She gained skills that led to other accounting and clerical positions with several companies in Winnipeg.

In 1959, she accepted an accounting position at CBC, which evolved to other assignments. Two years later, she became a script assistant who mainly covered sports — right up her alley since she excelled at both tennis and baseball.

In the late 1960s, Saundry accepted a promotion and moved to Toronto, which became her home base while she travelled internationally to cover sporting events including the Olympics, Commonwealth Games, Pan-Am Games and more. Over time, she became a sports production assistant



Margaret Saundry, left, working in the Vancouver VTR Room at Canada Summer Games, New Westminster, B.C. in August 1973.

followed by a unit manager.

After the death of Saundry's dad, who was known in the community as the former owner and editor of the *Stonewall Argus*, she moved back to Stonewall to care for her mother — all while commuting to the city to work for CBC Winnipeg.

She retired in 1985 after 27 years of service with CBC. The broadcasting company recognized her extensive contributions and inducted her to the CBC Hall of Fame in 2013.

During her retirement, she continued to take contracts — even from competing broadcasters who sought her skills.

Saundry remained in Stonewall until 1998, where she stayed active with the Stonewall United Church. A prodigious knitter, she also donated many handmade baby items to Stonewall hospital.

In 1998, she moved to Winnipeg and lived on her own until 2020. She spent her later years at Tuxedo Villa.

Looking back, Koetke remembers his Auntie Scottie as generous yet practical. He fondly remembers how she would give gifts of savings bonds or other investments to her nieces and nephews to save for post-secondary



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CBC crew Saundry, middle, the script assistant with cameraman Stan Clinton and director Dino Marcuz, taken at Detroit Tigers Field at Lakeland, Fla.

education.

"Even though she didn't go to university, she made sure all of us had the resources and the money to do so," Koetke said.

"She was generous with not only money but also her time. In return, she had a loyal legion of nieces and nephews. She was always there for us, and I'm proud to say we took care of her in her final years. She deserved every bit of it. She was so gracious."

At the same time, Koetke credits his aunt for showing him from a young age that women can aspire to anything and rise up the leadership ranks.

"She was a quick learner and she worked hard. She did everything. I grew up curious about travelling the world because my aunt was always going to these interesting places," he said. "She was producing sports



Margaret with Bob Moir (CBC sports commentator and eventually executive producer) at Munich Olympics in 1972.

shows from the Pan Am Games in Colombia or the Munich Olympics, and I thought that seemed like a cool job."

Koetke's mom, Darlene, agrees that her older sister Margaret was a special person on many fronts.

"She was 10 years older than me, but we were always close as a family," she said. "She was a wonderful woman and she had quite a wonderful life."

The family will celebrate Margaret Saundry's life at a private gathering in Stonewall this spring.



Saundry's first film assignment with CBC was the Country Calendar exchange in Carberry. Pictured with Saundry is cameraman Myron Kupechuck, soundman Des Jackovar and producer Gren Bates.



Photo taken in August 2016 at Margaret Saundry's 90th birthday celebration at home of Jon Kristjanson in St Andrews. Left to right: Scott Koetke, Paula Kristjanson, Margaret, David Koetke, Jon, Kristjanson and Mark Kristjanson.

Successful health-care career fair in Stonewall

By Jennifer McFee

A recent Stonewall-based job fair was a resounding success in sharing opportunities about health-care careers.

On Feb. 29, many people dropped by the Stonewall hospital with resumes in hand for the daylong event — and 16 interviews took place on the spot. Others had the chance to apply at the event, which was hosted by Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority (RHA).

“All kinds of people with varying skills and training are required for positions in the health system. Some of the vacancies we have require a minimum of Grade 10 education and there is a suite of benefits affiliated with these jobs,” said Julene Sawatzky, regional lead for human resources with Interlake-Eastern RHA.

“We encourage anyone who is looking for meaningful work to connect with us to discuss the opportunities

available to find a good fit.”

According to Leana Smith, Interlake-Eastern RHA’s manager of home care for the area that includes Stonewall, attendees learned about available positions in home care and support services. These positions include the important roles of home-care attendants, dietary aides, assistant cooks and housekeeping aides.

Some also opted to sign up for a community-based micro-credential training course to become a home-care attendant. Training for the course is paid, and the next session takes place in Selkirk from March 18 to April 5.

“People seeking work can apply online or drop off their resume at any one of our Interlake-Eastern RHA facilities,” Smith said.

Visit www.ierha.ca/careers to learn more or contact Ian Magnan at imagnan@ierha.ca or 204-340-5596.



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Home-care team members Tricia Tyerman, Leana Smith, Shantel Anderson, Lauren Egesz and Lorraine Schmidt.



Resource co-ordinators Carolyn Finnbogason and Kelly Robertson.



Indigenous human resources development assistant Lori Ann Buors.

Chasing the Ace

By Jo-Anne Procter

At the Warren Childcare Expansion Project’s Chase the Ace event hosted by Woodlands Legion Branch 248 last Thursday, Woodlands’ Meagan Fisher drew the winning card, the ace of spades, from the remaining eight cards.

As the pot increased, so did the attendance, fostering a sense of community for a good cause. A handful of volunteers did a great job each week selling tickets for the chance to draw the ace, as well as tickets for a meat draw. The funds will be divided into two equal parts, with one going towards the legion and the other towards the Warren expansion project. The legion plans to allocate its share towards renovating the building’s roof, while the expansion project intends to use it for constructing a daycare in Warren.



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Meagan Fisher, left, receives a check for \$10,334.44 from Cassie Tully, chairperson of the Woodlands Childcare board of directors.

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Brent Kotelko's broomball team defended their Woodlands Rec Club annual Broomball Tournament championship title for a second year, defeating Jeremy Fisher's team in the finals last Saturday. Six teams hit the ice to battle for bragging rights while supporting the Rec Centre. Pictured back row, left to right: Brent Kotelko, Jacob Monchalain, Landen Gray, Joel Prystupa, Petru Bolun, Aiden Prystupa and Karson King; front row: Jenai Buchanan, Lauryn Keen, Sam Campbell and Hope Anderson.



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Safety top of mind for farmers, governments

By Autumn Fehr

As the agriculture industry continues to evolve, so do the challenges with farm safety — pushing producers to embrace a culture of safety in the industry.

On Jan. 24, the federal and provincial governments, through the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership — a five-year, \$3.5-billion investment by the governments to support the industry — announced they will invest more than \$1.5 million over the next five years in the Keystone Agricultural Producers (KAP) for the FarmSafe Manitoba program to promote safe and healthy farm operations in Manitoba.

“As equipment and practices evolve and change the day-to-day realities on Canadian farms, it’s vitally important that we take steps to protect our agricultural workers and their families,” said federal Agriculture and Agri-Food Minister Lawrence MacAulay. “This important investment will help farmers access essential tools and information to manage risks effectively and keep farming operations in Manitoba safe, sustainable and productive.”

The Canadian Agricultural Injury Reporting’s most recent findings prove this investment to be crucial.

The report found that between 1990 and 2020, 2,814 agriculture-related fatalities were reported in Canada, averaging 91 deaths per year. However, between 2006 and 2020, the average number of fatalities dropped by 70 a year.

Even though this report shows a significant decrease in fatalities on Canadian farms, it still shows that lives are being lost in the workplace, which means work still needs to be done to promote farm safety education and support.

The FarmSafe Manitoba program provides resources for farm safety, such as machinery operation, livestock handling, chemical handling and emergency preparedness. The program aims to reduce workplace injuries and fatalities and promote a safety culture within the agricultural community.

The program is led by Keystone, Manitoba’s general farm policy organization representing farmers and commodity organizations across the province.

FarmSafe Manitoba provides farm-specific resources, safety assessments, hazard identification, risk management guidance and training sessions.

“This funding provides KAP with the ability to deliver the FarmSafe

Manitoba program, which provides Manitoba producers with a suite of resources, tools and services to help them manage safety on their farms,” said Jill Verwey, president of KAP. “With an increased demand for these tools and services, KAP will be able to support Manitoba producers in their efforts to be safer in their operations and continue to promote what they have available at their disposal.”

For farmers like Craig Riese, who has worked as a producer in the Selkirk area for 30 years, farm safety is a “day-to-day thing.”

“They (KAP) put the tools and the resources in place so farmers like myself can contact them, and they can help you put your safety plan in place. They will come out and tour your farm. I’ve had them out in the past. KAP can’t fund this program themselves — they need the money from the provincial and federal government to keep this program going,” Riese said.

Growing up on a farm, he’s seen the firsthand evolution of technologies and the importance of considering farm safety in all his daily operations as a grain farmer, harvesting wheat, canola, soybeans and corn.

Riese’s daily duties vary depending on the season. For example, a day in January is very different from a day in May through November, he said. But no matter the season, safety is always a part of it.

“No longer can a farmer just be enrolled in the Workers Compensation Board and think that’s a farm safety plan. When you have employees, as many farms have now, that are not family members, you are, under the law, obligated to have them in Workers Compensation, but that’s not the end of where the farm safety needs to be. That’s just a starting point,” he said.

“We have to, as farmers now with employees, prove that we are taking safety seriously, that we are training our staff and that we’re giving our staff the tools that they need to work safely.”

Riese has taken advantage of the FarmSafe program. Specifically, the documentation aspect has been enlightening for him, and he has learned just how important it is to know your plan and what you are doing.

“It’s unimportant until something goes wrong, but if something goes wrong, the onus is on the farmer to prove that they’ve done safety training and have a safe plan for their



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While farm-related fatalities have decreased in recent years, lives are still being lost in the workplace, prompting a welcome investment in safety initiatives by government stakeholders.



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Balmoral 4-H Club hosts afternoon of communications

Club members take part in competition

By Jo-Anne Procter

On Feb. 25, creative juices were flowing when a group of Balmoral 4-H Club members participated in the club's annual Communications Competition.

A crowd of approximately 80 people enjoyed 21 speeches and visual presentations from members ranging from 5 to 17 years.

They spoke on a range of topics, from cheetahs and squirrels to choral music, recycled paper, Roman times, travel, diving at the Pan Am Pool, along with many more.

The competition was judged by volunteers Teresa Melnychuk, Bernadette Gorman and Bev Wait, who chose first, second and third place in each category.

In the Cloverbuds speeches, Alexa Dumond received first place (The



Senior Speech winner Kristen Greigson (first).



Visuals winner Kristen Greigson (first).

Cloverbuds second place Speech winner Maddox Marohn.

Magical Touch of Kindness), Maddox Marohn received second place (Incredicoaster) and Aiden Versavel received third place (The Roman Times).

In Cloverbuds Visual, Eva Mushaluk received first place (The Red Squirrel) and Annika Marohn received second (How Recycled Paper is Made).

In the junior category, Reese Moore earned first place (The History of



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JENNIFER GREIGSON

Winners of the Intermediate Speeches, left to right: Brock Marohn (first), Malachi Nugent (second) and Allison Mushaluk (third).



Senior Speech winners Colton Kachur (second) and Elle Dodd (first).



Cloverbuds Visual Presentations winners Eva Mushaluk (first) and Annika Marohn (second).



Junior Speech winners, Claire Kirschman (second), Reese Moore (first) and Hailey Stetch (third).



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Toilets), Claire Kirschman received second place (Irrigation) and Hailey Stetch received third place (Past and Modern Fun).

In the Intermediate category, first place went to Brock Marohn (My Dream Trip to Europe), second to Malachi Nugent (4-H: An Opportunity You Should Never Miss) and third to Allison Mushaluk (Cats. Real vs. Fiction). In the Senior category, first place was awarded to Elle Dodd (To Travel, or Not to Travel) and second place to Colton Kachur (The Effects of Video Games).

In Senior Visuals, Kristen Greigson received first place (Choral Music in Canada).

Winners are eligible to compete at Area Communications at East Selkirk on April 7.

For more information on the Balmoral 4-H Club, email Jennifer at balmoral4h@gmail.com.

Fundraising pancake breakfast a delicious success



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The Meadow Lea Community Club hosted a successful pancake breakfast fundraiser last Sunday. The tables were filled with families enjoying a hearty breakfast of pancakes, sausage and scrambled eggs. The Meadow Lea Church held a bake sale with various homemade goods to complement breakfast. Photos from the left: Murielle MacMillan and Bernice Fleury cracked several dozen eggs for breakfast; Val Schick, Marilyn Vosters and Cathy Proctor flipping pancakes; Laverne MacMillan and Marilyn Campbell plate up breakfasts. Right: Bryce and Kristen MacMillan and their children Mila, Maren and Glenie.

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farm,” said Riese. Riese encourages all Manitoba farmers to take advantage of the free program to find out where their shortcomings are or what they can

do to take some small steps to start documenting safety on the farm. “As the owners and operators of their farming operations, farmers

and ranchers need to be supported in the efforts they take to protect themselves, their families and their workers,” said Manitoba Agriculture Minister Ron Kostyshyn. “FarmSafe Manitoba is an inval-

able resource that gives producers the ability to use their knowledge and experience to foster a safety culture that promotes physical and mental well-being.”

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New events at the plate, new opportunities on deck

Minor baseball in Stonewall is looking promising

By Jeremiah Knight

The president of Stonewall Minor Ball Shaun Dalgliesh is adamant that the action on the diamond is shaping up to be the best as it has in years this summer.

"Stonewall Minor Ball is in a really, really good spot right now," Dalgliesh told the *Stonewall Teulon Tribune* in a recent interview.

"We've established ourselves over the last couple of years in hosting some big tournaments, getting some solid community buy-in with regards to sponsorship and dollars, so we've created a bit of an opportunity here this upcoming year and we're moving in the right direction."

The hot new event on deck is Sum-

mer Havok, a one-day under-nine tournament that could see upwards of 50 teams from across the province gather in Stonewall on June 8.

Stonewall Minor Ball hosted a smaller-scaled version of Summer Havok last season with 16 squads but is looking to do it bigger and better this summer.

Dalgliesh got the idea from a similar event that was ran out of John Bloomberg Park years ago before its organizers eventually let it fizzle out. Now he's putting his own spin on the one-day tournament, which will incorporate a skills competition at some point in the day.

"It's a really good age group to create excitement. It's going to be an opportunity for those kids to play some fun quality ball," Dalgliesh said.

"It's going to be like real baseball. Typically at U9, it's the participation aspect. This, you're guaranteed two games, but if you win, you're moving on. It kind of creates a little bit of ad-



TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO BY LANA MEIER

Stonewall Minor Ball will host the U13 AAA provincial qualifiers at Quarry Park this July.

WCI claims junior girls banner



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY ANDREA SCHUTZ

The WCI junior varsity girls basketball team won the Manitoba High Schools Athletic Association Zone V banner on Feb. 22 after defeating Teulon 41-28 and 50-31. This past weekend, the team fell short at provincials, winning one of three games. Pictured back row: Fallon Campbell (coach), Whitley Monforton, Cheyanne Fleury, Mya Fowler, Danika Shaver, Julia Oliver, Torie Galbraith and Leia Theroux. Front row: Veronica Varnes, Camryn Oliver, Kiera Schutz, Blake Darragh and Maria Riddell. Missing from the photo is Michelle Riddell (coach).

ditional excitement. It's going to be a lot of fun."

The season will run on its usual course, from the beginning of May to the end of June with regional championships taking place near the end of June and provincials going in July.

Registration for Stonewall's six baseball and five softball teams — from under-seven to U17 — remains open until March 15 (late registrations are subject to a fee).

Last season saw participation return to pre-pandemic numbers, with about 180 youth stepping up to the plate. Dalgliesh said he expects similar numbers this season, despite a new lacrosse program potentially drawing some players away.

He believes things like size-appropriate diamonds will lead to a better playing experience for younger players and keep baseball's numbers on an upward trajectory.

"Our numbers could be impacted, but I anticipate us being in a pretty good spot," Dalgliesh said. "Anywhere between 150-200 kids, I would suspect."

The Quarry Park will remain busy

when provincials roll around in July, as the U13 AAA provincial qualifiers will be hosted in Stonewall again. Baseball Manitoba also passed a couple of major changes to Zone 2 (which includes Stonewall) that will see three tiers of teams qualify for provincials this year, an increase from the standard two in previous years.

It's a positive development, Dalgliesh maintained, as it will give more kids an opportunity to play championship baseball.

"For me, the big thing is trying to provide a quality opportunity for a sport outside of hockey within the community. When we look at baseball, unfortunately in Canada it's such a short window," Dalgliesh said. "A big reason we started hosting provincials and hosting tournaments over the last few years ... I wanted to get back to what Stonewall had done in the past."

"Our facilities in Stonewall are phenomenal and I really wanted to put an emphasis on being able to host quality tournaments where we can showcase our community."

Stonewall teams go head to head in A-side final



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY MATTHEW DUNLOP

The Stonewall Curling Club recently hosted their annual men's bonspiel, which saw participation from 24 teams. Team Andy Stewart went head-to-head with Team Craig Nichol, both representing the Stonewall Curling Club. In a tightly contested match, the score was tied 1-1 after four ends, but Stewart managed to take the lead 3-2 in the seventh. However, Nichol made an impressive draw against two rocks in the 12 foot to force an extra end. After a close back-and-forth extra end, Stewart and his team — including Greg Melnichuk, Alan Purdy and Paul Jansen — scored in the extra end to win the A-side event.

The winning team on the B-side consisted of Skip Shayne Merritt, Braden Formaniuk, Thomas Dunlop and William Dunlop. Derek Dowsett skipped his team of Stu Brown, Walt Stewart and Kurt Bouskil to win the C-side event. Meanwhile Sean Grassie and Jordan Johnson, Daryl Evans and Andrew Evans won the D-side event.

Stick library for outdoor rink launches in Stonewall

By Jennifer McFee

Stonewall's outdoor enthusiasts have scored a great opportunity to keep active with one of Canada's most renowned winter sports — even if they don't have hockey sticks of their own.

Randy Frykas, a local outdoor hockey enthusiast, recently launched a stick library for the outdoor rink at Veterans Memorial Sports Complex.

Brett Chatfield, the town's parks and arena manager, created a bin for the sticks by upcycling an old filing system for maps. The stick bin is located on the ground entrance of the sports complex near CJ's Skate Shop.

Players can simply grab a hockey

stick to borrow and then return it to the bin when they're done. There's no sign-out required.

"Outdoor rinks are important spaces for communities. The goal of this project is to give more people the opportunity to try outdoor hockey," said Frykas, a filmmaker who recently won an international award for his five-minute film called *Outdoor Hockey Club*.

"Playing outdoor hockey is a great way to get active, get outdoors and meet new people in the community. With the stick library, the opportunity is there for someone without a hockey stick who wants to play or for anyone who has always wanted to try hockey."

ey."

The stick library stems from leftover funding for the Sticks in the Middle road hockey event, which the Kinsmen helped bring to Stonewall in 2022. The event received funding from Canadian Parks and Recreation Association through Sport Canada, and enough funds remained to start the stick library.

Currently, 10 hockey sticks are available to use, and Frykas hopes to add more.

"If anyone has old sticks they are looking to get rid of, throw them into the bin," said Frykas, who also restrung the nets for the season. "I'll be adding some this weekend."

To learn more about Outdoor Hockey Club, visit outdoorhockey.club.

Ringette champions



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The Interlake Ignite U12 4 Interlake Ignite ringette team defeated the Springfield Storm to win gold and become the 2023-04 champions. Pictured, back row: coach Julia Penning, coach Kristy d'Auteuil, Mallory Gregg, Jordyn Pearson, Isis Robinson, Avery Jones, Natalie Pott, Adriel Bruce, Michelle Tibold, Eden Bilan, Maya Manguiat, Ellie Anderson, coach Brad Gregg, Hailey Surzyshyn-Ruud and coach Shereise Fetterly. Front row: Keira Wilson, Kya Chaput, Kaycie Margetts, Sara d'Auteuil, Lyla Cieszynski, Gabriella Sookermany and Leona Bruce.



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The stick library bin is located inside the VMSC near CJ's Skate Shop.

U15 AA Lightning drop Game 1 of final series to Rebels

By Brian Bowman

The U15 AA Interlake Lightning lost 4-1 to the Lord Selkirk/Seven Oaks Rebels in Game 1 of their best-of-five championship series last Sunday in St. Norbert.

"That game wasn't very good, we were a little low on energy, but we'll see how the rest of the series will go," said Lightning head coach Cody King.

The Lightning started slow this season but improved quite a bit to reach

the final series.

"We had a lot of first-year kids and it was their first year of body contact so they were trying to figure out (what it is) and we got off to a really slow start," King said.

"But we just kept plugging away and keeping focused on getting better throughout the year and we're playing our best going to the playoffs. We had a pretty good finish to the season and have carried it onto the playoffs.

I'm pretty happy with how we're playing."

Interlake wants to quickly turn this series around into their favour.

"Hopefully, we can get back on track and go from there," King said.

Game 2 was played this past Tuesday but no score was available. Game

3 is set for Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at Century Arena in south Winnipeg.

King added that this group of young players — and their parents — were enjoyable to work with this season.

"They are a great group of kids and a good group of parents. No issues," he said. "It was a pretty fun year."



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY LANA MEIER

The Lightning's Johnathon Gilmore looks to make a pass in Game 1 of the championship series against the Lord Selkirk/Seven Oaks Rebels. The Rebels won the game 4-1.



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The U15 AA Interlake Lightning's Ryder Jacobson heads up the ice against a Lord Selkirk/Seven Oaks Rebels' player in Game 1 of the championship series on Sunday. The Rebels won the game 4-1.

U18 AAA Lightning lose to Wild in Game 5

By Brian Bowman

The Interlake Lightning took the Winnipeg Wild to Game 5 of their best-of-five Manitoba U18 Hockey League playoff series.

But, unfortunately, their season is over.

Winnipeg won the series after a

hard-fought 2-1 home win on Saturday.

The Wild's Declan Siwicki scored in the first period and then Interlake's Brandon Burak replied in the second.

Winnipeg's Hudson Kowalchuk notched the game winner in the third.

James wins medals in Edmonton

TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED

The Balmoral Judo Club's Cai James won a pair of medals at the Edmonton International Judo Championships at the West Edmonton Mall, securing a bronze in U18 men advanced +90 kg and silver in Senior Men Intermediate-100 kg. The club's next tournament is the Balmoral Open on March 23 at Collège Stonewall Collegiate.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Interlake Lightning graduating player Alex Myers of Stonewall stopped 24 shots in his team's 2-1 loss to the Winnipeg Wild in Game 5 of the quarter-final playoffs in the Manitoba U18 AAA Hockey League.

Jets narrowly miss advancing to MMJHL playoffs

By Brian Bowman

The Stonewall Jets played 45 games during the MMJHL regular season.

And, in the end, they were one victory away from advancing to the playoffs.

Stonewall's 19-20-4-2 record put them in ninth place in the 10-team league.

Despite missing out on the postseason, there were a lot of positives.

"Overall, I think it was a pretty good year," said Jets' head coach Patrick Powers. "Not making the playoffs was disappointing but seeing where this team came from in September all the way to the end of the regular season, battling for a playoff spot, our guys didn't give up and that's all we asked for from Day 1 so I'm happy with that."

The standings were extremely close.

Only eight points separated the third place St. Boniface Riels and Stonewall.

The Jets were a young team this season with just four players — Matthieu Meier, Jordan Gray, Jeremy Klimchuk, and Liam Johnson — aging out of junior hockey.

This Jets' team should be very competitive next season with a lot of tal-



Jets' Peyton Bateman finished third in MMJHL league scoring with 75 points.

ent returning.

"We were super young this year," Powers noted. "Our '04/'05 age group will only get better, in my opinion. They're on the upside."

The Jets closed out their regular season with a tight 5-4 home loss to the River East Royal Knights on March 5.

On an individual note, Jets' forward Peyton Bateman finished the regular season with 28 goals and 75 points to



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY LANA MEIER

Stonewall Jets graduating players, from left: Jordan Gray, Liam Johnson, Jeremy Klimchuk and Matthieu Meier.

place third in league scoring.

He's been great in his two years with the Jet's organization.

"He was really good and Bateman

brings it every night and that's all that you can ask for," Powers said. "He works hard and leads by example."

Merces forced Game 5



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The Warren Mercs' Kyle Lundale scored the fourth goal in his team's 4-3 win in Game 3 over the Morden Bombers last Friday in Warren. Dexter Kuczek scored twice in the game. Warren then won 1-0 in Morden on Sunday. A series-deciding Game 5 of the SEMHL semifinal series was played this past Tuesday but no score was available.

Provincial bronze medallists



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The Stonewall Blues beat the Virden Oil Kings 6-3 on Sunday to win the bronze medals at the Hockey Manitoba U13A1 provincials hosted by Carman over the weekend. The Blues started the provincials with a 5-3 loss against the Morden Hawks on Friday but rebounded Saturday to win both games. Stonewall beat the Portage Terriers 5-2 and the Carman Cougars 15-0, advancing them to the semi-finals, where they lost 11-1 to the Brandon Wheat Kings. The Brandon Wheat Kings beat the Morden Hawks 6-2 in the gold medal banner game. Pictured back row, left to right: Scott McFadyen (coach), Reed Moran, Jake Fortin, Hunter Krahn, Porter Hayduk, Kyle Kauk (coach), Alex Walker, Elliott Peters, Liam Kauk, Tyler Moran (coach), Bill Gemmill (coach); middle row: Jagger Tesluck, Samuel From, Beck McFadyen, Knox Nickel, Logan Deprez, Kristoffer Sheldon, Henry Gemmill, Avin Wedel; front: goaltenders Grayson Malcolm and Elijah Goresky. The Blues play Fisher River in a best-of-three series for the Interlake Minor Hockey Regional Banner starting Friday at 7 p.m. at the VMSC.

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> MEAL IDEAS



(Family Features) What better way to celebrate friendship and camaraderie than with comforting foods all can enjoy. Sourdoughs and friendship breads may go in and out of fashion, but you can make them a staple of your inner circle with recipes that are easier than they appear.

Consider this Sourdough Starter, a 7-day process that may seem lengthy at first glance but requires just a few minutes in the kitchen each day. Without breaking the bank, this made-from-scratch solution includes just two ingredients – unbleached flower and warm water – so you can whip up favorites like Plain Sourdough, Everything Loaf, Cinnamon Brown Sugar Loaf and Chocolate Loaf.

Some are tempted to give up on a weeklong recipe, but if you can keep a houseplant alive, you can finish this simple starter and reap its delicious rewards.

Find more homemade favorites at Culinary.net.

Sourdough Starter

Recipe courtesy of "Cookin' Savvy"

Total time: 7 days

Digital kitchen scale

Unbleached all-purpose flour

Warm water

Glass bowl

Silicone spoon

Mason jar

Day 1: In glass bowl, stir 50 grams flour and 50 grams warm water. Let sit at room temperature, covered.

Day 2: Add 50 grams flour and 50 grams warm water to bowl. Stir and let sit at room temperature, covered.

Day 3: Discard half the starter. Add 100 grams flour and 100 grams warm water. Stir and let sit at room temperature, covered.

Day 4: Discard half the starter. Add 150 grams flour and 150 grams warm water. Stir and let sit at room temperature, covered.

Day 5: Discard half the starter then pour remaining starter into Mason jar. Add 150 grams flour and 150 grams warm water. Stir and let sit at room temperature, covered.

Day 6: Discard half the starter. Add 200 grams flour and 200 grams warm water. Stir and let sit at room temperature, covered.

Day 7: Place warm water in bowl and add spoonful of starter to water. If it floats, it's ready to make bread. If it

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sinks, repeat Day 6 instructions. If not floating by Day 10, throw out and start over.

Tips: If making bread every day, starter will need fed every day. If not making bread every day, starter can stay at room temperature and be fed every other day. If starter can't be fed, it can be safely stored in refrigerator up to 10 days, covered, without feeding.

To measure correctly, place empty bowl on scale then clear to zero before each measurement.



Plain Sourdough

Recipe courtesy of "Cookin' Savvy"

Medium bowl

Warm water

Sourdough starter

Salt

Unbleached all-purpose flour

Silicone spoon

Sharp knife

In medium bowl, combine 330 grams warm water, 90 grams sourdough starter and 10 grams salt. Stir well then add 525 grams flour. Using silicone spoon, mix dough to sticky ball. Let rest, covered, about 45 minutes.

Pull dough from bottom and stretch to top of dough ball. Repeat around entirety of dough ball a few times then cover. Repeat process four times then cover and let sit at room temperature at least 6 hours but no more than 14 hours. Dough should double.

Sprinkle flour on counter then spread dough flat on floured surface. Fold dough from sides then turn and roll into ball. Place on parchment paper and put back in bowl 1 hour.

Heat oven to 500 F with uncovered Dutch oven inside.

Using sharp knife, score dough then place parchment paper and dough in Dutch oven. Cover with lid and bake 20 minutes then remove lid and lower temperature to 475 F for 25 minutes. Internal temperature should reach 195-205 F. Let rest at least 1 hour before cutting and serving.

Simply eat more fibre for weight loss

By Julie Germaine Coram

Starting today, You can lose weight with this one easy tip: boost your fibre intake.

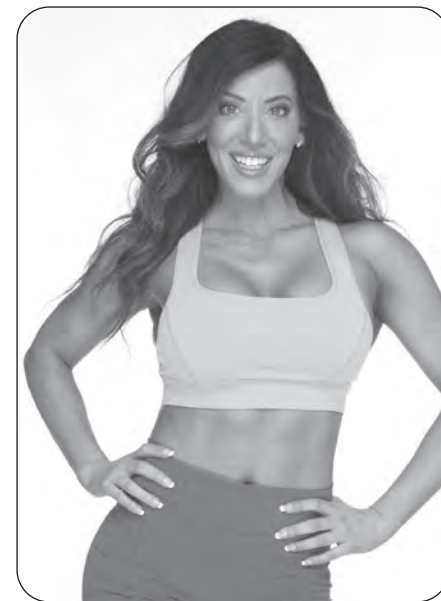
It may be hard to believe, but research shows that fibre aids weight loss in multiple ways. For example, it takes longer for your body to digest a gram of fibre compared to a gram of fat, so you have more time to absorb this nutrient. Simply stated, this means you feel full for longer and are more likely to burn away these calories than store them as body fat.

For anyone trying to shed extra pounds, the benefits of fibre related to a healthy GI tract (or gut health) is key. Soluble fibre in particular (found in oats, apples, peas and carrots) kickstarts a process that helps your body manage blood sugar levels, reduces risk of fat storage, and ultimately boosts your metabolism to shrink existing fat cells. Another bonus is that you could experience lowered inflammation and healthier cholesterol levels.

I am a fat loss coach who knows that many people cannot seem to rid themselves of visceral belly fat. I suggest you try increasing your overall fibre intake on a daily basis of only 8-10 grams to finally see results and drop inches from your waistline.

Here are examples of foods that contain 8-10 grams of fibre:

- 1 cup of avocado
- 2 cups of broccoli
- 2 cups of berries
- 2 apples
- 2 oz almonds
- ½ cup hummus
- 1 ½ cups quinoa



Julie Germaine Coram

- ½ cup oats

Controlling your appetite and blood sugar fluctuations by improving your fibre intake will help you stick to your 'diet' and, make better food choices – and avoid insatiable cravings. You will also reduce your risk of developing heart disease, Type 2 diabetes, and more!

Do you want to discuss your fitness goals and struggles with me? Check out my website www.juliegermaine.com or go ahead and schedule a FREE 15-minute DIET CONSULT by visiting: www.calendly.com/juliegermaine

Coach Julie Germaine Coram is a fit mom, a 2x Pro Fitness Champion, Certified Nutrition Expert & Fat Loss Specialist. She has helped thousands of men and women improve their health since 2005.



Everything Loaf

Recipe courtesy of "Cookin' Savvy"

Medium bowl

Warm water

Sourdough starter

Salt

Unbleached all-purpose flour

Silicone spoon

Everything bagel seasoning

Sharp knife

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See next week for additional loaf recipes.

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2024 Earth Road Upgrade 1 includes upgrading One (1) mile of existing earth road to gravel. Specifications and information may be obtained from our website www.rockwood.ca

The closing date for accepting a proposal is **March 21, 2024 at 1:00 PM Central Time.**

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Ian Tesarski
Director of Operations

R.M. of Rockwood
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Stonewall, MB, R0C 2Z0

The R.M. reserves the right to reject any or all quotes. Lowest proposal will not necessarily be accepted.



TOWN OF STONEWALL MUNICIPAL NOTICE OF INTENT The Heritage Resources Act (Section 26) – Form 12

TAKE NOTICE that on February 28, 2024, the council of the Town of Stonewall gave first reading to **By-Law 13-24** to designate as a municipal heritage site under *The Heritage Resources Act*, the lands and premises commonly known as **The Anglican Church** in the Town of Stonewall.

The land is a portion of the land described in Certificate of Title No. 1857978/1 and is outlined in the map attached to By-Law 13-24 as Schedule "A".

A copy of the proposed By-Law can be inspected at the Town Office at 293 Main Street, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday, and on the municipal website at: www.stonewall.ca

**A public hearing will be held in Council Chambers, Town Hall
6:35 PM, Wednesday, April 17, 2024**

A written objection may be filed with the Chief Administrative Officer, at the Town Office located at 293 Main Street prior to the commencement of the hearing. At the hearing, Council will hear any potential taxpayer who wishes to make a presentation, ask questions, or register an objection to the proposal.

All objections, written or verbal, must be filed prior to the adjournment of the hearing and must include the name, address, and property description of the person filing the objection and the grounds of their objection.

If there is no objection, Council may resolve to adopt the proposed By-Law, or not to proceed with it.

Dated at the Town of Stonewall this 29th day of February A.D. 2024 and issued pursuant to Section 26 of *The Heritage Resources Act*.

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The Rural Municipality of Rosser is seeking candidates interested in community by-law Education and Compliance investigation.

The Rural Municipality is committed to the development and maintenance of a livable, safe, orderly, viable and sustainable community. By-law Cadets will be representatives of the Municipality and expected to be Ambassador's for the Municipality of Rosser. By-law Cadets will have to engage with and promote the health, safety, and well-being of the Citizens of the Municipality through observing and recording by-law compliance.

Duties:

- Coordinate activities with the South Interlake Planning District/RM of Rosser By-law Officer.
- Inspect/observing properties, vehicles, and buildings to ensure their compliance with designated by-laws (i.e., noise, parking, nuisance, dogs, zoning, licensing, open burning, fireworks, abandoned/stolen vehicles)
- Responding to questions from residents on certain programs and municipal services and providing information, advice and guidance on by-laws, municipal programs, and service requirements.
- Responsible for the intake, examination, and processing of complaints and answering enquiries regarding complaints.
- Travel throughout the Municipality to conduct inspections, establish compliance, investigate complaints, and conduct other duties as required.
- Special project work as assigned.

The successful candidate must:

- Be knowledgeable and comfortable with electronic communication and computers.
- Be fit and capable of walking reasonable distances.
- Be capable of working outdoors in all weather.
- Have a positive and friendly customer service attitude.
- Driving record check (abstract).
- Strong verbal communication skills.
- Effective interpersonal skills.

Wage Scale: \$18.50 - \$20.00 per hour; Hours ranging from 20 to 40 hours per week.

Competition will remain open until the positions are filled.

Applications must contain a cover letter and full resume with three references.

Forward application marked "Application for By-Law Cadet Position" to:
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e-mail: assistant@rmofrosser.com

The Rural Municipality of Rosser supports inclusivity and accessibility in the workplace.
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LOCAL URBAN DISTRICT (LUD) OF WARREN EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

OPERATOR 1 SEASONAL EMPLOYEE

The Rural Municipality of Woodlands is accepting applications for 1 Seasonal Employee for the LUD of Warren, May to October 31, 7:00 am to 3:30 pm.

The successful applicants shall be responsible for the following:

- Operates all-wheel tractor, crawler and mower
- Hauls and spreads gravel
- Cuts grass on roadsides, parks and cemeteries
- Installs and repairs culverts & signs
- Performs minor repairs and maintenance to equipment and vehicles
- Performs other related duties as assigned

Education, Skills, Abilities, Knowledge and Experience Required:

- Graduation from a Senior 4 (Grade 12) High School Program or an equivalent combination of training and experience.
- Ability to perform a variety of labour tasks in constructing, maintaining and repairing municipal infrastructure.
- Training in operating construction and maintenance equipment an asset.
- Ability to work as a member of a team with minimal supervision
- Knowledge of safety procedures and of the use of safety equipment.
- Good communication and interpersonal skills
- Valid Class 5 Manitoba Drivers' licence.

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All applications must be in writing and sent to the attention of the Finance Manager, Rural Municipality of Woodlands, Box 10, Woodlands, MB. R0C 3H0, emailed to finance@rmwoodlands.ca or delivered to 57 Railway Avenue, Woodlands, MB.

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

We thank all candidates for their interest, however, only candidates selected for interviews will be contacted.

IN MEMORIAM



John MacLeod Hannah
June 18, 1941 – March 14, 2019
Those we love don't go away,
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-Forever loved,
Pat, Susan, Chris, Helena,
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IN MEMORIAM



Joan Sinclair
September 10, 1937 – March 19, 2016
Our dearest mom, grandma and great-grandmies Joan:
We think about you always,
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Pete Skihar
March 14, 2003

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This lonesome cattle call

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-How you are loved and missed,
Arlene

OBITUARY

Richard Riemer

June 26, 1952 - March 9, 2024

For this weekend's funeral service information go to Friends Funeral Services website: friendsfs.ca
See full obituary in next week's paper.



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OBITUARY

Lorne Lavallee

Peacefully on March 7, 2024 Lorne Lavallee of Winnipeg and formerly of Teulon, MB., passed away at Winnipeg at the age of 58 years.
Arrangements pending.



204-886-0404

OBITUARY

Donald Leslie Atchison

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our father and grandfather, Donald Leslie Atchison, on March 6, 2024, peacefully at Riverview Health Centre.

Don's greatest joy was his family. He leaves to mourn sons, Bernie (Lori), Dean (Laura); daughters Shannon (Clint), Deanna (Rick) along with his grandchildren Camilla, Oliver, Kyra, Brittany, Billie, Ashley, Carter, Riley and Tanner.

Don was predeceased by his wife Judy and granddaughter Kaylee.

His family would like to thank all the staff at Riverview Health Center.

A celebration of life for all family and friends will be held Monday, March 25, 2024, at 2:00 pm at Warren Memorial Hall.



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OBITUARY

Craig Hughson

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Craig Hughson, on February 24th, 2024 at the age of 86.

Craig was born on May 1, 1937 in Pilot Mound. He spent his early years working on the family farm and playing baseball with the Pilot Mound Pilots. Craig met Laurette (Ret) Desrochers in high school, and the two married on November 8, 1957. Craig and Ret worked on the farm in Pilot Mound, raising their two young boys, before moving to Eriksdale in 1973, where they worked for the new Credit Union. Their hard work helped the Credit Union grow to three branches in three different towns.

In 2002, Craig retired, and then he and Ret moved to Warren to be closer to their children and grandchildren. Craig became an active member of the community in his new home, volunteering with the Warren and District Lions Club and the Prairie Dog Central, while staying active golfing and competing in the Manitoba 55+ Games for years. Craig will be deeply missed in each of the communities that he called home.

Craig is survived by his grandchildren Jennifer (Mark), Adam (Candace), Mark, Jay, and Max, and his six great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his wife, Ret; and his two sons, Ken and Woody.

Craig's family would like to thank the staff at the Eriksdale Personal Care Home, and Rosewood Lodge in Stonewall for their excellent care.

A celebration of Craig's life will be held Friday, March 22, at 2:30 p.m. at the MacKenzie Funeral Chapel in Stonewall.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Warren and District Lions or a charity of your choice would be appreciated.



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