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By Jennifer McFee

A group of community members is exploring the possibility of creating a three-season pavilion in Green Acres Park.

A volunteer community-driven committee called the Teulon Community Development Initiative (TCDI) is looking at a project to create a pavilion with a fully equipped commercial kitchen, which would allow for food and liquor preparation and service in the park since the current facilities no longer meet Manitoba Health standards. The proposed facility would also include modern washrooms.

David Leduchowski, a member of TCDI, said they're hoping to fund the project through fundraisers, grants and tax-deductible donations.

"Green Acres Park and campground in Teulon is a beautiful green space but on-site food preparation by user groups in the park is impossible as the current facilities do not meet modern health and safety standards," he said.

"The park also lacks centrally located modern washrooms in quantity to properly service larger park events. The park currently offers little in the way of a dining and shelter area that could be used weather dependent."

For community members, he paints a picture of how the committee envisions the facility.

"Imagine a 6,000-square-foot three-season pavilion with a fully equipped commercial kitchen, seating for 300 to 350 people and clean modern washrooms," he said.

"The seating area is surrounded by six 16-foot-wide overhead glass doors for pure natural lighting inside when closed and a shaded open-air ambience when open. An outdoor patio, fenced beer garden area and natural gas fireplace or fire pit are included in the proposed plans."

The facility would enhance current park events and could also attract new celebrations, tournaments corporate gathering, charitable fundraisers, campsite user groups and much more.

The vision for the building focuses on three main purposes.

"It needs to allow the preparation and service of food and liquor in the park as the current facilities no longer meet Manitoba Health standards. It needs to offer modern washrooms in quantity to serve large park events," Leduchowski said.

"And it needs to offer an insulated three-season dining and socializing space for shelter or shade depending on the weather. The space should be as simple and open as possible to cater to a wide array of user functions."

For anyone concerned that the proposed project might negatively impact usage at the Teulon-Rockwood Community Centre, Leduchowski points to a similar facility built in Ste. Agathe's park and campground 25 years ago. He said a recreation representative from Ste. Agathe noted that the building attracted more summer users and various groups to the park but didn't have a negative impact on the community hall since the two buildings offer a different environment and ambiance.

In Teulon and beyond, the proposed project is already catching attention and garnering support.

"We have letters of support for this project from the Town of Teulon, the



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The proposed pavilion for the Green Acres Park would be something similar to the shelter at Ste. Agathe's Campground (pictured).

RM of Rockwood and numerous community groups. We currently have a unique opportunity," he said.

"A few generations ago, our forebears thought it worthwhile to build a community centre, a hockey rink and a curling rink. It is time to build the next generation of town amenities that our children and grandchildren can use and improve upon."

The estimated cost ranges from \$500,000 to \$750,000, depending on the options included in the plan. The final building location is to be determined.

Community members are welcome to share their input through a survey available at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GAPPSURVEY2025 or through the Town of Teulon's website at www.teulon.ca. The deadline to participate in the survey is Monday, April 7, 2025.

"If you wish to help, need more information or want to offer your opinion, we'd like to hear from you. If the survey results are positive, we ask for interested user groups or individuals to sit on the TCDI committee to help plan a building that will offer universal appeal," Leduchowski said.

"We would like the TCDI committee to remain as an entity going forward to spearhead ideas and present future researched needs and firm proposals to the town. Perhaps your local group can benefit in the future with its specific needs."

For more information or to get involved, email tcdirockwood@gmail. com.

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The Blood Moon has risen





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Another eclipse was seen across North America skies last week, and this time no special glasses were required to view it. A total lunar eclipse — also known as a "Blood Moon" — was seen late last Thursday and into the early Friday morning hours across Canada for the first time since 2022.

The phenomenon occured in Manitoba skies in the early morning hours on Friday, March 15, when the Earth was in between the moon and the sun and the moon passed through the shadow cast by the Earth, according to the Canadian Space Agency.

The Blood Moon gets its name because of its colours, according to Sara Mazrouei, educational developer and planetary scientist at Humber Polytechnic.

A total lunar eclipse is not nearly as rare as a total solar eclipse and, contrary to solar eclipses, it is safe to observe a lunar eclipse with the naked eye. If you miss this year's total lunar eclipse, the next one arrives on March 2, 2026.

Prairie Green Landfill update

By Annaliese Meier

Manitoba RCMP have confirmed that human remains discovered in the Prairie Green Landfill have been identified as belonging to Marcedes Myran of Long Plain First Nation.

Her family has been notified, and the Manitoba government is asking for privacy to be respected during this difficult time.

Marcedes Myran's remains were located as part of a humanitarian search and recovery mission initiated by the Manitoba government at the request of the families of both Myran and Morgan Harris. This mission is being conducted in collaboration with the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs and has the support of the federal government.

Myran's remains were one of two sets found during the search; the other set was identified as those of Morgan Harris earlier in March.



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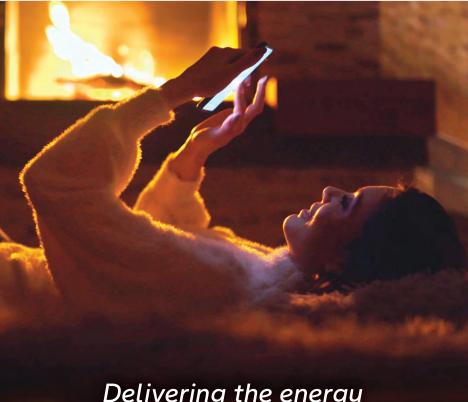
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4 The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, March 20, 2025 Off-road vehicle club to maintain trail on former rail bed

By Jennifer McFee

A multi-use trail in the RM of Rockwood will be maintained by an offroad vehicle club.

Rockwood council approved a request from the Interlake Off Road Club Corp. to operate a multi-use off-road vehicle designated trail on the municipal-governed former rail bed from the north boundary of the municipality at Provincial Road 229 (Road 102N) at Komarno and south to Road 78N, then east to Road 7E where the rail bed continues to Provincial Road 321 (Road 73N) at Stony Mountain. In total, the trail will span 56 kilometres.

The non-profit organization needs to provide a maintenance plan each year, as well as an insurance certificate with \$5 million in liability insurance for the RM of Rockwood.

The Interlake Off Road Club Corp. is an established and incorporated off-road vehicle club and a member of the All-Terrain Vehicle Association of Manitoba. It is funded through memberships and registration fees.

The club plans to install safety and navigation signs, a map kiosk and possible rest stops or picnic locations along the rail trail. They will maintain, inspect and share the all-season multi-use recreational trail in an effort to help enhance and sustain the rail trail corridor.

According to the RM of Rockwood, motorized vehicles have always been allowed to share the trail, and they're encouraged to stay off the pavement. The Interlake Off Road Club sought authorization to maintain the trails through granting opportunities.

Club president Calvin Sedleski said the club will maintain the multi-use trail for all users.

"Multi-use trails have been around other RMs for many years and have been very successful," he said. "Educating trail users on safety and trail etiquette will be a top priority."

The club will host a community meeting soon to provide an opportunity for community members to share concerns and discuss how the club can address them. The club will also do a trail assessment after the snow melts.

"For our club members, this is an exciting time to have the trail connectivity to more communities and the ability to support local businesses," he added.

BALMORAL UTILITY UPDATE:

Council is taking steps to get the Balmoral utility back in the black since it operated at a deficit in 2022 and 2023.

The total deficit was \$128,813 in 2022 and \$126,748 in 2023. At the same time, the Balmoral utility had a working capital surplus of \$361,723 in 2022 and \$347,583 in 2023.

Council has requested that the Public Utilities Board approve operating deficits of \$128,813 and \$126,748 for the Balmoral utility to be recovered through the accumulated working surplus.

In addition, the Public Utilities Board recently approved rate increases for the Balmoral utility effective Jan. 1, 2025. The last rate increase went into effect on Jan. 1, 2014. The Public Utility Board's guideline is to submit regular rate reviews every three years.

A few factors contributed to the Balmoral utility incurring operating deficits in 2022 and 2023, such as no rate increases for a long period as well as higher than anticipated collection, treatment and disposal costs.

Contrary to some misinformation circulating on social media, the rate increase is not due to the reverse osmosis water treatment plant that has served the community for the last 22 years since it was built in 2003. Prior to that, Balmoral residents were not on the municipal water system.

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U of M architecture students toured Settlers, Rails and Trails museum.

The RM will need to apply for revised rates again on July 1, 2025, as required by the Public Utilities Board.

SETTLERS, RAILS AND TRAILS UPDATE:

Lots of activity continues in Argyle, where Settlers, Rails and Trails is preparing to wrap up its Manitoba Brick & Block exhibition on Argyle Day on June 7 after an extended run.

"We kept the exhibition open longer because of its incredible interest," said president and executive director Shayne Campbell.

"We had visitors from all over the province, including the University of Manitoba's faculty of architecture who came to see us. In October 2024, I presented a lecture at the U of M on the history of Manitoba masonry as part of their brick symposium."

On Argyle Day, the museum will host a short ceremony at its Heritage Park, a half-mile north of Argyle on Meridian Road. They will also unveil new signage for the Carol & John Prairie Preserve. Charlie Amy will officially open the museum's newest structure, Charlie's Cabin, which is a custom-built heritage log cabin.

Rockwood council recently provided a letter of support to Settlers, Rails and Trails for its application to the 2025 From the Ground Up Safe Healthy Communities for All grant. The organization also applied for operating grants from the RMs of Rockwood and Woodlands, which would be used to help cover expenses at Heritage Park.

IN OTHER COUNCIL NEWS:

• Council authorized adding Road 10E between Memorial Boulevard and Road 75N, as well as Quarry Road from Highway 7 to Road 10E, to



The museum's brand new "Charlie's Cabin" is named for Argyle resident Charlie Amy.

the non-truck route list.

• Vincent Road will be changed to Vincent Street in Stony Mountain in an effort to address inconsistencies in the road name.

• Council authorized decreasing the speed limit on Road 8E, south of Road 75N for half a mile, to 70 kilometres per hour from 90 kilometres per hour. Council had received a request to reduce the speed limit, which led to an analysis and report.

• The RM will buy a 2025 K-Trail trailer from Steinbach Trailers for \$13,500 plus tax to replace a trailer in the public works department.

• The RM of Rockwood has been looking into purchasing an innovative partial hydrogen injection system, known as i-Phi, to install in one of the municipality's graders. Since this system is new, there are uncertainties regarding the technology, cost, reliability and operational efficiency of the system. As a result,

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council decided to postpone the i-Phi hydrogen system project until more information is available.

The Redboine Watershed District is looking acquire additional office space. The member municipalities, including the RM of Rockwood, would be on the hook for the debt if the Redboine Watershed District ceases to exist before the loan is paid off. The provincial government won't be responsible for any debts of the district. RM of Rockwood approved a request to increase the borrowing limit of the Redboine Watershed District to \$500,000 to cover the cost of additional office space. The district has the authority to buy additional office space by board resolution.

• Council authorized a \$95 registration fee for Coun. Lana Hintz to attend the 14th Annual Red River Basin Commission North Chapter's fish dinner gala on March 19 in West. St. Paul. In addition, the RM of Rockwood will provide a silent auction donation for the event. The gala serves as the main fundraising event for the Red River Basin Commission Manitoba North Chapter, and funds raised at the event will go towards organizing educational presentations and events.

• Council hosted a public hearing regarding a request to close part of Road 8E. Council gave second reading and tabled the third reading of a bylaw to close the government road allowance along the north half of Road 8E between roads 79N and 80N.

• Council also hosted a public hearing regarding a request from Stony Mountain residents to vary the minimum rear yard setback to authorize an existing 288-square-foot deck attached to the main home on the property. Council approved the request.

• Another public hearing focused on a request to vary the minimum site width for a proposed lot to allow for a subdivision on the Ryjac Farms property. Council approved the request.

• Council hosted a public hearing to amend the zoning bylaw to create a CM-1 zone. Council gave second and third readings to create the CM-1

Rosser council news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

An annual public water system report shows that the RM of Rosser had a fairly uneventful year, save for one incident in May 2024 that led to a boil water advisory for one property.

The RM of Rosser gets all its water through the Cartier Regional Water Co-op (CRWC) from the Headingley water treatment plant. The rural network currently services 118 customers on route to supplying the Grosse Isle reservoir.

The water is provided through a series of pipe networks through the RM of St. Francois Xavier into at two metered entry points. The rural network has about 42.5 kilometres of pipe, and there's a one-kilometre water-servicing line extension on the Stony Mountain feeder main to supply six new customers.

CRWC owns and operates the reservoirs in Grosse Isle and Rosser CentrePort, which include water storage,

chlorination facilities and high-capacity pumps.

The Grosse Isle reservoir pump station holds roughly 400 cubic metres of water and services properties with potable water and fire protection from the 23 installed hydrants throughout the village site. There are about 3.8 kilometres of distribution watermains in Grosse Isle servicing 84 properties, including single-family residences, a school, a community centre and a few commercial buildings. The CentrePort area is serviced from the Rosser/CentrePort reservoir on Klimpke Road (Road 9E).

The Rosser reservoir pump station holds about 7,600 cubic metres of water and services 108 water customers with potable water and fire protection from the 234 installed hydrants throughout the CentrePort area. There are about 30 kilometres of pipe

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zone. The CM-1 zone was established to provide a designated multi-use zone for the blend of commercial and residential mixed uses without having to do multiple variation orders and conditional uses on the sites.

• Council will authorize a construction completion certificate for the building of a berm and gate enclosure for developer Glacial Stone Inc. All other terms of the development agreement are still ongoing.

• Council defeated a request to reverse a \$97.76 property tax penalty for 2024.

Council authorized the Stony Mountain Community Association to set off fireworks in the evening of June 30 at the sports field at a location to be approved by the Stony Mountain Fire Department. If there is a fire ban at the time, permission will be revoked. In addition, council approved Stony Mountain Community Association's application for a liquor permit for a beer garden at the Stony Mountain Family Festival on June 30 and Music at the Mountain on Aug. 23. Council also authorized the Canada Day celebration parade route in Stony Mountain, which will be the same as last year — School Road, Main Street, Memorial Boulevard and Olive Street before heading to the sports field for lunch. No items are allowed to be thrown from vehicles, including candy and promotional items; instead, they must be handed out.

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• The RM of Rockwood will provide a letter of support so that the Teulon and District Handi-Van can apply for a grant from the rural transit solutions fund to add a new Ford transit conversion vehicle to its fleet. The Town of Teulon also provided a letter of support for this grant.

• Council defeated a request to authorize a wedding on Dufferin Drive in Stony Mountain on Sept. 20 from 3:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. The property owners requested to serve alcohol at an open bar and have a DJ provide entertainment during the evening.

• Council gave first reading of a bylaw to authorize the establishment of designated officer positions.

• Council gave second and third readings to a bylaw for the renewal of the annual line of credit.

• Council gave second and third readings to a bylaw to establish new water and wastewater rates for the Balmoral utility system.

• Council gave second and third readings to a bylaw to establish water and wastewater rates in the community of Grosse Isle, including lagoon tipping fees at the Rockwood-Rosser wastewater treatment lagoon.

• Council gave first reading to a bylaw to establish water and waste-water rates in the Grosse Isle utility.

• Council gave first reading to a bylaw to regulate truck travel routes.



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Province confirms sixth highly contagious measles case, possible exposure sites

Cases of measles, a highly infectious and potentially deadly disease, are on the rise in Canada, particularly following trends since the COVID-19 pandemic.

Last Friday, the Manitoba government confirmed the sixth case of measles linked to international travel and updated the public on possible exposure sites. In February alone, Manitoba reported five cases, with one additional case identified this month.

Measles spreads through respiratory droplets. Symptoms usually appear within seven to 21 days and may include fever, runny nose, irritability and a red blotchy rash. Complications can lead to ear infections, pneumonia and encephalitis, especially in infants and children.

The government is asking individ-

uals who visited the following locations during specified dates to monitor symptoms for measles:

- Health Sciences Centre, Winnipeg Children's Hospital emergency department on March 3-4.

- Winnipeg Richardson International Airport on Feb. 26.

- ŴestJet flight WS489 from Toronto to Winnipeg on Feb. 26.

Toronto Pearson International Airport on Feb. 26.

- Qatar Airways flights QR0767 and QR0605 on Feb. 26.

Public health officials urge anyone at these locations to check their vaccination status and ensure they are up to date with measles vaccines.

Dr. Theresa Tam, Canada's chief

public health officer, indicated that most cases involve unvaccinated or under-vaccinated children. As of March 6, there have been 227 confirmed cases across Canada.

The federal government has a travel health notice in place, emphasizing that vaccination is crucial for prevention. In the U.S., there have also been cases and fatalities due to measles among unvaccinated individuals, highlighting the importance of maintaining vaccination rates to prevent outbreaks.

Visit the Manitoba government's website https://gov.mb.ca/health/ publichealth/diseases/measles.html for more information about the measles and what to do.

letter to the editor Canadians should Britain, Russia, the U.S.A. and Chi-

never take freedom and peace for granted

For the first time in over 75 years, Canadians must consider in the next federal election which party leader would be the best war-time prime minister — because it is a very real possibility that under President Trump, the U.S. may take military action towards Canada.

At this point in time, unfortunately, there is no clear winner as to who would best serve Canada if the U.S. were to seriously threaten military action, or worse, actually take military action to move the border or try and take over some of our natural resourc-

Trump's threats to take military action against Panama and Greenland must be viewed as a prelude and strategy to cut Canada off from any NATO aid since it would give the U.S. control of the water ways.

So a very real possibility our government and military must consider is that if China attacked Taiwan, and Russia continues its attacks in Europe, Canada would have to fend for itself if Trump tried to forcefully annex Canada since our NATO allies would be busy with their own regional wars.

When we take a step back and look at the big picture it appears as though Trump, Putin and Xi Jinping of China are attempting to do what president Roosevelt tried to do after the Second World War, which was to establish

na as the four policemen, or the four sheriffs, whereby they would each 'police" their respective regions of the globe. (Google "the four policemen" for more info on this.) The threats to our sovereignty, there-

fore, must not be taken lightly. And for this reason, it might be in Canada's best interest to loosen our gun laws rather than adding additional restrictions for this would allow more citizens to be armed and be part of the resistance if the U.S. were to invade.

In closing, Canadians can no longer take freedom and peace for granted. And, consequently, must hope and pray for the best but prepare for the worse.

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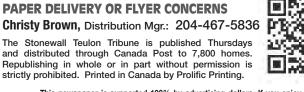
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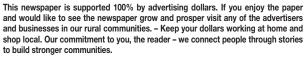
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Provincial government unanimously backs bail reform

By Jennifer McFee

Provincial politicians banded together to unanimously pass a motion demanding bail reform after a muchloved woman died in a collision that involved a repeat offender.

In the morning of Jan. 15, 28-yearold Kellie Verwey was killed in a three-vehicle collision on Highway 26, about three kilometres east of Portage la Prairie.

A stolen pickup truck veered over the centre line, causing another truck to swerve into an SUV driven by Verwey. She died at the scene.

Headingley RCMP arrested 24-yearold James Lorne Hilton from the RM of St. Andrews. He was charged with multiple offences including dangerous operation of a motor vehicle causing death, operation while impaired and failure to stop after an accident resulting in death. At the time, had a warrant out for his arrest.

On Monday, March 10, Progressive Conservative MLA Jeff Bereza introduced a motion calling for the provincial government to enhance bail enforcement and protect Manitobans from people who violate the conditions of their release. Lakeside MLA Trevor King supported the motion, which is close to his heart through a personal connection with Verwey.

"Kellie meant so much to so many that on March 10 on what would have been Kellie's 29th birthday, her family, friends and communities gathered in the gallery of the legislature with a shared hope to push for change in our



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Jagger Tesluck, left, and Jake Fortin spent about a week after school building an ice fortress in the front yard at 16 Bonnie Cres. in Stonewall. The duo took advantage of the warm weather, grabbed some snacks and a TV, and hung out after all their hard work on March 13. According to AccuWeather the temperature was 3 C and the fortress was starting to melt. 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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Lakeside MLA Trevor King, Kellie Verwey's mom Meechele Best and Portage la Prairie MLA Jeff Bereza at the Manitoba legislative building on March 10.

justice system so that no other family has to endure such a tragic and preventable loss," he said.

"May Kellie's memory serve as a call to action, inspiring us to fight for a system that truly protects the innocent. Kellie attended high school with our oldest son Colton. We had the opportunity to learn what a remarkable young women that she was and what she would have been. She most definitely made her mark on our communities and many lives, and she will be sadly missed."

King said the catch-and-release justice system needs to be reformed, and he plans to continue working every day to make that happen.

"No family should have to experience what the Verweys have gone through," King said.

"In Kellie's memory, we brought forward a motion in the legislature demanding immediate action to crack down on repeat offenders, keep them behind bars and enforce bail before more innocent lives are lost. The system failed Kellie, and it's failing too many other Manitobans."

Sharilyn Knox, mayor of the City of Portage la Prairie, has been outspoken on the need for bail reform, calling on leaders to step up and make meaningful changes.

"I'm pleased to see the Manitoba legislature unanimously pass a motion to advance bail reform in our province. The province recently announced their five-point bail reform plan, and this is another step in addressing the concerns of communities across Manitoba," Knox said.

"Our communities' call for bail reform has been loud and clear, and while this progress is encouraging, the focus must now shift to the federal government to take meaningful action. Community safety should not be a partisan issue — this is about protecting Manitobans and all Canadians, and all levels of government must work together to ensure a justice system that prioritizes safety while ensuring accountability."





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Breast cancer screening clinic in Selkirk until April 3

By E Antonio

Women ages 50 to 74 can schedule their mammograms at CancerCare Manitoba's mobile Breast Check Cancer Screening Clinic, located at 66 Eveline St., in Selkirk available until April 3.

It is recommended that women in this age group receive a mammogram every two years to screen for breast cancer.

"It is crucial for women to be screened for breast cancer because screening is the best way to find breast cancer early. Early detection leads to early intervention," explained Michelle Rosentreter, nurse navigator with cancer navigation services in Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority.

According to the CancerCare Manitoba website, approximately 900 women in the province are diagnosed with breast cancer annually, leading to around 200 deaths from the disease. Mammograms are free for those with a Manitoba Health Card and can be scheduled by calling 1-855-952-4325.

Expect your appointment to take between 10 and 20 minutes, and you will receive your results from your health-care provider within two weeks. If further testing is necessary, your provider will discuss the next steps at that time.

Routine mammograms are one of the best ways to detect breast cancer early and to access more treatment options

"It doesn't take a lot of time, but the impact can be life-saving," added Rosentreter.

If you are due for a mammogram, please schedule an appointment with CancerCare Manitoba at their mobile clinic in Selkirk, or you can visit the permanent BreastCheck Clinic at #5-25 Sherbrook St., Winnipeg, which is open year-round.

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in the CentrePort area.

The 2024 Public Water System Annual Report is available on the RM of Rosser website. A free copy is also available by visiting or contacting the RM office by email at info@rmofrosser.com or by phone 204-467-5711.

In other council news:

• Council approved a \$10,000 sponsorship for the STARS Foundation for the Night with the STARS Gala.

• The RM of Rosser continues to be a contributor to the CentrePort Canada partnership program, and council approved a \$75,000 commitment for 2025 to CentrePort Canada Inc. CentrePort Canada Inc. provides a valuable contribution to the success of business growth in Rosser.

• The RM of Rosser will enter into an agreement with CentrePort Canada Rail Park for an amended development agreement.

• The Inland Port Special Planning Area is hosting a public hearing on March 19 at 6 p.m. at 400-330 Portage Ave. in Winnipeg. The hearing is regarding an appeal to a decision to reject a proposal to increase a band sign height requirement from 36 inches to 120 inches in the RM of Rosser.

• The RM of Rosser will host a public hearing on Thursday, April 17 at 6 p.m. to present the 2025 financial plan for the municipality.

• The Redboine Watershed District is looking acquire additional office space. The member municipalities, including the RM of Rosser, would assume full financial responsibility for the debt if the Redboine Watershed District ceases to exist before the loan is paid off. The provincial government won't be responsible for any debts of the district. RM of Rosser approved a request to increase the borrowing limit of the Redboine Watershed District to \$500,000 to cover the cost of additional office space. The district has the authority to buy additional office space by board resolution.



For the joy of curling

By Jennifer McFee

A local curling enthusiast recently shared a fun family story through a Curling Canada online contest — and even though she didn't win, she's happy to share memories of curling in the community.

Merle Tomyk submitted a story entitled "The Pickell Silver Brush" for the Curling Day in Canada contest. Curling Canada selected her story as one of the Top 20, which allowed her to advance to the voting round. She sought online votes for a chance to win a championship weekend getaway at the 2026 Montana's Brier in St. John's.

"I didn't win, but that's not why I entered," said Tomyk, who received some Curling Day in Canada merchandise for making it to the voting round.

"I just wanted to make the point that because of curling, many families, friends and neighbours spent memorable moments together. The story that won had a very similar theme."

Veronica Bernard, member services co-ordinator for Curling Canada, thanked Tomyk for participating in the contest.

"We were incredibly impressed with your story and the passion you shared about the sport," Bernard said by email.

"While your story wasn't selected as the winner, we truly appreciate your participation, and we hope you enjoyed sharing your curling experiences with us."

THE PICKELL SILVER BRUSH By Merle Tomyk

For more than 80 years multi-generations of my family and friends have come together on the curling ice. We have shared many exceptional experiences! I have chosen to tell the story about "THE PICKELL SILVER BRUSH." In order that the reader can understand the story, it is necessary that I mention that my maiden name is Pickell.

My husband and I are farmers on the Canadian prairies. Five generations of our family have lived on our farm, and it has been the location where special occasions were celebrated in the spring, summer and autumn. Our house was small, so we were not able to have large gatherings in our home in the winter. Therefore we rented the curling rink in our local town every Boxing Day for many years so we could gather family, neighbours and friends together. We would enjoy being together both on and off the ice, catching up on what was happening in each others' lives, eating food and meeting new friends that would come along with family, friends and neighbours, if they were visiting for the Christmas season.

Those people that wanted to take part in the curling would arrive by 10 a.m. so that we could make up the rinks, make the draw and prepare for the influx of all the young and old spectators. Very soon the waiting room was full and the day's activities began. One year the ice plant had quit and the ice had melted, but we still had the gathering, and those that had crokinole games brought them along so we could have a tournament.

In 1981 my father had painted milk cans for us to use as planters in our yard. He never cleaned the brush! That Boxing Day my brother brought the used paint brush to our Boxing Day gathering and presented his version of a "silver broom" to the winners. My sister-in-law's father was the skip on the team that won the bonspiel that year. His hobby was woodworking. The next Boxing Day gathering he brought a trophy he had made. Please see the picture below. The original trophy had one layer for a base and the names of the winners were written with a felt pen on the wooden plaque attached to the base. Over the years more layers were add-



The Pickell Silver Brush is a coveted curling award with a great story behind it.

ed to the base and some teams had their names engraved on metal and then attached to the plaque.

Needless to say, our Boxing Day gathering received a name: THE PIC-KELL SILVER BRUSH.

For many years I had made ceramic ornaments, or friends had brought prizes that could be given to the winners. However, the trophy in the picture became the most sought after prize. Most often a team was made up of members from 4 different families, so each player could only have the trophy for 3 months in their home (to show off) and then brought it back for the next year's bonspiel.

I think it will be of interest to some of the readers of my story to know that my husband and I were both born in the same small town on the prairie. Our fathers were friends and curled together. Sometimes my father was late for the game or



PHOTOS SUBMITTED Curling enthusiast Merle Tomyk shared her story "The Pickell Silver Brush" in a contest for Curling Day in Canada and made it to the Top 20.

had to leave a game early because he was the local veterinarian, and if there were a sick farm animal in the area, he had to interrupt his game to attend to his patient. Sometimes a team member would be late or not able to attend the game because of an incident at their farm. Nonetheless the game would go on! Both our families have members who became great curlers and participated in many competitions across Canada over the years, at the school level, juniors level, men's and women's level and seniors level!!! Also, some of the curlers that have their names on the trophy have been and some still are curling coaches for Special Olympics, Community Club, Elementary School, High School, to name a few.

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Importance of filing income tax

By Jennifer McFee

With tax season now underway, it's important to know that tackling this annual task can help you access benefits and credits that could enhance your financial situation.

Taxes are due to be filed and paid on or before April 30. However, you can actually file your taxes at any time, which assures your ability to access some housing and health-care services.

Even if you have no income, a low income or are on social assistance, it's still important to file an income tax return each year. In contrast, if you don't file your taxes, you might miss out on tax breaks, income supplements or government subsidies. If you know someone in this circumstance, you might want to encourage them to file their taxes as well.

"By filing your taxes, you might be able to access additional benefits for yourself and your family, which could offer a greater sense of financial stability," said Shannon Montgomery, Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority's director of health services, public health and wellness. "As part of a caring community, we could also encourage others to file their taxes to access the benefits that they're entitled to. We have many elderly people, including some living alone. Assisting our neighbours in finding locations and resources related to income tax returns and helping people access these services is of great benefit. Income tax returns can favour those who might be overburdened, so it's important for individuals of all age groups to complete this task."

Those who don't file their taxes might miss out on the Canada Child Benefit, GST credit, Canada carbon rebate or disability tax credit. Some of these benefits might not be retroactive.

In an example on the provincial government's website (https://www.gov. mb.ca/housing/tenants/tax.html), a single parent with two children under the age of four making \$15,000 annually could possibly access about \$16,000 in benefits by filing taxes. In this particular example, these benefits include a GST refundable credit of \$842 (\$210.50 paid quarterly), Canada Child Benefits of \$12,800 (\$1,066.66 paid monthly), Working Income Tax Benefit of \$1,844 (with the income tax refund or part paid quarterly), Manitoba Child Benefit of \$840 (\$35 paid monthly) and Manitoba Personal Tax Credit of \$266 (refund upon tax filing). After filing taxes and accessing benefits, this single parent's total annual income would jump to \$31,592.

According to Jennifer Dann, manager of health services for social work and patient relations for the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority, many people don't realize that filing taxes also provides important documentation that is needed when accessing services like personal care homes or subsidized housing.

"If you or a family member might require a more supportive living environment, it is important to know that personal care home rates are set by Manitoba Health and are calculated based off of your Canada Revenue Agency notice of assessment," Dann said.

"You will be required to submit your notice of assessment to the personal care home on an annual basis, and your rates will be recalculated."

If you are experiencing housing instability, many housing organizations and other supports also require current financial information prior to them considering your application.

"It's unfortunate when situations like this arise because working through financial needs becomes even more difficult when you have the added pressure of illness and hospitals stays," Dann said.

"Depending on your legal circumstances, your family may or may not be able to help you file your taxes; therefore, ensuring your taxes are completed annually will ease their burden and make access to programs that will enhance well-being or improve social circumstance a smoother process."

INCOME TAX RESOURCES:

• For low-income Manitobans, information about the Community Volunteer Income Tax program is available at www.gov.mb.ca under the residents' portal.

• A 24-page plain language booklet called Get Your Benefits (https:// www.edu.gov.mb.ca/benefits/index. html) lists many benefits and programs that Manitobans may be eligible for.

• More income tax information is also available on the Government of Canada website at www.canada. ca. Information about free tax clinics is available at www.canada.ca/taxes-help.

• In the Interlake-Eastern region, most communities host a Community Volunteer Income Tax Program, where people with a simple tax situation and modest income can get their taxes done for free. To find a program in your area, visit https://www.ierha.ca/programs-services/life-style/ get-your-benefits/. Many Seniors Resource Councils participate by acting as a drop-off depot for volunteer tax filers.

• For those without a local Community Volunteer Income Tax Program, Community Financial Counselling Services (CFCS) offers tax services both virtually and over the phone. CFCS also offers free and confidential financial counselling/coaching, help accessing benefits and counselling for individuals and families impacted by gambling. Visit https://www. cfcs.mb.ca/ or call toll-free 1-888-573-2383 to learn more and access their services.







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Farm management specialist: How farmers can find profit in 2025

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tilizer to crop needs.

By Becca Myskiw

As margins are expected to decrease this year for farmers, economic sustainability, innovation and growth are at risk. So what can be done to maintain profitability?

Earlier this year, farm management specialist Crystal Berthelette delivered a presentation on finding profit in 2025 at the Central Region Crop Meetings. She addressed the current cost-price squeeze, Manitoba Agriculture's production scenarios for 2025, the importance of farmers identifying their own production costs, cost-cutting strategies that do not compromise yield, and ways to seek out opportunities to ensure profitability.

"Profitability is always important," she said. "But in the 2025 crop year, grain prices are down from the highs of 2022 and 2023; however, crop input prices are not coming down as quickly. Additionally, land and machinery prices are rising continuously. A farmer's margin is anticipated to be decreasing for 2025, which can put farm economic sustainability, innovation, and growth at risk."

Average crop prices per bushel have been on a steady decline since 2022, which saw historically high prices for virtually all crops. Canola was priced at over \$26 per bushel, wheat at around \$16, soybeans at \$20 and oats at \$10. As of January 2025, canola is at \$14 per bushel, wheat at around \$8, soybeans at \$12 and oats at just \$4. This represents a significant drop: canola prices have fallen by 46 per cent, wheat by 50 per cent, soybeans by 40 per cent and oats by 60 per cent in less than three years. While prices have decreased, the average cost of production per crop has risen since 2020. For instance, the cost to produce wheat was just under \$400 per acre in 2020, but it has risen to around \$575 per acre in 2025, which is a decrease from \$620 per acre in 2022. Oats have increased from \$350 per acre to \$510, canola from \$410 to \$625, and soybeans from \$380 to just over \$500 per acre over the same period. When examining production costs, the majority of the expenses are allocated as follows: land accounts for 18 per cent, fertilizer for 16.5 per cent, equipment for 15 per cent, seed for 12 per cent, crop protection and pesticides for 8

per cent and fuel for 5 per cent.

"[Farmers] cannot guarantee profitability, but knowing their own costs to identify their breakeven yield and price is one major step," said Berthelette. "Maintaining their yield while cutting some costs (efficiencies) can reduce potential loses."

COST-CUTTING STRATEGIES THAT DO NOT COMPROMISE YIELD INCLUDE:

- Conducting soil tests: guessing can lead to over- or under-application of inputs.

- Reducing fertilizer only if the timing or placement is improved: applying fertilizer in the spring is recommended if possible.

- Timing pesticide applications properly: poor timing can reduce overall yield.

- Investing in proven practices and products: seek out local third-party testing.

- Making informed decisions about equipment and land: excessive capital investment for your farm size can burden your operation.

WHEN IT COMES TO FERTILIZER,



What can grain farmers do in 2025 to maintain profitability?

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- The right place: keeping nutrients where the crop can effectively use them.

"Farms cannot continue to produce food for Canada and the world when they operate in perpetual losses," said Berthelette. "Any normal business

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- The right source: matching the fer-

- The right rate: aligning the amount

- The right time: ensuring nutrients

are available when the crop needs

of fertilizer with crop requirements.

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St. Claude farmer recognized with watershed award

Submitted my Angie Smith

The Redboine Watershed District (RBWD) is pleased to present Nicolas Jobin with the 2025 RBWD Watershed Award. This award recognizes his outstanding contributions and the significant impact he continues to have on our landscape.

Nicolas was born and raised on his family's farm near Saint Claude. His father initially operated the farm as a dairy but transitioned it to a mixed farm, producing beef, pork and grains in 1996. After graduating from high school in 2003, Nicolas worked seasonally on the farm while also completing his welding certification and gaining experience in the trade.

At the age of 22, Nicolas returned full-time to the farm to work alongside his father. In 2008, he initiated the process for organic certification of the farm. By 2014, Nicolas was farming organic beef and grains and was also direct marketing beef and pork with his wife, Leanna. His goal was always to expand his cattle operation and transition to full-time ranching. While he enjoyed all aspects of farming, his true passion lay in working with cattle and improving his pastures and land for future generations of farmers. In 2016, with guidance from various ranch mentors, Nicolas focused his farm operations exclusively on cattle ranching, emphasizing ro-

tational grazing and effective pasture management. Currently, Nicolas and Leanna, along with



The Redboine Watershed District would like to congratulate Nicolas and Leanna Jobin and family on their commitment to the Redboine Watershed. He will be recognized in December at the Manitoba Association of Watersheds Annual Conference in Brandon.



their four young children, operate a large-scale ranch with cow/calf and backgrounding operations. They focus on regenerative pasture and land practices, which aim to enhance soil health and land productivity for the next stewards of this land.

Through the RBWD GROW program, Jobin has created a series of swales that go across the high points of the ranch. He installed a series of dams and culverts that will hold back and divert water slowly over his property through the swales. Once the retention ponds have reached their maximum capacity the design of the swales will allow the overflow to travel across the sandy landscape as slowly as possible along the farthest distance. The slow-moving water will help fill as many potholes as possible along the way to maximize the amount of water that can be infiltrated into the soil and reduce water erosion. By holding water back in the sandy soil, it will increase the recharge of groundwater which will also provide a larger capacity of accessible water for the cattle. This project will help reduce the total volume and speed at which water will flow downstream in the watershed. The increased storage on the wetlands will provide increased wildlife habitat, water storage and decrease the nutrient load.

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might fold in the face of the financial losses many farmers face in a poor year. Farms are often asset rich and cash poor, making capital investments and growth a challenge at times."

Despite farmers doing everything they can to achieve profitability, they face numerous challenges beyond their control.

"Hurdles are weather, unexpected changes in policy, trade, increasing costs," said Berthelette. "Also, the ability to make sound decisions at opportune times. Major loss factors could be risking yield with poor agronomic decisions (including fertilizer) or missing opportunities to lock in profitable grain prices."

Berthelette noted that the tactics for farmers remain consistent each year — identifying each farm's profitability and understanding marketing opportunities are key to managing farm finances.

"Farmers should understand their costs to produce and store the crop, plus they need to know the grain price needed make profit," said Berthelette. "Then they would have a marketing plan in place to achieve their goals of selling the grain at break-even or profit-making prices. With grain prices down and crop input prices remaining high, it just may be harder to achieve as much profit in 2025."

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14 The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, March 20, 2025 Outdoor Hockey Club: The Manitoba Chapter premieres this week

By Jennifer McFee

A much-anticipated TV series that premieres this week to share the sights, sounds and stories of Manitoba's outdoor hockey scene.

Local filmmaker Randy Frykas has focused his talents on documenting outdoor hockey across multiple provinces. His five-episode series called *Outdoor Hockey Club: The Manitoba Chapter* is coming out on Bell Fibe TV1 on Thursday, March 20.

"It's a collection of outdoor hockey stories from around the province, including a couple in Grosse Isle," Frykas said.

"I spent the winter visiting rinks throughout the province capturing a variety of stories. Viewers will get to experience outdoor hockey from the perspective of the rink-makers, the volunteers, the parents and the players."

Grosse Isle makes a couple appearances throughout the series, including interviews with Chuck and Glen Lefley. Viewers can also get a glimpse of an afternoon skate with Nicole Hutchinson, Ella Riddell, Maria Riddell and Josyln Tetlock, who all played on the Warren Collegiate female hockey team this past season.

For 16-year-old Maria Riddell of Warren, her favourite pastime is going to the Grosse Isle outdoor rink with her friends. She said it was a cool opportunity to be featured in *Outdoor Hockey Club: The Manitoba Chapter.* "I feel honoured to be asked and share what the outdoor rink means to me," said Maria, who has been playing hockey since she was seven.

"I hope the video will encourage other girls to go skating on their local outdoor rink and hopefully enjoy it as much as I do."

Monica Baldwin, board member for the Grosse Isle Recreation Centre, added that the outdoor rink is an important community hub.

"Our outdoor rink has been a vital part of our community for many years, providing a space for people of all ages to come together for fun, exercise and socializing," she said. "Used by both local residents and

"Used by both local residents and those from surrounding communities, our outdoor rink is more than just ice — it's a cherished meeting place that keeps our community active and connected throughout the winter months."

Excitement is building in the Grosse Isle community, where residents look forward to seeing their rink featured in the *Outdoor Hockey Club* series.

"So many dedicated volunteers put in countless hours to get the rink up and running and maintain the ice all winter long, so seeing it recognized in this way was truly special. The outdoor rink is a source of pride for our community, and we've recently made several upgrades to ensure it remains a gathering place for years to come," Baldwin said.



Grosse Isle's outdoor rink is featured in a five-episode series that airs this week.

"Our local hockey players were thrilled to be featured in the series and couldn't wait to see the videos shared on social media. They have a deep love for the outdoor rink, and it was an incredible experience to have Randy capture them all enjoying the ice together."

At the same time, it was a positive experience to work with Frykas throughout the filming process.

"Randy's passion for filming and capturing every detail was evident throughout the process. It was a fantastic experience for our community to work with him and showcase our outdoor rink. His creativity and love for outdoor hockey were truly inspiring to see," Baldwin said.

"We've had a sneak peek of Randy's

upcoming series featuring the Grosse Isle outdoor rink, and we can't wait to see the full episode when it premieres on March 20."

All five episodes of *Outdoor Hock-ey Club: The Manitoba Chapter* will be available March 20 on Bell Fibe TV Channel 1 and the Fibe TV app. For all Bell TV subscribers, the series is free to watch, and it will be available in Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec and the Maritimes.

Frykas is always looking for outdoor hockey stories, and he encourages people to reach out to him through the OHC website (https://outdoorhockey.club/), Instagram (https:// www.instagram.com/outdoorhockeyclub/) or email (info@outdoorhockey.club).

Sports&recreation Jr. high basketball champs



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The Stonewall Sentinels Grade 8 boys went undefeated in their basketball season and claimed the 2024-25 Interlake Divisional Jr. High Boys Championship banner in Teulon on March 11. The boys defeated Grosse Isle 54-24 in the finals. Pictured left to right, back row: Jeff Levesque (coach), Graysen Malcolm, Liam Meier, Alex Walker, Connor Chilboyko, Ty Mitchell, Xavier Lamb, Grayson Levesque, Ethan Chartier, Zach McIvor, Chase Murray, Charlie Cheuk and Darien Lillies. Front row: Brody Danis, Quinn Nugent, Blake Meier, Noah Tomchuk, Kyron McNeill and Scott Dove.

JV Saints finish in fourth at MHSAA 'A/AA' basketball provincials

By Kieran Reimer

The **Teulon Saints** Junior Varsity Girls Basketball Team finished in fourth place at the Manitoba High School Athletic Association "A/AA" Provincial Junior Varsity Girls Basketball Championship held at Souris School last week.

The Saints began the tournament with a rematch against the Warren Wildcats in the quarterfinals on Thursday afternoon. The Wildcats had previously won the Zone 5 Championship, but this time, the Saints emerged victorious with a score of 57-38, advancing them to the semifinals.

In the semifinals, the Saints faced the Zone 6 champions, the Glenboro/ Carberry/Baldur (Co-Op) Panthers, who defeated the Saints 44-27 on Friday afternoon.

Following this loss, the Saints moved on to compete for the bronze medal against the Zone 4 champions, the St. Paul's (Elie) Barons, on Saturday afternoon. In a closely contested game for third place, the Barons claimed victory with a score of 46-42, leaving the Saints to finish the provincials in fourth place.

As for the **Warren Wildcats**, they followed up Thursday's loss to Teulon with a 74-36 win over the Ste. Rose Celtics in the consolation bracket on Friday.

With the win the Wildcats moved on to play the Margaret Barbour Spartans in the consolation semi-finals Friday evening. In a tight game, the Wildcats came out top 39-38 and punched their ticket to face the Hapnot Kopper Kweens in the consolation final on Saturday.

On Saturday, the Wildcats played to a 60-31 loss against Hapnot, as they ended provincials as consolation finalists.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY HILLARY PEDEN

The Stony Mountain Flames U11A team secured the Interlake Minor Hockey Association Regional Championship banner on March 12. In Game 2 of a best-ofthree series against the Stonewall Blues, the Flames triumphed with a thrilling 5-4 overtime victory, thanks to Maddox Deprez, who scored the winning goal. The Flames had narrowly won Game 1 with a score of 2-1. Pictured left to right, back row: Coaches Mike Hammond, Dayne Senkow, Adam Jonasson and Lee Oatway; middle row: Buddy McCall, Theo Senkow, Lachlan Jonasson, Jackson Kleven and Marshall Stewart; front row: Jackson Oatway, Jeremy Peden, Grayson Hammond, Alex Comte and Maddox Deprez. Missing: Jace Penniston.

Warren U13A regional champs



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED

The Warren Mercs U13A team secured the 2024-25 Interlake Minor Hockey Regional Champions banner by defeating the Warren Mercs U11A team 9-2 last Sunday. This victory came after they won the best-of-three series against the U11A, after winning Game 1, 4-3 in overtime win on March 15. Pictured left to right, back row: Coaches Sawyer Park, Brendan Hallow, Aaron Hogg, Ivan Lambert and Conrad Hueging, Middle row: Lincoln Hallow, Owen Balan, Milo Deogracias, Brayden Hueging, Avery Pelletier, Connor deLaroque, Ethan Tully, Blake Park, Cabrel Hogg, Evan Hutchinson and Declan MacDonald. Front row: goaltenders Emmett Norberg and Davis Lambert. Missing from the photo is Toni deLaroque (manager).

Regional hockey champs Glowing youth reviews



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY CANDACE MACMILLAN

The Argyle Curling Club held its youth curling glow wind-up last Thursday. The club had 12 curlers registered, aged 5 to 12 years, who participated every Sunday afternoon from 2 to 3:15 p.m. Each session began with practice and concluded with a short game. The curling club welcomes new participants and hosts several "Bring a Friend to Try Curling" events throughout the year, which are always a lot of fun.

Divisional champions



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED

The Grosse Isle Flyers topped off their undefeated season by winning the 2024-25 Interlake Divisional Jr. High Girls Basketball Champions banner in Warren on March 11. Grosse Isle defeated the Stony Mountain Hawks 33-16 in the final game. Pictured left to right, back row: Monica Baldwin (coach), Ashlyn Hoas, Emma Cassils, London Sherry, Whitney Boonstra, Danica Klassen and Elliet Oliver. Front row: Callie Johnson, Luca Findlay, Molly Beachell, Kayla Vanderkerckhove, Cooper Darragh and Georgia Campbell.

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By Kieran Reimer

The Price Division Championship of the Winnipeg High School Hockey League lived up to its expectations in a thrilling three-game series between the league's top two teams.

The Warren Wildcats, who finished second in the regular season, faced off against the Louis-Riel Voyageurs, who claimed the first spot. In the end, the Voyageurs triumphed with a 6-2 victory in Game 3, held Thursday at the Seven Oaks SportsPlex.

The Voyageurs won Game 1 with a score of 6-4 on Monday, but the Wildcats struck back with a 6-3 victory in Game 2 on Wednesday, forcing the series to go to a decisive game three.

In Game 3, Colton Bruce started the scoring for the Wildcats with under six minutes remaining in the first period, but the Voyageurs quickly tied the game.

The Wildcats then regained the lead during the second period with a power play goal from Owen Shymko that made it 2-1.

Once again, the Voyageurs answered back, scoring to tie the game just over a minute later.

The score remained tied at two as they entered the third period. After both teams sought a crucial go-ahead goal, it wasn't until just over nine minutes left that the Voyageurs took their first lead with a goal that made it 3-2.

With Warren trailing for the first time in the game, they searched for an answer, but to no avail. The Voyageurs scored to add to their lead late



Wildcats' Colton Bruce, middle, was named the Price Division 2025 Championship MVP.

in the third and then added an empty netter before going on to add another goal with 19 seconds remaining.

"I was really proud of them," said Wildcats head coach Lachlan Mc-Lean. "They battled the best they could and the outcome of the game really though, that's a very good team we were playing against and sometimes it just doesn't go your way even though they gave it all they had. On any other night, who knows who could win; it's almost a roll of the dice. Nothing to be to down about really. It hurts to not come out on top but all the guys on the team can be very proud of just how well they worked all year and the journey they were on together. They made a lot of great memories together so definitely a lot to be happy about even though it didn't quite work out how we wish it would've."

With Game 3 being the final game of the playoffs, it also marked the end of high school hockey for members of



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Warren Wildcats' players accepted the 2025 Winnipeg High School Hockey League Price Division finalist banner at Seven Oaks Arena on March 13. The Wildcats were defeated by Louis-Riel Voyageurs in the final game 6-2. Pictured left to right: Ethan Shymko, Owen Shymko, Mike MacWilliam (WHSHL vice-president), Dylan Riddell, Ethan Corbett, Colton Bruce and Dana Gordon (WHSHL president).

both teams.

The Wildcats bid farewell to seven seniors who have been pivotal both on and off the ice this season: Colton Bruce, Ethan Corbett, Quinn McKnight, Dylan Riddell, Dallas Shaver, Ethan Shymko and Owen Shymko. However, 11 players will be eligible to return next season.

"It definitely hurts to not come out on top because if there ever were a group of guys deserving of winning it all, it really was this group," said McLean. "Especially the Grade 12s this year, they live and breathe hockey; this has been their goal all year round. We've all pushed each other and been there for each other. It's been quite the journey. I let the boys know, too, but I'm just so extremely proud of everything they've done all year round, and they're just such a classy group of guys. They battled through adversity all year long, and they really gave a great series to a good hockey team."

Canadian Mixed Doubles Curling Championship started on Sunday

By Annaliese Meier

The 2025 Canadian Mixed Doubles Curling Championship kicked off on Sunday in Summerside, P.E.I., featuring 32 of the nation's top teams competing for a \$100,000 prize purse and the chance to represent Canada at the 2026 World Mixed Doubles Championship from March 16 to 21.

The event spans six days, from March 16 to 21, at the Gerard "Turk" Gallant Arena and Silver Fox Entertainment Complex.

Defending champions Kadriana Lott and Colton Lott from Gimli, aim to make history with consecutive titles, while Jocelyn Peterman and Brett Gallant from Chestermere, Alta., seek their third championship win. Also in the mix are Laura Walker and Kirk Muyres, hoping to bounce back from a tough 2024 championship, and rising stars Jessica Zheng and Victor Pietrangelo who want their first title after a bronze at the 2025 FISU World University Games.

The tournament consists of four pools of eight teams, provincial/territorial champions, along with the semifinalists from the 2024 Canadian Mixed

Doubles Curling Championship, the top-four placing teams at the 2025 Mixed Doubles Curling Trials and 10 2024-25 Canadian Mixed Doubles Rankings teams as of Feb. 18, 2025.

Teams will play a round-robin from Sunday evening through Wednesday, with 12 teams advancing to the single knockout playoffs, which begin on Thursday morning. The four pool winners earn byes directly into the quarterfinals on Thursday at 7 p.m., while the teams with the following eight best records, regardless of the pool, will compete in the opening playoff draw at 3 p.m.

There will be no tiebreaker games. All ties are broken based on head-to-head results and if that doesn't resolve the tie, the pre-game Last Shot Draw totals will rank the teams.

Select games will be streamed live on Curling Canada's YouTube channel.

Schedule information, scores and more details about the event can be found at https://www.curling.ca/2025mixeddoubles/



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Cimli's Kadriana Lott and Colton Lott are vying to win consecutive Canadian mixed doubles titles in history. The Lott duo achieved a perfect 10-0 record at the 2024 championship, securing the top prize.



Team Stewart are back-to-back Stonewall champions



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY MATTHEW DUNLOP

The Stonewall Curling Club hosted its Men's Bonspiel earlier this month. In the A-side final, Team Andy Stewart competed against Team Emerson Klimpke. Team Stewart came prepared, and in the first end, they attempted a draw for five points but ended up heavy, settling for four points instead. In the second end, Klimpke was just inches away from executing an in-off attempt but missed, resulting in a steal of one point for Team Stewart, putting them ahead 5-0 after two ends. Team Klimpke managed to score a single point in the third end and stole another point in the fourth, narrowing the gap to 5-2. However, after a well-executed fifth end, Team Stewart had an open draw for three points, winning the game 8-2 and earning the title of back-to-back champions. In the left photo, the A-side winners are Andy Stewart, Greg Melnichuk, Alan Purdy and Paul Janssen. In the middle photo, the B-side winners are Team Derek Dowsett, Darrell Humeniuk, Stewart Brown and Kurtis Bouskill. Finally, in the right photo, the C-side winners are Team Dale Lott along with Dave Boehmer, Sean Bracken and George Hacking.

A.K. Soccer Academy advancing players and program

By Kieran Reimer

A.K. Soccer Academy is on the move, and so are many of its graduating players, who recently committed to playing college and university soccer in the future.

The academy, located at Skylight Complex in East St. Paul, currently has over 700 athletes in its programs from ages 5 to 18, along with its men's and women's teams.

Through travel tournaments, players at A.K. Soccer get seen by university and college teams from around North America.

Recently, they announced that their 2007-born players had received scholarships for teams at the college/university level.

"A lot of the players have been with us since they were 11 years old," said Tony Kinnarath, who is the owner and coach of multiple teams at A.K. Soccer. "You take pride in that, and those are the girls that when we first started the academy when they were 11 years old, so now they're 18, so it's a proud moment as an academy when you kind of have those kids since the beginning and see how well they do." In the last six years, Kinnarath has

also seen A.K. Soccer Academy go from a 15-athlete academy to one with over 700.

The growth has caused the need for a move as A.K. Soccer Academy will be moving into a new indoor and outdoor facility at 160 Liss Rd. in St. Andrews.

The new facility will feature three outdoor fields and a nine-on-nine indoor field, along with a gym and a canteen.

Kinnarath expects the three outdoor fields to be ready for summer 2025, while the goal for the indoor complex is 2027.

RECENT COMMITMENTS:

- Kate Grignon, West Kildonan, committed to University of New Brunswick

- Amelia Nicolin, St. Vital, committed to Universite de Saint-Boniface - Elia Grosselle, Interlake, committed to Universite de Saint-Boniface - Emma Belyk, Interlake, committed to University of Jamestown

- Jolie Hanslip, Interlake, committed to University of Tennessee at Martin

- Amanze Njoku, St. Vital, committed to Davis and Elkins College

- Enare Tawo, Windsor Park, committed to University of Illinois Springfield

- Dah Soe, West End, committed to Algoma University

- Azar El Khalaa, East Kildonan, committed to MacEwan University

- Adam Kinnarath, Interlake, committed to University of Jamestown

- Tanner Wryha, Interlake, committed to Thompson Rivers University

- Dante Molina, Interlake, committed to University of Saskatchewan

- Demmy Ajayi, Transcona, committed to University of Leth-



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED Interlake's Elia Grosselle has committed to the Universite de Saint-Boniface.

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- Avery Dripps, Interlake, committed to Nipissing University

Mad Dog Cup unites community over their love of hockey

By E Antonio

St. Laurent hockey fans spent the day honouring their local hero, Laurent "Mad Dog" Kerbrat, at the Mad Dog Cup on March 15.

This premier tournament featured four recreational hockey teams, who spent the day cherishing Kerbrat's dedication to the sport.

"We have had these tournaments in the past with barely any meaning to them, so why not make one in honour of Laurent Kerbrat and all he has contributed to our arena and community," said Rebels Hockey president Jordan Allard, who organized the tournament as he wanted to hold a worthwhile event.

The tournament was held at the Laurent Kerbrat Arena, which was renamed the St. Laurent Arena after Kerbrat's passing in 2020.

Allard was inspired by his contributions to the world of sports and wanted to find a way to repay his efforts.

"It is important to honour Laurent because he basically committed his life to our arena."

More than 75 spectators attended to watch the four teams compete. The Expendables emerged victorious, winning the championship game 3-1 and completing the tournament with a perfect 4-0 record.

Despite being a smaller tournament this year, it attracted a lively crowd.

"Our viewing area was packed, and we had spectators there right from the start of the first game, with more people coming as the day went on."

Allard hopes more teams will register next year to hold a bigger tournament.

The Mad Dog Cup also served as a small fundraiser for the St. Laurent Sports Club. Local volunteers operated the canteen, selling delicious game-day snacks. While proceeds are still being calculated, the canteen sales were a success. The club plans to use the funds for minor hockey in St. Laurent, arena maintenance and purchasing sports equipment.

If you missed this year's Mad Dog



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The Expendables won this year's Mad Dog Cup on March 15 in St. Laurent, Four teams played in the local hockey tournament in honour of Laurent "Mad Dog" Kerbrat.

Cup, check the St. Laurent Rebels next tournament. Facebook page for details about their

Jets' playoff run ends against Hawks in Elite 8

By Kieran Reimer

The Stonewall Jets were eliminated from the playoffs last week after falling to the Charleswood Hawks in a best-of-seven series in the Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League's Elite 8. The Jets managed to win the first game on March 7 but lost the next four, resulting in a gentlemen's sweep.

In Game 5, held at Eric Coy Arena, the Jets fought hard to extend their playoff run but ultimately succumbed to a 3-1 defeat. The Hawks took an

early lead, going up 1-0 after the first period. However, Jets' player Peyton Bateman managed to equalize in the second period with a power-play goal.

The score remained tied until midway through the third period when the Hawks scored again to take a 2-1 lead. They quickly added a final goal, sealing the series with a 3-1 victory and putting an end to the Jets' playoff hopes.

Earlier in the week, the Jets played Games 3 and 4, both of which ended in losses. The Hawks defeated the

Jets 6-3 in game four, held in Stonewall, after both teams combined for five goals in the second period. Gavin Holod scored twice for the Jets, while Austin Lourenco added another goal. The Hawks led 5-3 in the third period and sealed the win with an empty-net goal in the closing moments.

Game 3 at Eric Coy was more competitive, but the Hawks still managed to win 5-3. The Jets started strong, leading 2-1 after the first period with goals from Wylie Garchinski and Gavin Holod.

back with two unanswered goals in the second period to pull ahead 3-2. Holod scored his second goal early in the third, bringing the score to 3-3. Unfortunately for the Jets, the Hawks capitalized on a power play, scoring twice more to secure a 5-3 victory in that game.

Following the series, the Hawks will await their opponent in the MMJHL Final 4. The St. Boniface Riels and Ft. Garry/Ft. Rouge Twins also advanced last week, while Transcona currently leads the St. James team 3-2 However, the Hawks answered in the other Elite 8 matchup.

U15 Lightning advance to B-side semi-finals

By Kieran Reimer

The U15 AA Male Interlake Lightning took another step closer to winning the U15 B Side Playoffs last week.

In a seven-team round-robin format, where the top four teams advance to the semi-finals, the Lightning secured their spot with a 5-1 victory over the Winnipeg Bruins White last Monday

at East End Arena.

The team concluded the round-robin on Saturday with a 5-2 loss to the Winnipeg Thrashers White, finishing with a 4-3 record and placing third overall. This loss, however, did not adversely impact their chances, as finishing third meant a rematch with the Thrashers White, who placed second in a best-of-three semi-finals series.

The two teams faced off in game one on Sunday night at East End Arena, where the Thrashers emerged victorious with a score of 2-0, taking a 1-0 lead in the series.

With this setback, the Lightning must win two consecutive games to secure the series and advance to the U15 B-side Championship.

UPCOMING GAMES:

- Game 2: Tuesday, March 18 at 8:15 p.m. at East End Arena

- Game 3: Thursday, March 20 at 8:15 p.m. at East End Arena (if necessary)



Ignite teams grab hardware at WRL Championships

By Kieran Reimer

The Interlake Ignite Blue are Winnipeg Ringette League U10 A2 champions after defeating the Beausejour Ringers Purple, 8-7 in overtime of the WRL Championships on March 9.

Seraphina Schmidt scored the winner in overtime to send Ignite fans into a frenzy at Gateway Recreation Centre.

The win came just one week after the Ignite lost to the Ringers 13-12 in overtime, their first loss of the double-elimination playoffs.

After the Ignite defeated the SJRA Boom Blue in their following game, they advanced to the finals for a rematch with the Ringers.

This time, the Ignite came out on top.

"They are a resilient bunch and we kept coming back to saying 'you know all the things you have to do," said head coach Shauna Leferink. "You know what your job is forwards, you know what your job is centre, goalie, like everybody kind of knew their job so we said 'hey, this is where you've got to do all the things that we've been practising all year and whatever happens, happens but just go out there and give your best and that's exactly what they did. They knew what they were doing out there and so when that goal went in there was kids jumping and screaming and parents were excited. It was such a cool moment."

At the start of the season, Leferink and the Ignite staff knew they had a special team.

Leferink spoke about the team's excitement and dedication from the start, which made for an extremely coachable squad.

As the season progressed, the Ignite only got better. They won four and tied one in their final five regular-season games.

When it came time for playoffs, the Ignite followed it up with wins in their opening two playoff games.

Then came the semi-final loss to the Ringers, which could have suddenly halted the Ignite's momentum.

Instead, the loss was a blessing in disguise as the Ignite picked up steam in the elimination game against SJRA and then found the overtime winner in the finals when it mattered the most.

"When we lost to Beausejour the first time, the dressing room was silent and there were a lot of tears and stuff like that," said general manager Brad Winchar. "I actually think that worked to our advantage because the Beausejour group could then say 'well, we beat these guys; we could beat them again no problem' where our girls were like 'well, no, we know what we've got to do; we've got to play harder, we've got to get to that level' so when we went to that 7-7 overtime again I was like 'oh no, here we go again.' This is like a carbon copy of how we lost 13-12 and then we ended up getting the overtime winner and the place erupted."

Following the final victory, the girls each received a gold medal, and the championship banner will be hung at their home rink in St. Andrews Community Club.

The Interlake Ignite includes players from Selkirk, St. Andrews, Garson, Stonewall, Stony Mountain and Warren.

U14B INTERLAKE IGNITE

The U14 B Interlake Ignite won the silver medals in the Winnipeg Ringette League Championships at Gateway Recreation Centre on March 9.

The Ingite lost 9-2 to Steinbach in the finals after defeating SJRA Boom and Rage.

Interlake also won the bronze medals at the Ringette Manitoba Provincials after beating the BVRA Blaze 6-1 at Seven Oaks SportsPlex on Saturday.

The Interlake Ignite includes players from Selkirk, St. Andrews and East Selkirk





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The U10 A2 Interlake Ignite won the Winnipeg Ringette League Championship 8-7 in overtime against the Beausejour Ringers Purple on March 9 at Gateway Recreation Centre. The championship banner will be hung at their home in St. Andrews Community Club. Pictured left to right, back row: junior coaches Madison Leferink, Ellasyn Kett, Callen Clifford; players Kinley Waylett, Addison Chaput, Taya Surzyshyn-Rudd, Violet Hales, Kacey Penner, Sophia Clark, Elliott Leferink, Seraphina Schmidt, Maya Winchar, Maisie Kett, Scarlett Kett, Jane Dufault (goaltender). Missing from the photo is head coach Shauna Leferink and assistant coach Chris Kett.



The U14 B Interlake Ignite won the bronze medals at the Ringette Manitoba Provincials at the Seven Oaks SportsPlex on Saturday. Pictured left to right, back row: coach Ken, coach Sydney, Mallory Gregg, Chloe Lamoureux, Siena Smith, Olivia Nicol, Trinity Walker-Ross, Rayleene Munro, Justus Miller, Avery Jones, coach Darren; front row: Natalie Pott, Elizabeth McCormack, Alayna Zubach, Sarah Magnusson, Neve Robbins, Madyson Lake, goalie coach Jessica and goaltender Ellie Anderson. Missing from the photo are Kya Chaput, Jordyn Pearson, Ivy Cooper and coach Brad.

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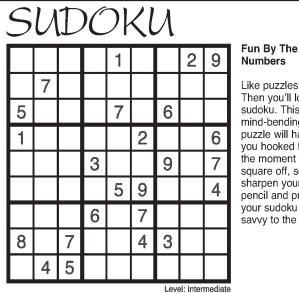
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THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ARMSTRONG

PUBLIC HEARING

REGARDING THE 2025 FINANCIAL PLAN

In accordance with Section 162(2) of The Municipal Act the

Rural Municipality of Armstrong shall hold a PUBLIC HEARING

Thursday, April 10, 2025 at 7:00 P.M.

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The Rural Municipality of Armstrong 2025 Financial Plan

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4) A five (5) year Capital Expenditure Program (2026-2030)

The purpose of the PUBLIC HEARING is to allow any interested

person to make representation, ask questions, or register an

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Copies of the Financial Plan will be available for review and

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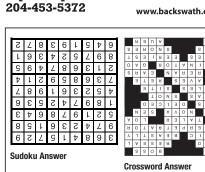
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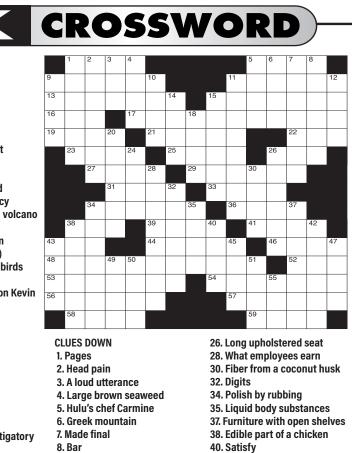
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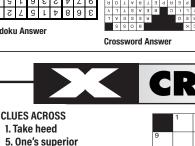
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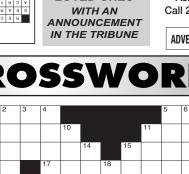
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In accordance with Section 162(2) of The Municipal Act the Council of the Rural Municipality of Rosser will hold a PUBLIC HEARING to present the 2025 Financial Plan for the Municipality at:

6:00 P.M.

THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2025 **ROSSER MUNICIPAL OFFICE**

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The Rural Municipality of Rosser 2025 Financial Plan consists of:

- 1) the 2025 Operating Budget,
- 2) the 2025 Capital Budget,
- 3) an estimate of the operating revenue and expenditure for the 2025 fiscal year, and
- 4) a five year Capital Expenditure Program (2026-2030).

At this time the Council will present the proposed 2025 financial plan for the Municipality. The presentation will provide an overview of the proposed financial plan followed by a forum for questions and comments from the public. The purpose of the hearing is to allow any interested person to make a representation, ask questions or register an objection.

Copies of the proposed financial plan are available upon request at the Municipal Office, 77 E PR 221 in Rosser, Manitoba during regular office hours Monday to Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

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- \rightarrow High School Diploma, GED, or equivalent is required.
- \rightarrow Minimum of five (5) years of related work experience. An equivalent combination of education and experience may be considered.
- → Excellent interpersonal and customer service skills.
- \rightarrow Excellent multi-tasking and organizational skills.
- \rightarrow Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- \rightarrow Proven ability working with computers and office related software (e.g., MS Office Suite), and other office related equipment (e.g., printer/copier, fax machine, etc.).
- ightarrow Ability to work efficiently with frequent interruptions.

Ideal Candidate:

- ightarrow Post-secondary education in Municipal Administration, or similar field
- \rightarrow Experience working for a planning district or in a provincial or municipal government environment.
- → General knowledge of development and building permit review and approval processes.
- → Experience with mapping systems and software (e.g., GIS, etc.).
- → Experience with general website management. Hours of Work: Monday to Friday, 8:30AM to 4:30PM, with one hour

for lunch

Compensation: The salary range for this position is \$46,500 -\$59,000, commensurate with qualifications and experience. The SIPD also offers a comprehensive benefits package.

Office Location: This position will operate primarily from the SIPD's head office located at Unit 5, 15 Davis Way, R.M. of Rosser (CentrePort). Some work duties may also be conducted from the SIPD's secondary office located at 285 Main Street, Stonewall.

If you are interested in applying for this position, please email your cover letter, resume, and three references (a minimum of two references must be work-related) to Eric Shaw, General Manager of the South Interlake Planning District, at eric.shaw@sipd.ca , by March 31, 2025, at 12:00 PM CST.

Please note: We thank all those for applying, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The Town of Teulon is requesting proposals for servicing five portable toilets and four holding tanks for the Teulon Green Acres Park's season from May 1, 2025 to September 30, 2026. Each proposal should include "per call" and a "flat rate" pricing. Please send information to info@teulon.ca

Deadline for proposals is April 4, 2025.

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ROCKWOOD UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE PLANNING ACT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On the date and at the time and location shown below, a PUBLIC HEARING will be held to receive representations from any person(s) who wish to make them in respect to the following matter:

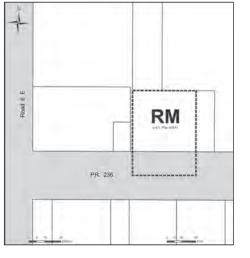
R.M. OF ROCKWOOD BY-LAW NO. 10/25 Being an AMENDMENT to the R.M. OF ROCKWOOD ZONING BY-LAW NO. 20/19, as amended.

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

DATE & TIME: Wednesday, April 09, 2025, at 11:00 AM

GENERAL
INTENT:To re-zone Pt. SW ¼ 7-15-2 EPM from "CC"
Commercial Central Zone and "RS-2" Residential
Single-Family Zone to "RM" Residential Multiple
Family Zone to facilitate a proposed townhouse
development (five dwelling units) in Balmoral.

AREA AFFECTED:



FOREric Shaw, General ManagerINFORMATIONSouth Interlake Planning District, 5-15 Davis Way,CONTACT:R.M. of Rosser, MB, R4B 0A3, Phone: 204-467-5587

A copy of the above proposal and supporting material may be inspected at the location noted above during normal office hours, Monday to Friday. Copies may be made and extracts taken therefrom, upon request.

Note: Property Owners are responsible for notifying lessee

Let your family and loved ones know that you are thinking of them at their time of celebration with a message in the Tribune

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Happy 50th Anniversary To this special couple Wendy and Kim Lillies -Murray, Cindy, Carson, Duncan and Chase

IN MEMORIAM

SMITH, John (Jack) In loving memory of our Father who passed away March 26, 1985. -Forever remembered by son Richard and his wife Sheelagh, children Sheena and Shawn and daughter Judy, husband Ken Paluk, children Wesley and Trevor

CARD OF THANKS

Nothing is more sorrowful than losing a loved one. We wish to express our thankfulness for the acts of sympathy by phone calls, messages and cards in the loss of our dear brother and uncle, Martin Dodd.

Thank you for your support at this difficult time. -Sincerely, Edwin and Linda Dodd and family



For more information call Ken at (204) 376-2418 (land line) or Text to (204) 641-3788 KLCC Charolais, Arborg IN MEMORIAM



Ragna Bezo (Overby) September 5, 1930 - March 10, 2020 In loving memory of our wonderful mother. We were so lucky to have had your love and guidance in our lives. You are deeply missed and forever in our hearts. -With much love, Laureli, Debby, Valdean, Kelly and families



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OBITUARY

Raymond Herbert Sherrin August 21, 1943 - February 20, 2025

Raymond Herbert Sherrin passed away peacefully on February 20, 2025 at the age of 81.

He is lovingly remembered by his wife, Dianne; his children, Rick (Monica), Russell, and Wendy (Sean) from his first marriage to Sandra; and his grandchildren, Kate, Sarah, Ethan, and Mila; stepson Robert; and sister-in-law Linda. He is also survived by his sister, Linda.

He was predeceased by his parents, Ronald and Helen Sherrin; his sister, Joan; and his dear family friend, Anne Darnell.

Raymond was a curling enthusiast and served as an assistant ice maker for the Marquette Curling Club for many years. He also handcrafted and assembled custom curling sticks, sharing his skill with fellow players. He competed in bonspiels across Canada and

took great pride in the sport and the friendships he made along the way. He had a deep love for wildlife and his pets: Toby, Tuppy, Samantha, Rex, and Thelma. A natural

problem-solver, he believed anything could be fixed and never hesitated to help family, friends, or strangers in need. Born and raised in Winnipeg, Raymond lived in Marquette for 31 years before relocating to

Stonewall. His 40-year trucking career took him across North America, where he developed a deep appreciation for the open road. In retirement, he enjoyed fishing, boating, reading, and exploring Stonewall on his daily walks and electric bike rides.

One cherished memory is his fondness for his mother's trifle-a recipe no one could quite replicate.

Raymond's kindness, ingenuity, and generosity will be deeply missed.

A celebration of life will be held at the Meadow Lea Community Hall on March 29, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to a charity of one's choice in his memory.

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Richard Franke

Richard Franke of Inwood, Manitoba passed away on Tuesday, March 11, 2025 at the age of 80 years old.

Richard is survived by his four sons Louis (Dale), granddaughters Talia and Elizabeth and eight great-grandchildren; Brian; Jason; Duane (Kristy) and grandson Oliver; siblings Martin, Rita (Harry), Randy and Sydney (Judy), several nieces and nephews, and extended family.

He was predeceased by his beloved wife Giselda and his parents Richard and Katherine.

Service of Remembrance will be held on Saturday, March 22nd at St. John Vianney Roman Catholic Church,

KEN LOEHMER

204-886-0404

OBITUARY

Hugh "Cody" Keeley January 20, 1952 - March 1, 2025

Hugh F Keeley of Stony Mountain, Manitoba, age 73 passed away peacefully on Saturday, March 1, 2025.

He is survived by his wife Linda; sons Jim (Kyla), Jeff, Sam and Allen; grandchildren Jaxson and Rylan; sister Debbie; and many nieces and nephews.

Hugh was predeceased by his father Leonard: mother Dorothy: brothers Brian, Leonard, Robin and Garry; and sisters Sylvia and Beth.

He retired from Manitoba Hydro formerly Winnipeg Hydro where he worked for many years.

Cody was an avid motorcycle and car enthusiast and spent many miles traveling Canada. A true golden soul, he would talk your ear off, help you in any way he could at the drop of a hat, and had the

most infectious laugh. He had a rare gift for making lasting friendships everywhere he went, most of whom he would consider as family. His passing has left a void in the hearts of those whose lives meant a great deal to him.

Cody was a very proud grandfather to Jaxson and Rylan, he was never a sports enthusiast but was sure to attend and cheer loudly at near every hockey, soccer, and baseball game. They surely kept him young at heart.

A private family Celebration of Life will be held in March.

As per Hugh's wishes, donations can be made to the Manitoba Cancer Society. Please visit Hugh's memorial page at seasonsfunerals.ca to share your memories.





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