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#### By Jo-Anne Procter

The South Interlake Garden Club welcomed visitors to its 61st annual Flower, Fruit, and Vegetable Show at Oddfellows Hall in Stonewall last Saturday.

The Show this year was a reflection of the South Interlake Garden Club — small but mighty.

With blooms bursting and a delightful array of vegetables on display, this year's event may have had fewer entries than in years past, but the quality exhibited a true passion for horticulture.

Judy Nichol earned the coveted Grand Aggregate prize. Her collection of 66 points showcased her skills across various classes. Just behind her with 60 points was Jo-Anne Procter, who claimed the Reserve Aggregate title for her entries.

Class 1 showcased some stunning garden flowers, with Procter racking up the most points, including awards for the best dahlia and rose collection. Joy Leschasin won an award for the best gladiola, and Nicole Kapusta won an award for the best begonia.

In Class 2, Kathy Simard received the award for best outdoor container. Marni Langrell's house plant in Class

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3 caught the judges' eye, earning her top honours.

In Class 4, Procter was successful with the best specialty arrangement, while Kapusta had the best in Class 5 with her fun with flowers arrangement.

The vegetable entries were just as noteworthy. Nichol secured top points and recognition for her splendid display of veggies. Leschasin earned first place for showcasing three exceptional tomatoes. Joan Hunter captured the Judge's Choice Award in Class 7 for best fruit.

Simard demonstrated her seasoned expertise in the senior category, collecting the most points.

In the youth category, Charlotte Matheson captivated everyone with her contributions in the six-year and under category. Elizabeth Matheson showcased remarkable skills for someone aged 7-9. Her creativity and unique designs caught the judges' eyes.

Robert Daher made his mark through his imaginative approach in the 10-16 years category.

Owen Shymko captured the spotlight with his stunning photograph of a sunset. The vibrant hues and

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Award winners from the 61st annual Flower, Fruit and Vegetable Show held in Stonewall last Saturday. Pictured back row, left to right: Joy Leschasin, Kathy Simard, Judy Nichol, Elizabeth Matheson, Robert Daher and Nicole Kapusta. Front: Joan Hunter, Jo-Anne Procter and Charlotte Matheson.



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stunning composition earned him the prestigious Judge's Choice Award for photography.

This year, attendees had an oppor-

tunity to vote for their favourite photograph, which added an engaging twist to the event. The viewer's choice

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#### > 61ST GARDEN SHOW, FROM PG. 2

ended in a tie with Shymko's sunset photograph and Simard's enchanting photograph of tree frogs resting on a plant leaf.

Club president Tanya Daher said the club is looking forward to the show next year, as the categories will be revamped to make it less intimidating to enter.

"We will simplify the themes to something with less barriers," she told the *Tribune*. "It will be more fun and easy to enter, so no one feels like they couldn't possibly enter anything good enough. The kids love it and they can enter every category (except the Seniors), not just the children's section," she explained. "The look on their faces when they get a prize is so worth it."

The next public event is the AGM potluck at the Parochial Hall in Stonewall on Oct. 23 at 6 p.m. A guest speaker will present on foraging in Manitoba.



Nancy Lawrence, left, and Cathy Mulligan took pleasure in admiring the various entries at the 61st Annual Flower, Fruit and Vegetable Show.



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## **4** The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, August 15, 2024 larren participates in Communities in Bloom competition

#### By Jo-Anne Procter

Lions Memorial Park stood out during Warren's inaugural Communities in Bloom (CIB) tour on Aug. 1. Judges Hugh Skinner and Wilbert Ronald quickly recognized its beauty, marking it as the community's crown jewel.

As part of their evaluation, the judges explored various aspects of beautification, including landscapes, floral displays and overall tidiness. They also noted tree management practices and efforts in environmental conservation.

The day began with breakfast at LJ's Grill, where local CIB committee members welcomed the judges. From there, it was off to Lions Memorial Park and the Warren Pool Elevator. Volunteers Charlie Amy and Lana Cowling-Mason shared stories about the site's rich history.

Visiting past Yard of the Week winners added another layer to their journey. Chris Friesen detailed his prairie

habitat plantings that have contributed to Warren's ecological tapestry before they continued onto Woodlands for lunch at Lillies and Lattes. While in Woodlands, they toured the Woodlands Museum and had a meet-andgreet at the RM office.

Warren's Communities in Bloom committee is a dedicated group of four volunteers led by Murray Scott. The team also includes Sandy Scott, Judy Olson and Alana Fehr.

Olson expressed excitement about their initiatives this year.

"We are hoping this year's activities will spark some interest in additional community volunteers," Olson told the Tribune. "As we are now officially a Communities in Bloom community, we may have opportunities for grant applications to assist us with future beautification or environmental projects."

Olson said the experience has really opened a door for community pride and engagement.



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Provincial Community in Blooms judges Wilbert Ronald, left, and Hugh Skinner, right, join Warren's Community In Blooms chairperson Murray Scott for a tour of Lions Memorial Park on Aug. 1.

Based on performance, the town will at the annual provincial conference

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# Yard of the Week honours RCMP news in brief



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Stonewall's Communities in Bloom Yard of the Week honour was awarded to Vicky and Greg Hopgood at 11 Cottonwood. The couple has been in the neighbourhood for the past six years and cannot take all the credit since their son Dwayne and his girlfriend Dayna help with the upkeep and design of the yard and flower beds. The focal point is a large ash tree, and the flower beds host large granite rocks amongst perennial lilies, hostas, sedum, yarrow, dianthus and Karl Forester grass. Marigolds are the annual of choice for the family, and there are two Quickfire hydrangeas in the flower bed along the front of the house. Recipients of Yard of the Week receive a \$25 gift certificate from Stonewall Home Hardware and, of course, bragging rights. To nominate a Yard of the Week, ballot boxes can be found at the Stonewall Home Hardware and the Stonewall Library.



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#### By Jennifer McFee

Local RCMP are extending gratitude for the community's help in dealing with property crime in the area.

"Stonewall RCMP would like to express their thanks and appreciation for the assistance of local community members when dealing with the property crime issue in Stonewall and Interlake region," said Cpl. Mike Garton.

"Do not pursue or confront anyone you suspect is conducting property crime. Many of the clients the RCMP has been dealing with lately are under the influence of meth or may be carrying a weapon. The ultimate goal for the RCMP on calls for service is to efficiently deal with the problem

and locate or arrest the suspects in the safest way possible for everyone involved."

For anyone who needs to call the RCMP to report a property crime in progress, Garton said it's helpful if they can relay to the dispatcher a description of the vehicle and clothing, the last known direction of travel and any licence plate numbers of vehicles involved.

A few small steps could help protect your property and vehicles from potential theft.

On Tuesday, July 30, Stonewall RCMP received multiple reports of stolen vehicles in the RM of Wood-

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## Mark your calendars for annual Ride for a Child's Wish

## Volunteers needed for Make-A-Wish Aug. 24

#### By Emma McGill

Thirty-four years after its establishment, the organizers of the annual Ride for a Child's Wish near Woodlands are preparing to host the event again to raise money for children's wishes.

The Wish Ride is held yearly at Silver and Gary Peltier's farm. Equestrians and motorcyclists band together to either take the 10-mile horse trail ride or the 250-kilometre motorcycle ride around the Interlake in support of Make-A-Wish Canada. This year, the Ride will take place on Saturday, Aug. 24.

The small committee that has organized the event this year consists of five people and several volunteers who come before, during and after the ride to help set up and tear down tables, tents and everything else.

The Peltiers love putting on the

Wish ride.

"Seeing the smiles of the Wish kids and their families when they receive their wishes makes it all worth the time and energy it takes to put this big fundraising event on," shared Silver.

Many children are waiting on their wishes, and all the money raised at the Woodlands ride goes directly to Make-A-Wish Manitoba to be used for as many wishes as possible. Last year, more than \$55,000 was raised, which likely granted about five or more kids their wishes. Though they do not raise money for a specific child, the Peltiers often have someone from a Wish family come and talk about the wish that their child received and what it meant to them.

Some of the children's wishes that have come true through Make-A-Wish have included visiting Disney World, meeting idols, getting bedroom or backyard makeovers, having a puppy or getting computer equipment. Every child who receives these wishes is living with a critical illness, and the wishes provide them with some relief from their fear and anxietv.

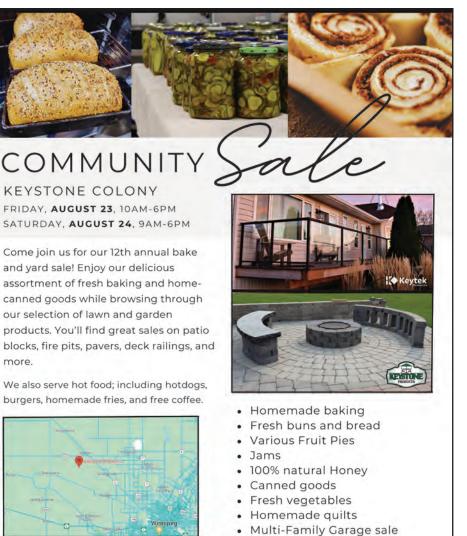
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Cary and Silver Peltier with Fred West and his generous donation of a yearling horse. The gelding will be raffled off at the Wish Ride on Aug. 24.



Fred West, a local to Inwood, generously contributes to the annual Ride

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## **Boat carrying nine passengers capsizes at Steep Rock**

#### By Becca Myskiw

What started as a bright, cheery day quickly turned dark when a boat capsized at Steep Rock a few weeks ago.

When Wally Welchenko went to tie one of his boats back onto the dock on July 16, he was flagged down by a passerby on the beach, alerting him of a capsized boat. Welchenko and a helper quickly got in one of his boats to see if their help was needed on the water, and the further they got out onto the lake, the more treacherous the water became.

"Once I hit the point, it was very nasty," he said. "We had like fourfoot waves. It wasn't a good time to be out."

The first thing Welchenko and his helper saw on the water was the hull of a boat upside down in the water. Then he saw the owner of the boat pulling a woman toward a rock to get her on it — she had been under the water for a couple of minutes and was unconscious. their boat by now to help two teen girls who were also still in the water. As Welchenko tried to keep his boat from smashing into rocks, he helped the owner of the capsized boat give CPR to the unconscious woman, and after a few minutes, she was conscious again. Welchenko then took the two young girls and the woman back to shore, taking them to the public dock where emergency crews could help.

Welchenko then ran to grab his stretcher board — something he'd had for 30 years but had never used until that day — and got the woman off the boat safely. They then returned to check on the boat owner, Peter Hofbauer, who offers professional boat rides and kayak rentals in Steep Rock.

The *Tribune* reached out to Hofbauer for an interview, but he declined, saying he works on the lake every day, he had an accident, and the important thing is that everyone is safe. Welchenko said his best guess is that the weather and big waves made for

a bad situation.

Lundar/Ashern RCMP received the call about the capsized boat at 4:45 p.m. on July 16. EMS and fire were first on the scene. When RCMP arrived, they assisted EMS. The 59-year-old woman, who had been unconscious, was taken to a hospital in Winnipeg by STARS and is doing OK. There were a total of nine people on board the boat, including Hofbauer. The other seven were young females 12 to 17 years old. All were assessed on scene and released.

RCMP said all occupants on board the boat were wearing lifejackets. The 17-foot boat was approximately 30 to 50 feet from shore when it ran into a large wave, took on too much water and capsized. RCMP confirmed Hoff-

#### > WARREN CIB, FROM PG. 4

bauer has been charged under section 1007 of the Small Vessel Regulations Act for operating a vessel in a careless manner, "without due care and attention or reasonable consideration for other persons."

"We were very fortunate that this boat capsized close to shore as this clearly could have been a very tragic incident if this had occurred farther out into the lake," said RCMP.

Welchenko has helped rescue people from the lake before and said he's good in situations like that since he's able to remain calm and collected.

"I'm sure if anyone else was in the water they would have helped," he said. "I was just there at the right time. The rope on my boat broke for a reason."

Welchenko's helper had stepped off

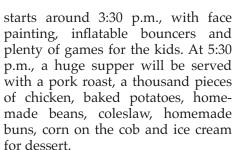
#### > RIDE FOR A CHILD'S WISH, FROM PG. 6

by donating a horse. He always comes up with a filly or colt, a yearling horse to make the event extra special. This year's yearling is a 2023 Buckskin gelding.

It will be an all-day event continuing into the evening. Registration for both rides begins at 9 a.m. The trail ride starts at 11 a.m. from Peltiers' property. The motorcycle ride begins at the same time from Warren Fuels. Each ride will last three or four hours.

The trail ride passes by the back of Peltiers' property and follows a little gravel road through some ditches and other people's properties before returning to its home base. The motorcycle ride, which was added to the Wish Ride about eight years ago, leaves Warren, passes through Teulon, up to Inwood, then around through Eriksdale and Lundar and back home.

The ride is family-friendly and includes children's entertainment that



And after everyone has enjoyed the ride and supper, the Wish auction will follow dinner. There is also a large raffle with plenty of amazing prizes, some provided by local businesses. The fun and dancing continue into the wee hours, with Prairieline providing musical entertainment.

"We are so looking forward to hearing them play here," said Silver.

The Peltiers always look and hope for more volunteers, and even the smallest contribution helps. Anyone willing to show up, even just to set up or take down or with general questions, can contact Silver at 204-461-0640 or silverpeltier@gmail.com.



During the visit to the Warren Elevator, CIB judge Wilbert Ronald assisted volunteer Charlie Amy and Warren's CIB chairperson Murray Scott to raise a Canadian flag.

in Portage la Prairie. Judges will provide detailed feedback on where the community has succeeded and offer suggestions for improvement.

The support from the Warren LUD has been remarkable. Seasonal employee Bryce Birnie and RM Public Works have also played crucial roles. Many local residents also contribute tirelessly to make Warren a beautiful place to live.



Warren resident Chris Friesen welcomed CIB judges in to his yard to discuss prairie habitat planting.

The committee has prepared a community profile booklet describing the achievements in the six criteria from a municipal, business/organization and residential/community perspective. They encourage local businesses, clubs and organizations to reach out to be highlighted in the booklet.

For more information or to get involved, please get in touch with Murray Scott at murraydscott3@gmail. com or 204-797-8624.











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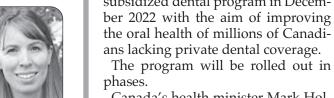
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the federal NDP, the Liberal government introduced the first phase of a subsidized dental program in December 2022 with the aim of improving

ans lacking private dental coverage. The program will be rolled out in

The federal government recently

expanded eligibility to its Canadian

Dental Care Plan (CDCP) and now

includes adults with a valid disability

tax credit certificate and children un-

Subsidized dental care is a first for

Canada. With encouragement from

Canada's health minister Mark Holland and minister of northern affairs Dan Vandal made an announcement in Winnipeg in late June about enhanced eligibility to the program. The two new groups represent over a million more Canadians that will soon have access to more affordable oral health services.

"Expanding eligibility to the CDCP to children under the age of 18 and to adults with valid Disability Tax Credits will mean that more than one million additional Canadians will have affordable access to the oral health care they need," said Holland

in a June 27 news release from Health Canada. "This is about fairness and making sure people have access to the care they need to be healthy and have the dignity they deserve."

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The federal government's program pays a percentage of the cost of dental services for Canadian residents who don't have access to private dental health insurance, who have a net familv income of less than \$90,000 and who filed an income tax return.

The CDCP helps make dental care more affordable for up to nine million Canadians who don't have dental coverage.

federal government had The launched the plan for in December 2022. The interim program was called the Canada Dental Benefit (CBD) and helped lower dental costs for almost 450,000 kids. That program expired on June 30 and parents or guardians can now apply for the CDCP.

Eligible seniors aged 65 years and older can also sign up for the CDCP.

Over two million seniors have been approved to receive coverage under the plan since its launch, and since May 1, more than 200,000 have used the plan for oral health services such as cleanings, fillings and dentures, states the release.

Sun Life is administering the program. Those eligible for the CDCP will receive a welcome package from the insurance company within three months of applying for the program. It will contain information on their coverage start date and what services are eligible for coverage.

There are over 11,400 oral health providers such as dentists, denturists and hygienists currently providing services to people eligible for the CDCP. People who don't have a dentist or other oral health provider can use Sun Life's CDCP Provider Search service to find one in their community.

As of July 8, oral health providers which aren't part of the CDCP program can bill Sun Life directly for any care they provide to a CDCP client. Those providers don't have to formally participate in the program.

CDCP participants may have to pay additional dental charges depending on what services they received and the cost of those treatments.

Eligible Canadians between the ages of 18 and 64 will be able to apply online in 2025 for the CDCP.

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Kinsmen Lake in Stonewall was busy over the weekend as temperatures returned to mid 20s. The Wilson family took a break from the 28 degrees late afternoon on Sunday to cool off at the beach. 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

#### > RCMP, FROM PG. 5

lands.

According to reports, the stolen vehicles were left unlocked — and all of them had their keys still inside.

"I can't stress enough the importance of locking your vehicle and removing any valuables from it," Garton said.

"Thieves will always look for the easiest target."

To avoid being an easy target of car theft, the RCMP recommends that owners lock their vehicle's doors and roll up the windows. If possible, it's best to park the vehicle in a garage and keep it locked.

The RCMP also urges everyone to park in well-lit areas and to take their keys, garage door openers and any valuables out of the vehicle when they leave it. In addition, they suggest checking on the vehicle regularly, even if it's not being used.

"You need to remain vigilant when it comes to securing your home and your vehicles," Garton said.

"Theft of vehicles continues to be a concern in the Interlake, and we want to remind everyone to lock their vehicles at all times when not in use."

#### IN OTHER RCMP NEWS:

On Thursday, Aug. 8, Stonewall RCMP, Stonewall Rockwood fire department, emergency medical services and Stars air ambulance responded to a report of a single-vehicle collision into the trees near Jimm's Hill in the Stonewall area.

A 69-year-old man from Surrey, B.C., experienced a medical issue while driving. He had been staying at the Quarry Park campground but had been in the city earlier that day to visit family.

Nobody else was injured; however, the man died while he was at the hospital.

On Wednesday, Aug. 7, Stonewall RCMP members were on patrol along Highway 6 near Warren when they were dispatched to a single-vehicle collision.

Reports indicated that a white Honda CRV was in the ditch with people standing around the vehicle.

Police attended and located 33-year old Clayton Moose of Nelson House at the scene. Checks revealed Clayton Moose had an outstanding Canada-wide warrant of apprehension. He was taken into custody and delivered to Stony Mountain Institution.

On Sunday, Aug. 4, Stonewall RCMP received a call about a suspicious man walking on Road 3W in the RM of Woodlands.

"Local residents were concerned as the male would try to hide or ran into the bush if he was approached," Garton said.

"There was a legit concern due to the property crime that has been a consistent problem in the Interlake region over the last several months."

Stonewall RCMP members attended and searched for the man, with the assistance of police dog services.

They located the man, who fled on foot in an effort to escape from the police and tried fighting with RCMP members.

An RCMP member effectively deployed his Taser, and the man was safely taken into custody. When they searched a man, they found a knife concealed in his clothing.

Harley Delorme, 33, of Steinbach was charged with possession of weapon for a dangerous purpose and resisting a peace officer. He remains in custody.



#### Lial, Lunatic or Lord

"He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together." (Colossians 1:15-17)

These words, written by the Apostle Paul about Jesus, highlight one of the most important claims of Christianity. There are no fair-minded historians who deny that Jesus of Nazareth existed. Even atheists are quite certain that He was crucified on a Roman cross and that His followers claimed that He had risen from the dead. These are historical realities.

Christianity, however, is not content to say that Jesus was simply a man who existed, it says with utter confidence that He was God Himself, come to earth as a human being. Plenty of people are happy to acknowledge that Jesus may have been a good teacher, but Christianity refuses to stop with those claims.

C.S. Lewis - yes the guy who wrote the Narnia books – famously remarked that Jesus did not leave us the option of simply regarding Him as a good teacher. Jesus made some profoundly high claims about Himself - just read the Gospel of John and you'll see for yourself - and those claims leave us with only three options. Lewis asserted that Jesus was either a liar, and the whole idea of Him being a good moral teacher must be discarded, or He was a lunatic, because the things He said about Himself guaranteed He would be killed by those in power, or He is Lord, and everything He said is true.

So what do you believe about Jesus? History clearly testifies that He existed, but Lewis is correct in saying that to acknowledge Him only as a good teacher simply won't do. Might it be that you have not seriously wrestled with the claims of Christianity, and have not taken time to truly consider the claims of Jesus of Nazareth? I invite you today to consider them, and know that we would be happy to come alongside you as you wrestle to find the truth. Daniel Bredin

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#### 10 The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, August 15, 2024 Winnipeg Metropolitan Region and Plan20-50 spark municipal and public concern

### City of Selkirk 'forced' into WMR and wants out

#### By Patricia Barrett

A meeting held in late July by the Capital Planning Region — which operates under the name the Winnipeg Metropolitan Region (WMR) — resulted in a flurry of public concern about what the WMR's land-use plan will mean for residents of the 18 municipalities that are members of the corporation, as well as for people living in municipalities outside the WMR's boundaries.

A second public meeting WMR scheduled in Niverville on Aug. 8 led to the RCMP being called in after hundreds of Manitobans showed up and tried to get into the hall, which was over capacity. The WMR said it will reschedule the meeting to a future date in a larger venue.

If you haven't heard of the Winnipeg Metropolitan Region and what it does, you're not alone. The WMR has been operating quietly for the past few years with little public communication and with pared-down media attention about its purpose, what it can do with the legislated powers the former provincial government gave it, and how powers currently held by its member municipalities can be potentially sidelined.

The City of Selkirk is pulling no punches when it comes to its feelings about being a member of the WMR: it wants out.

Selkirk's chief administrative officer Duane Nicol said Selkirk had been a "voluntary" member of a previous iteration of the region in the 1990s under then City of Winnipeg mayor Susan Thompson. Collaborating with other municipal governments can be "a great thing" as long as it's voluntary and municipalities maintain the authority to govern their own jurisdictions.

But Selkirk had been "forced" to join the new Capital Planning Region/ WMR, which was created by the former provincial Conservative government under Brian Pallister. And it will have to abide by the policies set out in the WMR's yet-to-be-adopted bylaw or land-use planning document, which is titled Plan20-50: A Regional Plan for the Winnipeg Metropolitan Region.

"Plan20-50 is a regional plan that all 18 member municipalities will have to follow, and it will [supersede] municipal development plans and municipal planning district policies. Effectively, it's a new level of government that has been created by Bill 37," said Nicol, who has been CAO since 2014 and served on council from 2002-2014. "The City of Selkirk has resolutions from council and it has gone on record stating that we don't want to be part of Winnipeg Metro Region. We were forced into this. There was no consultation. We think this is bad for Selkirk residents and we think it will harm Selkirk in the long run. So we formally objected. We've also asked the minister to release us from this group."

Nicol spoke at the first public hearing on Plan20-50 that the WMR held on July 25 in Winnipeg, saying the former government "used no data" to define the boundaries of the WMR. It just threw Selkirk into the mix without asking whether it wanted to join and against the "expressed unanimous opposition" of Selkirk's council.

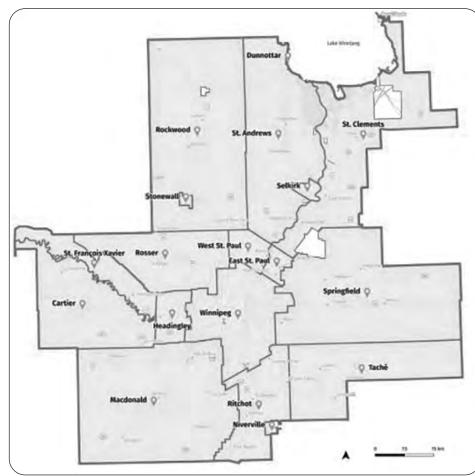
"Selkirk is not included within the Statistics Canada's Census Metropolitan Region for Winnipeg because it does not meet the social and economic standards set out for inclusion by this expert body. Neither the province nor the Capital Planning Region can justify Selkirk's inclusion within the region using any credible, defendable, social and economic rationale," Nicol had stated at that meeting. "There was no data, research or study that was conducted when the boundaries of the region were established. In fact, the boundaries were established against the most credible and valid analysis available — the work of Statistics Canada.'

When they were in power, the Conservatives introduced Bill 37, now called The Planning Amendment and City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment Act, to make changes to two pieces of existing legislation. The bill passed and came into effect in May 2021.

The legislation's intent was to provide planning regions; it established the Capital Planning Region/Winnipeg Metropolitan Region and determined what RMs would be members. The legislation also allows for the creation of other municipal conglomerations, if so desired. It permits local land-use decisions to be subject to appeal to the Manitoba Municipal Board, which is a quasi-judicial tribunal that hears planning and property assessment appeals.

The 2021 Act directed the WMR to establish a bylaw (Plan20-50) to guide land-use planning for all 18 municipalities. The WMR gave the bylaw first reading on June 13.

Nicol said there's a three-year window allowing for a statutory review of the 2021 Act, and that's happening



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The 18 municipalities that make up the Capital Planning Region, which operates under the name Winnipeg Metropolitan Region (WMR), are the City of Winnipeg, City of Selkirk, Town of Niverville, Town of Stonewall, Village of Dunnottar and the rural municipalities of Cartier, East St. Paul, Headingley, Macdonald, Ritchot, Rockwood, Rosser, Springfield, St. Andrews, St. Clements, St. François Xavier, Tache and West St. Paul.

right now. But rather than "pausing ... the WMR ... and actually giving consideration to whether [it's] a good idea or not" for all involved, they're signalling that they're moving forward with Plan20-50 despite this review.

"This is one of the problems we have with the process they've adopted. They're still pushing hard to get Plan20-50 approved," he said.

It will be approved if second and third readings pass.

It's unclear whether there'll be any changes made to Plan20-50 with respect to feedback provided at the public meetings — both of which the WMR is required to hold under the Act, said Nicol.

"Technically, they have the ability to do that and I would hope that if they get any useful feedback, they can use it to improve the plan. I'll assume they're giving that a good review and consideration," he said.

Plan20-50's purpose is to create a sustainable and economically viable region, according to a statement by WMR chair Michael Moore (a provincial government appointee) that's provided in the preface of the document. The 30-year plan represents a collective effort to embrace "regionalism" that was developed through an inclusive process and "extensive collaboration" among the 18 municipal members. And it "made room for all stakeholders to provide input." Moore believes Plan20-50 will contribute to the betterment of the region.

WMR members are the City of Winnipeg, City of Selkirk, Town of Niverville, Town of Stonewall, Village of Dunnottar, RM of Cartier, RM of East St. Paul, RM of Headingley, RM of Macdonald, RM of Ritchot, RM of Rockwood, RM of Rosser, RM of Springfield, RM of St. Andrews, RM of St. Clements, RM of St. François Xavier, RM of Tache and RM of West St. Paul. The WMR board has mayors, reeves and councillors from those jurisdictions, as well as provincial appointees.

The plan addresses broad areas such as climate resilience, the protection of water, land and natural resources, reconciliation with Indigenous peoples and technological advancement. Drilling down, it has policies for areas such as housing, community growth, water and wastewater, transportation, job creation and agriculture. There are a number of regional

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planning "schedules," which have yet to be created to guide future development and which will align with Plan20-50. These schedules include a Regional Housing Strategy, a Regional Transportation Master Plan, a Regional Natural Assets Network Plan, a Regional Agricultural Master Plan and a Regional Climate Action Plan.

Plan20-50 states that the Regional Climate Action Plan, for example, will "align efforts regionally to reduce greenhouse gas emission, enhance energy efficiency and support adaptation." These appear to be laudable goals intended to benefit people and the environment, but there are no details on how they'll be achieved.

Nicol said he thinks there are a number of reasons Plan20-50 has given rise to some public confusion and ire this in a matter of days since WMR's first public meeting on July 25.

The reasons range from a relative lack of communication from the WMR itself about what it does, its "motherhood and apple pie" statements that make everything sound so good when it does communicate, a lack of mainstream media coverage that could have provided the public with an overview of what the WMR is and the power this corporation has to override municipal authority and taxation, and the fact that there are so many unknowns regarding what land-use planning and other policies will look like as they have yet to be created. Without details of how Plan20-50 plan is going to affect municipalities and their ratepayers, it's difficult for people to make informed judgments.

What is known is the power that the WMR possesses under the legislation, said Nicol.

"Let me start by talking about the structure of the [WMR] because that will provide you with some sense of how impactful Plan20-50 could be. Structure is important because it gives this plan teeth. The Winnipeg Metro Region is basically an overarching second-tier level of government. In legislation they have the power of [land] expropriation and they have the power of indirect taxation," said Nicol. "This group can take land from anybody, including municipalities, for any reason they deem necessary. And they can sell it to somebody else. That's a Crown power; that's why it's called a second-tier level of government. They also have the power of indirect taxation; they can levy a charge against a local municipality [such as Selkirk] and send us an invoice. We'd have no ability to argue or dispute that charge and we, in turn, would have to put that onto the backs of our taxpayers."

And down the line if the WMR says it needs more money, the provincial minister can raise the minimum that can be charged to municipalities, and by extension to its ratepayers, said Nicol. Expropriation and indirect taxation are not addressed in the Plan20-50 document but in the legislation itself.

"That's the problem with Plan20-50: it assumes you know all this [background legislation and regulations]," he said.

Another issue with structure is the power the City of Winnipeg has to essentially "veto" any WMR decision by virtue of its population size, he said. For anything to pass, Winnipeg would have to vote in favour of it.

With regard to Plan20-50 itself, Nicol said there are "lots of good ideas" in it. But at the same time, it wades into areas that go "above and beyond" land-use planning such as design and standards, recreational services delivery, emergency service delivery, waste management, asset management, greenhouse gas tracking, monitoring and target-setting, as well into areas that have traditionally been the responsibility of municipalities.

"Plan20-50 sets out a big area of public policy that the Winnipeg Metro Region will be responsible for, but it doesn't give any details. This will be done piecemeal after the fact [after it's adopted]. And municipalities will be governed by those things," said Nicol. "That's one of the reasons Selkirk is quite concerned. These are broad and expansive powers the WMR is taking out of the hands of municipal governments."

The plan indicates that specific areas such as downtown Winnipeg and CentrePort in the RM of Rosser are ideal targets for development. And that could come at the expense of other municipal governments that are trying to attract economic development to their areas.

"We're investing a lot in economic development in Selkirk, and we'd be working against the WMR because they'll be looking to direct more and more development to targeted areas," said Nicol.

It would be in keeping with democratic practice to allow municipalities to bring Plan20-50 to their ratepayers, review its goals and open up debate, he added.

"Why isn't there an opportunity to be accountable to the people? Each of these councils could hold a public forum and a debate and, ultimately, we could have a resolution from each council to buy into Plan20-50. That would seem like a more democratic process," said Nicol. "But this is not collaborative; it's coercion. Some municipalities were forced into this. Some might have voluntarily joined

and there are some municipalities that are generally supportive of it - and that's fine; they have a right to that. But places like Selkirk do not want to be part of this and we're seeing real concerns with how this [plan] is going to be implemented."

Jennifer Friesen, who lives on an acreage in a municipality south of Winnipeg that she prefers not to identify, said she has concerns about the impact of Plan20-50 on agriculture. The plan contains no details about what conditions could be placed on farmers.

"Our community's primary industry is agriculture, as are many of the communities that will be impacted by Plan20-50. Under Section 4.1.5, the plan states there will be a 'Regional Agricultural Master Plan.' However, no details for this plan are outlined," said Friesen, whose municipality is not part of the WMR. "Farmers want to know what conditions will be imposed on them in order to meet the WMRs goals of supporting the United Nations 2030 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). One of the most well-known SDGs is to reduce carbon emissions to zero by 2050. No diesel? No gas? No propane? What does that mean for transportation and agriculture?"

Friesen said municipalities could find themselves in court should they fail to comply with WMR policies. Under Section 6.2 of the plan, it states that municipalities should ensure proposed bylaws are not inconsistent with the regional plan.

"This sounds amicable enough, until you read further (page 101, 6.2.7 Enforcement) and discover that if municipalities refuse to comply with the proposed bylaws, the WMR will take them to court. It's clear that full compliance will not only be expected but enforced," said Friesen. "In more basic language, the WMR will hold more power to dictate bylaws in your community than your municipal councils. How can a non-elected, statutory corporation be granted more power than your elected municipal council or mayor?"

Friesen said there's been a lack of media coverage about Plan20-50, yet the plan will impact the daily lives of nearly 900,000 Manitobans. Residents should also be given the right to vote on whether to accept or reject the plan.

"Each community must have the right to have open discussions with the WMR board wherein the public can ask critical questions and the WMR board is obliged to answer. After full transparency and public involvement have been ensured, it's essential that each community has the right to vote on their acceptance or rejection of Plan20-50," she said. "Until

The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, August 15, 2024 11 then, we cannot consent to this unelected body — the WMR — holding such vast power to dictate the conditions under which we live and work."

> Arborg and Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton business owner Morley Nordal said he has concerns about how Plan20-50 could negatively affect the agricultural industry, how its housing density policies could see people "living on top of each other in tenement housing" and how it intends to establish an electrical grid to support climate-friendly initiatives such as electric vehicles.

> The plan states that food security reinforces the need to "protect and preserve" the region's agricultural lands in the "outer metro area." But if development affects existing and future agricultural activities and "avoidance is not possible," there should be a "minimization or mitigation" of adverse impacts. In other words, agricultural land could be sacrificed.

> With reference to development prevailing over agricultural activities, Nordal said there's a potential for disruptions to the food chain. And there could be late seeding starts and limits on the number of animal units.

> "It could affect our ability to produce enough food to feed ourselves," said Nordal, who lives and works in different municipalities that are not part of the WMR.

> He questions how agricultural land taken out of commission to serve development needs can be considered sustainable, which is emphasized throughout the plan.

> To me, sustainability is being a steward of the land. A farmer takes a quarter section of land and keeps it weed-free and produces a crop. And he does the same thing the following year. That's sustainable. I don't know what the WMR means by sustainability. Their definition of sustainability is far different from mine," he said. "I want my children and grandchildren to have the same opportunities as I had growing up. This plan doesn't just affect me; it's about what we're leaving for our future generations."

> The Express reached out to other WMR member municipalities in the Interlake for comment. Stonewall Mayor Sandra Smith wasn't able to offer comment on the corporation or Plan20-50.

> "Officially, I can't comment because we're in the middle of the public hearing process," she said.

> The paper left a message for Village of Dunnottar Mayor Rick Gamble regarding Plan20-50 and also contacted the village office but did not hear back from Gamble.

## 12 The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, August 15, 2024 SRHC internship offers memorable experience

#### By Jennifer McFee

A recent graduate now has a jump start on his career thanks to a successful internship experience at Selkirk Regional Health Centre.

When Larry Denisiuk wrapped up his last day of job shadowing on June 25, he could hardly believe how quickly the time went by. He had embarked on the internship on March 2, not knowing quite what to expect.

"My initial assumptions were that it would be a chaotic experience and would put me under a lot of stress. But now that I am finished shadowing this job, I have realized that it was quite, in fact, the opposite," said Larry, who attended Springfield Collegiate Institute in Oakbank.

"There definitely were times that I experienced chaos and stressful situations, but the team at SRHC managed to de-escalate these stressful situations with such professionalism, hard work, dedication and, most of all, teamwork."

One of the biggest lessons he learned is that resilience is key to success. Another takeaway is the importance of teamwork, particularly in the busy hospital setting.

"Every department I went to at SRHC had a team of bright-minded, passionate, comedic, helpful and encouraging staff. Everyone helped each other out, no matter what the situation was. Additionally, people would teach other co-workers efficient ways of doing procedures or show them something new. I found that these encouraging teams helped everyone get through the day," he said.

"They make the day a lot more positive, uplifting and joyful, which is not what many people would expect when working at a hospital. The teams at SRHC definitely have each other's backs, and that allows patient care to be improved. One thing that stood out to me the most was how every team I went to accepted me and were very kind to me. They treated me as if I had always been a part of the team, which made me feel very appreciative."

Lori Buors, Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority's Indigenous human resources officer, expressed gratitude for all the staff involved in creating this positive experience.

"There is an outstanding team at the Selkirk hospital who welcomes high school internship students," she said. "A big thank you to all the staff."

It was an enjoyable and educational experience for Larry, whose favourite departments included the lab, diagnostic imaging and the emergency room.

"They are all related to my field of interest, which is medical microbiology and infectious diseases," he said, "and these departments have strengthened my passion for this field of science."



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Left to right: X-ray technologist Sloan MacDonald, X-ray technologist Kieran Svencicki, internship student Larry Denisiuk and senior X-ray technologist Kathleen Honke.

In the end, Larry said he learned a lot of lessons through the internship opportunity.

"I recommend this job shadowing experience to any high-schooler who is thinking of pursuing a career in medicine or any career that involves biology, chemistry or physics. The amount of jobs related to health care is definitely something for high-schoolers to consider and is a field in high demand," he said.

"This experience is, without a doubt, one that I will remember for the rest of my life."

Larry was selected as a BMO Financial Group Leader of Tomorrow and received a \$16,000 scholarship to attend the University of Manitoba, where he will work towards his bachelor of science degree (honours) with a co-op option in microbiology. His other recent volunteer work includes roles with Oakbank Animal Hospital, Winnipeg Folk Festival and Folklorama.

## **Experience the thrilling Teulon Truck and Tractor Pull event**

#### By Emma McGill

For more than half a century, the Teulon Tractor Pull has challenged tractors and trucks to determine their durability while also offering an enjoyable yearly event for the local community.

Truck and tractor pulling is a popular sport worldwide and is known as one of the most powerful motorsports. When the sport first came to Teulon, things started out very small. A stone boat was pulled behind the tractors that some young farmers brought out. They competed to see who could pull the furthest, and more and more people jumped on board as the tractor went down the track. The importance of distance rather than speed sets this motorsport apart from others.

In 2024, the stone boat became known as the weight transfer sled. When this sled is pulled forward, a weight on the sled moves forward, continually adding more weight to the friction plate. This mechanism has replaced the old stone boat. The Teulon Pull is affiliated with the Red River Valley Pullers Association, a club dedicated to modified truck and tractor pulling. They bring roughly 40 to 50 trucks and tractors to compete from Minnesota, North Dakota and southern Manitoba alongside local and antique tractors and four-by-four pickup trucks. The vehicles will include super stock, pro stock, multi-engine and alcohol-injected trucks and tractors.

John Skinner, Bruce Bond, Ed and Irvin Helwer started the event around 1972. Garry Dola and Bert Campbell put it together and run it today. These two, along with the many volunteers, have been working on the pull for over 40 years.

The whole town collaborates with its fundamental organizations to make the tractor pull happen. The Teulon Curling Club will operate both the gate and the famous Barley Gardens, and the Teulon and Area Lions Club will provide concessions and barbe-



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The Teulon Truck and Tractor Pull will be an unforgettable display of power and skill, as drivers compete for top honours in the annual event on Aug. 17 and 18.

cue, as has been the case for many decades.

Through the event, the organizers can also give back and donate to many groups in town, like the Teulon Rockwood Firefighters, the Lillian Baron Breast Cancer Foundation, the Teulon and District Museum and the Children's Wish Foundation.

The Pull will be held at Green Acres Park on Aug. 17 at 3 p.m. and Aug. 18 at 2 p.m. Admission is \$20 per person or free for ages 12 and under.

## Thirty-eight years of fun: what to expect at Quarry Days 2024

#### By Emma McGill

When August rolls around in the Interlake, you're bound to hear the curious and excited voice of someone asking, "When is Quarry Days this year?" or "Can we please go to Quarry Days?"

Stonewall's Quarry Days will roll into town this year on Aug. 16, 17 and 18. The weekend always offers many attractions and elements of great fun; the first that comes to mind are the mighty Wonder Shows Midway rides that line Main Street. Even without the rides, which open at 5 p.m. on Friday, there is something fun everywhere you turn.

This year, the weekend will kick off on Friday night with a free concert at the main stage sponsored by Access Credit Union at 7 p.m. A.R. Cash, a tribute to Johnny Cash and June Carter Cash, will take the stage followed by Free Ride, the Beatles tribute and 1950s and '60s greaser band. After the show, the annual fireworks display sponsored by the Rockwood Quarry Producers will blow the crowd away.

Simultaneously, a street dance will be put on at the legion beer gardens, sponsored by Maple Leaf, where The Discmen will put on a show. The Discmen are a rock band local to Stonewall, started by long-time drummer and vocalist Derek Gaboury. Four other members join Gaboury to come together as the Discmen and dig up nostalgic covers from the '80s, '90s and early 2000s.

The fun continues when Saturday morning rolls around: a pancake breakfast will be served at the legion from 8 to 11 a.m. before the big parade at 11 a.m. makes it way through town starting at the VMSC. Just a few of those participating in the parade are the Shriners, Mick E Moose and the Clandeboye Pipeband. After these festivities, the midway will open for the day, packing the street full of rides, vendors, food trucks and, of course, people.

At the north end of Main Street in Memorial Park, the TD Family Fun Zone will have plenty of free activities for kids, including face painting, colouring and a petting zoo.

Also, on Saturday, the Rockwood Motor Inn will be hosting a HOT Wing Eating Challenge with great prizes. The entry fee is \$20, and minors are not allowed.

The pancake breakfast, (8 to 11 a.m. at the legion), midway and TD Family Fun Zone will open again on Sunday. The Fun Zone, however, will have a new and first-time feature from Dinomite Adventures, including mini golf, dinosaur visits, dino shop and dino photo opportunities.

Also, in Memorial Park from 11 a.m. to noon, Heather McDermid will lead Yoga in the Park, where all are welcome to grab their family and yoga mats to enjoy some peace and tranquility before some more fast-paced fun.

Twelve teams are registered to participate in the third annual Slo-Pitch Tournament at Fines Field on Saturday and Sunday. This event is organized by close friends and family of Abby Margetts and is a fundraiser for Danica and Abby's Village. The money raised will go towards continuing and building on the Village initiatives, like the rainbow buddy benches placed at schools, daycares and parks all around Manitoba.

"Buddy benches represent a space for children in Manitoba to go to, to spread and find love, kindness and friendship as well as to remember Danica and Abby, the two beautiful little girls who we lost far too soon," shared Amanda Margetts, mother of Abby.

Last year, the funds raised at the tournament were shared with a young local boy who needed money for a



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Local band The Discmen — including Derek Gaboury, Brendan Fast, Jamie Longe, Garret Wilkinson and Dan DiMuzio — will be entertaining at the Friday night street dance at the Legion Beer Gardens.



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Access Credit Union managing partner Leonard McKnight presented a cheque for \$6,500 to Stonewall Quarry Days board member Christy Brown. Access CU is the Friday Night Free Stage sponsor.

possible lung transplant in Toronto. Any inquiries about the ball tournament can be made through email at danicaandabbysvillage@gmail.com. Though registrations are closed, they still seek volunteers to help with face painting. ry Days staples will be available for everyone to enjoy: the used book sale behind the Stonewall library, the Rocklands Antique Tractors on display and free quarry tours. DJ EM-FM will also be playing at the Rock Friday night. The annual joys of the weekend are sure to draw a crowd.

Throughout the weekend, Quar-

## Manitoba Hydro reports employee death in Interlake

#### By Patricia Barrett

A Manitoba Hydro employee who was performing duties at one of Hydro's work sites in the Interlake died last week, but the Crown corporation is not releasing the location or the employee's name to protect the family's privacy.

The employee was performing work related to a power outage when the death occurred.

Hydro said in a news release that it was with "heavy hearts and great sadness" to report the fatality.

"Our deepest sympathies go out to the individual's loved ones, friends and coworkers," said Manitoba Hydro president and CEO Allan Danroth in the Aug. 8 release. "We are devastated to lose a member of our Manitoba Hydro family. The safety of our employees and customers is our top priority and we are committed to fully investigating the cause of this tragedy."

Media relations officer Peter Chura

told the *Tribune* that the utility is not releasing the deceased's name out of respect for the family.

"We're respecting the privacy of the employee's family and giving the community time and space to grieve this tragedy," said Chura.

The employee had been investigating a "no-power call" and attended on their own, which Chura said is a common as an initial response across the system. The cause of the fatality is yet unknown. "As we stated yesterday [in the news release], it is too early to speculate on any specific cause, and we are committed to and have started to investigate this tragedy and are cooperating with the other appropriate authorities who are investigating, including Manitoba Workplace Safety and Health," said Chura.

The news release said there is no risk to public safety.

## **14** The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, August 15, 2024 **The evolution of transportation through the years**

#### By E Antonio

Parks Canada and Friends of Lower Fort Garry (FoLFG) invites you to move along memory lane and discover the evolution of transportation at the Lower Fort Garry National Historic Site.

Lower Fort Garry is hosting a Transpo-Expo on Aug. 17 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. to celebrate the different modes of transportation used at the historic site from 1836 to the present day.

"We will be commemorating the use of moccasins in motor cars," explained FoLFG president Dr. Carolyn Weiss.

This is the second year Parks Canada and FoLFG are hosting the Transpo-Expo at Lower Fort Garry.

Over 500 people attended the event in 2023, marking the event as a huge success.

Special presentations and unique demonstrations will be held throughout the day. The Transpo-Expo is a fun-filled day that people of any age can enjoy.

Patrons are invited to join in on the fun with games such as hobby horse racing, bean bag toss and mini golf.

Hobby horse racing is a thrilling event in which participants mount onto a toy horse and dash through a miniature obstacle course.

Weiss explained how they would re-enact the races and use toy horse heads attached to a pole.

She also explained that the Manitoba Motor Country Club used to own a golf course south of the national historic site.

"You can play a round of golf almost like they did in the 1930s," said Weiss.

Lower Fort Garry has you covered for anyone who wants to have a bite to eat. "[We] will have a concession stand with period-appropriate snacks including cotton candy, hot dogs, kettle corn and flapper-era mocktails," said FoLFG vice-president Ben Gillies.

One of the mocktails on the menu is the Bees Knees, a bubbly drink full of honey and lemon flavours.

There will also be live entertainment throughout the day.

The Thirsty Beaver Cantina will play jazz music inspired by the 1920s to help you take a step back in time.

The Transpo-Expo is more than just fun and games. While you travel back in time, several educational components will occur.

You can witness Armand Jerome, a Métis Red River cart builder, construct a cart similar to the one the Métis used in the 1850s.

This is the second segment of Lower Fort Garry's Knowledge Sharing Series, a compilation of unique stories shared by Elders or Knowledge Keepers at the historic site.

The Red River carts are unique, as there were no metal nails in the 1850s. Jerome has made over 57 functioning carts in his career and has ridden them on many trails throughout Manitoba and Saskatchewan.

Visit Jerome at the Transpo-Expo to hear more about his adventures and see how a Red River cart is made.

Expert canoe and paddle maker Mark Blieske will also attend the Transpo-Expo.

For over five decades, Blieske has been constructing functional canoes and paddles with what once started as a hobby with his dad.

Blieske has always remembered going canoeing with his family.

"I started doing canoe trips when I was young, and I never looked back,"



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Mark Blieske, an expert canoe and paddle maker, will create a canoe and paddle like the Indigenous Peoples did in the 1920s.



**PHOTO BY DANIEL FALLOON**/©**PARKS CANADA**/**LFG NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE** Parks Canada and Friends of Lower Fort Garry invite you to the National Historic Site on Aug. 17 to experience the evolution of transportation. Saturday will feature an All-British Car Show with vehicles from three Motor Clubs across the province.

said Blieske.

Now, he has over 10,000 hours of experience in canoe and paddle making and has taught over 3,000 students across Canada how to make their own paddles.

Blieske will demonstrate all the aspects of properly building a canoe and making a paddle at Saturday's event.

"I will be demonstrating how to split the roots, mixing bear fat, using tree saps," explained Blieske.

His hands-on demonstration will give viewers a live and tactile canoe and paddle-making experience.

Canoes were vital during the 1920s at Lower Fort Garry. They were the main mode of transportation and were essential for the fur trade.

"I am going to show how it (canoe making) was done back in the day like how the First Nations made canoes."

Blieske explained the importance of the connection between the Indigenous Peoples and the art of canoe making.

"It is important that I give credit where credit is due."

He explained that the original designs of the canoe and paddle have barely changed and that today we still use the structures that the Indigenous first created.

The Transpo-Expo is all about transportation and will also include unique motorized vehicles on display at the site.

Lower Fort Garry was once home to the Motor Country Club from 1913 to 1962.

Saturday's event will feature an All-British Car Show with vehicles from three motor clubs across the province.

The Mid-Canada Mini Group, the British Car Club of Manitoba and the Austin Healey Club of Manitoba are all groups local to the province. They will bring their own British vehicles to be on display at the event.

Paul Thomson, president of the Mid-Canada Mini Group, will attend with his 1973 Austin Mini.

Thomson attended 2023's Transpo-Expo and was thrilled at the number of people who attended.

"Last year was fantastic," he exclaimed.

This year's Transpo-Expo will feature approximately 40 vintage British vehicles.

"The oldest car will be about the 1940s to around the 1980s," said Thomson.

"We don't want it to look like a parking lot where you can see all new cars."

Thompson added that most cars are still drivable and are vehicles people enjoy.

He explained that the cars were designed in the United Kingdom and built in Canada or were manufactured overseas and shipped to Canada in the 1950s.

"Lots of immigrants also brought over their vehicles," Thompson said.

Come to Lower Fort Garry National Historic Site on Aug. 17 to experience the Fort's transportation history.

Lower Fort Garry National Historic Site fees are in effect for the Transpo-Expo and historic interpreters, and the site grounds will be open for visitors.

## **Communities in Bloom welcomes volunteers of all ages**

#### **By Jennifer McFee**

A local teen is cultivating her interest in gardening as a volunteer for Communities in Bloom, and she encourages others to get involved.

Sixteen-year-old Elizabeth Danis started volunteering with the organization this summer — and she's glad she decided to give it a try.

"I really like it because it gives me something to do and it keeps me busy. I actually really like gardening," she said.

"It's really fun because you get to learn different things. I like to do gardening with both flowers and vegetables. I find it really relaxing and calming. You get to just look at all the different plants."

Elizabeth's artistic creations are also now incorporated in the Seniors and Indigenous Healing Garden in Stonewall. She painted images of four Indigenous plants that are growing in the garden: sage, cedar, tobacco and sweet grass.

"I learned about the new plants in the Indigenous garden and how they're used and how they represent the Indigenous culture," she said.

"It's a beautiful place to hang out and a nice place to be if you ever need to just calm down. It has a beautiful calming effect."

She's also had the chance to create new connections, including with Stonewall Communities in Bloom co-chairs Asta Johannesson and Shelley Proven.

"I met a lot of really nice people, like Shelley and Asta," Elizabeth said. "They're respectful, and they're also so funny and fun to hang out with."



**TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JENNIFER MCFEE** Sixteen-year-old Elizabeth Danis has been volunteering with Stonewall's Communities in Bloom this summer.



She's looking forward to continuing her volunteer role with Communities in Bloom. "I encourage other people to do this too," she said. "It's a fun way to meet new people and learn different things about plants.

Communities in Bloom is always accepting new volunteers of all ages. No experience is needed. To learn more about getting involved, contact Asta Johannesson at 204-771-8768 or Shelley Proven at 204-513-1968.



Elizabeth Danis painted images of four plants in the Indigenous garden.



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#### By E Antonio

Evolution Dance Company dancers and instructors packed their makeup bags, dance shoes and costumes and travelled to Niagara Falls earlier this month.

Seven young dancers shined on stage at the Terpsichore Nationals and Top Dancer Competition July 1 to 6.

Terpsichore Nationals and Top Dancer competition is a multi-day event that celebrates and features the most talented dancers nationwide.

Qualifying dancers from across Canada had the opportunity to compete in the Top Dancer Competition. The dancers who received the highest scores in the Top Dancer Competition had the honour of vying for a medal on the Terpsichore Nationals stage.

Evolution Dance Company had an outstanding 18 dancers qualify for the Niagara Falls, Ont., national competition.

Evolution dancers competed at the Terpsichore Winnipeg competition in May. There, they were judged on their technique and performance skills in their dance routines.

The highest-scoring dancers of the



Channing Cruise and Veda Cline placed fifth overall in the Canada-wide competition for their lyrical duo "Halo" in the Mini Duos/Trios division.

Winnipeg competition qualified to compete at the Canada-wide Top Dancer competition including Rosslyn Zambon, Delanie Oleschak, Tavia Gibbons, Avery Gunter, Cali Grocholski, Ellie Yavis, Kynlie Liebert, Veda Cline, Channing Cruise, Elizabeth Smerchanski, Mila Teitsma, Grace





**TRIBUNE PHOTOS SUBMITTED** 

Seven Evolution Dance Company dancers competed in Terpsichore Nationals and Top Dancer Competition July 1 to 6 in Niagara Falls, Ont., after qualifying for the competition back in May. Pictured: Annika, Chloe, Alyssa, Grace, Channing, Veda and Tavia.

Summers, Zoey Amirault, Madison Cooley, Annika Dyck, Chloe Einarsson, Sophie Amirault and Alyssa Loewen.

Only seven of these dancers participated in the Top Dancer Competition to compete among the best of the best. Evolution dancers stole the stage

with several Jazz and Hip Hop solo performances:Part Time (12 & Under) Top

• Part Time (12 & Under) Top Dancer - Tavia Gibbons (7) Hip Hop Solo "2 Cool 4 School"

• Mini Top Dancer - Veda Cline (9) Jazz Solo "Diamonds"

Junior Top Dancer - Grace
Summers (10) Jazz Solo "Look At Me"
Junior Top Dancer - Channing

Cruise (10) Jazz Solo "On Broadway" • Teen Top Dancers - Annika Dyck (14) Tap Solo "I, Question Mark"

• Teen Top Dancers - Chloe Einarsson (15) Jazz Solo "Go This Far"

• Senior Top Dancer - Alyssa Loewen (18) Hip Hop Solo "TKO"

Associate director and instructor Miss Jessie Wynnyk and fellow instructor and sister Miss Jenna Wynnyk accompanied the talented students to the competition and organized sight-seeing events.

"This was our first time at Terpsichore Nationals, and we hope to go again in the future," said Jessie Wynnyk.

Throughout the week, Evolution dancers were busy with various activities. They attended auditions, took part in training classes, performed to their best and even got to see the awe-inspiring Niagara Falls.

Their biggest smiles lit up the stage, creating unforgettable memories.

"This fun week was filled with amazing dance and we can't wait to get back in the studio and keep learning and growing as dancers and as teachers," Wynnyk exclaimed.

EDC also had three dance routines qualify to compete in the Terpsichore Nationals segment of the competition: • Alyssa Lowen Lyrical Solo "Where I Stood"

• Channing Cruise Ballet Solo "Sleeping Beauty"

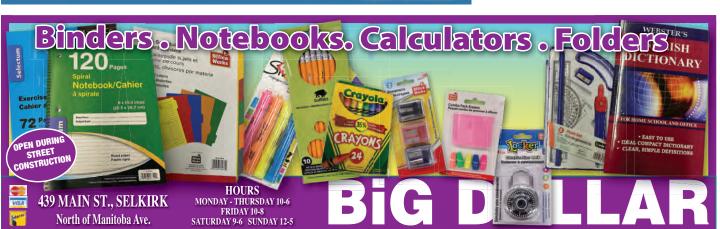
• Veda Cline and Channing Cruise Lyrical Duo "Halo"

All the dancers impressed the judges and gave their best performances on stage. Ultimately, Veda and Channing walked away with fifth place in the Mini Duos/Trios division for their stunning lyrical duo routine.

"We are so proud of all qualifying dancers and are thrilled that the seven who attended were able to have this experience," Wynnyk added.

Evolution Dance Company is endlessly amazed at the workmanship, dedication and love that its dancers share with others while performing.

They are excited to see their dancers dazzle on stage for the 2024-2025 season.





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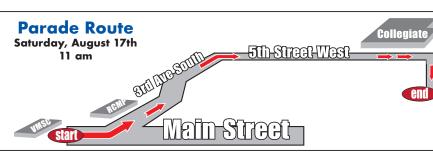
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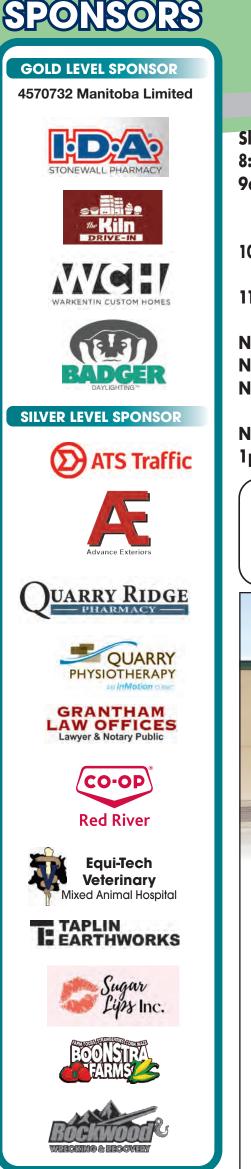
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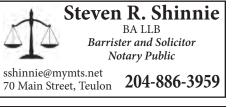












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## Interlake well represented by Team East Region U17 basketball at 2024 Manitoba Games

#### By Kieran Reimer

The 2024 Manitoba Summer Games are set for Dauphin this week with plenty of local talent set to compete for provincial glory.

On the hardwood, Team East Region U17 enters the tournament with a budding roster almost entirely made up of Interlake players.

Stony Mountain's Jake Bourcier is one of Team East's players making their Manitoba Games debut this year.

The 16-year-old Stonewall Swarm star point guard is coming off a season where he helped the Swarm go undefeated and win the 2024 Winnipeg Minor Basketball Association championship.

He is now excited about the opportunity to represent Stonewall and Interlake on a bigger stage.

"It's incredible," said Bourcier. "This experience is really good for kids our age, especially going out there and winning for our region would be amazing. It means a lot for me."

Bourcier is joined on the team by many other players he has played with or against.

One of them is 15-year-old Edward Futz of Stonewall, who plays forward for the Manitoba Magic in the winter season.

For Futz, he too is entering his first Manitoba Games as one of the youngest members on Team East's roster.

He hopes their performance in Dauphin will help Interlake cement its position as one of the best basketball markets in the province.

"It's really cool because our region isn't really known for basketball," said Futz. "It's cool to show our best players. I'm excited to play the Winnipeg teams because they have some of the best players in the province and that's going to be fun."

Head coach Alex Barra and assistants Enriq Barra and Sonny Sylvester staff Team East.

They will compete in the three-team Pool B, which includes Team East, Team North, \ and Team South, while Pool A includes Team Winnipeg Gold, Team Winnipeg Blue, Team West #1 and Team West #2.

Team East's tournament began Aug. 12 at 2:30 p.m. at Parkland Recreation Complex against Team South before taking on Team North in the evening to wrap up the round-robin.

On Tuesday, Aug. 13, Pool A and B joined up for the playoff round, which included placement games that evening and the bronze and gold medal games on Wednesday, Aug. 14. No scores were available before press time.

Team East features a 12-man roster and three practice players who have been together since early May.

In July, Team East got its first taste of tournament competition when it played three exhibition games against Team South, which it lost 1-2.

Since then they have held multiple intrasquad matches and team work-outs.



**TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED** 

Team East Region is set for the 2024 Manitoba Games from Aug. 11 to 17 in Dauphin. Team East opened round robin play in Pool B against Team South on Monday, Aug. 12 at 2:30 p.m. at Parkland Recreation Complex. Pictured left to right, back row: Nazar Khlyvniuk, Patrick Yuzwa, Jackson Campbell, Wyatt Mitchell, Foxx Domansky, Edward Futz, EJ Rioux; front row: Jake Bourcier, Dietrich Redekopp, Malakai Boville, Owen Kwiatek, Garret Gburek and Josh Shedden.

"It's been intense this whole season leading up to it," said Bourcier. "Right at the end we've been practising really hard whether it's set plays or individual stuff. The whole season we've been doing conditioning workouts so lots of cardio and core."

Last week, the club completed its last few days of preparation before heading to Dauphin on the weekend. Their entire roster includes Joshua Shedden (St. Andrews), Garrett Gburek (Selkirk), Dietrich Redekopp (Victoria Beach), Malakai Boville (Stonewall), Foxx Domansky (Stonewall), Owen Kwiatek (Selkirk), Edward Futz (Stonewall), Jacob Bourcier (Stony Mountain), Patrick Yuzwa (Broad Valley), Nazar Khlyvniuk (Libau), Wyatt Mitchell (Stonewall), Jackson Campbell (Selkirk), EJ Rioux (St. Laurent), Shane Bomberak (Gimli) and Reece Forman (Selkirk).

## **Newly combined Team East competes at Manitoba Games**

#### By Jo-Anne Procter

The 2024 Manitoba Games in Dauphin started Aug. 12 and continued to the end of the week. Results from local athletes will be printed in the next edition of your local paper. The northern portion of the Eastman region has joined with the Interlake region to become the East region for the Manitoba Games.

The Athletics roster consists of Warren Zarichanski (Whitemouth), Xavier Zarichanski (Whitemouth), Mackenzie Zahariuk (Winnipeg Beach), Brayden Alfred Zahariuk (Winnipeg Beach), Trinity Hayward (Beausejour), Ava Favreau (Stonewall), Lexi Niemczyk (Beausejour), Sully Boer (Pinawa), Mckinnley Boer

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Baseball – 14U East Team #1 - Connor Kent (Oakbank), Jon Pateman (East St. Paul), Luca Matteo Vieira (East St. Paul), Tyler Pochailo (Kenora), Kash Harz (Oakbank), Andrew Wilkinson (East St. Paul), Karsyn Rioch (Kenora), Maddyn Dalgliesh (Stonewall), Shay William Pedrick (Narol), Jake Fortin (Stonewall), Liam Kelly (Dugald) and Jack Wilkinson (East St. Paul).

East Team #2 includes Dylan Zubert (Oakbank), Aiden McConnell (East Selkirk), Maverick Mcfarlane (Oak Bluff), Cohen Linsenmeier (St. Andrews), Jensen Freiter (St. Andrews), Declan Fisher (Narol), Thoren Corbett (Rosser), Gemma Strutynski (Oakbank), Mason Jensen (Winnipeg), Chase Murray (Stonewall), Jayke Witzke (Beausejour) and Luke Janzen (Beausejour).

Basketball 16U - roster includes

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TRIBUNE PHOTO BY NICOLE GALBRAITH

The Clever Beaches, sisters Paige, left, and Torie Galbraith of Rosser went undefeated in the 15U/16U Girls 2s beach volleyball league play-offs to claim the championship at Sargent Park last weekend. The duo finished third in league standings winning 25 out of 33 sets and defeated the top two teams in five sets in the finals. The league ran June and July.

# **Titans sign Myers**



#### TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED

Stonewall's Alex Myers signed with the Neepawa Titans of the Manitoba Junior Hockey League on Thursday. The 2006 born goaltender played 25 games with the U18AAA Interlake Lightning last season, backstopping them to 14 wins while maintaining a .914 save percentage and 3.12 goals against average.

## Local tandem to backstop Lady Spartans in Female Super League



Eleanor Sugimoto

#### By Kieran Reimer

Local goaltenders Kianna Walker-Ross and Eleanor Sugimoto have signed with the Winnipeg Lady Spartans for the 2024-25 Female Super League inaugural season.

The pair from Stonewall backstopped the U15 Stonewall Blues to victory in the 2024 Provincial Championship.

Now they take their talents to the brand-new FSL, which is a AAA travel league that introduces progressive body checking to girls.

The league features nine teams from across western Canada including Winnipeg, Spruce Grove, Calgary,



Kianna Walker-Ross

Edmonton, Langley, Lloydminster, Cochrane, Saskatoon and Vancouver.

The Spartans will play their home games in 2024-25 out of Seven Oaks Arena in Winnipeg. They have already began on-ice sessions.

On the ice, the club is led by head coach Nathan Judd-Warren of Toronto, who has played professionally in the Federal Hockey League.

Assistant coach Tatiana Rafter of Winnipeg joins him. Rafter has also played professionally in the National Women's Hockey League and coached in prior seasons locally for the U18AAA Female Interlake Lightning.

## **United shutout by Kildonan**

#### By Kieran Reimer

Stonewall United were shutout Wednesday night at Buhler Recreation Park.

The Kildonan Cavaliers SC defeated them 3-nil off a big two goal performance from Kildonan's Felipe Cely.

United has suffered defeats in five out of their last six games in Manitoba Major Soccer League Division 3B action.

The recent skid has seen them fall from a once third place team to now a fifth place team after begin passed by Kildonan and CA River Plate in the last few weeks.

They still hold a four-point lead in the standings on sixth place Central Plains FC and will hope to use their remaining six games this regular season to pick up some much needed points.

United's upcoming game is on Thursday, Aug. 15 against CA River Plate. With a win United can move back into a tie with them for fourth place.

Kick off on Thursday will go at 7 p.m. from Stonewall Veterans Memorial Sports Complex.



## Sports&recreation

## **U18AAA Female Lightning announce roster, program improvements 2024-25 season**

#### By Kieran Reimer

The U18AAA Female Interlake Lightning announced their roster for the upcoming season last week.

After five on-ice sessions, 46 players attending training camp and multiple rounds of cuts, Ella Arnal, Teagan Bragg, Jordan Clark, Brooke Cyr, Blake Darragh, Orieanna Kennedy, Kashlynn Kiesman, Chloe Minkus, Georgia O'Neill, Keira Pattie, Ellis Pearson, Shelby Staples, Jane Sugimoto, Makayla Sydenham, Joslyn Tetlock, Anne Thiessen, Ireland Tymchak, Makayla Warnick, Bre-Ann Windross and Kait Yanchishyn have been selected to wear the blue and white during the 2024-25 U18AAA Manitoba Female Hockey League season.

"This team will be a well-balanced, hard-working team, certainly strong in goal and on the backend, but we also have some players upfront that we feel will definitely be able to contribute offensively," said Interlake Female Hockey vice-director Kasey Ridell.

Head coach Dean Rebeck will take over from Tatiana Rafter and will coach alongside Sam Strassburger and Sam Brownell.

They have also hired Kelsey McHolm as a development coach and Rachel Dyck as a goaltending consultant. McHolm and Dyck will also assume roles with the U15 and U13 Lightning female clubs.

Rafter has taken on a new position as Head Coach U15 AAA Central Plains

Capitals in Portage la Prairie.

The U18s will begin practising in August, and the 32-game regular season is expected to start on Oct. 1. They will also play in 15-20 tournaments and showcase games throughout the season.

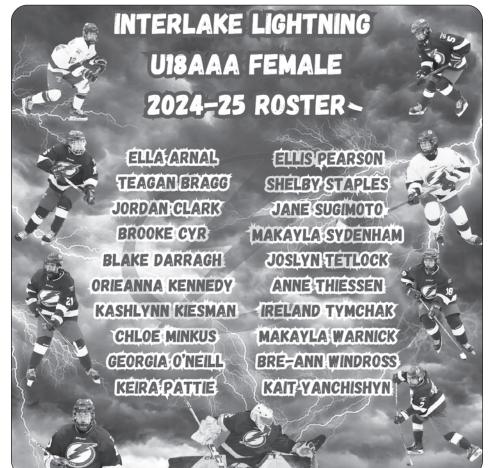
The majority of home games will be played at Veterans Memorial Sports Complex in Stonewall, though Riddell said they will look to schedule some home games at other arenas in the Interlake so that the club can maintain a presence throughout the region.

The club has nine veterans back from last year's sixth-place finishing team, while the other 11 players will be making their U18 Lightning debuts in early October.

The local blend of players includes veterans Sugimoto (Stonewall), Windross (Eriksdale) and O'Neill (Stonewall), while Kiesman (Stonewall), Pattie (Stonewall) and Sydenham (Hodgson) are joining the club for the first time in 2024-25.

"The ultimate goal for the Female Lightning program is to provide an opportunity for our female athletes and help them learn valuable skills that will stay with them long after their hockey careers are over," said Riddell.

"We want to build a program that Interlake female hockey players can be proud of and want to be a part of, and increasing the number of regional players involved in the program is a top priority. It won't happen over-



night, but we have taken a huge step forward this year and, fortunately, we have a tremendous amount of support from the community and the Interlake region. This program doesn't happen without that backing."

Riddell added the Lightning have made additions to the program which include improvements to their on-ice development, sports nutrition workshops, sports psychology workshops and dryland training at hockey for all centre's Focus Fitness.

To follow the Lightning throughout the 2024-25 season you can check out their Instagram @boltsu18aaaf and for corporate sponsorship inquiries you can email vice-director\_female@ interlakeminorhockey.ca

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Cycling U13 Male - Kyle Azaransky (West St. Paul) and Arie Kramps.

U13 Female - Laine Burley (Rosser) and Claire Farmer,

U15 Male Nevin Howanyk (Oakbank), Cade Burley (Rosser) and Jackson Byers (Oakbank).

U15 Female - Bree Farmer.

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Sailing - Max Stachowicz (ILCA Male), Zoey Bostick (OPTI Female), Maury Lavitt (OPTI Male) and Jasper Bostick (OPTI Male).

Soccer - Female U14 Their full roster includes Daniella Paulic (East Selkirk), Alexa Link, Stella Dyck (East St. Paul), Abby Parr (Petersfield), Madigan Czarnecki – Petersfield, Rachel Nemis – East St. Paul, Reena Bernat – Oakbank, Anastasia Dawybida – West St. Paul, Lilian Jansen – East St. Paul, Quinn Lavoie – West St. Paul, Myla Seys – Winnipeg, Isabela Faria, Isha Duggal – Winnipeg, Julia Marques, Cassie Molina – Winnipeg, Khloe Mira – West St. Paul, Khloe Walker – Oakbank and Angelina Marques.

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Swimming - Olivia Volk (Selkirk), Myla Volk (St Andrew), Erin Garn (Cooks Creek), Abigail Freedy (St. Andrews), Chandler Zasitko (Winnipeg), Maddex Glaspey (Stonewall), Claire Lee Grant (Selkirk), Jaxon Piotrowski (Stonewall), Tara Ross (Dugald), Lochlyn Ross (Duglad) and Diego Barcena Martinez (Winnipeg).

Triathlon - Abigail Veenstra (East St. Paul), Calla Veenstra (East St. Paul), Jaelyn Walker (East St. Paul), Naomi Noack-Simone (Kenora), Mia Tetrault (Ste. Agathe), Aiden Gudmundson (West St. Paul), Kyle Azaransky (West St. Paul), Logan Boyd-Miller (East Selkirk), Preston Earl (Morden), Nicholas Tetrault (Ste. Agathe), Xavier Atwal (West St. Paul), Ethan Gudmundson (West St. Paul) and Nolan Law (Oakbank).

Volleyball U14 Female - Jordyn Chetyrbok (Stonewall), Payton Farthing (Stonewall), Amelia Ann Bell (East St. Paul), Naya Pritchard (West St. Paul), Kate Cornock Rawlings (Teulon), Olivia MacInnis (East St. Paul), Kenzie Giesbrecht (Lockport), Isla Gemmill (Stonewall), Mackenzie Boonstra (Rosser), Olivia Irwin (Selkirk), Hachi Wachukwu (Lockport) and Ava Stepaniuk (Lockport).

U14 Male - Jake Hawthorne (St. Andrews), Colin Hurton (East St. Paul), Lucas Park (East St. Paul), Jaxon Henry (Selkirk), Rex Wytinck (East St. Paul), Tommy O'Brien (West St. Paul), Kellan Hermiston (Lockport), Tate Hofer, Ryder Drzystek, Connor Evans (Lockport), Coltyn Senkow (Hazelridge) and Odin Rempel (East St. Paul).

## **30** The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, August 15, 2024 Granddaughter pulled baseball lifer out of retirement this summer

#### By Jeremiah Knight

It was Senior Day at Illinois College in April of 2015 when Scott Kwasnitza, watching his youngest daughter Courtney's last collegiate softball game, was convinced it was also his swan song on the diamond.

The proud father, who spent 12 years coaching his two girls in Stonewall and many more seasons with other young athletes — was emotional in the stands thinking about a lifetime of playing and teaching the sport he fell so desperately in love with at a young age.

"For me anyway, it was like this was the end of an era," said Kwasnitza, who still gets choked up today. "It's kind of sad but at the same time, you're overjoyed that she had the opportunity."

In 2018, Kwasnitza dusted off his whistle for one summer to help Courtney (Robak) coach the U14 Interlake Phillies softball team — an opportunity that Robak wouldn't have taken on without her father's help.

Kwasnitza was certain he was done for good after that summer.

"At that point... I sort of thought, 'I did this... I'm glad I got to coach with my daughter but I'm probably done now.'"

So he thought.

The 62-year-old came out of retirement again to coach another family member this summer. This time, it was his granddaughter Harper, who at 10 years old played her first season of competitive softball for the AA Interlake Maroons.

Coaching his grandchild brought back many of the fond memories Kwasnitza had from the days spent

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Stonewall AA Parochial Hall 291 1st St. W., Stonewall, MB Contact Denis: (204) 981-7747 Donna (204) 461-0892 Meets every Sunday 7:30-8:30 PM with his daughters, though he found a greater sense of appreciation for his role this time around.

"There's certainly parallels to coaching your own kids, but I think I'm just so much more acutely aware. When I was coaching my own kids, life was busy: we were working, your life seemed to go at warp-speed and maybe at times you didn't take the time to smell the roses," Kwasnitza said.

"I've done all that and now I just find myself much more actually aware of the joy that she's having and the experience that she's having."

Harper's mom, Janna Farthing, was coached by her dad for three years before she bowed out of softball. As Harper became interested in playing for the Maroons, she couldn't think of a better person to help guide her through the summer.

"She thinks that's the coolest thing that her grandpa knows so much about softball and even my sister. They don't really know a lot of their actual accomplishments but we'll tell them little tidbits here and there and (Harper) and her teammates are just so impressed," Farthing said.

"They just think of him as the grandpa out there but they don't realize how talented he really is."

Kwasnitza was inducted into the Manitoba Baseball Hall of Fame in 2011 as an individual and re-joined the Hall in 2012 as a member of the 1988-93 Grosse Isle Blue Jays.

Born in Newmarket, Ont., Kwasnitza moved to Winnipeg at four before his professional career as an educator took him to Stonewall.

He started coaching shortly after his playing career ended, beginning in hardball with boys and later converting to softball after his daughters were born.

Kwasnitza proved to be more than a guiding voice for the 12 young women on the Maroons this summer, he was also a mentor for first-year coach Charlene Stetch.

"He was an integral part of our team," said Stetch, who coached her daughter Hailey this summer. "He was taking charge at leading drills and breaking down skills. He has such a huge amount of knowledge to pass along to these girls, and the leadership style that enables him to do it — that's just his nature."

Coached by her dad for eight years — and on the same staff for one — Robak knows better than anyone what teaching the game has meant to Kwasnitza. Softball became the glue in their relationship, and you don't need to look far for an example of that.

Despite it being a 16-hour drive from Stonewall to Jacksonville, Ill., Kwas-



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Scott Kwasnitza, a two-time Manitoba Baseball Hall of Famer, high fives his granddaughter Harper after a base-hit. Kwasnitza coached his daughters Courtney and Janna for 12 years and returned to the softball diamond for his granddaughter, Harper, this summer.



Kwasnitza and Charlene Stetch coached the U11 Maroons this season.

nitza was in the stands to cheer on his daughter on countless occasions over her four-year university career.

"We often joke that our classic thing was the post-game chats on the drive home from the games, so it was really special that we could kind of reflect in either a positive or a negative way depending on how I played. He was right there, right in the whole game so we were able to talk about anything," Robak said.

"It was definitely a special relationship and I was very fortunate to have someone like, 'Can we go play catch? Can we go down Quarry Park and hit a bucket of balls?' We did a lot of extra stuff outside of the regular practice time that was obviously helpful for me to improve as an athlete."

Kwasnitza's reasoning was simple when he was coaching his daughters, and it will remain the same as long as he's coaching his granddaughter.

"When it boils right down to it,, you're spending time with them. You're spending time with them, enjoying something that they love and something that you love. There's just a passion that develops," Kwasnitza said. "It's very special because it's my granddaughter. It's special because I didn't expect at this age that I would be coaching anymore.

"I had all that with Janna and Courtney, and now I get to do it again; it's sort of like winning the lottery twice."

## The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, August 15, 2024 31 U19 Phillies fall one win short of playoffs at Westerns

#### By Kieran Reimer

The last of the Phillies softball clubs wrapped up their 2024 campaign last weekend by competing in the Western Canada Softball Championships in Irma, AB.

The new-look U19 Manitoba Phillies, featuring multiple players they added from the Manitoba Angels softball club, took on some of Western Canada's best softball teams. Throughout the weekend, they went 2-4 and came one win short of making the playoff round. Though they didn't advance, the Phillies still played some of their best ball of the season, highlighted by a 14-4 win against the SBR Rockies and a 9-1 victory over the Battleford Bandits in the preliminary round.

Their playoff hopes came down to Saturday's final preliminary round game against the Lakeland Blaze, where both teams traded leads.

As the game progressed, the Phillies' offence ran out of steam, and they lost 13-8, ending their Westerns run and

the 2024 season.

"We were lucky we had the opportunity to combine with another organization (Manitoba Angels) to allow these girls the opportunity to play another year and it was great to be able to finish off the season representing Manitoba," said head coach Kirt Swanson. "For some girls, this may be their last year of triple-A softball, so what better way to end than a road trip. It was a great team to coach; the girls were a lot of fun, and a huge thank you to my fellow coaches Brenda Woods, Denis Woods, Jason Cassils and my managers Leah Hawryluk and Tara Dowsett for a great season."

U19 Westerns was the final softball game for any Phillies club this season, as the U13 and U15 Interlake Phillies both concluded their seasons at Westerns last week.

Phillies clubs will return to the field in May 2025 for the beginning of the Manitoba Premier Softball League season.

## Sr Jays bounced in semis

#### By Kieran Reimer

Last Thursday marked the end of the Stonewall Sr. Blue Jays' championship hopes at Koskie Field.

In the third and final match of the Winnipeg Senior Baseball League A Pool semi-finals, the Jays were defeated by the Elmwood Giants in extra innings with a score of 7-6.

The Jays led 5-1 heading into the sixth inning when Elmwood broke loose for four runs to tie the game at five.

The score remained the same heading into the eighth inning when Stonewall scored a run to take a 6-5 lead.

However, Elmwood got on base

in the bottom of the eighth before a crushing hit earned them two runs, ending the game and Jay's season.

The semi-finals couldn't have been much closer for the Jays, the third seed in the A Pool.

The Jays dropped Game 1 with 3-2 on the road before knotting up the series last Wednesday with a 1-0 win at home.

After leading by four in Game 3, the comeback by Elmwood will go down as one of the most clutch moments this WSBL season.

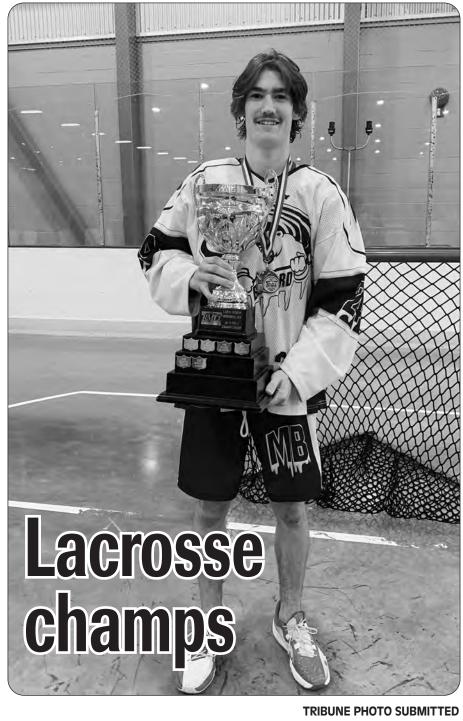
The Giants now move on to the WSBL Finals and await the winner of the West Winnipeg A's and Carillon Sultans series, which is tied at one.

## **Tourney champions**



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The Stonewall Lions Club held their 8th Annual Tournament at Inwood Golf Club on Aug. 10. The winning team with the lowest score of the day of 61, pictured left to right, Cale Woods, Kyle LaFléche, Adrian Klimpke and Jace Woods. It was an 18-hole tournament with a shot gun start and 16 teams with a total of 64 players. The tournament raised approximately \$5,000, with all profits going towards medical aid in the Stonewall community and surrounding areas.



Stonewall's Ty Woods and the Winnipeg Blizzard won the Rocky Mountain Lacrosse League Larry Bishop Memorial Cup - Junior B 2024 Championships in Airdrie last weekend. The Blizzard defeated the Mountain View Mavericks 9-2 in the finals. RMLL is a box lacrosse league based in Alberta with three teams in Saskatchewan and, as of 2018, one in Manitoba. It is sanctioned by the Alberta Lacrosse Association. RMLL organizes all senior and junior play in the province. The league is broken into several divisions: Senior B, Senior C, Junior A, Junior B, Tier II and Tier III. Junior Ladies and Senior Ladies divisions were added in 2004 and 2011, respectively. MAHCP sees slight improvement in paramedic numbers, but more hiring and retention incentives needed

#### By Patricia Barrett

Although we've not been hearing too much lately about paramedic shortages in the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority (IERHA), staffing shortages continue and people are waiting longer for treatment.

A screengrab taken on July 26 from a social media post issued by the Manitoba Association for Health Care Professionals states there were only seven out of 21 ambulances available for the entire health region, which comprises about 61,000 square kilometres and whose hospital ERs are frequently or permanently shuttered because of a lack of staff. The period MAHCP referred to in its post was the weekend of July 20.

Wayne Chacun, who sits on MAH-CP's executive council as treasurer and representative for the Prairie Mountain Health RHA, said the number of ambulances available during that period at one point dropped even further to six. While we haven't been hearing about paramedic/ambulance shortages in the IERHA for a while, it is "still happening" and what the union saw last month was not a "oneoff" situation.

Although there has been a recent improvement in paramedic staffing, it's negligible in terms of what is required to adequately service rural regions.

"There has been a slight improvement in paramedic staffing since April, but it is very slight," said Chacun. "I say improved slightly because there are hundreds of vacancies throughout rural Manitoba for paramedics. From April to June, the numbers have increased by 16, according to our calculations, and we're seeing that consistent loss of paramedics slowing down. But [hiring] is nowhere near what's needed to fill all these vacancies."

MAHCP is a union that represents about 7,000 allied health-care workers in 45 professions, including rural paramedics.

MAHCP doesn't have access to data for that specific period pertaining to what the impact on patients in the IERHA might have been, but Chacun said when there are ambulance shortages there can negative outcomes for patients.

"When we're short of ambulances, it may take longer for an ambulance to get to patients that need them and



MAHCP posted a message on social media, stating the IERHA had seven out of 21 ambulances available to cover the entire region during a weekend in

July.

there's a delay in treatment and transport to a hospital," said Chacun, who is a paramedic in the Prairie Mountain Health region. "It can also result in cancelled transfers between hospitals, where patients need to go from one centre to a centre that offers a higher level of diagnostic services or treatment."

Compounding paramedic shortages are the number of hospital ERs in the Interlake-Eastern RHA that have either been permanently closed or have to close on a regular basis because of staffing shortages.

For the period Aug. 1-15, for example, Ashern's ER is closed for seven of those 15 days. Eriksdale's ER is closed for 12 days. Stonewall's ER is closed for seven days. Gimli's ER has five days where 24-7 service cannot be offered. Pinawa's ER has 11 days of closure with four days on which 24-7 service can't be offered. Beausejour's ER is closed for 10 days with five days on which 24-7 service can't be offered. Pine Falls' ER shows five days on which it can't offer 24-7 service. Arborg's ER continues to remain permanently closed as does Teulon's. The IERHA posts ER schedules on its website and they are subject to change.

Paramedics are still experiencing burnout and the amount of overtime hours they're putting in hasn't improved because of the high number of vacancies in the profession, said Chacun.

"A lot of paramedics hate to see the communities without ambulances so they'll pick up overtime hours sometimes to the point of exhaustion. When you don't get time to rejuvenate, it does lead to burnout and pressure on your mental health," he said. "The same goes for our dispatchers, who are working shifts frequently more than 16 hours until they're ex-



TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO BY PATRICIA BARRETT

An ambulance is shown heading west on Highway 68 towards Arborg.

hausted. And they're having to stay on the phone longer with people who call for an ambulance to provide support and advice. Our dispatchers are also extremely short-staffed just as our frontline paramedics are."

Paramedics were without a collective agreement for about five years, he said, and that contributed to their loss in the rural areas where they were earning 26 per cent less than a paramedic working in Winnipeg. Those who stayed behind had to pick up the slack. "The more short-staffed we are, the

"The more short-staffed we are, the more pressure there is on the remaining staff. And some people are finding it tough to deal with this pressure. They're trying to do work that should be done by another 30 per cent of staff who just aren't there," said Chacun. "It's a rewarding profession, but right now the working conditions are tough."

There are a number of strategies, however, the provincial government can take to attract and retain rural paramedics, including bringing paramedic training to the rural areas where people want to live and work.

In 2017 the provincial government cut funding for the primary care paramedic program at Red River College, which offered satellite programs in rural areas such as Portage la Prairie, Brandon and the north, said Chacun. Paramedic shortages are worse in some RHA areas such as Prairie Mountain Health and the north because of a lack of training programs in those areas.

"We need to make sure paramedic and other health-care education is available closer to where people live," he said. "Many times, rural Manitobans are having to move to Winnipeg



PHOTO COURTESY OF MAHCP Wayne Chacun is a paramedic and treasurer for Manitoba Association of Health Care Professionals.

to get educated, which is difficult to do and entails a financial cost. If we need people to enrol in these courses, let's offer the courses in the rural areas and provide bursaries to try to get them there. You can't educate a paramedic in six months; it takes a couple of years or more. The sooner we get people into the program, the better."

The government could also offer bursaries to attract people to the paramedic program, said Chacun. There are more bursaries currently available for nurses.

The *Tribune* reached out to provincial Shared Health — which oversees the delivery of heath-care services and the hiring of paramedics — for comment on the ambulance shortage last month across the IERHA, as well as other issues. The organization offered to answer the questions but requested precise date(s) and times it had occurred (whether it was morning, afternoon or evening) in order to understand what had happened.



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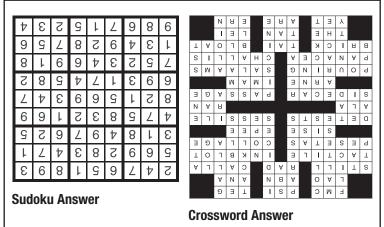
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## 28 34 36 45 24. Collection of various things

56

- 27. Hates
- 30. Immobile
- 35. Moved quickly
- 36. Passenger's place on a motorbike
- 41. A way through
- 45. Former US Secretary of

- 50. Greetings
- 54. Remedy
- 55. Soft lightweight fabric
- 56. Building material
- 57. Sea bream
  - swollen
  - 60. One and only
- 61. People get one in summer
- 62. Wreath
- 63. Thus far
- 64. They
- 65. Sea eagle
- CLUES DOWN

61 62 64 65 **31. Investment vehicle** 

46

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- 1. Policemen (French)
- 2. Toy dog
- 3. Inflamed colon disease

60

63

- 4. Can't move
- 5. Helps little firms
- 6. Lists of names, subjects, etc.
- 7. Takes down 8. Makes possible
- 9. Wife of Julius Constantius
- 13. Engine additive
- 14. Arctic explorers (abbr.)
- 17. Written account
- 18. Consumed
- 20. Something the first shall be
- 22. No (slang)
- 27. Gov't lawyers
- 28. Peyton's little brother
- 29. Small amount

32. Fall behind

59

- 33. Midway between
- northeast and east
- 37. Head pain
- 38. Popular sport in England and India

35

- 39. King Charles's sister
- 40. Boat race
- 41. About fish
- 42. Maidservant
- 43. Able to be marketed
- 44. Tinier
- 47. Parts per billion (abbr.)
- 48. Paddle
- 4.9 Oneness
- 51. Bitter chemical
- 52. Not around
- 53. Very fast airplane
- 58. Swiss river

- 13. Not movina
- 15. Cool!
- 16. Bog arum genus
- 19. Perceptible by touch
- 21. Type of test
- 23. Monetary units
- 25. Sum of five and one
- 26. Type of sword

  - 34. Pie \_ \_ mode

  - **Education Duncan**
  - 46. Leader
  - 47. Flowing

- 59. A way to cause to be



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Dated this 13th day of August, 2024.

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Tender specifications will be accompanied with the Bid Package. Bid Packages may be obtained at the Rural Municipality of Rockwood Administration Office at 285 Main Street, Stonewall Manitoba, Monday to Friday (excluding holidays) between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or our website at www.rockwood.ca

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Ian Tesarski, Director of Operations **Rural Municipality of Rockwood** 

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ANY PERSON who believes that an assessment ought to be revised may make application in accordance with Sections 42 and 43 of The Municipal Assessment Act hereinafter referred to as "The Act" which provides as follows:

#### **APPLICATION FOR REVISION:**

Section 42(1) A person, including an assessor, may make application for the revision of an assessment roll with respect to:

- a) liability to taxation;
- b) amount of an assessed value:
- c) classification of property: or
- d) a refusal by an assessor to amend the assessment roll under Subsection 13(2).

Before filing an application against the amount of the assessment, liability to taxation, or classification of the property, Applicants should:

- a) examine municipal assessment rolls for comparable properties:
- b) select comparable properties from the rolls; and c) discuss the matter with the Provincial Assessment
- Branch, Selkirk, 204-785-5092.

#### **APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:**

- Section 43(1) An application for revision must: a) be made in writing;
- b) set out the roll number and legal description of the
- assessable property for which a revision is sought; c) state the grounds on which the application is based; and d) be filed by
  - i) delivering it or causing it to be delivered to the Municipal Office indicated in the Public Notice given under Subsection 41(2); or
    - ii) serving it upon the secretary,

AT LEAST FIFTEEN (15) DAYS BEFORE THE SCHEDULED SITTING DATE OF THE BOARD AS INDICATED IN THE PUBLIC NOTICE; DEADLINE FOR APPEALS IS 4:30 P.M., LOCAL STONEWALL TIME, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2024 - NO LATE EXCEPTIONS WILL BE ALLOWED. PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION 43(2), APPLICATIONS WHICH DO NOT COMPLY WITH THE ABOVE WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD.

Applications should be addressed to the Secretary, Board of Revision, the Rural Municipality of Rockwood, Box 902, Stonewall, Manitoba R0C 2Z0, email to info@rockwood.ca, or fax to: 204-467-5329. Where an application is received in accordance with this Notice and of The Municipal Assessment Act, applicants will be notified in writing of the date, time and place of the hearing of their application.

Roberta Van Caeyzeele, Secretary Board of Revision

The Rural Municipality of Rockwood Box 902 285 Main Street Stonewall, Manitoba R0C 2Z0

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#### Hawthorne (Moore)

A sincere thank you to my family and friends for their support and caring upon the death of my sister, Helen, on July 1st. The flowers, texts, Facebook messages, phone calls, and cards are very much appreciated and will long be remembered. A very special thank you to my friend Randy Henderson who has been my rock and support through my journey of Helen's operation, hospitalization, cancer diagnosis and passing.

Thank you to cousins, Eleanor Moore, and Cheryl and Jack Willis for joining Jim Hawthorne, Amanda La Rose, James La Rose, and I for the carrying out of Helen's final wish; the scattering of her ashes on our old family farm. Thank you to Tom Waldner of Little Creek Colony, the present owners of our farm for permission to carry out her request. A very special thank you to Tammy and Doug Mathews for so graciously hosting us at their home after the scattering. Thank you to Doug for his assistance in making a final closure. Thank you to Roshelle MacKenzie Kresnyak for her comforting professional assistance. God Bless you all!

-Most sincerely, Doug Moore

# FIVE GENERATIONS

Fairlie Family Celebrates **5** Generations Beulah Jones met her two month old great-great-grandson, Woods David Fairlie, last weekend. Pictured in the 5 Generations photo are: Beulah Jones - great-great-grandmother; Barb Fairlie holding Woods great-grandmother; Ethan Fairlie - father; Bob Fairlie – grandfather.

#### CARD OF THANKS

The family of the late Barbara Mae Foulds (Comberbach) would like to thank family, friends. Fr. Vijav and Ken Loehmer for their prayer, words of comfort and encouragement during this difficult time. Thank you also for the flowers and food.

Caring, loving and kind, What a beautiful memory you left behind. Forever loved, Never forgotten,

> -Mom Bernice, sister Sharon McKenzie, brothers Charles, Rodney, Kevin, sister-in-law Shaun Comberbach and the nieces and nephews

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#### IN MEMORIAM



**Diane Rennie** January 22, 1947 - August 18, 2021 Memories are the one place we can visit those we've lost. We cherish our memories and hold them close to our hearts. -Love Tracy, Blair and Jonathon хохо

> Your memory will live forever Engraved within our hearts.

> > IN MEMORIAM



**Noel Carriere** December 23, 1927 - August 18, 2023 Dad!

It has been 1 year since you left us. You are missed so much. Close to our hearts you will always stay. Loved and remembered everyday!

> -Love Val and Larry Wayde and Jay Janice and Calvin Rhonda and Don and families

#### IN MEMORIAM

William Bryan Palmer September 5, 1942 – August 9, 2021 Those we love don't go away, They walk beside us every day. Unseen, unheard, but always near, Still loved, still missed, and very dear. -Love always, Bernice, Mike, Lori, family and friends

#### MEMORIAM

The farmer's widow, sits and sighs Watching storm clouds passing by Hoping they would stop and cry As she does every day. Her new born, with colic screams and pulls her back from pleasant dreams From lollipops and candy creams, Back to her life today. A once young and cheery girl did dream of country life With fields of gold and blue and pearl Far from city strife. She married young, moved to the farm With all her hopes and dreams But ever' knows reality Is rarely as it seems. Just twenty-one when she was wed Before harvest's yearly rush Barely time for the marriage bed ere began the harvest push. If not upon the combine. Then the tractor seat instead He worked from morn till late at night, Then dog-tired, crawled into bed. Long hours and danger Around machinery with no heart Working far into the night Plus morning's early start. With few hours of sleep and lots of stress Keen minds will turn to dim One hasty mis-step... Results are very grim. The farmer's widow sits and sighs, Watching storm clouds passing by. Hoping they would stop and cry As she does every day.

> -Written by Ken Turbett 1997 Lilyfield District Rosser Municipality

\*To my dear friends and neighbours\* STAY SAFE this harvest season and every season. Please ALWAYS remember that you are far more important to your family then those last ten acres of #1 canola. Take care and may God Bless.



missed by his children Richard (Nadine), Danielle (Gerry); his grandchildren Learyk, Jerzee and Hadyn; as well as his brothers Rob, Ken (Isabelle); sister Sylvia (Marcel); as well as numerous nieces and nephews, in-laws and friends.

He retired from MTS after 38 years, then he seemingly worked even harder, working multiple jobs while continuing to make hay and chop wood in his spare time, and he was always willing to lend a helping hand.

He was a man of incredible strength, having survived cancer twice as well as a stroke. He was always fun to be around, and his cheeky grin will live on in the memories of everyone who knew him. He loved to give his nurses a hard time, though he loved making them laugh even more. His family would like to thank his caregivers at Goodwin Lodge, as well as Dr. Loudon, for

providing comfort and care in his final days. He truly left this world a better place than when he found it. Thank you,

Sam. Rest in peace, you've earned it.

Per Sam's wishes, there will be a private interment attended by immediate family.



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Samuel Richard Thorvardson

February 6, 1948 - July 31, 2024

Sam Thorvardson leaves behind a

legacy of strength, dedication, humor

and humility. He leaves us with fond

memories of him making hay with his

brothers, catching snakes in the field

with Hadyn, playing pool or cribbage

with friends, or just watching a movie

Bev of 52 years. He will be dearly

on the couch and cracking jokes. Sam was predeceased by his parents, Valdi and Edith Thorvardson. Sam is survived by his loving wife

#### OBITUARY

Aline Annette Marie Buors (nee Gareau) January 2, 1936 - August 6, 2024

Surrounded by the love of family, Aline passed away on Tuesday, August 6, 2024 at Stonewall Hospital.

Aline's memory will be cherished forever by her loving husband Armand of 68 years; her children Garth (Lori Ann), Rheal (Sherry) and Jacqueline; her grandchildren Nicole (Charles), Kyle (Vanessa), Steffani (Bradley) and Jennifer. Along with her great-grandchildren Mackenzie, Armand, Sophie, Elise, Jersey, Easton, Adalynn and Levi. She is survived by her brother Edward Gareau.

She is preceded by her parents Laurier and Aline Gareau; brothers Arthur, George, Wilfred; and sister Cecil Devlin.

Aline had been raised on a homestead in St. Laurent, MB. Eventually moved to Winnipeg and married Armand. A short time into their marriage they had made it back to their country roots and

raised their family in Woodlands, MB.

Aline was dedicated to her family and care of the many animals. She liked digging into the earth to grow vegetable/flower gardens. A few of her pass times had been volunteering for the Woodlands Museum, quilting, sewing, knitting and reading. She also enjoyed to dance, watch and listen to the guitar and fiddle music playing at family gatherings and on the radio. Per Aline's wishes no funeral or memorial service will be held.

Many thanks to all the staff of Rosewood Lodge for their care, support and keeping a smile on her face each day. In addition, appreciation to the Stonewall Hospital staff for their efforts and support.

In lieu of flowers, if family or friends desire, memorial donations can be made to the Rosewood Lodge or Alzheimer Society of Manitoba - Dementia Care & Brain Health.

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#### OBITUARY



#### In Loving Memory Zachary Allyn Ross Hunter March 19, 2005 - August 8, 2024

It is with heartfelt sorrow that we announce the passing of Zachary Allyn Ross Hunter. Peacefully, at home and in the loving arms of his mother Karen, father Chris, and sister Chloe, Zach's spirit moved on after a courageous battle with cancer.

Zach also leaves behind his adoring cousins, aunts, uncles, grandparents, as well as his cat Rosie and his many cherished friends. All whose lives were touched by him will hold him fondly in their memories.

Zach was blessed to live and grow up in the caring community of Stonewall, where he enjoyed many sports and interests with friends. When he wasn't reading, listening to music, or hanging

out with his Boys, Zach could be found on the soccer pitch, volleyball court, or snowboard hill. His love of cars and interest in a Japanese culture led to a carefully curated collection of manga, collectibles and his prized 2001 Honda Prelude. Zach had hopes of joining the Automotive Technology trade. His quest for knowledge and keen interest in philosophy lead to many deep conversations with anyone who could keep up.

Last summer, Zach achieved one of his life goals when he graduated high school alongside his friends despite battling illness. Zach's passion for life and travel made possible several meaningful family road trips which will be cherished forever.

Zach's family is eternally grateful for the outpouring of love and support that they have received from family, friends, and the countless others who had Zach in their thoughts and prayers.

A celebration of life will be held at the New Life Church in Stonewall on Monday, August 19th, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. for those wishing to attend.

OBITUARY

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Terry Fox Foundation.

"Rage, rage against the dying of the light... Do not go gentle into that good night."

"We will watch for you in the sunshine and the breeze.

By the blossoms of the cherry trees.

Go now peacefully and be free. Be free."

Zach was our brave lion, our courageous cub.



#### Raymond Henry Massey February 7, 1935 – August 4, 2024

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Raymond Henry Massey on August 4, in Stonewall, MB.

Ray was born in Winnipeg in 1935 and grew up in Grosse Isle until the age of 11 when the family moved to Ross Avenue in Winnipeg. Ray attended Victoria-Albert, Hugh John MacDonald and Daniel McIntyre Schools. In 1954, Ray enlisted in the Royal Canadian Navy. In 1958 Ray then served with the Canadian Forces Medical Services until 1982. In 1959, Ray married his beloved wife Fern at the United Church in East Kildonan, and together they celebrated 63 years of marriage and two wonderful children. From 1982 to 1993 Ray worked for the Manitoba Health Services Commission additionally from 1982 to 1988 he was the C.O. of 17 (Winnipeg) Medical Company at Minto Armoury in the Military Reserves, finally

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retiring as a Lt. Colonel. Together, Ray and Fern lived in Winnipeg, Halifax, Victoria, Ottawa, Shilo, Lahr Germany, ending their cross-country journey in Winnipeg. In 1997 Ray moved to Stonewall where he spent his golden years close to his beloved grandchildren.

Ray was very fortunate to have been able to travel to many places throughout Canada and Europe. Over the past number of years Ray and Fern often went to Victoria, BC to spend time away from the cold winter months in the prairies. It was a place where they had formed many special bonds and memories during their time living there.

Ray was highly involved in both the Manitoba Coin Club and the South Interlake 55 Plus Center in Stonewall. Ray was an avid curler, bowler, golfer and poker player. He also enjoyed being a volunteer driver for Manitoba CancerCare. In Ray's last few years, he really enjoyed watching the Toronto Blue Jay's, but most of all, he looked forward to the weekly Sunday "Breakfast Club" Brunches at Larters, where Judy always made the family feel welcome.

Ray is predeceased by his parents Hilda and Henry; brothers Eddie (Erna), Fred (Anne); sisters Martha Schwab (Ed), Laura Cadman (George); beloved wife Fern and daughter Susan Ennis (Rick). Left to mourn and will be sadly missed by son Robert Massey (Jill); daughter Heide Saj (Gary); granddaughter Jenna Hopkins (Jon); grandson Taylor Ennis; granddaughters Rhianna Saj (Bert) and Miya Saj (Noah); sister Shirley Tiderman (Buck); great-grandchildren Willow and Sawyer Hopkins, and many other loving family members.

Ray's family would especially like to thank all the doctors, nurses and medical staff at the Stonewall Hospital. A special thank you to Megan and all the staff with Stonewall Home Care Team as well.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to CancerCare Manitoba or the South Interlake 55 Plus Centre in Stonewall, MB.

A family graveside service will be held in September.

As Ray would say, "If that's life, I've lived it!"

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#### OBITUARY

Marcelle Allary May 16, 1932 - July 31, 2024

It is with great sadness to announce the passing of our mother, Marcelle Allary.

Memorial service will be held on Friday, August 23, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. at the MacKenzie Funeral Chapel in Stonewall.

Tributes: mackenziefh.com

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OBITUARY

#### Aline Ruel

October 17, 1965 – August 4, 2024

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our precious Aline, loving wife, daughter, sister, auntie and friend to so many. At Stonewall Hospital, in a space saturated with love, her spirit was freed from the horrible disease that had invaded her body.

She leaves to mourn the love of her life, Rémy Guay; her parents, Ruth and Gil Ruel; brother Jim; sister Monique (Scott) Wichenko; mother-in-law, Rose-Annette Dufour; brother-in-law, Bert Guay (Laura); sisters-in-law Mireille (Mike) Robinson and Ladean Morton; nieces and nephews, Lucas (Demi), Hugh (Lisa), Taryn (Steve), Valerie (Leighton), Jordan and Melody and great-niece Hazel.

As the youngest of three, Aline was thrust in to a full and busy family. While quiet and content to begin with, she quickly learned how to stand up for herself and ensure that her own unique light shone through. She held her

own with all the neighbourhood games and events (until the streetlights came on) that were part of growing up in Windsor Park in the 60's and early 70's.

She became a valued team member on many Winakwa Community Club ringette and softball teams, sports that she continued to participate in as an adult.

After graduating from Windsor Park Collegiate in 1983, Aline started her work life in an admin support role at Manulife. An opportunity arose for her to escape the fluorescent lights and high heels to learn how to weld and to rebuild torque converters for automatic transmissions. She eventually bought the business and combined her organizational skills and strong knowledge of the craft, becoming the owner of "Benson Converters" until 1993.

After Bensons, Aline became a valued and well-loved member of the Luke's Town Service Team.

Once bitten by the bug of entrepreneurship, Aline educated herself and created "Aline Ruel's General Bookkeeping Services". Her mastery of numbers, combined with great people skills, resulted in an ever-expanding group of loyal clients.

In her early 20's, Aline found herself at gatherings with Rémy as they had many mutual friends. The beach at Steep Rock, Manitoba became their special place. Little did Aline know that her act of opening up the hood of her pickup and fixing a small problem, would be what stirred Rémy's passion and captured his heart, leading to 32 years of laughter and love.

In 2009, they moved to a secluded property near Argyle, Manitoba. Their acreage provided for numerous get togethers, space for folks to stay and no neighbours to complain about noise. This also allowed her to embrace the beauty of nature and fulfill a yearning to welcome and love Miley, their beautiful German Shepherd.

Aline was happiest when connecting with people. Her collection of friends continued to grow through her entire life. Every campfire, every community event or tournament provided an opportunity to rekindle the old or establish new, meaningful relationships. Aline's many values contributed to the depth of these relationships. She was extremely honest, caring of others and incredibly forgiving.

Her playfulness, inherited from her Gramma and nurtured by her own spirit, was both infectious and endearing. So many have been buoyed by Aline's many pranks, jokes, dance displays and her many planned events. The incredible challenges of her illness did not diminish her quest for laughter or her "Joie de Vivre", never ceasing to inspire those around her.

Aline's belief in the spirit of family and friends, fueled her willingness to ask for help when needed. This has been a gift to Aline's family and friends, allowing many to remain close, sharing in her times of both joy and of struggle. She will be dearly missed.

Aline's family would like to express gratitude to so many who supported and provided such compassionate and dignified care. Special thanks to: Dr. Olayemi; Dr. Rittberg, Dr. Chowdhury, nurse Mary and the radiation team at CancerCare Manitoba; Selkirk Hospital Chemo team; the Interlake Palliative Care and Home Care team (Dr. Graham, nurse specialist Christine, home care nurses and care providers); and the Stonewall Hospital staff who provided such exceptional palliative care.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Stonewall and District Health Centre, via the Interlake Regional Health Foundation, 233A Main St., Selkirk, MB. R1A 1S1 https://www.iehf. ca/ways-to-give/#memory

A Celebration of Aline's life will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 20th at Neil Bardal Funeral Centre, 3030 Notre Dame Ave., Winnipeg.

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#### Barbara Ann Johnston (nee MacDonald)

June 29, 1949 - July 31, 2024 Unexpectedly with great sadness we announce the passing of Barbara Ann Johnston.

She leaves behind her husband of 54 years. Bruce: children Cody Johnston (Julie), Trevor Johnston (Rosemary); grandchildren, Jessica (Kyle), Curtis (Jaylese); great-grandchild Hazel; brothers Daniel MacDonald (Barbara) and Neil MacDonald (Wendy); numerous aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews and many special friends.

She was predeceased by her mother Irene MacDonald and father John MacDonald.

Barb was born on June 29, 1949 in Winnipeg, Manitoba and grew up in Winnipeg where she attended Isaac Brock and Daniel

McIntyre. Barb worked at MTS as a long distance operator and then later as a technician at Boeing. She owned Barb's Sub Plus at the Unicity Mall until the mall closed and then she retired to the family cabin at Belair, Manitoba.

Barb married the love of her life Bruce on November 1, 1969 in Winnipeg and shortly after they moved to Stonewall and began their family. Barb was a proud member of the Stonewall Kinsmen Kinettes for numerous years. She took great pride in her yard and gardening, and grew many flowers not only for herself, but also to share with friends and family. Barb's Ukrainian cooking and baking was second to none and everyone looked forward to her meals and care packages. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

If friends and family so desire, please make a donation in her honour to a charity of your choice. Barb will be remembered by her family and friends for her strength,

courage and support of others. She will be deeply missed and in our hearts forever.



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OBITUARY

**Brian Frederickson** 

Brian Frederickson peacefully passed away on the morning of August 1st, 2024 at the age of 76 years at the Stonewall Hospital after a lengthy bout with cancer.

Son of August and Nora Frederickson, he is survived by his wife Jacqueline and son Curt. And a father to Chris whom passed in May of last year of his own battle with cancer. He was also the brother of Frank, Robert, Donna, Karen and Darren.

Brian loved the arts, including painting and music. He also worked in insurance from the age of 18 until he retired in 2020.

I'd like to thank the staff of Stonewall Hospital for making his last davs comfortable.

There will not be a service for Brian but I'd like to thank the entire family for helping us through this difficult time. Brian will be greatly missed.



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