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Youngsters had their floral and vegetable creations judged in the 60th Flower Fruit and Vegetable Show last Saturday in Stonewall. Pictured from left: Emilia Booth, Rebecca Matheson, Elizabeth Matheson and Claire Booth.

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# Fundraisers underway for Woodlands boy awaiting lung transplant

By Jennifer McFee

The community is banding together to support a Woodlands boy in need of a double-lung transplant.

With a zest for life, eight-year-old Sam Madden embraces adventure, enjoys nature and loves to learn.

"He is extremely passionate about many subjects including tornadoes, volcanoes, space, church bells and birds — most favourite being the loon," said his mom, Lisa Parks.

"He spends a lot of time looking up facts about each topic and likes to share his knowledge with anyone willing to listen."

He's also fascinated with "real" trains, and he's always quick to correct anyone who assumes that includes Thomas the Tank Engine.

"He has always been someone that wanted to just go and experience life with no boundaries," Parks said.

"If there is a fence, he'll want to be on the other side. If there is a huge puddle, he is going through it. One spot of mud on an acre, he'll find it and get himself stuck in it. A dangerous tree, he will want to climb it."

At the same time, Sam knows his way around a hospital all too well.

During a 20-week ultrasound, Sam was diagnosed in utero with Tetralo-



Sam attends Woodlands Elementary and is going into Grade 3 this fall.

gy of Fallot, a rare condition caused by a combination of four congenital heart defects.

"He was air ambulated to B.C. Children's Hospital at three days old and had his first open heart surgery at five days old. He then had his second at one year," Parks said.

"This was considered his 'full repair' surgery. We are followed by cardiology here, and as he grows, he will need a stint that was put into his pulmonary valve widened but has been stable heart-wise."

However, just before Sam's third birthday, he started experiencing excruciating abdominal pain and urinary tract infections that led to many visits to his pediatrician and the emergency room.

Parks pushed for an ultrasound, which revealed a 13-centimetre tu-



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Eight-year-old Sam Madden is able to ride his electric quad while pulling his oxygen tank in a bike trailer to give him some freedom.

mour that had damaged Sam's left kidney.

"When they did the tumour resection, they took the left kidney and his spleen as well. The tumour was found to be an aggressive form of neuroblastoma. We then started the six rounds of high-dose chemotherapy, followed by a stem cell transplant," Parks said.

"During the stem cell transplant, Sam started to get severe respiratory issues along with a few other of the serious complications that could happen. He was in the PICU for some time. The hospital stay just for the transplant was 78 days."

Since then, Sam has faced ongoing respiratory issues. Last year, he had a biopsy that led to the diagnosis of Busulfan lung injury.

"Busulfan was the chemo used in the stem cell transplant. Since last June, he has had several pneumotho-

raxes, the last one was in May, and we were in the hospital for about two months with a chest tube inserted," Parks said.

"During this time, we were officially referred to the lung transplant team at Toronto Sick Kids. They had advised us to have a procedure done called pleurodesis to help inflame in the chest wall and help temporarily with the ongoing pneumothoraxes to prolong the transplant."

However, they don't know how long they can depend on the pleurodesis, which is a way to remove space between the lung and the chest wall.

"We can also try it again if he gets another pneumothorax, but the surgeons did see his left lung in particular has very bad lung tissue and is covered in blebs (small collections of

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# Local garden club celebrates 60 years of friendly competition

By Jo-Anne Procter

The Quarry Park Heritage Arts Centre in Stonewall was in full bloom as the South Interlake Garden Club hosted its 60th Flower, Fruit and Vegetable Show on Aug. 12. This beloved event drew gardeners from near and far, eager to showcase their horticultural prowess.

With a total of 334 entries from 30 participants, the show truly embodied the spirit of friendly competition. From stunning floral arrangements to meticulously grown fruits and vegetables, every entry showed an abundance of talent and dedication.

President Tanya Daher was delighted with this year's show.

"The 60th year did not disappoint. We had a great showing of beautiful and creative entries in the most amazing venue in Stonewall (Heritage Arts Centre)," she told the *Tribune*.

What made this anniversary even more special were the new exhibitors who brought fresh perspectives into play. Their contributions breathed new life into an already thriving community of gardening enthusiasts.

Teulon's Lorraine Dnistransky was named the Grand Aggregate champion for collecting the most points and Warren's Nicole Kapusta was named the Reserve Aggregate champion. Judges awarded Dnistransky with the Best Specialty Arrangement in Class 4 and the Best Unique Arrangement in Class 5. She cleaned up in the vegetable section collecting the Most Points prize, the Best 3 Tomatoes prize and the Best Display of Vegetables prize.

Kapusta also won the Best Outdoor Container in Class 2, Judge's Choice of Best Fruit in Class 7 and Best Photo in Class 10.

Jo-Anne Procter collected the Most Points in Class 1 and received the prize for Best Dahlia and Best Col-



The popular farmer's market was made possible thanks to Rock Lake Colony west of Grosse Isle, who host their own market every Friday.

lection of Roses. Joan Hunter took home the prize for the Best Collection of Gladioli while Emma Hogg won the Best Begonia Prize. Marni Langrell won the Class 3 Best Houseplant prize and Doreen Klohn collected the prize for Most Points in Class 9. In the children's categories, Elizabeth Matheson collected the Most Points in the 6 years and under category, Emilia Booth in the 7 to 9 years and Robert Daher in the 10 to 16 years.

As always, dedicated volunteers worked tirelessly to make sure everything ran smoothly. They ensured that both entrants and viewers had an unforgettable experience at this yearly celebration of nature's beauty.

Tasty home-baked dainties were served at the tea. There was also a garden-themed variety auction and a farmer's market with produce generously donated by Rock Lake Colony west of Grosse Isle.

Be sure to watch your *Stonewall Teulon Tribune* for dates of upcoming garden events. In September, there will be a Fairy Garden Workshop at Jaspersen's Greenhouse. The annual potluck and AGM will be held at



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Lorraine Dnistransky, right, was this year's Grand Aggregate champion for collecting the most points for her entries in the South Interlake Garden Club's 60th Flower, Fruit and Vegetable Show. Nicole Kapusta, left, was named Reserve Aggregate champion.



Guests enjoyed checking out all of the flowers and arrangements at the show.



Dennis and Kathy Simard enjoyed homemade dainties at the tea.

Warren Hall on Oct. 18 with dinner starting at 6 p.m., a very brief meeting will follow at 7 p.m. At 7:30 p.m. there will be a presentation by Sherrie Versluis, owner of The Preferred Perch, a specialized store dedicated strictly to the hobby of feeding wild birds.



Garden Club president Tanya Daher, left, and volunteer Karen Pokrant running the variety auction.



Court of Honour recipients, back left to right: Marni Langrell, Nicole Kapusta, Joan Hunter, Jo-Anne Procter and Doreen Klohn. Front: Elizabeth Matheson, Emilia Booth, Robert Daher, Lorraine Dnistransky and Emma Hogg.





# Being Green Camp for young community members

By staff

The Grosse Isle Rec Club hosted an exciting event for the young community members from July 31 to Aug. 2 — the Being Green Camp.

The camp was all about instilling a sense of environmental awareness and responsibility in our future leaders. Over the course of three days, these enthusiastic campers embarked on a journey to discover the importance of being green.

One of the highlights of this mini-camp was exploring the new community trail. The kids laced up and set off on foot, enjoying nature's wonders along the way. Not only were they getting exercise but also learning about preserving and appreciating their natural surroundings.

The campers also had their fair share of hands-on activities. They engaged in community clean-up efforts, picking up litter and beautifying their town all while making a positive impact on their environment.

Craft time was another hit at Being Green Camp as campers got creative with recycled materials or items found in nature each day, which proved that eco-friendly crafting can be both fun and meaningful.



On the last day of camp, local resident Clara King, known throughout town for her daily walks with her dog, was invited to join the children on their walk. King keeps Grosse Isle tidy by collecting garbage along her route each day.

To show their gratitude for her tireless efforts, the kids surprised King with heartfelt thank-you cards.

Being Green Camp leaders Mia Cassils and Jady Baldwin were able to run the camp with financial help from grants; Urban/Hometown Green Team Program and the Canadian Parks & Recreation Green Jobs initiative.



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Being Green campers walked the new walking trail in Grosse Isle with resident Clara King and picked up any litter along the way.

## Manitoba Blue Cross offering marriage and family therapy at a discounted rate

Submitted Manitoba Blue Cross

Manitoba Blue Cross is providing marriage and family counselling to the public at a discounted rate for a limited time.

The not-for-profit organization is welcoming four Marriage & Family Therapy (MFT) interns to their team in September 2023 and will be offering their services to Manitobans at a discounted rate of only \$75 per session. The typical market rate for counselling is \$125-150 per session.

"The last few years have really put a strain on many relationships and families and the increased need has led to long wait lists for many services. At Manitoba Blue Cross, we believe everyone should be able to ac-

cess mental health support when they want it," says Jodie Voth, manager of Manitoba Blue Cross's Employee Assistance Services.

Whether you're looking to do a relationship check-in or want to address a family concern before it gets bigger, you can receive the support you need now from highly qualified professionals. The MFT interns are in their final year of studies and are supervised by an experienced clinical supervisor in-person and virtual appointments are available.

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# CPAWS to host Stony Mountain Quarry hikes

By Jennifer McFee

All are welcome to explore nature and learn about Manitoba's mining history through upcoming hikes in the Stony Mountain quarry.

On Saturday, Aug. 26, Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society (CPAWS) will host two free hikes on the local trails.

CPAWS is a charitable organization dedicated to protecting public land, fresh water and ocean across the country. The organization aims to respect the sovereignty and leadership of Indigenous nations while focusing on conserving nature in response to climate change and accelerated biodiversity loss.

The local chapter's Nature Club strives to help Manitobans get outside, make new friends and learn about nature. In 2021 and 2022, more than 15,000 people registered for Nature Club activities, including group hikes, paddle nights, webinars and more.

"We've developed a wide range of activities and programming to help Manitobans of all ages and abilities enjoy the health and wellness benefits of nature," said Katie Borgfjord,



A crowd gathered for an event at the tall grass prairie in July.

digital marketing co-ordinator for CPAWS Manitoba.

"These are community-building programs designed to help people explore Manitoba, gain the confidence to get out into the wilderness, develop new skills and learn about Manitoba's wildlife, birds, plants and natural environment."

A Stony Mountain resident, Borgfjord will lead the upcoming quarry hikes.

"Our hikes are family-friendly ori-



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY KATIE BORGFJORD (ABOVE) AND TALIA HRABINSKY (LEFT) The summer staff at CPAWS Manitoba share their enthusiasm for nature.

ented, with attendees of all ages. Most people that come out are people wanting to meet other like-minded individuals or families looking for an easy kid-friendly activity," she said.

"Along with leading the hike, I will be taking photos and videos of the event for our social pages. I spent lots of time as a kid wandering through the quarry, walking, biking, sledding or watching the sunset from Pike's Peak."

The first hike on Aug. 26 starts at 11 a.m. and is a bilingual event offered in partnership with Sports en Français. The second hike will begin at 1:30 p.m. Participants will meet at the main trail sign at Dufferin Road and Main Street in Stony Mountain. In total, each hike will span 3.5 kilometres and is expected to take about 90 minutes to complete.

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# Warren's Yard of the Week honours



Peter Mitchell and Raul Bernales of 219 Johnson Way were the first winners of Warren's Yard of the Week award. The Local Urban District Committee hoped to participate in Communities in Bloom 2023 but were unable to organize volunteers and meet entry requirements. Instead, committee member Cal Martin suggested organizing a local award. For eight weeks through July and August, volunteer judges will wander town, assessing yards for tidiness, colour, form, texture, variety, use of space and overall attractiveness. When the winning yard has been selected, a committee member will contact the homeowner for permission to place the "Yard of the Week" sign. The committee will then post pictures on a community Facebook page, where bragging rights are welcomed. All residents are invited to suggest entries to committee reps, who will then forward addresses to the judges.

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air between the lung and the outer surface of the lung), so he is in a very critical condition," Parks said.

"The team in Toronto has been given all of Sam's health records and there is a possibility he won't meet the criteria for the transplant. His heart so far looks OK, but having the single kidney and his remaining kidney being damaged by chemo may make him ineligible. The medications given after transplant are hard on the kidney."

In addition, there's no guarantee the lung transplant would be a success.

"The doctors also have said it's a 50/50 chance to survive five years after the transplant, many dying during it and not much making 10 years after. It is the most unsuccessful organ transplant," Parks said.

"We are still waiting to see if he will qualify, and if he does, we will try to prolong the inevitable transplant with pleurodesis. One doctor had said the pleurodesis could give us another year or two possibly — but if things start to go downhill and it isn't working, it could be anytime."

Toronto Sick Kids is currently the only hospital in Canada that does this type of transplant, she added.

"If he does qualify and it comes to the point of transplant, we would have to live out in Toronto awaiting the call that a suitable donor has become available," Parks said.

"The team at Toronto has said anywhere from two months to a year — and after the surgery, expect a four-month stay."

Community members are finding ways to offer support to Sam and his family, who moved to Lake Francis from Winnipeg two years ago. In June, Sam finished Grade 2 at Woodlands Elementary School where students continue to rally around him.

"I cannot get over how amazing it feels to be part of this community already. A lot of my experience has been with the staff and kids at Woodlands

Elementary. When I went to register Sam for Grade 1, the first person we met in the hall was this super friendly, outgoing teacher. As luck would have it, she ended up being Sam's teacher for the past two years. I cannot say enough about Lindsay Hoas and how much she has done to make Sam's experience such a positive one," Parks said.

"But the entire school and every single person I have worked with there has just been beyond what I could imagine. The kids also have really rallied around Sam and made him feel so special. I really believe it's something about being in a small community. He's received letters, videos and support from students in all grades while he's been in hospital and his class even decided to have a 'Sam party' when he was out of the hospital."

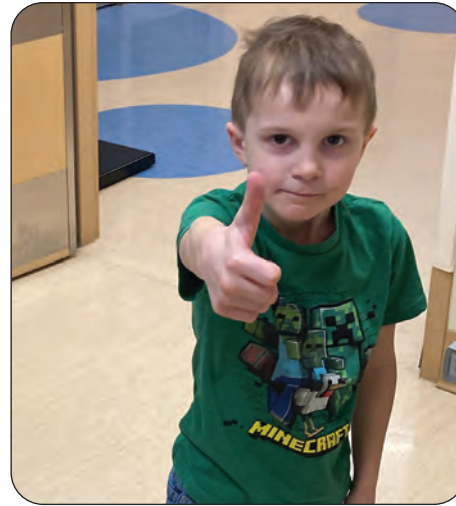
Woodlands Elementary School staff and parent advisory council have launched an online 50/50 fundraiser to help cover some of the costs for the family's stay in Toronto. Visit <https://bit.ly/SupportforSam> to learn more or to purchase a ticket. Tickets cost \$5 for one, \$20 for three or \$50 for 50. The draw will take place on Wednesday, Sept. 6 at noon.

In another fundraiser, Danica and Abby's Village charity will host a slo-pitch tournament in Stonewall on Aug. 19 and 20, and half of the money raised will go to Sam's family.

In addition, Jessica Burns, whose kids go to school with Sam, applied for a care grant through Foresters Financial, which is the life insurance provider for her family. They received a \$200 grant that they spent on toys for Sam to enjoy while he's in the hospital.

Throughout all his ordeals, Sam continues to embrace the good things in life.

"Sam's favourite food is sushi, and he is as passionate about it as he is with everything else. Often the only thing he will eat in the hospital will be



Eight-year-old Sam Madden is waiting to see if he qualifies for a lung transplant.

ordered in sushi, his favourite being tuna and salmon sashimi. He will eat a ridiculous amount of it," Parks said.

"Sam is also very close to his Grandma Sharon, who retired a bit early when Sam got diagnosed with neuroblastoma to help out. She has been and still is a huge partner in all Sam's medical care. They are incredibly close, and if he has any place in the world he wants to be, it is at her lake. He just got a chance to go recently after missing out last year due to illness. He's become quite the fisherman and is catching pike and bass all on his own."

In another endeavour, Parks invested last year in an electric quad and attached a bike trailer on the back to carry his oxygen.



An online 50/50 fundraiser is raising money for Sam Madden and his family.

"This has allowed him to feel somewhat of this freedom still since he doesn't have the endurance he used to and is limited further having to be attached to oxygen," she said.

"He loves it and whips around our property no problem — best investment ever."

Sam and his family are grateful for the support of the community — and for the dedication of the nurses at CancerCare and the CK5 ward at Children's Hospital.

"I really don't know how they do it. They deal with so much and there is never a feeling they are having an 'off' day," Parks said.

"They are so consistent in their patience, care and positivity — and, most of all, genuinely have given to Sam and our family."



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## Agriculture – our rich uncle

By Cam Dahl, general manager of Manitoba Pork

Farmers face a growing number of challenges. The threat of drought and crop failure seem to be with us every year. Add to this protectionist policies that make it harder for Canadian farmers to trade, uncertain markets caused by political instability (e.g., war in Ukraine), and the potential for disease outbreaks that threaten productivity. It is not overly surprising that politicians and policy makers often look at agriculture as a series of problems that need to be solved. In fact, agriculture is not a policy problem child but has become our rich uncle that we need to cultivate.

There was a time, beginning in the 1970s and through the 1990s, when the outlook for agriculture was bleak. Subsidy wars between Europe and the U.S. had decimated international prices. Protectionist tariff barriers kept Canadian products out of prime markets. Interest rates in the high teens drove producers into bankruptcy. The question in rural Canada at the time was “why would my kids want to farm?” Thankfully, times have considerably changed.

Canada has negotiated more trade agreements than any other developed country. We are connected to Asia through the Comprehensive and Progressive Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP). We are connected to North America through the Canada-United States-Mexico Agreement (CUSMA), and to Europe through the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA). Canada has free trade agreements with over 40 countries, and agriculture is featured prominently in each of them. Are these agreements perfect? Far from it; we have a lot of work to do to make

them better. However, each of these agreements has opened the door to agricultural exports and helped make agriculture a driver of the Canadian economy.

Manitoba’s pork sector provides an example of how agriculture can transform the economy and communities. Because of investments in hog production and processing, rural areas like Steinbach, Roblin, Killarney and Notre Dame de Lourdes are being revitalized. Over 22,000 jobs in Manitoba are tied to hog production. These job numbers include thousands of people working in value-added processing in Brandon, Winkler, Neepawa and Winnipeg. Jobs and investments help communities deliver new amenities like hospitals, childcare facilities and recreation centres. The industry adds \$2.3 billion to the province’s GDP every year. Canola, oats, peas, cereal crops, beef, potatoes and many more commodities add to agriculture’s contribution to our province.

Agriculture can continue to drive our growth and development. But we need the right policies, legislation and regulations. We can’t forget that the difficult times of 30 and 40 years ago were caused by detrimental domestic and international policies.

What do we mean by good policies? Manitoba is at the beginning of an election campaign, and it is prime time to ask this question. First, we need our governments, both provincial and federal, to rigorously protect our ability to trade. We are seeing protectionism rise again, after 30-plus years of working to liberalize trade. Examples include non-science-based regulatory hurdles that are blocking Canadian red meat producers from accessing the European market (de-

spite CETA), proposed U.S. labelling regulations that will discriminate against Canadian meat, and activist-driven welfare requirements that are limiting our ability to access the California market. Manitoba needs every leader running to be premier to commit to actively fighting against these emerging trade barriers.

Second, Manitoba’s political leaders must commit to a rigorous science-based regulatory framework. There is a worrisome trend for regulations to be driven by activism and the latest social-media movement rather than science.

Third, policies aimed at sustainability goals and climate change mitigation must encourage innovation and not simply add unbearable costs. Encouraging early adopters for more energy efficient barns or increased nutrient utilization will be effective in advancing societal goals and make our industry more competitive. Punitive policies, like energy taxes or limiting fertilizer use add costs and limit our farmers’ ability to compete in international markets. The incentive carrot is far more effective than restrictive regulation.

Fourth, farmers need ongoing support to mitigate some of the risks they face due to politically volatile markets. We do not want to see a return to the debilitating subsidy wars of the 1970s, but agriculture does need policies in place that will allow farmers to effectively plan for the future of their operations, get through natural disasters, and weather market contractions.

I want to end with a challenge to every farmer in Manitoba. Get out and meet your candidates. All of them, and not just the candidate you agree with. Let them know how important agriculture is to every community in Manitoba. Challenge them to support our trade, encourage innovation and set regulatory policies that are based on sound science. Political leadership in these areas will help agriculture continue to attract investment, increase our value-added industries and grow our economy and our communities.

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# Local ukulele club forms performance group

By Jennifer McFee

It was a toe-tapping good time at Something Beautiful for a lively song rendition by the Stonewall Strummers Ukulele Club last week.

The local club, which is a South Interlake 55 Plus program, has continued to meet throughout the summer. On Aug. 10, they shared a rendition of "Happy Together" by The Turtles.

Looking ahead, they hope to take their talents to the next level by forming a performance group.

For the upcoming season, more members are always welcome to join the strumming group. Weekly sessions are held every Thursday evening at Something Beautiful in Stonewall.

"The club is always looking for new people to join, so the first part of the session will be from 6:30 to 7:20 and will be for welcoming and helping newcomers. It will also be for regular members who do not wish to be in the performance group but enjoy playing different songs and having fun. Beginners are always welcome any time," said Rick Williamson, a former member of the 55 Plus committee.

"The performance group will practise from 7:20 to 8 p.m. and will work on getting songs up to performance level for shows in the near future."

Williamson expressed gratitude for local businesses that show support for the club.

"Keyboard Ventures supports the



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The Stonewall Strummers Ukulele Club always welcomes new members.

club and gives a 10 per cent discount on merchandise to all members," he said.

"Something Beautiful gives their

support by providing a wonderful venue for us to play in."

For more information, contact Rick Williamson at [jjportage@yahoo.ca](mailto:jjportage@yahoo.ca).

# Hemp boutique sought permission to open in Rockwood

By Jennifer McFee

An Indigenous-owned and operated company sought permission from Rockwood council to open a hemp boutique retail store and licensed cannabis dispensary in the municipality.

Applicant Tyler Miller, owner of The Vault, hoped to open his business northeast of the municipal boundary between Teulon and Rockwood at the intersection of highways 7 and 17.

"We are passionate entrepreneurs in the hemp and cannabis industry in the Interlake. I am excited about the opportunity to contribute to the local community by providing high quality, local new industrial hemp products, licensed cannabis products produced in Manitoba, and to support Interlake business by sourcing locally made retail products and the local raw materials that go into these

products," Miller wrote in his letter of intent.

"The proposed cannabis dispensary and hemp boutique retail store will not only provide a wide range of industrial hemp products and carefully curated cannabis products but also aim to educate customers about the responsible use of cannabis, its potential benefits and the use of sustainable and environmentally friendly hemp products sourced in Manitoba."

They are dedicated to being a good corporate citizen, he added.

"We plan to actively participate in community events and support local charities," Miller wrote.

"We would like to invest long term in the community and purchase the building in the proposed application. We will create three new jobs in the community and offer very competi-

tive living wages."

Council heard from community members who cited concerns that include proximity to churches and residences. The RM's bylaw states that cannabis stores can't be established within 150 metres of the property line of a school, child-care service or recreation facility.

The South Interlake Planning District had no concerns with the proposal. After much debate, council denied the application.

## IN OTHER COUNCIL NEWS:

- Council considered a conditional use request from Rockwood residents hoping to build a secondary suite on their property on Road 76N. The previous owner had renovated the upper part of an existing barn hoping to convert it into a sec-

ondary suite. After the current owners bought the property in 2015, they finished the renovations and rented it out to a young family.

During an inspection in 2022, South Interlake Planning District's building inspector noted that the secondary suite was unauthorized and told the owners they would need to get conditional use approval as well as permits.

South Interlake Planning District had no significant concerns with the conditional use application. Council approved the request.

- Council considered a variation request for a proposed subdivision on Road 73N. South Interlake Planning District had no significant concerns with the proposal. Council approved the request.

## > CPAWS, FROM PG. 5

"Half of our hikes are offered bilingually in a partnership with Sports en Français. This organization contributes to the development of Manitoba's francophone community through sport and physical activity in French," she said.

"While French language skills are not required to participate, we welcome francophones and francophiles to join. For English speakers, it's a great opportunity for you and your family to practise your French language skills."

The Nature Club's group hikes are free and open to anyone who would like to participate. Participants should bring at least two bottles of

water. Hikers should also consider packing snacks, hand sanitizer and any medications that might be needed. Although not required, participants might want to bring along a safety whistle, pocket flashlight and basic first aid kit — items the Nature Club suggests for any wilderness excursion.

For Borgfjord, one of the best parts about leading these hikes is seeing how much fun people have spending time in nature with a group of people they don't already know.

"Some people are just there for the company and the fun of being part of a fun — and free — group activity. Others use it as a way to explore a new park. I've also had people tell me that they didn't feel comfortable hiking alone, but after getting out

with us as a group, they realized it's something they can do on their own," she said.

"There are also so many health and wellness benefits to spending time in nature. It's not just about exercise. Spending time outside helps us sleep better at night and relieves stress. It's even been shown to improve our memory, help us focus and reduce symptoms of anxiety and depression."

The Nature Club also helps to achieve one of CPAWS Manitoba's goals of connecting people with nature. Since 1991, CPAWS Manitoba has helped establish 23 parks and protected areas across the province — a 26,000-square-kilometre area that is larger than Lake Winnipeg. The organization's overall goal is to protect

half of Manitoba's land and water.

"We regularly host events like hikes, workshops or webinars," Borgfjord added.

"We have an outdoor learning program to get children more connected with nature."

Participants can register in advance through [eventbrite.ca](https://eventbrite.ca) or they can just show up for the hike.

For more information about CPAWS Manitoba, visit [www.cpawsmb.org](https://www.cpawsmb.org) or check out the organization's social media pages. To learn about CPAWS Manitoba's campaign focused on Fisher River Cree Nation, visit <https://cpawsmb.org/campaigns/frcn-conservation-areas-initiative/>.

Anyone with questions about the hikes or the organization can email [info@cpawsmb.org](mailto:info@cpawsmb.org).



# Hog industry remains an economic powerhouse

By Lorne Stelmach

A new study shows the contributions of Manitoba's hog farming and pork processing sector to the provincial economy are substantial.

The results of a recent economic analysis back up the belief that the sector is an economic powerhouse, officials with Manitoba Pork suggested last week.

"There are reasons to be optimistic about the future of the industry in Manitoba," said general manager Cam Dahl. "We're going through a bit of a tough spell right now in the hog industry ... but I really do think the long run outlook for production in Manitoba is very positive. We produce a high quality product that's demanded throughout the world."

The independent economic analysis found 55 per cent of all agriculture and food processing jobs in Manitoba are tied to the hog sector.

Numbers compiled by Serecon also show the provincial hog sector con-

tributes 22,000 jobs across Manitoba in both urban and rural communities as well as over \$2.3 billion to the provincial GDP annually.

Manitoba's hog sector also directly contributes \$139 million annually to the provincial government in tax revenue and another \$87 million in municipal tax revenue, the analysis reports.

"Our direct and indirect financial support allows both the provincial and municipal governments to fund key priorities like health care, education and infrastructure," said Rick Prejet, chair of Manitoba Pork. "The growth and success of urban and rural communities can be directly tied to hog farming and value-added processing."

Manitoba's hog sector has seen over 40 new barn sites or expansions approved across the province since 2017, and it is adding over \$200 million in new private investment in primary agricultural production.



MANITOBA PORK PHOTO

A recent economic analysis showed 55 per cent of all agriculture and food processing jobs in Manitoba are tied to the hog sector.

The industry is also attracting new value-added investment such as the recent \$182-million expansion of the Maple Leaf Foods bacon facility in Winnipeg. There was also the recent announcement of a \$52.8-million expansion at Winkler Meats and \$35 million invested by the genetics company Topigs Norsvin on a new facility just outside of Plumas.

"It just shows that creation of a critical mass of hog farmers in Manitoba has attracted our value-added processors like HyLife and Maple Leaf and, of course, Winkler Meats, which is growing," said Dahl. "That's actually a really good example of how we have that critical mass of production

here that is attracting significant investment.

It's a testament to the importance of the hog industry in Manitoba, added Dahl. He noted the sector has come a long way since the freeze on development in the industry a few years ago.

"It's not that long ago ... since about 2016 we saw growth again in new barns or refurbishment of old barns, and we've had about 40 since that time ... so we're seeing some of that investment in the primary production infrastructure as well."

Dahl believes there are a few key factors that are helping drive that con-

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# New owners focus on quality at Stonewall Chicken Chef

By Jennifer McFee

The new owners of Stonewall's Chicken Chef have all the right ingredients to create a successful restaurant.

Husband-and-wife duo Alrahim and Hifza Verani took over the local eatery in early June. Alrahim brings with him a background in accounting, while Hifza has experience in human resources and hospitality.

They're pleased with the warm welcome they've received in Stonewall, where they commute from their Winnipeg home.

"Everyone is welcoming. Chicken Chef has had a standing in town for a really long time, and people seem to be really happy that it's back," Hifza said.

"A lot of people have memories attached to it, with many who've been coming here since they were kids. When people come here, they feel nostalgic and it's nice to be able to provide that to the community."

Likewise, Alrahim agrees that the Stonewall community has been warm and receptive.

"The people from town are really welcoming, patient and accepting. Everything is going well so far," he said.

"Our goal is to provide quality service and quality food. We are coming with the mindset that the customer is always right."

The new owners have revamped the restaurant's décor with changes to the paint, the pictures and the layout.

"We have a really strong commitment to continual growth. We want to continually improve and evolve the restaurant," Hifza said.

"We have a willingness to listen to feedback. We see it as an opportunity to refine and grow our offerings. I can't fix something that I don't know about, so I always encourage our customers to tell me what it is. We're here to learn and do better every day."

Through the restaurant, they plan to focus on building a strong community.

"It's our commitment to become a gathering place



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER  
Husband-and-wife duo Alrahim and Hifza Verani took over Stonewall's Chicken Chef in early June.

where friends and family can bond over delicious food, warm ambiance and excellent service. We have a lot of families that are coming in to celebrate," she said.

"We were open for Father's Day, which was amazing because a lot of people came in to celebrate. Being a part of that community-building experience definitely feels really good."

At the same time, the owners also aim to empower their team.

"We have a very close team that we work with. We have some front-of-house staff and some back-of-house staff as well, and some people also come in

from the city," Hifza said.

"They're all new immigrants, so being able to provide that opportunity definitely is very satisfying. Every day when they come in to work, we want them to feel that they are part of something positive. It is their input and creativity that plays a crucial role in shaping the restaurant's success."

In addition, the new owners endeavour to create an ambiance that will appeal to their customers.

"We want to create a memorable experience for everybody through the little touches. If somebody comes in and we see that it's a small intimate group, we try to light some candles and set up the music the right way," Hifza said.

"When you're here to just enjoy food, sometimes you want to be cut out from the world and the stress, so having that perfect music and the overall atmosphere really helps. The small details play a big role in creating an overall experience because having food is more than just eating. It is an experience, after all."

Looking ahead, they plan to embrace each day with openness and learn from any challenges. They also plan to host a grand opening event soon, but the date has not yet been determined.

"No matter how much experience you have, every day is a learning opportunity," Hifza said.

"At the end of the day, it is for food enthusiasts. It's for people who love the brand Chicken Chef, but it's also a welcoming space for everyone to savour delightful moments — whether they're locals or visitors from afar."

The local restaurant offers both dine-in and take-out. The new owners have also added a delivery option throughout Stonewall and surrounding communities such as Stony Mountain, Warren and Grosse Isle.

Located at 314 Main St., Stonewall Chicken Chef is open Sunday to Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Thursday to Saturday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

More information is available at [www.chickenchef.com/locations/stonewall](http://www.chickenchef.com/locations/stonewall) or by calling 204-467-9042 or 204-467-9043.

## Gas taxes drive up Manitoba pump prices

Submitted by Gage Haubrich, CTF prairie director

The Canadian Taxpayers Federation is calling on the federal and provincial governments to cut gas taxes to save drivers money.

"Manitobans are now paying two carbon taxes they can't afford," said Gage Haubrich, CTF prairie director. "Prime Minister Justin Trudeau needs to stop piling more costs on families and scrap both of his carbon taxes that are making life more expensive."

The CTF's Gas Tax Honesty Report shows that taxes make up 29 per cent of the pump price in Manitoba. Provincial and federal taxes cost 46 cents per litre of gasoline.

The federal carbon tax currently costs 14 cents per litre of gasoline. The federal government imposed a sec-

ond carbon tax through fuel regulations that took effect on July 1. By 2030, when the fuel regulations are fully implemented, the two carbon taxes will increase the price of gasoline by about 55 cents per litre and cost the average Manitoba family more than \$2,100 annually.

The Manitoba government charges a gas tax of 14 cents per litre.

The provincial governments of Alberta, Ontario and Newfoundland and Labrador all cut gas taxes to save

drivers money.

"Premier Heather Stefanson rightly calls out the cost of the federal carbon tax but refuses to cut her provincial gas tax like many other provinces have done," Haubrich said. "Stefanson should step up and provide relief by cutting her gas taxes."

The CTF is Canada's leading non-partisan citizens' advocacy group fighting for lower taxes, less waste and accountable government.



# your FARM



## Gimli ranch introducing Valais Blacknose sheep to Canada

By Becca Myskiw

A Gimli couple is introducing a rare breed of sheep to Canada one lamb at a time.

Joachim De Smedt and Idris Dheedene moved to Manitoba from Belgium in 2014. Just over a year ago, they started breeding Valais Blacknose sheep, an adorable farm animal originating in Switzerland.

This hardy sheep is from the mountains in the Valais region of the country. They have a completely black nose with their white wool coming over their eyes, making for one of the cutest animals known. They're typically bred for both their wool and meat, but De Smedt and Dheedene breed them for pets on Tribble Ranch.

"They're super cute," said De Smedt. "We sort of fell in love when we saw the pictures of them online."

The breed is also known for being extremely friendly — that's the main reason De Smedt and Dheedene decided to add them to their farm. He said that fact has rung true. Tribble Ranch's sheep are curious towards people and will

run up to the fence when they see them, waiting to be loved.

Their sheep were recently at the Carman Country Fair petting zoo. De Smedt said the entire time, they stood by the edge of the fence so they'd get ample petting time.

The Valais Blacknose sheep is not commonly found in Canada, likely because you can't import the animal here. Instead, breeders have to import the breed's embryos or semen samples and start their own bloodline —

that's exactly what De Smedt and Dheedene are doing.

Right now, the couple has four pure-bred Valais Blacknose Sheep and seven crossbreeds. As they breed up, they're making crosses of Valais and Shropshire. The crosses will have a larger percentage of Valais in them each time, eventually leading to their own pure-breds of the breed.

"We figured the Shropshire would make a nice match," said De Smedt. "They have a lot of the same characteristics as the Valais, like black in

**"INBREEDING IS ALWAYS A CONCERN WHEN YOU'RE TRYING TO ESTABLISH SOMETHING NEW."**



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Joachim De Smedt and Idris Dheedene have started breeding Valais Blacknose sheep with the hopes of establishing the breed in Canada.

their legs and face."

De Smedt and Dheedene are importing high quality embryos and semen samples from different countries and

bloodlines to keep their herd's genetics diverse.

"Inbreeding is always a concern when you're trying to establish something new," said De Smedt.

So they're working hard to ensure that doesn't happen.

Valais Blacknose sheep are known in Switzerland for having a different textured meat. De Smedt and Dheedene can't attest to that themselves, but they can say the sheep's wool is unique. It's a different kind of fibre, very curled and light. As the Valais Blacknose sheep has to be sheared twice a year, they've already seen twice the quality of this wool.

"They grow very fluffy," said De Smedt. "When they come running to you, you can see their coat coming up and down."

Since the sheep isn't widely known in Canada, the market for their wool is quite small. The couple has, however, managed to find people who want it to make beautiful creations. Their goal is to keep breeding and growing



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their herd, getting big enough to sell lambs as pets for more and more Canadians.

Taking care of the sheep is not a hard task. In fact, they might be one of the easier farm animals to have as they're built for tough mountain conditions. De Smedt said almost immediately after a newborn lamb is up, they can go play in the snow and be absolutely fine. While they're nursing, De Smedt and Dheedene give the ewes a sheep feed mixture to give them the extra nutrients needed, but otherwise the Valais Blacknose sheep just graze off the land and drink water.

"If you're into sheep, I think it's the best sheep you can get," he said.

Right now, Tribble Ranch is a hobby for De Smedt and Dheedene but they're hoping it will get big and busy enough to become a full-time job. They're already selling lambs from their herd — seven are still available from this year. To see which lambs are up for grabs (and to see just how cute this breed of sheep is), go to [www.tribbleranch.ca](http://www.tribbleranch.ca).



The Valais Blacknose sheep are used for both wool and meat.

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# The limestone quarries: Stonewall's commercial industry

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The quarries, for many years, were the major industries in Stonewall. The beds of Ordovician limestone surrounding the town to the North and East, gave promise of commercial opportunity and were quarried from the beginning of Stonewall until 1968. With the opening of Western provinces to settlement, a great building boom created a demand for stone and lime for buildings and roads. The economic prosperity of the West in the building and contracting trades, reflected in the Stonewall quarries. The coming of the railway in 1880 aided these booms by carrying the supplies to a demanding and increasing market.

A. H. Clarke and Sons were among those making early shipments of stone and lime to various parts of Manitoba and out West. John Gunn began quarrying operations at the South-East corner of Stonewall in 1880.

Enoch Williams arrived at Stonewall in 1882 with his family and joined his brother Joseph, who had worked for the Inter Colonial Railway and was a contractor for the CPR round house at Selkirk.

They opened a quarry and built the first pot kilns for the manufacture of lime. The lime was known among masons across Canada for its high quality.

Remains of these pot kilns can still be seen just south of Kinsmen Park along Provincial Road 236.

Both Williams and Gunn operated quarries at Gunton and the latter at Stony Mountain as well. Major Bowles was also an early quarry operator who shipped out many carloads of stone and lime. In the winter of 1884, he employed 36 stone cutters and 25 quarry men. He later teamed up with John Gunn to form Bowles, Gunn and Co.

The March 16, 1899 issue of *Stone-*

*wall News* stated that the quarry business formerly conducted by Bowles, Gunn and Co. will be continued by John Gunn. Andy Patterson quarried the stone on his property on S.W. 31-13-2E, and his business became so extensive that his foreman, Dan E. McKenzie, joined as a partner, and they opened a sales office in Winnipeg.

The quarries at the North end of Jackson Avenue were developed by J. W. Fullbrooke, who purchased the land from Alex Irwin in 1899. In 1904, Winnipeg Supply and Fuel Co. purchased the Fullbrooke quarry and in 1910 acquired Mr. Patterson's property, and finally the Manitoba Quarries Ltd., formed earlier by Gunn and Williams.

The first two pot kilns were built in the late 1880's by the Williams Bros. John Gunn built his kiln in 1900 and the last of the kilns were built in 1917. The kilns, 40 to 50 ft. in height, were built of large blocks of limestone and lined with firebrick. The huge furnaces at the bottom of these kilns were fueled with wood in the early years and later with coal. Limestone chunks were dumped into the top of the kilns. Iron rods kept the rock up while heat melted it into lime, drawn out at the bottom. Every three hours at 50, 25 or 30 wheelbarrows of lime were drawn and dumped into a box car lined with cold lime. The whole process took about 36 hours. Each kiln produced about 15 tons of lime per day. The lime was measured in bushels, a bushel weighing about 65 pounds. A cord of limestone (the same volume as a cord of wood) weighed 6.4 tons.

In 1920, F. J. Pearson was manager of the Stonewall Quarries, receiving a salary of \$175 per month. Labourers in 1920 were paid 34½ cents per hour. Lime was worth about \$8 a ton at that time.

No crushed stone was shipped in the early operations, but in later years, this became big business with Winnipeg Supply and Fuel, later known as Steele Bros.



**NORTH QUARRY** - Three kilns stand today in the northwest corner of the now defunct quarry at the north end of Main Street. To the west of these, you will find beautiful Kinsmen Lake, a man-made lake formed from a massive quarried hole.

Large building blocks were cut out of the South-East Gunn Quarry and shipped into Winnipeg and across Western Canada for roads, bridges and buildings. A lot of the stone went into the T. Eaton Store, Winnipeg.

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These pictures of men working in the stone quarries at Stonewall were taken prior to 1900.

in the quarries. With the boom periods that occurred, the number employed rose to a relatively high count, that fell to a low level when business slumped. Many of these employees remained to become citizens. Some stayed on at their original work, but others branched out into other lines.

After 1968, the kilns stood idle. The sound, sight and smell of Stonewall changed. The kilns had meant livelihood for many families, especially during the depression. Many of those who had been employed in the quarries had to find jobs in Winnipeg. Others retired.



**THE GUNN QUARRY** - This kiln, located in the Gunn Quarry (South-East), was first fired in May 1900. The trestle, on which cars of rock were drawn up, was built by Andrew Mitchell.



**QUARRY EXCAVATION** - This steam excavator was used to clear the top soil from the rock. Archie Billings operated the excavator for many years.



**STONEWALL QUARRY** - This photograph taken in 1920 shows the northeast quarry in operation. Note the buildings behind the stock pile of cordwood. These were the barns, which housed the horses used in the quarry. Today, Comco is located here.





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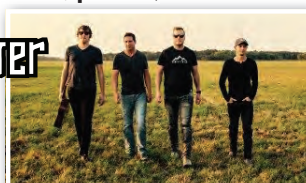


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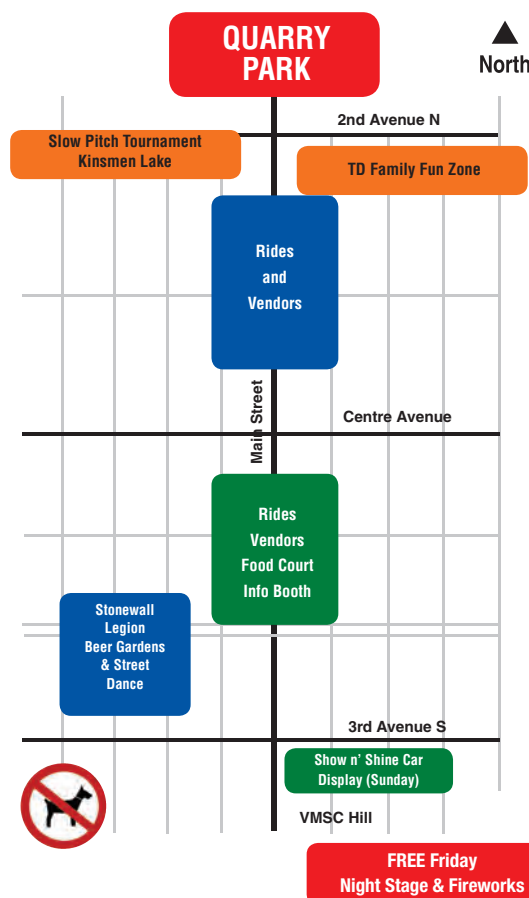
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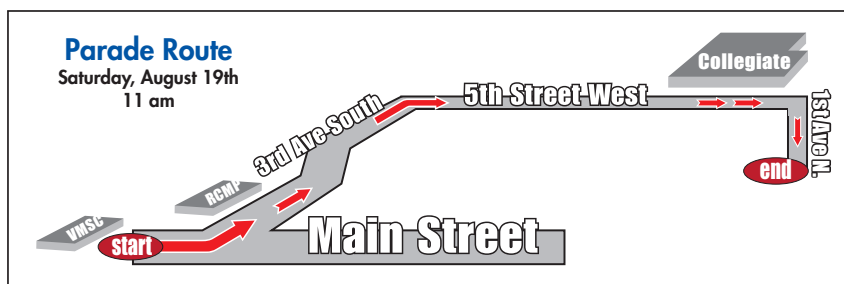
- Slo-Pitch Tournament at Quarry Park Ball Diamonds  
8:00am-noon Pancake Breakfast - Stonewall Legion Hall  
10am-2:30pm Used Book Sale –  
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11am Parade – Please see Parade Route below  
11:30am RCMP 150th Celebratory BBQ –  
On grassy area outside RCMP building  
Noon WonderShows Midway  
Noon-6pm Beer Gardens at Stonewall Legion  
Noon-9pm Rocklands Antique Tractors/Corn Roast  
Noon-4pm Free Quarry Tours – register at booth on Main  
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1-6pm TD Family Fun Zone Memorial Park – 2nd Ave  
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2pm **HOT** Wing Eating Challenge –  
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6pm-7pm Beer Gardens CLOSED  
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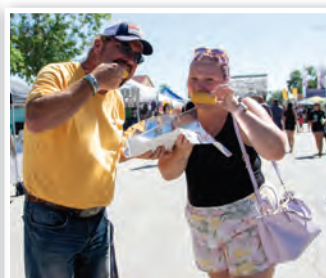


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# QUARRY DAYS SCHEDULE OF EVENTS SUNDAY, AUGUST 20<sup>TH</sup>

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**10am-2:30pm** Used Book Sale – Behind the Stonewall Library  
**Noon-5pm(approx.)** WonderShows Midway  
**Noon-4pm** Rocklands Antique Tractors/Corn Roast  
**Noon-3pm** Free Quarry Tours – register at booth on Main St. by The Red Apple  
**Noon** Beer Gardens at Stonewall Legion  
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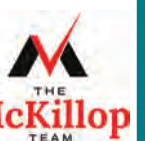
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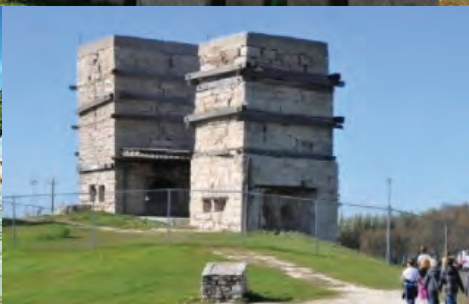
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# Quarry Days music set to impress



By Jennifer McFee

The countdown is on until Stonewall Quarry Days.

The much-anticipated summer extravaganza is set for Aug. 18 to 20 this year and it's slated to be jam-packed with excitement and entertainment.

This year, the band Snake Oil will perform on the main stage on Friday evening. The band is known for its impressive impersonations of rock musicians from the '70s, '80s, '90s and more.

The group features Darren Moore, who grew up in Stonewall and now lives in Wisconsin. While he lived in the Interlake, he played in various bands throughout the area and eventually ended up playing with a Winnipeg-based band called Seventh Heaven, which toured Canada.

Moore moved to Calgary for a while, until the group Harlequin asked him to come back to Winnipeg to perform with them. He ended up playing with Harlequin for many years and contributed to two albums with the well-known group.

Meanwhile, Snake Oil started on a whim as a side project for Moore and several other musicians.



Stonewall's Derek Peters will open for Snake Oil at Quarry Days.

"In the beginning, we'd go out in our street clothes and play whatever songs we wanted to play. After a while, I started to put on costumes to make it a little more fun," Moore said. "People really liked what we were



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED

Darren Moore, formerly of Stonewall, and his band Snake Oil will headline on the main stage for a free concert on Friday, Aug. 18.

doing, so I decided to take it to the next level."

Eventually, the band members changed to include full-time professional musicians, since some of the original members weren't able to tour due to other commitments.

"We've been touring Canada and the States with this lineup for about five years. We took it right up to the top level and got costumes tailor-made and put wigs on so we would look like the characters we were portraying. We walked, talked, moved, sang and looked like them," Moore said.

"We looked as close as we can to the artist that we were doing when they were in their prime. It became like a big theatrical performance."

During COVID, Snake Oil made their first album, which was picked up by a record label out of Europe. The self-titled album was released at the end of May and is available on Apple Music, iTunes, Spotify and through the Snake Oil website at snakeoilrock.com.

In addition to Quarry Days, other

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# Stonewall chef debuts premier restaurant featuring Indigenous fare

## Promenade Brasserie in Winnipeg offers French-Métis food

By Jamin Bains

Jay Lekopoy went from flipping burgers with his buddies to owning and operating a fine-dining establishment situated on Winnipeg's premier promenade.

Now, the Stonewall local is tapping into his Métis heritage with an assortment of Indigenous-inspired fare.

The Promenade Brasserie sits atop the Provencher Bridge at 130 Provencher Blvd. in Winnipeg, overlooking the Red River where generations of Manitoba Métis foraged the land.

Featuring dishes like pemmican tartare, bison short ribs and forager salad, the Brasserie brings French-Métis flavours to life using locally sourced ingredients. Everything on the menu is grown and supplied in Manitoba.

"This is the final draft of 1,000 other drafts that never made it to the final cut," Lekopoy said in a sit-down interview at the restaurant. "Coming into this, it wasn't from nothing; it was from huge experience."

Lekopoy, a Red Seal chef, opened the restaurant alongside head chef Cameron Hornby and manager Mark Adam in April.

The restaurateur's resumé includes 20 years covering every aspect of the culinary arts. He grew up in Stonewall and got his first job at The Kiln Drive-In before moving on to several other restaurants.

Lekopoy developed his perspective on food while studying at Red River College Polytechnic, where he learned to use culture to create culinary works of art.

"It gave a really cool base for the potential," he said. "I saw food as medicine, food as entertainment, but all in a more cultural kind of way."

The menu was forged through trial and error. Lekopoy and Hornby put hours into every dish, trying countless ingredient combinations. He pointed to the restaurant's three sisters bowl as an example.

A mixture of wild rice, edamame, squash, pickled beets and more, the salad bowl is inspired by an Indige-



Keeping in line with the brasserie namesake — which, in French, refers to a café offering beer and wine with hearty food — the restaurant includes a slate of signature cocktails.

nous story.

"They were three sisters who went through a lot of trials to endure the winter and, through their individual strengths, were able to survive," Lekopoy said. "We wanted something that was clean, vegetarian and just the purest form of those ingredients."

**"I SAW FOOD AS MEDICINE, FOOD AS ENTERTAINMENT, BUT ALL IN A MORE CULTURAL KIND OF WAY."**

The pemmican tartare — composed of raw chopped bison, beef, fresh thyme, pickled mustard seeds and macerated Saskatoon berries — is similarly culturally inspired.

"Taking mustard seeds, which we're pickling in house and

building in soy, it makes for a super cool nod to history while still delivering a beautiful dish," he said.

Lekopoy's journey to opening the restaurant was spurred by a chance encounter with the owner of the former Promenade Café.

"Just talking with him, it was a lot of the same ideals," he said of the business, which previously operated out of the Provencher location. "It was the right location, and it was the right time."

Food wasn't the only thing the team put work into. Lekopoy described the building as a "fixer-upper" when they first got the keys.

"There were definitely some days I got here at 8 a.m. and left at four in



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JAMIN BAINS

Promenade Brasserie's owner Jay Lekopoy, formerly of Stonewall, brings the flavours of French-Métis heritage to life using the freshest locally sourced ingredients.

the morning. ... One time, Cam told me there'd been 36 hours this week to drive, eat and sleep. He did the math."

After 28 days of hiring and training staff, perfecting dishes and fixing the building, Promenade Brasserie opened its doors on April 1 to family and friends. It was a soft opening to gather feedback.

"We had the opportunity to see what it'd look like when serving 20 or 30 people," said Lekopoy. "It was grandma, grandpa — people that if things went catastrophic, they wouldn't hold it against me forever."

Lekopoy held another soft opening the weekend afterwards. The hours were condensed, the atmosphere was more controlled and there were more patrons.

"We wanted to get more community through," Lekopoy said, recounting the experience. "Let's be honest, there's very few things I can serve my grandma where she wouldn't say it worked."

Lekopoy said the community has been the most important part for him. He wants people of all demographics and backgrounds to celebrate Manitoba culture at Promenade Brasserie.

"There's a gentleman named Paul who does a walk around the block and comes here for French onion soup. There's a couple of sisters who live close by. We had a couple guys who are in the car sales game come in, grab a couple pints, doing their thing. ... It's been an awesome mix."

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tinued growth.

"Manitoba has a number of competitive advantages to feeding livestock like hogs," he said. "One is our location in the middle of North America that allows us to access the U.S. market. Another is access to reliable supply of feed grains ... and a third I would cite as being really important is an abundance of land, of grain land, that can make use of the nutrition that comes out of hog barns."

Prejet sounded an equally optimistic tone about the future.

"Manitoba's hog sector looks forward to continuing our legacy of growth and sustainability in the coming years, with the right conditions in which to expand local economies, build new barns and continue to employ over 22,000 Manitobans," he said. "We will continue to work with our partners across the province, including both the provincial and municipal governments on ensuring our sector supports our communities for decades to come."



# Woodlands council news in brief

By Autumn Fehr

The RM of Woodlands has received the draft audited 2022 financial statement. Council approved the draft prepared by Reid & Miller Chartered Professional Accountants Inc. The reeve and CAO are authorized to sign the representation letter and the CAO is authorized to sign the statement of responsibility.

Woodlands has recognized a deficit of \$74,314 in 2022 due to inflationary costs, particularly relating to fuel and equipment repairs. Council has requested permission from the minister

of Municipal Relations to use accumulated surplus to recover this deficit, in accordance with the municipal act.

## IN OTHER COUNCIL NEWS AUG. 8:

- The RM of Woodlands council gave a third reading to the following bylaws:

- for the operation and management of the water and wastewater systems within LIP No. 1-2009, the appointment of a utilities manager and the administration and enforce-

ment of the permit system.

- to appoint a utilities manager and the administration and enforcement of the permit system in the Hamlet of Woodlands.

- Council gave a first reading to revise and update fees payable to the municipality for municipal services and building permits.

- Financial statements for December 2022 through June 2023 were received by council as information.

- Council authorized the purchase of a laptop and accessories for the public works department in an

amount not exceeding \$1,500 plus applicable taxes.

- Council has decided to revise the public works foreman job description. The hazardous waste licence for the transfer station requires the designation of an environmental co-ordinator to assist the RM with ensuring compliance with the license and managing environmental issues at the facility. The public works foreman has been appointed as the environmental co-ordinator.

# Town of Teulon council news in brief, Aug. 8

By Autumn Fehr

Teulon town council held its regular meeting on Aug. 8.

Council approved a request to waive the Teulon Rodeo's pre-payment penalty requirement of \$1,500 for the event planned Aug. 25 to 27. Last year, the rodeo failed to pay its invoice within 30 days, resulting in a pre-payment requirement for the 2023 facility use agreement, as outlined in the town's recreation policy.

**Council approved payment for the following accounts:**

- Accounts payable cheques,

from cheque #24231 to #24304 for \$70,212.91, as paid.

- Staff payroll dated July 21, for \$17,353.49, and staff payroll dated Aug. 4, for \$20,844.87, as paid.

- Council indemnities dated Aug. 10, for \$1,627.42, were approved for payment.

- The fire department's payroll dated Aug. 15 for payment of \$6,435.80.

**In other council news:**

- Council adopted the financial statements for the period

ending June 30.

- The town office and the public works department will close for Christmas break from the end of the day Dec. 22 and will open Jan. 2, 2024, at 9 a.m. with staff using holidays or banked time during this period.

- Council authorized the use of Green Acres Park for a stationary parade on Nov. 17, sponsored by the Teulon Chamber of Commerce at no cost. The Town of Teulon will donate \$500 for the fireworks

display.

- Council approved the installation of a moveable shed on lot 10 block one plan 19R (54 Main St.), subject to the Teulon & District Senior Resource Council Inc. obtaining the necessary approvals from the South Interlake Planning District.

## > QUARRY DAYS, FROM PG. 22

upcoming Manitoba performances include their Leathers and Lace show at Spring Hill on Sept. 3. Then on Sept. 15, Snake Oil will be performing at Club Regent Event Centre in Winnipeg.

When it comes to returning to his hometown for the Quarry Days performance, Moore said it will be interesting to be back in Stonewall and he encourages everyone to check out the show.

"We do a little bit of everything. If

you like rock music, you'll like every single song that we do," he said.

"Everyone should come out to the show and have a good time. If anyone wants to check out our album and support us, that would be great too."

The opening act for Snake Oil will be another familiar hometown musician.

Derek Peters of Stonewall will provide a solo performance to open the main stage on Friday night.

"I'm so excited for that. My first solo show was opening for Doc Walker,

and now my second will be playing in front of a couple thousand people from my hometown. What more can you ask for?" Peters said.

"It's going to be a little stripped down acoustic performance, but I still fully intend to get people moving and singing along."

It's an experience like none other to perform for a hometown crowd.

"It's comfortable because it's home, but there's also lots of pressure to do a great job," Peters said. "I can't let myself leave anything in the tank."

As a solo artist, Peters is releasing

his first single titled "What's left of the night" in August on Canadian radio stations and streaming platforms.

"The music video is being worked on as we speak," he said. "I can't wait for people to hear it."

In addition, Past the Perimeter will perform in the Legion Beer Gardens for the Friday Night Street Dance during Quarry Days.

"The beer garden is quite the monster. This will be our 11th year, and it always seems to get bigger and better," said Peters, who performs with the band on guitar and vocals.

"We pull a lot of energy from that crowd, and they pull a lot of energy from us. We are all dead tired by the end of the night."

Quarry Days seems to get bigger and better each year, Peters added, and they're always honoured to be part of it.

Visit [www.stonewallquarrydays.ca](http://www.stonewallquarrydays.ca) to learn more about the entertainment and other attractions.

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# Teulon Truck & Tractor Pull a roaring success



Volunteers Rachelle Brown and Mike Ledarney worked the gate.



Iron Nightmare's owner gives a thumbs up.



The Hillbilly Express from Carman takes her turn with the sled.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY PATRICIA BARRETT

Spectators covered their ears when Bonfire started chewing through the mud.



Zero Tolerance, a souped up pickup truck, had the mud flying.



Easy peasy for this tractor.



Tenaya and Jordan Chmielnicki from Inwood with their children, Cori and Avery.



Iron Nightmare, coming onto the track, lived up to her name as far as the sled was concerned.



Teulon youth enjoy the action.



The truck and tractor pull saw 1,500 spectators come through the gate on Saturday.



Full Throttle gets hitched to the Mean Green Pulling Sled.



# sports & recreation

INSIDE > OUTSIDE > UPSIDE DOWN

## Faulkner wins pair of gold medals at World Police and Fire Games

By Brian Bowman

Tanner Faulkner started training in the sport of jiu jitsu just 23 months ago.

Let's just say he's a fast learner.

"I got into the sport late, I was a hockey guy but I've always been a fan of MMA," Faulkner said. "I've got a soft head from my hockey career and I don't want to get punched in the head at all any more."

Faulkner won a pair of gold medals at the World Police and Fire Games in Winnipeg earlier this month.

He was a perfect 4-0 in his matches, which included three submissions. Going up to the podium was a great experience and a very nice reward for all of Faulkner's hard work.

"I have a lot of good people helping me so there were a lot of people texting me 'Good luck' and my family was there," he said. "You want to do (well) but I was just happy to compete. To be able to win and get on the podium was super, super cool. I'm really happy about it. I was lucky to be able to do as good as I did and it's not because of me, it's because of everyone around me."

For Winnipeg to host these Games was pretty special.

"Just to be able to experience a cool event like that was really fun," said Faulkner, who lives in Stonewall. "I just went for the experience because I love the sport and I thought it would be cool to represent law enforcement. Even though it was the World Police and Fire Games, there were only a few of us (in his division) but it was still fun and I'm really happy that I did it."

All of the athletes in Faulkner's two divisions were from Canada. But in the more advanced divisions, there were a lot of competitors from various international countries.

"I watched a lot (of matches) and it shows that even though it's the same sport, it shows a lot of different styles and a lot of different types of matchups and a lot of different game plans," Faulkner said. "They were doing a couple of things that we're



not (in Canada). It was neat to watch the different styles."

The athletes at the Games bonded extremely well and the camaraderie amongst the athletes from different countries was exceptional.

"It was cool," Faulkner said. "Everyone was competing and they're all cut from the same cloth. Everyone is there, trying to be active and being the best that they can be and that's important with first responders and law enforcement because we have a pretty important job. I saw a lot of like-minded people trading patches from different departments. It was just a cool experience — everyone was having a good time."

Faulkner, who trains in both Stonewall and Winnipeg, recently took over the operation of Stonewall Jiu Jitsu which is a club that operates classes three times a week out of the legion in Stonewall. Classes are Mondays and Wednesdays at 7 p.m. and Sundays at 4:30 p.m. The first class is free and beginners are welcome.

"Come learn some great skills and get a great workout in," said the 29-year-old Faulkner.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS SUBMITTED

Stonewall's Tanner Faulkner won a pair of gold medals at the World Police and Fire Games in Winnipeg.

The club will be starting back up in September and they will have a kids' class that will be running on Mondays at 6-6:30 p.m. (4-8 years old) and 6:30-7 p.m. (9-13 years old).

## Stonewall Jets' training camp begins Sept. 5

Staff

Another hockey season is right around the corner for the Stonewall Jets.

The Jets' training camp will begin Sept. 5 at the Veterans Memorial Arena.

All players must complete online registration that can be found at [www.stonewalljets.com](http://www.stonewalljets.com). The cost is \$150. Preferred payment option is an

e-transfer to [jetstreasure@stonewall-jets.com](mailto:jetstreasure@stonewall-jets.com). The password should be "Stonewall."

Any new players must bring a photocopy of their driver's licence as proof of residency.

All players must wear a CSA certified, full-face shield for the entire season. New players that haven't previously been signed to a junior team must wear a neck guard during the

tryout process.

Players will be required to check in on Sept. 5 at 6:30 p.m. at the Stonewall Veterans Memorial Arena.

Players are guaranteed a minimum of three ice sessions and two pre-season games.

The camp format is subject to change.

Stonewall will participate in a Transcona pre-season tournament.

The Jets will play the Transcona Railer Express on Sept. 8 (6 p.m.), the Pembina Valley Twisters Sept. 9 (3:15 p.m.), and the Ft. Garry/Ft. Rouge Twins Sept. 10 (noon).

Any questions, please feel free to email or call GM Liam Wheddon at 204-513-1011 or [liamwheddon@mymts.net](mailto:liamwheddon@mymts.net).



# Stonewall duo competes at 15U Canadian Fastpitch Nationals

By Brian Bowman

Stonewall was well represented at the 15U Canadian Fastpitch Nationals in Brandon last weekend.

Sierra Slatcher and Abigail Minnie were both members of the Winnipeg Lightning team that finished with a 3-4 record at the 24-team nationals.

"There were 24 teams and they were all very good," Slatcher said. "These are the top teams in Canada and they all worked hard to get there. The competition level was strong — there were no easy games. It was very cool (playing at nationals)."

The Lightning finished the regular season with a 13-15 record to place fifth in the Manitoba Premier Softball League's eight-team U15 AAA division. At provincials in Brandon from

July 27 to 30, they went 5-2 in the round-robin and won both playoff games on Sunday, beating the Eastman Wildcats 8-1 in the final to earn the provincial title.

"Our team seems to play their best at tournaments," Slatcher said. "We are, for sure, more of a tournament team. We were hitting well, fielding well and pitching well (at provincials). We played very well as a team. The girls all had high energy and positive attitudes that helped drive the win at provincials."

On a personal level, Slatcher, who plays first base, won the top fielder award at nationals. She also pitched.

"I felt very honoured and grateful to receive the award," Slatcher said. "I was not expecting this award at all

since there were a lot of strong athletes there. It was overwhelming - no words can describe how happy I felt."

At the plate, Slatcher batted .588 and hit an over-the-fence home run.

"Hitting one at nationals was a goal of mine," Slatcher said.

Slatcher wanted to thank the city of Brandon for hosting such a great nationals event.

"Overall, a huge shout out to all of the volunteers who worked so hard to run such an amazing event," she said. "This is a tournament I will never forget."

DC Fraser Valley Fusion (defending champions) won the gold after defeating ON1 UTM 12-4 in the final.



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED

The Winnipeg Lightning's Sierra Slatcher, a Stonewall product, was named the top infielder at the U15 Girls Canadian Fastpitch Championship in Brandon last weekend.

## Stonewall United tie Pescara 4-4

Staff

Stonewall United played to a 4-4 draw with Pescara in Manitoba Major Soccer League 4th Division action last Friday in Stonewall.

Scott Yeo (two), Chris Wiebe and Kevin Penner scored for Stonewall.

With the tie, the United is now 2-7-4 on the season and has 10 points.

Stonewall played Southside FC on Monday but no score was available. The United will host United Weston FC on Aug. 24. Game time is 6:45 p.m.



Stonewall United's Scott Yeo (19) scored a pair of goals in his team's 4-4 draw with Pescara last Friday.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS JO-ANNE PROCTER

Scott Yeo heads the ball against Pescara during MMSL 4th Division action.

## Stonewall Blue Jays set for WSBL playoffs

Staff

The good news about lengthy winning streaks is that they are a ton of fun.

The bad news is that they don't last forever.

The Stonewall Blue Jays had a very impressive 10-game winning streak snapped with a 16-6 loss to the first-place West Winnipeg A's in Winnipeg Senior Baseball League action at Charleswood Park on Aug. 8.

Stonewall's game against the Elmwood Giants was rained out on Thursday.

The two teams played each other last Wednesday with Elmwood squeaking out a slim 2-1 win.

The Blue Jays finished the regular season with a 12-9 record and was fourth out of nine teams.

Stonewall will now face West Winnipeg in the WSBL "A" playoffs.

Game 1 of their best-of-three semifinal playoff series will take place Wednesday (7:30 p.m.) at Charleswood Park. Game 2 is set for Thursday (7:30 p.m.) at Fines Field. Game 3, if necessary, was played this past Tuesday at Charleswood Park.

## Manitoba posts 2-4 record at 2023 Baseball Canada Cup

Staff

Manitoba's U17 boys' baseball team finished with a 2-4 record at the 2023 Baseball Canada Cup in Regina that wrapped up Monday.

That record put Manitoba in a tie for seventh place in the 10-team tournament with Prince Edward Island.

Manitoba's roster included Stonewall's Spencer Schaeffer, Selkirk's Gilbert O'Connor and St. Clements' Ethan Debiuk.

Team Manitoba started the tournament with losses to Alberta (6-2) and New Brunswick (5-3) before doubling Newfoundland and Labrador 8-4.

After an 11-1 loss to Quebec, Manitoba was edged 4-3 by Prince Edward Island.

Team Manitoba closed out the tournament with a dominating 13-2 win over Newfoundland and Labrador.



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Qualifications – Accounts Payable and Payroll Administrator

- Applicants should have completed a recognized post-secondary accounting/bookkeeping program, or equivalent combination of education and experience.
- National Payroll Association – Payroll Compliance Professional designation will be considered an asset.
- Minimum of 2 years of direct experience in accounts payable and/or payroll.
- Proven experience using integrated information systems for processing accounting transactions.
- Intermediate level ability to utilize Microsoft Excel and other productivity software.
- Excellent communication and organizational skills.

The Rural Municipality of Rosser offers a competitive salary and benefits package including a defined benefit pension plan and employer paid health and dental plan.

The approved hourly wage scale for this position is \$23.50 - \$26.19.

Applications must contain a resume, covering letter and three references. **Application deadline is 4:00 pm on Friday, September 8, 2023.** Only those candidates chosen for an interview will be contacted.

Please forward application marked "Application for Accounts Payable and Payroll Administrator" to Ashley Campbell, Executive Assistant at:

fax: (204) 467-5958  
e-mail: [admin@rmofrosser.com](mailto:admin@rmofrosser.com)

To view a full job description please visit <http://rmofrosser.com/p/job-postings> or call the Municipal Office at (204)467-5711.

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# take a break

> GAMES

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Monuments to perpetuate the original locations have been found or planted by Dwayne Denchuk, Manitoba Land Surveyor, on July 31, 2023. Any person wishing particulars about the re-establishment of these monuments is advised to contact the following:

Dwayne Denchuk  
Manitoba Land Surveyor  
Isaac & Denchuk Manitoba Land Surveyors Ltd.  
200 Clandeboy Avenue  
Selkirk, Manitoba R1A 0X1  
Phone No. 204-785-2924  
[ddenchuk@idsurveys.com](mailto:ddenchuk@idsurveys.com)


or

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Brandon South East  
Brandon, Manitoba R7A 7E4  
Phone No. 204-726-6854  
[Tim.Cassan@teranet.ca](mailto:Tim.Cassan@teranet.ca)

Any persons having any objection to or having any evidence which he/she desires to give against the confirmation of the re-establishment of these lost corners is to submit any such objection or evidence in writing verified by affidavit to the Registrar-General within thirty days from the publication of this notice in the *Express Weekly News* and the *Stonewall Teulon Tribune*.

Where no objection to or evidence against the confirmation of the re-establishment of these lost corners is received by the Registrar-General within thirty days after publication of this notice, or where any such objection is subsequently withdrawn in writing, the Registrar-General shall confirm the re-establishment of these lost corners.

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Detailed specifications are included in the RFP Package and will be made available starting August 10, 2023 to interested parties by sending an email request to info@teulon.ca. Contact information for a building familiarization tour is included in the tender package.

All proposals must be in writing and sent in a sealed envelope marked "RFP for Cleaning Services at the Teulon Civic Centre" or emailed to info@teulon.ca.

**Forward proposal no later than  
3:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 24, 2023, to:**

Attention: Jim Fenske, Interim CAO  
Town of Teulon  
PO Box 69  
44 Fourth Avenue SE  
Teulon, Manitoba ROC 3B0  
Telephone: 204-886-2314  
Fax: 204-886-3918  
Email: info@teulon.ca

*Thank you to all Applicants for your interest, however  
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Jim Fenske, Interim CAO  
Town of Teulon



## NOTICE OF HEARING EXCESS ANIMAL PERMIT Pursuant to Section 6 of Animal Control By-Law No. 11-19

**HEARING DATE:** Wednesday, September 6, 2023

**HEARING TIME:** 6:45 PM

**HEARING LOCATION:** Town Hall,  
293 Main Street, Stonewall

Pursuant to Section 6 of the Town of Stonewall Animal Control By-law No. 11-19, the Council of the Town of Stonewall will hold a Hearing at the date, time, and location identified above to hear representations from interested persons concerning an application for an Excess Animal Permit at 12 Campbell Road in Stonewall.

Please be informed that consideration of the application for the Excess Animal Permit is to **permit the harbouring of three (3) dogs for pleasure (companionship) purposes only.**

Anyone wishing to attend this Public Hearing must register upon arrival at Town Hall on September 6th by providing the following information:

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- whether you support or oppose the application, or want to attend for information
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For further information please contact:

Marilisa Voth  
Corporate Services Manager  
info@stonewall.ca | 204-467-7979

Dated at Stonewall, Manitoba this 8th day of August, 2023.



## THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ROCKWOOD

# PUBLIC NOTICE

## BOARD OF REVISION

### GENERAL ASSESSMENT & PERSONAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENT 2024 AND 2023 SUPPLEMENTARY PROPERTY TAXES

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the 2024 General Assessment, Business Assessment and Personal Property Assessment Rolls to be revised was deposited in the Municipal Office and is open to Public Inspection, during regular business hours.

THE BOARD OF REVISION will sit to hear complaints of the various assessments on **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2023** at the hour of **3:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Rockwood at 285 Main Street, Stonewall, Manitoba.

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:

- liability to taxation;
- amount of an assessed value;
- classification of property; or
- 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:

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

#### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

Section 43(1) An application for revision must:

- be made in writing;
- set out the roll number and legal description of the assessable property for which a revision is sought;
- state the grounds on which the application is based; and
- be filed by
  - delivering it or causing it to be delivered to the Municipal Office indicated in the Public Notice given under Subsection 41(2); or
  - 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 11, 2023 – 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  
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#### BOARD OF REVISION for 2023

Public Notice is hereby given that the 2024 Assessment Roll for the Rural Municipality of Armstrong has been delivered to the Municipal Office at Inwood, Manitoba and is open for public inspection during regular business hours. Applications for revision may be made in accordance with sections 42 & 43 of the Municipal Assessment Act:

#### APPLICATION FOR REVISION

42(1) A person in whose name property has been assessed, a mortgagee in possession of property under section 114(1) of The Real Property Act, an occupier of premises who is required under the terms of a lease to pay the taxes on the property, or the assessor may make application for the revision of an assessment roll with respect to

- liability to taxation;
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- a refusal by an assessor to amend the assessment roll under subsection 13(2).

#### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

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  - set out the roll number and legal description of the assessable property for which revision is sought;
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at least 15 days before the scheduled sitting of the Board of Revision.

The Board of Revision will sit on **Thursday, September 7, 2023 at 10:00 A.M.** in the Council Chambers in Inwood, Manitoba in the Rural Municipality of Armstrong to hear applications.

The final date on which applications must be received by the Secretary of the Board is **Tuesday, August 28, 2023 at 4:30 PM.**

Dated at Inwood, in Manitoba this 20th day of July, 2023.

Hilda Zotter, Secretary  
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-Mary Abrahams

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## OBITUARY



### Elizabeth Joan "Betty" Campbell (nee Murray)

It is with deep sadness we announce the passing of our beloved Mother in the early morning hours of August 10, 2023 at Goodwin Lodge, Teulon.

She is survived by her two children Bryden (Niki) and Dawson as well as her brothers and sisters Rene (Walter), Graydon, Sandra, Janice, and Mark (Dorothy) along with nieces and nephews.

Mom was predeceased by her husband Jack and brother Rod as well as nephews Steven and Greg.

Mom was born on August 19, 1948 in Dauphin, Manitoba and later moved to Stonewall at an early age. Mom was a very caring and generous person and donated to many charities as well as sponsoring children. She also liked to travel, her favourite destination being Mexico.

The family would like to thank all the caregivers at Goodwin Lodge and Teulon Hospital for the wonderful care Mom received throughout her stay.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to a charity of one's choice.

Funeral service will be held at Dundas Cemetery at 1:00 pm, Saturday, August 19, 2023.



## OBITUARY



### Kenneth Thomas Maksymyk February 12, 1962 - July 22, 2023

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of brother and friend Ken "Kenny" Maksymyk of Teulon, Manitoba.

Kenny was born in Teulon and attended Teulon Collegiate. He was an active and fun-loving child, even mischievous. He almost lost his life as a young child falling into a cattle watering trough and was rescued by his older brother Michael at the last minute. He was never short of antics but his one story was the talk of many family gatherings. As his parents were painting some outbuildings, Kenny decided to help by quietly painting himself, the family dog, a number of geese and a large number of white rabbits in a vibrant green paint, making the family animals the talk of the community!

He loved to sing as a young boy and was always happy to sing for people, provided they were able to come up with some money

for his piggy bank.

Growing up, Kenny always loved the farm. He had an amazing ability to fix or operate any piece of machinery and was happy to be sitting on a tractor for hours during haying season or harvest. His ability to operate equipment led him to various careers from driving gravel trucks to operating heavy equipment. Even though he worked on large equipment he said his most fun was to use a small bobcat to do local landscaping work in the area. He could make that machine dance.

Kenny was a strong advocate of fairness to workers and became a member of his local union and enjoyed holding various union positions. Union discussions with him would always prove lively.

In later years, he struggled with various health and an addiction challenge. But he always kept a good sense of humor in spite of his struggles, and made many friends who cared for him.

We have honoured Kenny's wishes for cremation and private interment next to his parents. We would like to thank his friends for the care they have shown him.

Special thanks to his friends, Wray, Junior and Jamie, many neighbours and friends and to Ken Loehmer of Ken Loehmer Funeral Services for his invaluable assistance



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## OBITUARY



### Mary Doroschuk (nee Ptashynsky)

It is with heavy hearts we announce the passing of Mary on Saturday, August 5, 2023. With family by her side, she peacefully passed at Goodwin Lodge in Teulon.

Mary was born February 22, 1933 and raised in Chatfield, MB.

As a young woman, an adventure took her to the Petersfield area where she worked and resided with Tom and Winnie Carter. It was there where she met a young man who bought a farm across the road. A fire was lit and June 27, 1964 the two of them were married. It was soon after that they started their family. With hard work, Mom built a good home for her children.

She had a novel sense of humour as we had many laughs at Sunday dinners.

Along with her immaculate gardens, the kitchen was also where you could find Mom. Cooking, baking and in the fall, canning. The door was always open for visits and gatherings, where the coffee pot was on, and perogies were served. But what everyone yearned for, was Auntie Mary's infamous cinnamon buns.

Mom was devoted in her children's activities. Always helping out with the Teulon 4-H, Veselka Ukrainian Dance Club and Heather's baseball team.

Her greatest happiness were her grandchildren, helping raise Dezmin and having that magic touch to rock Courtney to sleep. The two of them kept her young at heart.

The many entities of Mom's life was her affection for nature and animals.

Harvest, her favourite season; was where she adored the sights and sounds of combines in the field.

Mary was predeceased by her husband Valen; her father Peter Ptashynsky; mother Ann Wolchuk and her brother Walter.

Left to cherish her memory are children, Cindy, Heather, Vernon (Charity); grandchildren Dezmin and Courtney (Stephen); great-grandson Aiden.

The family would like to thank all of the wonderful staff at Goodwin Lodge who cared and loved Mom. Thank you nurses Angela and Cheryl for your help and guidance and Kelly for being with Mom in her final moments. A big thank you to Crystal Bergeron who made Mom's last year the most enjoyable.

A private family service will be held at a later date.

The heartbeat of the farm may be gone, but the light you shone upon us Baba; will forever shine bright.



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