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# Future of Selkirk Planning District still uncertain

## City of Selkirk anxious to hear back from Municipal Relations minister's office

By Ligia Braidotti

The City of Selkirk has been waiting anxiously for a response from Derek Johnson, the province's Minister of Municipal Relations, regarding the future of Selkirk's development planning.

After a well-attended public hearing held on March 23, council submitted a formal application to the minister's office requesting their removal from the Red River Planning District. The separation would allow residents and investors to apply for land-use planning and construction permits directly through the City, instead of the RRPD.

Although council did its homework, they are still waiting for the minister's response.

"It's been a while now," said Mayor Larry Johannson. "I've been getting talk on the street, we're getting phone calls, we're getting emails, we have investors and developers on the fence right now, because they are willing to pull the trigger, but not down the street (at the RRPD office). They want to pull the trigger here, at City Hall. They want to entrust their development with us when it comes to permitting and that. So we're getting to the point now that we are asking what do we have to do?"

As the only urban centre in a board that is dominated by rural municipalities, council felt it wasn't a good fit anymore. Johannson commented that the dissatisfaction with RRPD's decisions towards development in Selkirk goes back to decades ago, even before he got into politics.

"People would come up to me and ask me to go down to the RRPD with them. And that's really a desperation call. You could feel it in their voices

that they were exasperated. We got cases from everybody from the vice president at Bell Canada to people that are trying to build a garden shed in their backyard," he explained.

The City of Selkirk hired Way to Go Consulting to provide a third party evaluation and build a business case that analyzed the economics of the city's separation from the RRPD. At the public hearing, the decision to break up with RRPD was unanimous across the board, Johannson said. He commented that even Jennifer Ferguson, RRPD's executive director, agreed it was the right move for them.

Way to Go Consulting's review pointed out that the City of Selkirk is not getting the services they ought to be considering the amount of revenue being generated from their developments, Selkirk's CAO Duane Nicol explained.

"We are doing the legwork to build a system where we are going to make really good land usage plan and decisions. From land use planning and urban planning, we far exceed the standards. We are extremely prepared to take on this responsibility and we plan to do it well," he continued.

But although the city followed its due diligence, they are afraid they are running out of time if the minister takes too long to approve or reject their application.

If the minister approves the new planning district, the City of Selkirk still has some work to do before it becomes official. They will need to come up and put systems in place, and educate residents and staff that they won't be dealing with RRPD if they want to develop in the community.

"We are getting lots of calls from developers asking us where we're at on



RECORD PHOTO BY LIGIA BRAIDOTTI  
City of Selkirk CAO Duane Nicol (left) and Selkirk Mayor Larry Johannson (right) speak about the future of the Selkirk Planning District.

this. They are watching and they're interested. There's confusion and clouding in the marketplace, and the longer we wait here, the more confusion and the more backlog and the more challenges this is going to create," Nicol

added. Nicol also added they are hoping to start the new department in the beginning of the new fiscal year.

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# Interlake Art Board receives grant funding

## Upkeep of local projects can happen with generous support

By Katelyn Boulanger

The Interlake Art Board, which residents may know from the beautiful murals that they have made happen all over Selkirk, has received \$17,500 in funding from Red River Mutual's Spruce Up your Story sponsorship.

"[I was just] absolutely over the moon [when I found out that we received the funding] because we were running on a wing and a prayer to get the funding to help complete some of the projects and move them forward and it came through. So we're very pleased with that," said Joannie English president of the Interlake Art Board.

This sponsorship campaign is pretty unique in that it's not meant to bring new art or spaces to the community but to save and protect beloved spaces in our communities so everyone can continue to create memories for many years to come.

"The money will go to the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls project that's taking place at the library and that's in phase two and it'll complete this aspect, which is phase two of our Endangered Species [project]. [In] phase one, we had a co-

louring book contest," said English.

The Interlake Art Board was very fortunate to receive this opportunity as they were one of ten organizations chosen from 240 applicants for this sponsorship this year.

Last week a small group of artists and board members came together to shoot a video that will be put together by Red River Mutual to celebrate their receiving of the grant.

They are also planning to have two winter projects move forward this year despite the pandemic slowing down some of their current mural projects.

"The winter project, it's 'The Beat Goes On' and that will be at Hart's Flooring and it'll be painted over the winter and it [represents] the feel and the rhythm and the harmony, I guess you'd call it of Selkirk," said English.

The second winter project will be moving out of Selkirk to St. Clements.

"They'll be doing their Legacy Park and they've asked for a mural to go in there. So that's exciting for them for their community as well," said English.

Julie Stevenson, the Interlake Art Board's communication's coordinator, thinks that these projects make a



RECORD PHOTO BY KATELYN BOULANGER

A small group of artists and Interlake Art Board members came together to create a video for Red River Mutual celebrating their receiving the Spruce Up Your Story Sponsorship.

community.

"It brings people together, it gives people something to stop for. Instead of just going right by, [it] gives a place for people to stop and talk with other people and to relate to one another through art," she said.

English encourages anyone with future ideas for the community to shoot the Art Board an email with their ideas to [iab1@mymts.net](mailto:iab1@mymts.net).

"Our next [project] The Beat Goes On spirit mural if they think that we should have something displayed on that, let us know because we'll try to incorporate as much as we can from the community because it's community-based. So, let us know if you think we should have some type of band in there or an accordion player or if we should have Scottish dancers or what we should have," she said.

# Manitobans invited to weigh-in on water management strategies

Staff

As the much of the province remains in drought conditions, the government is giving Manitobans the opportunity to have their say on a new water management strategy.

It recently launched an online public engagement seeking feedback.

The last provincial water management strategy for Manitoba was done in 2003, but much has changed over the 20 years, noted Blaine Pedersen, who had been in the role of Agriculture and Resource Development Minister until cabinet changes announced last week.

Pedersen said a new water strategy will ensure effective and sustainable management of our water resources and that the province looks forward to working with all Manitobans in the development of a made-in-Manitoba water strategy.

"Water is a key resource for Manitobans, the environment and the economy, and our government is committed to the careful management of this precious resource," he said.

"We encourage Manitobans to share their thoughts with us and recognize we must work together to sustainably manage water, while considering the

impacts of a changing climate and growing economic and social needs."

The public input follows the commitment of \$1 million in funding announced earlier this year to support development and implementation of the water strategy, and a committee will review and approve projects under the fund.

"Manitoba has a once-in-a-generation opportunity to create a water management strategy to drive economic and environmental prosperity in our province," said Ray Bouchard, chair of the oversight committee for the fund.

"Over the next year, this fund will support building a roadmap for a long-term water management strategy with identified projects from key economic sectors. Insights from a diversity of stakeholders in Manitoba is an integral part of this process and will be sought through the EngageMB survey as well as engagement sessions planned for the fall."

To take part in the engagement, visit [engagemb.ca](http://engagemb.ca). The deadline for feedback is Aug. 13.

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# Holiday Alley fundraising boost begins

Opportunity for residents to win big prizes in this year's 50/50 draw during the event

By Katelyn Boulanger

With Holiday Alley entering its fifth year in our communities and COVID-19 changing the way that fundraising is having to happen, a donation gave the community group a chance to have some fun by hosting a 50/50 draw.

"We really wanted to figure out another way of sourcing money to be able to start putting more and investing more money back into the community. So hopefully, with our 50-50 [draw], we're able to hire and support more musicians or artists, more items on the streets [as long as] it's going to be safe to do so. If not, then we'll have another Holiday Alley TV moment, where we are able to film our artists and musicians, locally and within the Interlake," said Joy Balmana, event coordinator.

This event was made possible by a couple who wish to remain anonymous but who won a 50/50 draw in the last year and after seeing the virtual Holiday Alley event last year wanted to support the event.

"They saw the value in Holiday Alley, especially last year when a lot of local arts couldn't move forward and Holiday Alley, did through Holiday Alley TV and so they were like, 'Okay, we see the value of being able to help supplement, and start off this 50-50 [draw] to grow that pool of money and then to be able to reinvest it,'" Balmana said.

Holiday Alley is all about the arts in our communities with a market selling local goods, local musicians, local artists doing their work and, of course, the soup cook-off being favourite parts of the event.

"When Holiday Alley was first developed, it was to essentially help create a larger expansion of celebrating arts and music in our in the city. Selkirk and the Interlake is so heavy with hockey and sports and fishing and it's so great but the missing piece was focusing on arts and music in a big way

and so when Holiday Alley was first developed, it was really a community festival, as well as a festival that celebrated arts," she said

This year's Holiday Alley may be a bit different than its first few years but Balmana is hopeful that some parts will be able to happen in person with the current plan being about half of the content being offered online and half in person.

"With the opening up around provinces and around the world, we're seeing that, live music is going to be a possibility and bringing people more into businesses and being able to host, maker's markets is going to be a possibility. We're gonna move forward as safely as possible and with the restrictions in place but we really want to bring it back, that celebration that everybody really needs, and everyone can approach that celebration in their own way at their own safety and comfort [level]. The hope is that the community celebration will happen, whether it's online or in-person, meeting everyone at their comfort level," said Balmana.

This 50/50 draw will be open to all Manitobans and has been started off with \$1,000 but hopes are high that it will become much bigger very quickly.

"We have a big goal. We're hoping to raise \$50,000, which then will be split in half. So 50 [per cent] goes to Holiday Alley, and then the other 50 [per cent] goes into the winner's pockets," Balmana said.

Tickets for this draw can be purchased through a link on the Holiday Alley website at [www.holidayalley.ca](http://www.holidayalley.ca) which will bring you to a link on [www.fundingchange.ca](http://www.fundingchange.ca) which is where the tickets are being hosted.

Balmana would also like to take this opportunity to help all of the people that made Holiday Alley successful over the years including all of the volunteers with their amazing ideas that have made the festival greater and the



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Holiday Alley before the COVID-19 pandemic was packed with local artists and events for residents to enjoy.

artists who have contributed to our community.

## REWARD missing equipment



On Friday July 9th, between 4 and 5am, two pickup trucks on Hay Avenue west of #9 Main St. traveling west toward McPhillips Rd. in St. Andrews were caught on CCTV leaving the scene of the missing equipment.

One of the trucks was a white single cab, the other a darker crew cab possibly two tone.

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## Manitoba closer to a post-pandemic world

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Manitoba reported 37 new cases of COVID-19 on Monday, on top of 106 over the weekend.

The majority of the day's new cases were in the Winnipeg health region (21) followed by eight each in both the Interlake-Eastern and Southern Health-Santé Sud health regions. The Northern and Prairie Mountain regions had no new cases at the start of the work week.

The data also shows Manitoba currently has 922 active cases of the virus, 55,117 recoveries, and a total of 1,165 deaths.

The five-day test positivity rate was at 3.6 per cent provincially and 3.1 per cent in Winnipeg.

People hospitalized with the virus total 117, including 27 in intensive care units.

The last Manitoban receiving ICU care out of province was returned to a Manitoba hospital on Friday. A total of 57 COVID-19 patients were transported to hospitals in Ontario, Saskatchewan, and Alberta between May 18 to June 9 for care due to a lack of ICU beds here.

As the numbers continue to drop across Manitoba, the time is coming when daily case reports become a thing of the past, noted Dr. Jazz Atwal, Manitoba's deputy chief public health officer, at a press conference in Winnipeg Monday.

"In a post-pandemic Manitoba we will see public health guidelines, not orders, we won't be reporting daily case counts, and our health system won't be overrun by a single cause," he said.

"We have the power to make this

happen through vaccination, but we will have to remember that the virus that causes COVID-19 will likely continue to be present in our communities even after the majority of Manitobans are fully vaccinated. We need to learn to live with COVID-19 like other respiratory illnesses."

To that end, Atwal said, it will still be important for people to make risk assessments for certain activities, especially if they are at a higher risk of becoming seriously ill with the virus or interact regularly with people who are.

All Manitobans age 12 and over are eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine. Information about booking an appointment, finding a pop-up clinic, or tracking down walk-in availability can be found at [protectmb.ca](http://protectmb.ca) or calling 1-844-626-8222.

## letter to the editor

The best chance for a new initiative to succeed is through careful and thorough planning, getting advice from experts, and communicating clearly.

Bill 64 was introduced on Mar. 15, and now, in July, the government is striking Parent and Student Advisory Councils (interestingly, four of the 29 students selected are from private schools), and are demanding the job descriptions and procedural information from Senior Administration to see how to implement what they have included in the Bill. In 2019, at a cost of close to \$1 million, this same government struck a commission to look at education reform, but the 75 recommendations made by the commission are not included in Bill

64. Read the first paragraph again.

In the June 24 edition of the Selkirk Record, the government submitted an article in response to dispel "misinformation" around Bill 64, and most of the responses centre on the best strategy. Just to be clear, "strategy" is not legislation, and that is an important distinction. It should be pointed out that there are omissions in the article: for instance, it is true that the criteria for closing a school is the same as in the current Public Schools Act, but in Bill 64, it states that only one criteria needs to be met to close a school.

The article goes on to say that the best strategy accepts 60 recommendations of the K-12 Review and accepts the remaining 15 in principle,

but there is no evidence of this in the Bill, nor are they articulated.

Parent Engagement Officers will be hired in each of Manitoba's 690 schools at a cost of about \$12,000,000 per year. They will be tasked with increasing marginalized, visible minority ad for Indigenous voices. It's not clear how they will accomplish this task or how \$40 million will be saved.

The article indicates that directors will be "hired through a competitive process" but 69.1 of Bill 64 states that the directors are "appointed...subject to the Minister's approval".

"Fact vs. Fiction", or "Smoke & Mirrors?"

- Lena Kublick  
Selkirk resident

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# New public health orders now in effect

## Number of people allowed in outdoor and indoor private gatherings increase

By Lorne Stelmach

A further easing of restrictions came early for Manitobans last week as the province reached the next target in the government's reopening strategy.

While announcing the implementation of the second phase of the 4-3-2-One Great Summer plan, Premier Brian Pallister and chief public health officer Dr. Brent Roussin also encouraged Manitobans to keep doing what has gotten the province to this point.

"We are close to achieving all of our vaccination milestones ahead of schedule. Now we just need that extra effort by every Manitoban not yet vaccinated to roll up your sleeve and push us across the finish line so we can fully reopen, safely, and quickly," said Pallister. "This is a marathon, not a sprint. We are not at the finish line yet.

"Vaccines are the safest and quickest way out of this pandemic. The sooner all eligible Manitobans get fully vaccinated, the sooner we can all get our lives back," he continued. "Thanks to the incredible efforts of Manitoba's vaccine team and Manitobans' willingness to roll up their sleeves—not once, but twice—we are able to move forward earlier than anticipated with fewer restrictions on our economy and our communities."

The second vaccination milestone of at least 75 per cent first dose and 50 per cent second dose for those age 12 and older was reached nearly a month ahead of schedule July 6. That, coupled with continued improvement in the overall COVID-19 situation,

meant restrictions were able to be eased somewhat this past Saturday.

The new orders include:

- Indoor gatherings at private residences are now permitted to a maximum of five people plus the household members.

- Indoor gatherings in public spaces are permitted to a maximum of 25 people.

- Outdoor gatherings on private property increase to a maximum of 25 people.

- Public outdoor gatherings increase to a maximum of 150 people.

- Retail businesses increase to 50 per cent capacity or 500 people, whichever is lower.

- Restaurants, licensed premises and food court capacities expand to 50 per cent capacity; outdoor maximum table size remains at eight people. Patrons may sit together indoors if they are from the same household or if all 12 years of age or older are fully immunized (unvaccinated children under 12 may dine with fully vaccinated members of their household in this case).

As well, opening hours extend to midnight, and the requirement to purchase food when ordering alcohol no longer applies.

VLTs may be operate with all other restaurant/bar rules applying (two-metre distance, only households or fully vaccinated people seated together.

- Personal services (haircuts and styling, nail salons, estheticians and massage) continue at 50 per cent ca-

capacity; however, appointments are no longer required.

- Dance, theatre and music school capacities increase to 50 per cent capacity to a maximum of 25 people per group.

- Indoor sporting facilities may host groups up to a maximum of 25 people; interaction between groups and tournaments are not permitted.

- Day camp capacity increases to groups of 25; joint activities between groups and overnight camps are prohibited.

- Outdoor recreation including games and practices may take place to maximum group size of 50 people; spectators are permitted and do not count towards this capacity limit; tournaments are not permitted.

- Gym and fitness centre capacities expand to 50 per cent capacity; masks and increased physical distancing (three metres) are still required.

- Outdoor weddings and funerals may include up to 150 participants in addition to photographers and officiants; indoor weddings or funerals increase to 25 people in addition to photographers and officiants.

- Libraries may open to 50 per cent capacity to a maximum of 150 people, whichever is lower.

- Faith-based and cultural gatherings may expand to 50 per cent capacity or 150 people indoors, whichever is lower; masks and physical distancing between households is still required. If the facility design allows,

the capacity limits may be applied to different physical spaces within the venue. Outdoor faith-based and cultural gatherings permitted up to 150 people and drive-in services continue to be permitted without restriction;

- Movie theatres; bingo halls, VLT lounges and casinos, museums and galleries may now reopen for fully immunized people only to a maximum capacity of 50 per cent. Unvaccinated children under 12 may attend as appropriate if accompanied by fully vaccinated members of their household;

- Large-scale outdoor professional sports or performing arts events may operate with capacities up to 100 per cent after developing an approved event plan in consultation with public health.

In all cases, following the COVID-19 fundamentals including indoor mask use and physical distancing is still required to protect the health and well-being of all Manitobans, officials stress.

"This is the safe, reasonable and appropriate next step in our reopening," said Roussin. "More and more vaccinations allow us to loosen public health restrictions, but COVID-19 is still circulating in the province and continues to challenge our hospital and ICU capacity. A phased reopening is a safe reopening."

The current public health order is scheduled to expire at 12:01 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 7 and will be reassessed at that time in the context of vaccination rates and the province's overall COVID-19 situation.

**"WE ARE CLOSE TO ACHIEVING ALL OF OUR VACCINATION MILESTONES AHEAD OF SCHEDULE"**

# Phone surveyors misrepresenting as RHA affiliates

Submitted by IERHA

Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority has learned that residents in the region are receiving phone calls from people who are misrepresenting themselves as members of Interlake-Eastern RHA's wellness team.

In reports to RHA staff, members of the public say callers ask for details about their health conditions and the medications they are taking. The callers then offer to provide medications for a fee.

Interlake-Eastern RHA does not undertake phone surveys of the public to ask information about health conditions and/or medications being taken.

Members of the public are advised that personal health information should only be discussed with trusted family members and known care

providers. Divulging personal health information over the phone to unknown callers is not advised at any time. This includes providing information about health conditions, providing Manitoba Health card information and offering any details about medications being taken.

If you should receive any calls from individuals identifying they are from or working with Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority, or from any other organization/company, and if that call leads to requests to divulge personal health information, please hang up immediately.

You can advise the RCMP of this fraudulent activity by calling the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre at 1-888-495-8501 or visiting [www.antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca](http://www.antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca) and clicking on the tab "Report Fraud."

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# St. Andrews learns where tax dollars are spent

## RM hosts financial plan public hearing

By Katelyn Boulanger

The RM of St. Andrews presented its financial plan for the fiscal year of 2021 at a public hearing through on-line video streaming on July 12.

This meeting, because of the pandemic, was not held in council chambers like it traditionally would have been, however, residents were given the opportunity to sign up ahead of time to speak if they wanted to.

The meeting started with chair councillor John Preun opening the public hearing.

“We are going to be presenting a budget which I believe is fair and budget, balanced budget based on our services and our financial needs,” said Preun.

He then turned the meeting over to St. Andrews Chief Financial Officer Tim Scammell who gave the financial details to the public through a powerpoint presentation.

“The financial plan is approved by Council and it meets the provincial requirements. The plan was prepared using the provincial format and was made available to the residents for review and comment. And it’s a balanced budget,” said Scammell.

He did note that an earlier version of the financial plan that was up online did have an error which caused the mill rate to be higher than it in fact is. The financial plan that is currently up online has that error corrected.

With this correction in place, the mill rate for the RM is 9.8 per cent. In 2020 that rate was 9.927 per cent and in 2019 the rate was 10.087 per cent.

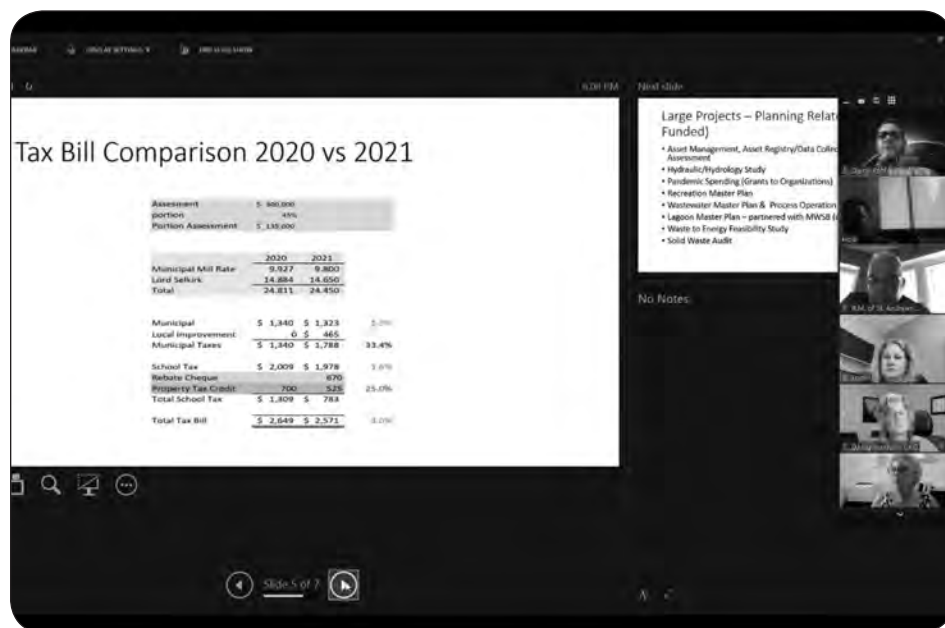
“I’d also like to note that the tax bills that you will see this year have changes due to the education tax change from the province and also because of the South St Andrews wastewater project—it’s now been completed—and the residents will see the local improvement tax on their tax bill as well,” said Scammell.

He went on to say that this year the tax revenue for the RM will be \$8,828,398 which includes the new South St. Andrews local improvement tax which comes out to \$743,170. This comes out to a slightly lower amount of taxes taken in by the RM in comparison to last year if the local improvement tax is set aside.

The RM then presented a real-world example with a home valued at \$300,000 in the RM which would come to a tax bill for that household of \$2,571 in 2021 in comparison to last year where the bill would have been \$2,649.

“This budget includes many projects that are funded through the reserve, and billed under strategic plans of council,” said Scammell.

Some of the planning projects the RM has scheduled will be asset management, registry, data collection, and condition assessment through the



RECORD PHOTO BY KATELYN BOULANGER

Screenshot of the St. Andrews 2021 financial plan public hearing presentation.

RM’s environment manager. They have also approved pandemic spending to provide grants to community organizations and clubs. There will also be a recreation master plan created and a wastewater master plan, and the process operations manual.

As far as capital spending the RM plans to add a new loader, three grass fire trucks and a tanker. For the South St. Andrews wastewater project, they’ve included reserve funding to pay for RM owned properties and a van for the project. There will also be funding set aside to help residents in the local improvement area to purchase water meters. Money is also

being set aside for a roof repair and server upgrade to the administration building and to build more trails in the RM. The RM has plans for some large road repairs and is also planning to upgrade council chambers with new audio and visual equipment so that they can be more modern and stream from council chambers.

A copy of the St. Andrews financial plan is available at <https://www.rmofstandrews.com/p/financial-reports>.

To check out more of St. Andrews’s more recent virtual council meetings view them online at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCF-VdBUET-PVM69WLN043k5Q>.

## > JOHANNSON SAYS, FROM PG. 3

“Everyday that goes by, especially now, is critical for us, because if we are allowed to separate, we need time. We are getting our ducks in a row, but we can’t go right over that edge where we have the offices, we have the staff and everything else. We can’t do that until we get it signed off,” Johannson said.

### Council preparing the way for future leaders

Johannson also noted that some aspects of their strategic planning was putting tools and resources in place so that future councils can lead a successful city.

“We want to see the people that come behind us have a catalyst that they are coming into. Just stay on that course and we will continue to grow and prosper. All of us,” he said.

Nicol commented that the current council is focused on the legacy they’ll leave to future leaders.

“Let’s create an environment where we can be successful, even better than we’ve become and set ourselves for the long-term. We are seeing the seeds that were sown years ago take root and flower, this is one more thing,” he continued.

### Time is of the essence now

The mayor spoke to Deputy Minister Bruce Gray and asked if there’s anything they still need to do that they haven’t yet. But the only response he gets is that “these things take time.”

“We spent a lot of resources into this. We didn’t take it lightly and we did it the right way. I’m excited. When I start thinking about having our own planning department and working with the developers and investors and the citizens I get really excited. This is the next step that I really want to take,” Johannson added.

“This is a big step, because we have

a strong administration and a strong council. We knew we wanted to grow but everything was done in the right stages.”

Before deciding to repatriate, the city ensured that they had the infrastructure to do so. They got a second water source, the new wastewater treatment plant, a new regional hospital, improved the psychiatric hospital, and developed close contacts with developers not only in Manitoba, but in other provinces.

Nicol and Johannson explained that it wasn’t a surprise to the provincial department because they had raised the concern several times before, even with the previous government. They explained that they’ve had this conversation with three ministers under the current government and that the provincial bureaucracy was well aware of their concerns, challenges, and intentions to rethink their relationship with RRPD.

“When you have an entire community that’s unanimous in support

that we should be independent, we have a third-party verification that this makes good financial and service sense, and you have a trusted organization for making really good decisions in infrastructure, land use planning, and community building, I think we’ve got all of our ducks in a row and this is the last piece,” Nicol added.

“I understand they have to come up to speed catching up to where we are at, looking at all the other factors in consideration. We appreciate that they are doing their due diligence. It’s just that this is a black box decision-making that we don’t have any insight into how they are making the decisions and it’s been a while, so that’s causing some anxiety on our end.

“We are hopeful that the minister agrees that we’ve done our homework and we’re ready to take on this responsibility and do it well. And if not, they will have to come up with really good reasons to explain to the community why they’ve chosen not to go in that direction.”



# Poor conditions force farmers to choose between livestock

By Nicole Brownlee

Drought and grasshopper infestations have led to several rural municipalities declaring a state of agricultural disaster. With limited viable crops to hay, some farmers are considering selling their livestock as a last possible option if they cannot support their animals.

Jason Nickel is the third generation to care for his family's farm and owns around 300 cow-calf pairs, 150 yearlings and acres of crops.

"We're going to try to hold out as long as possible, hoping for some rain that will extend the grazing at least," said Nickel.

"If things don't change, I think everybody will be selling livestock."

He was forced to sell around 80 cows over the past few years because of challenging conditions, but this season is one of a kind, he said.

"What made this one worse was the frost that we had early on, that just completely stopped everything growing for a very long time," said Nickel. "Nothing really improved after that."

Just like an average year, Nickel has been spending his time haying his crops, but the process has gone sig-



RECORD PHOTO BY LANA MEIER

Interlake farmers are struggling to find feed for their cattle this year.

nificantly faster.

"We're almost done haying them, which usually takes us all summer, but it's shortened up this year because we're trying to race against time. Before the grasshoppers eat it all," said Nickel.

Every day they're losing five per cent

yield at least, he added, so they're preparing to look elsewhere for more feed, but Nickel's concerned the government may not step in in time to regulate the price of hay.

"If they don't somehow try and put a cap on the price of hay, you're not going to be able to afford to keep your

cows anyways," he said.

Darcy Hueging has no plans in mind to sell his livestock, but he's started supplementing their pastures with grain to keep his cattle fed.

"I'm planning on keeping ours and gathering feed," said Hueging. "It's a challenge, but I'm trying to do everything I can to not have to sell cows basically."

Hueging has around 250 cows at his Grahamdale farm. He grew up working on his family's farm in Woodlands but started on his own six years ago.

"I haven't had a lot of years, but it's definitely the worst year that I've experienced," said Hueging.

Off of 80 acres of land, Hueging said he reaped five bales.

"I had what was looking like a decent wheat crop, and I was intending on harvesting for grain, and then just in like 10 days of the hot, dry weather, it went from a decent grain crop to just a poor salvage crop," said Hueging. "Everything's [grown] for feed right now instead of cash crops."

Farmers' morale and optimism have been significantly impacted by this season, said Hueging.

# COVID variants shown to pose a challenge to Moderna's vaccine

By Patricia Barrett

The ability of COVID-19 variants to partially escape natural and vaccine-induced immunity is a growing concern around the world, and Moderna is looking at ways to modify and strengthen its vaccine.

The virus's variants are known to be several times more contagious than the original COVID strain and have more severe health outcomes, including death. They, like the original strain, can be transmitted by people who have no symptoms.

A study carried out by Moderna researchers shows certain variants of concern (VOCs), which are well-established around the world, and variants of interest (VOIs), which have emerged in worrying clusters, are able to get around immune defences induced by the company's mRNA vaccine. That said, the variants studied were still found to be "susceptible" to the vaccine, meaning the vaccine provides protection against serious illness.

The study titled "Serum Neutralizing Activity of mRNA-1273 against SARS-CoV-2 Variants" was published June 28 as an online preprint and has yet to be peer-reviewed for scientific accuracy.

Researchers used the vaccine's

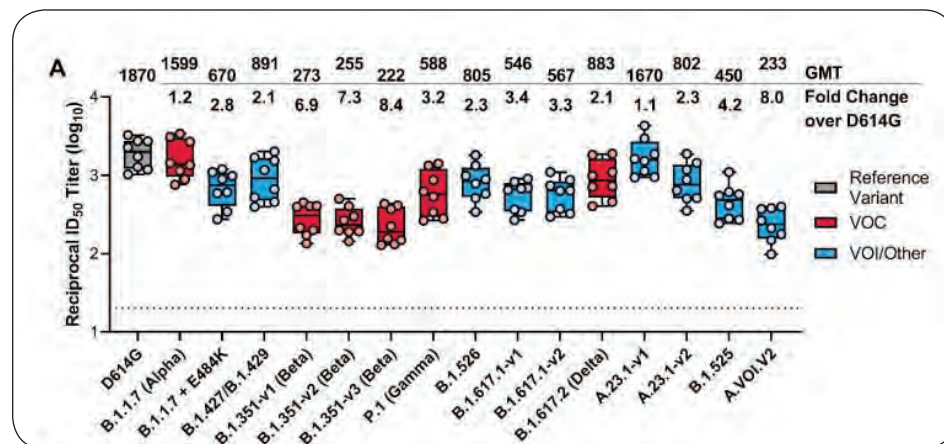


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Data from a Moderna-led study show COVID variants' resistance to the company's vaccine. The resistance is expressed as an X-fold reduction compared to the vaccine's effectiveness (95 per cent) against the original COVID strain, which is called D614G. For example, the delta variant (B16172) shows a 2.1-fold reduction compared to D614G. The beta variant (B1351 v.3) shows an 8.4-fold reduction.

known effectiveness against the original strain (also referred to as D614G or the "ancestral" strain or the "wild type" strain) as a comparator when assessing its strength against several VOCs and VOIs. The vaccine is about 95 per cent effective against D614G but was found to be less potent (expressed as an X-fold reduction) against variants in terms of decreased neutralizing antibodies produced by the body.

Using sera (the liquid component of

blood) from the same participants the company had enrolled in its Phase 1 clinical trial, Moderna's researchers measured neutralizing antibodies against the variants a week after the second dose of the two-shot vaccine was administered.

Variants of Concern were found to have a range of resistance to the vaccine. Alpha (B117) showed a 1.2-fold reduction compared to the original strain while delta (B16172) showed

a 2.1-fold reduction. The three beta variants (1351 v.1, v.2 and v.3) were even more resistant, showing 6.9-, 7.3- and 8.4-fold reductions respectively. Gamma (P1) showed a 3.2-fold reduction.

Variants of Interest also demonstrated a range of resistance to the vaccine. The kappa variant (B16171) showed a 3.3-3.4-fold reduction compared to the original strain, eta (B1525) showed a 4.2-fold reduction, and iota (B1526) showed a 2.3-fold reduction. The A.VOI.V2 variant (which has multiple spike mutations) showed an 8.0-fold reduction.

The Manitoba government is tracking and reporting – through its online variant dashboard – cases of the alpha (B117), beta (B1351), gamma (P1) and delta (B16172) variants that are circulating in the province. It also reports case numbers under a variant category called "unspecified."

Moderna's study underscores how important it is for researchers to fine-tune COVID vaccines in order to target existing variants and attempt to prevent new ones from emerging.

# Selkirk Port's exciting summer event is back

## Second time easier to follow all provincial health orders

By Ligia Braidotti

Selkirk and area residents will not run out of things to do this summer, especially now that Selkirk Port's D.O.G. Days Market is back.

The first market took place on July 21 and will continue to run every Wednesday until Aug. 25 at the Waterfront.

Months ago, Selkirk's summer activities were a bit of a blur, since there were many health order restrictions that prohibited events such as the market. Thanks to the rising number of people getting vaccinated, the province is carefully lifting restrictions. Since the province announced its Phase 2 of the 4-3-2-One Great Summer Reopening Path, the market can welcome up to 500 people.

"We're really excited to have the market return this year and with the further easing of restrictions we're able to let more people in," said Ellie Longbottom, the city's culture co-ordinator.

"We're happy to be able to provide a lunchtime destination for people in Selkirk and look forward to seeing everyone down at the Waterfront enjoying what the vendors have to offer, having a bite to eat and taking in the entertainment."

Although masks are not required, they are strongly encouraged. In addition, social distancing will be in effect, including for four legged friends, who must be on a standard leash, not a retractable one.

There will be one entrance and one exit to accommodate one directional flow of foot traffic. Vendors will be social distanced at six-feet apart and will be responsible for ensuring there's no crowding at their sites.

Angie Neeth co-ordinates the market and is one of 37 vendors participating this year. She explained she worked with the city last year to ensure the market succeeded and complied with public health orders.

"It's definitely more of a challenge just because we do have to follow provincial health orders, but last year we got a good handle on it and it's a little eas-



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Angie Neeth (left) is one of the 37 vendors participating in the Selkirk Port's D.O.G. Days Market. She and the city's culture co-ordinator Ellie Longbottom are excited to see visitors browsing the market.

ier this year because it's the second time around," Neeth said.

"It worked well last year, everything flowed well and it's in everybody's mind already, 'oh, I have to keep my distance', so it worked well. The most important thing is to keep everyone safe."

This year, there are two food trucks participating – Blue Haze BBQ and The Little Eggplant – and buskers will perform near the entrance. New this year also is the Frontier College Reading Tent for kids.

"People can walk around the loop more than once, as long as they don't gather," Neeth said.

People visiting the market are encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item to donate to the Selkirk Food Bank.

Vendors are excited to be returning, and Neeth said she has a waiting list of additional ones. If public health orders change, more could join in.

The market will have vendors from previous years selling their vegetables, honey, home made jams, jellies and relish, home made baking, gluten-free perogies, jewelry, soaps, clothing and accessories, hand painted wood signs, authentic sports collectables, and more. Neeth will be selling will also be selling her Kake Fräulein products, which are traditional and German-inspired baking.

The City of Selkirk will have a booth set up and will be selling the city's new clothing and accessories, with all profits from every sale going towards the Selkirk Parks and Heritage Endowment Funds.

The list of vendors in attendance will be updated weekly on social media at Selkirk Port D.O.G Days Market on Facebook and Instagram.

Vendors interested in a spot at the Port Market can contact Angie Neeth at [Selkirkportmarket@hotmail.com](mailto:Selkirkportmarket@hotmail.com)

## > RESEARCHERS SAY, FROM PG. 9

"These data emphasize the need to continually assess the ability of mRNA-1273 [the Moderna vaccine] to confer protection against prevalent and emergent VOIs/VOCs," wrote the

researchers. "Such data are crucial to inform necessary modifications to COVID-19 mRNA vaccines going forward, which may help to mitigate the ongoing spread of SARS-CoV-2 and the emergence of new variants."

In a company news release dated June 29, Moderna confirmed that it's pursuing a "clinical development strategy" against COVID as the virus

continues to evolve. That strategy includes the development of a multivalent booster.

A multivalent vaccine would have the ability to protect against more than one COVID strain.

Worldwide, over 187 million people have been infected with COVID or its variants and more than 4 million have died (World Health Organization data, July 14). Lately, in the U.K. and Africa, cases and deaths are surging. Spain is imposing curfews in some regions to try to stem a rise in infections.

Because of the virus's ability to kill people and disable economies, several countries, including Canada and Spain, have approved administering different vaccine types (for first and subsequent doses) despite limited scientific data on the safety and efficacy of doing so. That rush to mix vac-

cines resulted in a warning last week from the World Health Organization's chief scientist Soumya Swaminathan, who called it a "dangerous trend" and a "data-free zone." She later walked back her comments, saying public health authorities should decide on a course of action.

A few preliminary studies on administering a combination of AstraZeneca (viral vector vaccine) and Pfizer-BioNTech (mRNA vaccine) have found no safety concerns. There are no studies as yet on administering a combination of different types of mRNA vaccines such as Pfizer and Moderna, which have the same medicinal ingredient (i.e., mRNA) but different non-medicinal ingredients. Studies on other vaccine brand combinations have yet to be undertaken and/or published.

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# An exciting 'I do!' story



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Nineteen years ago, Sheena Neilson worked at A&W Selkirk. After some time serving Mike Smith in the drive-thru, Sheena asked him out. Fast forward to July 15, and the couple were back in the A&W Drive-Thru to seal the deal.

The couple was coming through when Mike jumped out telling Sheena he had to go to the washroom. Once inside, he went over to the drive thru and as Sheena pulled up he popped the question and handed her the ring. Sheena appeared to be in shock. There were Sheena tears but also tears all around the restaurant too.



## Communities in Bloom 2021

The Selkirk Communities in Bloom Yard of the Week and Commercial Property of the Week contest continues to showcase well cared for yards and businesses within the City of Selkirk. If you would like to enter a yard or business, please email [ads@selkirkrecord.ca](mailto:ads@selkirkrecord.ca) and let us know whose place is looking great!



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# Selkirk safer thanks to ladder truck purchase



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Selkirk's ladder truck improves safety for firefighters and their ability to extinguish fire.

By Ligia Braidotti

The City of Selkirk wants residents to understand why they purchased a ladder truck.

In 2018, when the purchase was approved, some people questioned the

city's decision, thinking that it would only serve to fight fires in high rises. However, Fire Chief Danny Thorsteinson explained that this is a misconception.

"The reason you have a ladder truck

is elevated streams and rescue," Thorsteinson said.

"Elevated streams are to get water above a building, especially an industrial setting or a big retail outlet. They have big flat roofs and you gotta be crazy to put somebody on a flat roof. Two by fours can be bought everyday but lives can't."

On June 30, an industrial park in the Rural Municipality of Macdonald experienced a massive fire that destroyed at least one business and caused significant losses to other businesses.

Macdonald Industrial Park fire had many factors working against a successful outcome, but in Selkirk, with a strategic plan and Capital Asset Management Program, the Fire Department is well prepared for any eventuality.

At the time of purchase, a brand-new ladder truck would have cost approximately \$1.2 million. The city's 2008 model ladder truck cost \$420,000. With a 10-year old truck, the city can expect at least fifteen years of use out of it. In Canada, all fire apparatus must be recertified every 25 years.

In 2006, the city's original ladder truck was retired. The city's existing fire hall could not accommodate modern ladder trucks at that time. In order to manage without a ladder truck, Selkirk Fire adopted alternative methods.

Due to the city's growth and the increasing number of apartment build-

ings and large retail buildings, the ladder truck became a priority.

The City of Selkirk opened a three-story expansion to the centrally located fire hall in 2019, part of which accommodates the new ladder truck and provides a modern, year-round training facility for the department.

City CAO, Duane Nicol said a lot of factors go into peoples' decisions to locate their home or their business in a community, sometimes services like firefighting are taken for granted. He says the Macdonald Industrial Park fire should be a reminder that the quality of fire protection services is just as important as something like property taxes.

"Fire protection doesn't just happen. It takes proper capital and operating investment. We have an exceptional team here in Selkirk and the city has made the critical investments into fleet, facility, and equipment to ensure the team has the tools it needs," Nicol said.

"Not only does this make the people who live and work in Selkirk safer, but it protects investments. Lower levels of service will not only increase risk but will drive up costs like insurance for property owners."

Mayor Larry Johannson said protecting the citizens of Selkirk, and their investments in their properties, is paramount and having the best equipment available for the Selkirk Fire Department is crucial.

"Industry and commercial developers want to know that their investments are going to be safe and secure," Johannson said.

"They want to know that the community can provide the services and resources they need to be successful. That's water, wastewater, and a successful, well-trained and well-equipped fire department is part of that equation as well."

Even if there were no tall buildings to protect, a ladder truck improves safety for the firefighters and their ability to extinguish a fire.

It takes a person one minute to have the ladder up with water flowing and Thorsteinson says fighting a fire from above is often preferable to going inside a structure or standing on top of it.

Thorsteinson says even a storey-and-a-half or two-storey house with an open concept design can be risky to get on top of.

"You might need the ladder there because you don't want to put firefighters on a roof when there's a lot of heat underneath it and it has got lightweight trusses," he said.

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# BASF Safety Scouts Program keeping farm families alive

By Becca Myskiw

BASF Canada Agricultural Solutions, in partnership with the Canadian Agricultural Safety Association (CASA), recently launched its Safety Scouts Program in the hopes of educating young farmers on how to be safe.

**"WE WANT FARMS TO LAST FOR GENERATIONS. THEY CAN'T DO THAT IF THEY'RE NOT SAFE."**

Last year, CASA partnered with BASF Canada Agricultural Solutions to launch a resource page for farm families. It has information on how to decide when a youth is ready for certain farm tasks, safe play areas on the farm, information on parent-kid safety contracts, and more.

Robin Anderson from CASA said it's a one stop shop for farm safety. And now, they've progressed the program to include the Safety Scouts Program, which is safety kits for farm youth.

Each kit includes a safety vest, name badge, colouring sheets, and a membership certificate. They're completely free, and each family can order up to three at a time at <https://www.casa-acsa.ca/en/resources/for-kids/>. Anderson said they're well-rounded and give families an opportunity to start a conversation with their children.

"This is a great way for farm families to talk about farm safety," she said. "The reality of it is Canadians still die in agriculture-related incidents. We still lose children adults and seniors in farming. It's dev-



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BASF and CASA have launched their Safety Scouts Program to keep farm families safe.

astating"

Anderson said almost each incident that leaves someone dead or injured is preventable. CASA and BASF Canada Agricultural Solutions is hoping the Safety Scouts Program will help lower the number of incidents and keep more people safe.

"We want farms to thrive and succeed," she said. "And we want farms to last for generations, they can't do that if they're not safe."

So far, over 700 kits have been ordered from across Canada. Anderson said she hopes more people will hop on the site and order the kits for their families,

starting the safety conversation in their own homes.

She said safety vests aren't the "end all, be all", though, and the conversation that should come with it is important. Safety on the farm, she said, prolongs agriculture in Canada, and keeps farming alive for generations.

"We know that people are interested in safety and keeping kids safe," she said. "It's just more tools in the tool kit to keep families successful and safe."

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It has now been over 11 years since I took over and Dad is gone. Now, as we celebrate the 50th year of business and reflect on why we are still here, I can't help but remember that it has always been about treating patients like *family*, finding *creative* solutions to fix problems, doing a *great job*, and not standing at work with our hands in our pockets!

Dad really pioneered the way for Denturists to practice in Manitoba since he was one of the first. He



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## Encouraging recycling by making it easier in your home

By Katelyn Boulanger

Recycle Everywhere expanded its programming last week in the region by bringing free recycling bins as well as recycling information to all West St. Paul homes to make it easier for residents to keep more waste out of our landfills.

“Recycle Everywhere in itself is a program and we implement and operate throughout the province of Manitoba. We’re trying to ensure convenience and accessibility for beverage container recycling,” said Christa Rust, Senior Program Director for Recycle Everywhere.

The program is a not for profits industry-funded organization essentially run by the Canadian Beverage Container Recycling Association.

This program to bring recycling bins to every home in an area is not new as it started in 2017 in other areas of the province, mostly in the City of Winnipeg, who have gotten bins as well. This will be one of the first areas in

our region to receive these bins.

“We’ve done some research, and we understand that 70 per cent of all beverages are consumed at home. So, if people are consuming at home like that, and this is pre-pandemic, so it’s perhaps gone up a little bit more, there’s an opportunity to improve the recovery and making sure that things are getting recycled, and also an opportunity to make it a little bit more convenient and give people education,” said Rust.

The reason that they started this program to begin with was that studies showed that having a recycling bin and information at home increased recycling rates, not just for beverages, but for all containers and also decreased contamination rates, which are things ending up in recycling that cannot be recycled.

Rust said that even in houses where there already is recycling having an extra bin around for say a teenager who is drinking a lot of drinks in their



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Left: A Recycle Everywhere bin that’s meant to be placed in your home in a convenient place to make recycling easier. Right: Some information about what is and is not recyclable.

room or perhaps in a new home office space where someone is eating their lunch and snacks can make a difference in terms of recycling.

“It’s just about where in your household does that bin need to be and then that bin [being] easy to carry around. If you don’t make the separation at the waste bin in your house, you’re not going to be rifling through your garbage bag when you’re putting your material in your cart. So, we want to make sure that that separation is happening where you’re disposing of any materials and that you’re making the right choice,” she said.

This particular West St. Paul initiative also has the added bonus of increasing employment opportunities during the pandemic.

“Part of our casual staff, generally, their role was a street team, so, going out to festivals and events, and those really aren’t happening and we do want to keep our casual staff employed in a meaningful way and want to avoid having to lay anyone off because of

the pandemic, so, we just went full throttle,” said Rust.

One resource in addition to the information that comes with your new recycling bin that she recommends is looking up the PDF of what is recyclable and what is not from Multi-Material Stewardship Manitoba.

“We really do encourage all Manitobans to make sure that it’s recyclable before they put it in the bin and make sure your containers are rinsed—a peanut butter container or even a milk carton that hasn’t been rinsed out is a little bit of a challenge at the material recovery facilities, and it can get pretty smelly. There are people who are working there so just keep that in mind but we all have to do

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our part to reduce the amount of contamination going into bins,” said Rust.

She believes that Manitobans are well intentioned and want to close the loop in making sure that materials are reused and also recommends that anyone with suggestions as to where might be a good location for new recycling bins in their communities contact Recycle Everywhere.

More info on Recycle Everywhere and their contact details can be found at [www.recycleeverywhere.ca](http://www.recycleeverywhere.ca) and the Recycle Everywhere App is also available for both Android and Apple phones.

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# Keeping the Red clean for future residents

## Red River Operation Clean Up receives big donation to keep garbage out of the river

By Katelyn Boulanger

Red River Operation Clean Up (RROC) received a hand in helping residents to keep the Red River beautiful recently with the donation of 50 steel drums from Mauser Packaging Solutions.

"In 1999, when I started the project, there was no project like this. There were mounds and mounds of garbage left behind and lots of complaints. Within the first year, I mean, the complaint went from 100 complaints a summer to 0 [complaints about garbage along the shores of the Red River]," said RROC founder/coordinator and former area conservation officer Robert Belanger.

A big part of this cleanup effort was giving fishers, picnic-ers and other river users a place to put their garbage so that it doesn't get left to blow around and in the river which is why the RROC has over 80 steel drums that are used as garbage cans to allow people to pick up after themselves.

As part of the cleanup effort, summer employees put these drums out in May every year and empty them weekly to keep the area clean when it's being used the most. They then bring the drums back in October.

"The 50 drums that we got replaced, a bunch of rotten rusty ones we've had for about 15 years, we were in dire need of a few new field drums," said Belanger.

One of the big frustrations that Belanger has in his efforts to keep the shorelines clear is when people leave household items such as couches, chairs, microwaves, refrigerators, and building materials out by the river in an attempt to get rid of them.

"Number one, it doesn't look good. When you're walking along the shoreline or you're driving into a trail to go fishing and you come across a fridge or microwave. It's just upsetting and, of course, a fridge left with a door on it is dangerous. If a kid got in there and the door closed [and] there's freon in them. That's why they have to be handled appropriately," said Belanger.

In the future, Belanger hopes to expand the program by being able to provide teachers in Manitoba schools with information for students in grade schools on environmental issues on the Red River via a computer module.

In the past he's had area school's come to help clean up portions of the river in person with the group, however, COVID-19 has put a damper on



Robert Belanger with one of the new drums.

that the past couple of years.

"It gives the kids a sense of this is wrong. People shouldn't dump garbage on the ground and when they come home, they tell mom and dad that they had this field trip where they picked up garbage that people left behind and it gives the kids a good start as to what not to do when they get older or what to tell an adult when they see them dropping Slurpee cup or whatever," said Belanger.

Some of his biggest supporters in the area have actually been our local RMs and the City of Selkirk who each contribute every year to keeping this program up and running. The City of Winnipeg contributed initially in the first few years of the RROC's operation but haven't since, though Belanger hopes that they will start again as many of the fishers and daytrippers that enjoy the Red this time of year come from the capital.

"Even though we're not setting up barrels along the City of Winnipeg shoreline, the majority of the garbage is coming from Winnipeggers [and] floating down the Red River from the south to the north. That's the way the current flows and in the spring, when we have floods, of course, the water rises in Winnipeg and picks up all the garbage off the shorelines of Winnipeg and brings it all down and dumps it on our end. That's just the way it works," said Belanger.

Even though some of his biggest supporters are our RM's Belanger says that there are ways that residents



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Above: Mauser Packaging Solutions employees Terry Hildebrand Division Manager, Rene Saindon Warehouse Manager, Terry Critch Maintenance Manager and D'Arcy Skulason, Territory Sales Manager, Belanger and his summer employees with 50 drum donation.

can contribute as well to this effort. He invites everyone to visit [www.rroc.ca](http://www.rroc.ca) and contact him if they would like to make a donation.



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# A fresh coat of paint for Red Feather Farm

By Katelyn Boulanger

Selkirk resident John Pawluck has made signs that are all over the province marking important landmarks, locations, and generally giving people the information that they need to know. Recently he gave the sign at Red Feather Farms a new coat of paint after donating the original sign 14 years ago.

"[It all started] when I was doing some sign painting and one thing led to another and I went into woodworking and after doing woodworking then I ended up working for the provincial government training for making signs for the original parks," said Pawluck.

This started in the 1960s for Pawluck and he retired from the profession in the 1990s.

This isn't the only sign in our community by Pawluck with the sign at the Veteran's Memorial Gardens and another at the Selkirk Golf Course also being made by him.

In addition to making the provincial park signs, he's been to all areas of the province making signs as far north as Churchill and south to the Turtle Mountains and even making trips out of the province with a sign going to



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John Pawluck stands by his newly painted Red Feather Farm sign.

Rankin Inlet, Nunavut.

"I had to do that in Inuit and English and they sent me the script from Ottawa to do that sign," said Pawluck.

He sometimes goes out to places in the province and realises that his

signs are still in use years later.

Though he is trying to get out of the sign business at this point Pawluck wanted to help out Red Feather Farm as he still has all the supplies needed from his sign-making days and knew

the old paint colours that were on the sign in order to get the best results.

The newly painted sign is now up at the park for all to enjoy.

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# Lagimodiere apologizes for wrong words

Selkirk MLA misspoke during first scrum as Minister of Indigenous Reconciliation and Northern Relations

By Ligia Braidotti

The Manitoba Progressive Conservative Caucus announcement of MLAs new roles on the Executive Council ended on a somber note.

Among the MLAs to receive new assignments on July 15 was Selkirk MLA Alan Lagimodiere, who was sworn in as the new Minister of Indigenous Reconciliation and Northern Relations.

However, his first statement as minister aroused a great deal of frustration, especially for Indigenous people.

In his remarks during the press conference, Lagimodiere started off by recognizing he was standing on Treaty One Territory and the homeland of the Métis Nation. He also said that with regards to truth and reconciliation, he is committed to knowing what the truth is.

"One of the most important aspects of to me is that truth. It's getting down to finding out what exactly is the truth out there," he said.

"The settlers who came and the Indigenous people are all very resilient and they all continue to want to work together on reconciliation, which I want to move that forward as quickly and efficient as we can."

But minutes into his speech — which he delivered live and not looking at or holding any notes — he made one uneducated comment that prompted NDP leader and Leader of the Opposition Wab Kinew to get up and interrupt him.

"From my knowledge of it, the residential school system was designed to take Indigenous children and give them the skills and abilities they would need to fit into society as it moved

forward."

Kinew immediately stepped in and voiced his disapproval of the new minister's statements.

"I cannot accept you saying what you just said about residential schools. It was the express intent of residential schools to kill the Indian in the child," he said. "It is not cultural relativism, it is not revisionist history for us to say that that was wrong."

Lagimodiere, who is Métis, took back his words and said he misspoke when answering the question about residential schools.

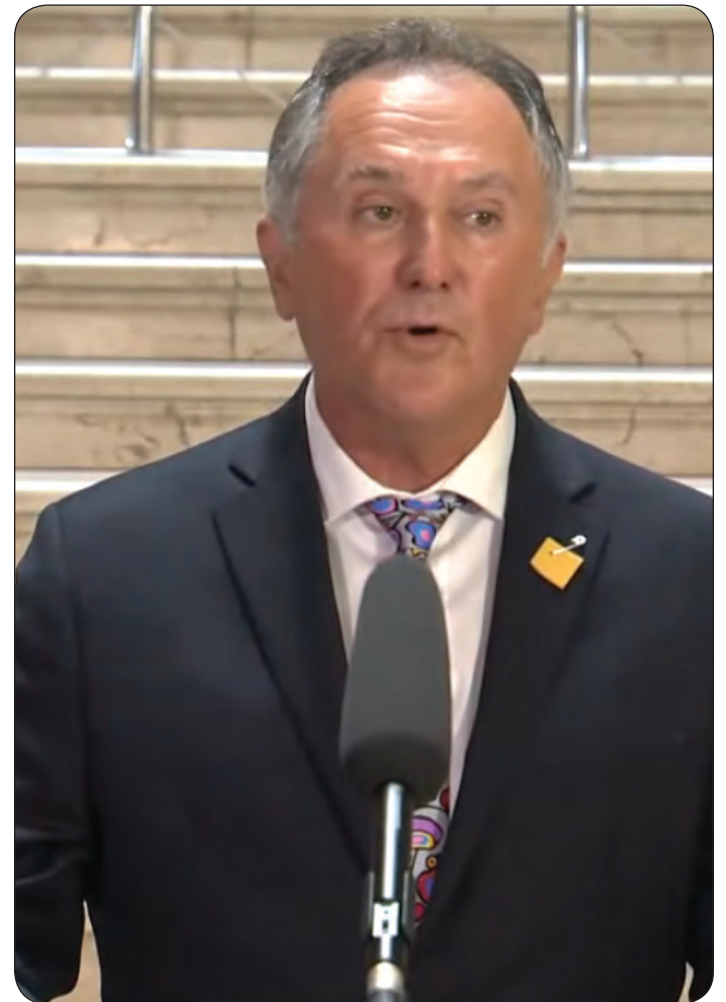
"As an Indigenous Manitoban, I sincerely believe that residential schools were tragic and were designed to assimilate Indigenous children and eradicate Indigenous culture. That was wrong then, and it is wrong now," he wrote on his Twitter account.

On July 16, Lagimodiere published an official apology in which he acknowledged that his previous remarks were wrong.

"I genuinely and sincerely ask for your forgiveness," he pleaded.

"As Canadians collectively mourn, we need to come to together to acknowledge and address the terrible and tragic legacy of residential schools. I want to acknowledge our country's hard truths, especially in light of the tragedies of residential schools that continues to be deeply felt here in Manitoba and out of a commitment to advancing the TRC Calls to Action."

Lagimodiere also said he is committed to a journey of healing "that requires listening, learning and creating understanding and I am



SCREENSHOT

Selkirk MLA and new Minister of Indigenous Reconciliation and Northern Relations speaking at his first scrum as minister on July 15.

committed to working collaboratively and respectfully with Indigenous leadership, Elders, Knowledge Keepers and community members as we seek reconciliation, healing and meaningful ways to move forward together."

He stated he will be reaching out to Indigenous leaders to start the dialogue and that he hopes to work with them to advance reconciliation.

## Conditions ideal for West Nile virus skeeters

Staff

The hot, dry conditions this summer are making for perfect breeding grounds for the mosquitoes that carry the West Nile virus (WNV).

The provincial government warns that the Culex tarsalis mosquito is on the hunt for water to lay their eggs, and, not finding it in the usual places thanks to the drought, are making due with unusual locations.

"While normally not suitable, the drought has caused some smaller rivers and creeks to stop flowing, thus creating ideal spots for Culex tarsalis to lay their eggs," the province's first West Nile Virus bulletin read last week. "As a result, larval control will be conducted along these unusual larval development sites to reduce the numbers of Culex tarsalis adults that emerge and reduce the risk of WNV."

To that end, the City of Winnipeg sprayed for skeeters last week along a number of rivers and creeks.

Currently, no human cases of West Nile vi-

rus have been identified in Manitoba.

While the risk for WNV exposure is low right now, the province warns that's likely to change as we head further into the summer.

Between 2012 and 2018, there were 112 cases of WNV in Manitoba. Nearly 40 per cent of those cases were hospitalized and 11 required intensive care.

You can protect yourself by taking the following preventative measures:

- Reduce the amount of time spent outdoors during peak mosquito hours between dusk and dawn.
- Use an appropriate mosquito repellent.
- Wear light-colored, loose-fitting clothing with long sleeves and pant legs.
- Maintain door and window screens.
- Clean and empty yard items that collect water.

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## MJHL hosts U18/U16 Prospects Camp

### Staff

The MJHL #ProtectMB U18/U16 Prospect Development Camp wrapped up at the Seven Oaks Sportsplex in Winnipeg.

U16 groups, made up of elite Manitoba players born in 2006 who are eligible for the 2022 MJHL Draft, checked-in last Wednesday with daily on and off-ice activities taking place until Saturday.

U18 groups, made up of elite MJHL Prospects from Manitoba born in 2004 and/or 2005, checked-in on Thursday with daily on and off-ice activities taking place until Sunday.

The main goal of the camp was to help prepare players on and off the ice for the upcoming season, what it takes to be successful in the MJHL and what it takes to get to the next level (NCAA, WHL, USports, NHL).

Camp activities emphasized the elements these players need to focus on to transition successfully from elite minor hockey to elite Junior "A" hockey. The camp also provided players with an important opportunity to return to organized hockey activities in a professional, safe, and fun environment.

Players received both on and off-ice

skill development led by experienced professionals and high-level hockey players. The on-ice program consisted of practice and skill development group sessions, and the off-ice portion covered elements related to athleticism and mental skills, as well as the technical and tactical skills required to play in the Manitoba Junior Hockey League.

Selkirk Steelers' prospects that were invited to attend the camp included forward Dawson Zeller (Winnipeg Thrashers U18), goaltender Andrew Ness (Winnipeg Wild U18), defenceman Ethan Alsip (Winnipeg Bruins

U17), forward Samuel Zagari (Winnipeg Bruins U18), defenceman Austin Lourenco (Interlake Lightning U18), forward Hayden Wheddon (Interlake Lightning U18).

Winnipeg Hawks' players invited to the U16 camp included goalie Jonathan Enns-Demchuk, defencemen Bryn Schioler, Rhylan Baxter, Keiran Koshelanyk, Cole Bilous, forwards Marlen Edwards, Carter Joudrey, Jayden Ward, Dayton Desjarlais, Morgan Waddell, Dawson Dear, Brandon Corda, Carter Bear, and Ian Lavallee.

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### Homemade Potato Gnocchi

Total time: 2 hours  
 Servings: 2-4  
 2 medium Yukon Gold or russet potatoes  
 3/4 teaspoon sea salt, divided  
 2 teaspoons water  
 1 cup all-purpose flour, divided, plus additional, for surface  
 1/4 teaspoon freshly grated nutmeg  
 1/8 teaspoon white pepper  
 2 large egg yolks  
 Preheat oven to 400 F. Place potatoes on sheet of foil, add 1/2 teaspoon salt and water; wrap. Bake 40 minutes, or until cooked through.  
 Peel potatoes while hot. Cut and rice potatoes. Let potatoes cool completely.  
 To make dough, sprinkle potatoes with flour. Aerate with bench scraper then add remaining salt, nutmeg and white pepper.

Break up egg yolks and pour over potatoes. Cover surface with flour. Continue cutting and gently lifting dough. Test dough by squeezing gently; it shouldn't stick. Add flour, if needed. Shape dough into rectangle and fold several times, using fingertips to bring together. Flatten dough out until it reaches finger thickness. Sprinkle with flour and let rest 5-10 minutes. Cut finger-width strips of dough and sprinkle strips with flour. Roll out each strip and cut ropes into 3/4-inch pieces. Separate slightly and flour well. Fresh gnocchi can sit at room temperature 30 minutes before cooking. To freeze: Place gnocchi on tray, making sure they aren't touching. Once frozen, transfer to plastic freezer bag and freeze up to 2 months. Cook gnocchi from frozen and serve with desired sauce.



### Pappardelle with Garden Vegetables

Total time: 1 hour  
 Servings: 3-4  
 Salted water  
 3 tablespoons olive oil  
 3 tablespoons shallots or white onion, minced  
 2 cloves garlic, minced  
 1/4 teaspoon chili flakes  
 1 cup white wine  
 2 cups pappardelle noodles  
 3/4 cup vegetable stock  
 3 tablespoons capers (optional)  
 2 vine-ripened tomatoes, sliced in wedges  
 1 handful baby kale  
 1 fresh lemon, juice only  
 2 tablespoons butter (optional)  
 sea salt, to taste  
 freshly ground black pepper, to taste  
 1 handful fresh basil, torn  
 Bring large pot of salted water to boil. In fry pan on medium-high heat, add olive oil and onions; saute 2 minutes.

Lower heat slightly and add garlic and chile flakes. Saute on medium heat 2-3 minutes. Add white wine and deglaze pan. Cook 3 minutes. Remove from heat and keep warm until ready to add freshly cooked pasta. In pot of boiling water, add pappardelle. Cook according to package instructions then drain. Place fry pan back on medium heat. Add drained pasta; vegetable stock; capers, if desired; tomatoes; baby kale; and lemon juice. Add butter, if desired, and toss well. Cook 2-3 minutes, tossing occasionally, and season with salt and pepper, to taste, and fresh basil. Toss again, remove from heat and serve.

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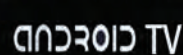
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## Junior Blue Jays snap five-game losing streak

By Brian Bowman

The Interlake Blue Jays snapped a five-game losing streak with an impressive 8-3 win in Game 2 of a Manitoba Junior Baseball League doubleheader against the Pembina Valley Orioles last Sunday.

"We were on a little bit of a schneid there for about a week but we're still just trying to figure things out," said Blue Jays' head coach Adam Kirk. "Figure out where guys fit in and I think after yesterday we finalized that. Hopefully, going forward here we can get things done more efficiently."

Interlake led 3-2 after the first inning before Pembina Valley tied the score at 3-3 with a run in the fourth.

The Blue Jays came right back, though, to score four in the fifth and then added another in the sixth.

Andrew Everitt led the Blue Jays with three hits and three runs scored while Kalli Einarson had a pair of hits and scored twice.

"The middle of the lineup has kind of struggled a little bit for us this year and we didn't have some guys there yesterday so those guys got to step into those spots and it was nice to get production from the middle of the lineup," Kirk said.

The Blue Jays' Jeremy Wasilewski scored once and also finished the game with two hits.

Interlake's other runs were plated by Noah Ducharme and Liam Proven.

Ducharme earned the complete-game win, scattering 12 hits while adding three strikeouts.

"(He was) efficient," Kirk said. "He gave up a hit but it was a ground ball



Blue Jays' right-hander Brittney Langlais delivers a pitch.



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In Game 2 of the Blue Jays 8-3 win over the Orioles, Andrew Everitt led Interlake with three hits and three runs last Sunday.

bottom of the fifth but the A's scored twice and then added three more in the sixth.

Ducharme and Devon Cassan each had a pair of hits. Blue Jays' runs were scored by Ducharme, Ben Anderson, Liam Allen, Chris Fines, and Cassan.

The Blue Jays (2-5) will host Winnipeg South (2-3) on Wednesday (7:30 p.m.) and then will visit the Carillon Sultans on Friday (7 p.m.).

As a reminder, up to 150 fans are now allowed to attend all baseball games in the province. Kirk wanted to encourage spectators to come out and watch baseball in Stonewall.

In Winnipeg Senior Baseball League action, the Stonewall Blue Jays lost 9-4 to the Elmwood Giants last Thursday at Koskie Field.

Elmwood scored two runs in the second inning, added three more in the third, and then put up another four in the fourth.

The Blue Jays scored a run in the fourth and then three in the top of the sixth.

Stonewall visited the St. James A's this past Tuesday but no score was available. The Blue Jays will then host the Carillon Sultans this Thursday (7:30 p.m.) at Quarry Park.

## U18 Pirates lose three games last weekend

By Brian Bowman

The North Winnipeg Pirates U18 "AAA" baseball team has had better weekends.

After opening the season with three straight victories, North Winnipeg lost three games last weekend.

The Pirates concluded a tough weekend with a doubleheader loss to the Carillon Sultans on Sunday.

Carillon won games by scores of 10-4 and 12-2.

Last Friday, the Pirates lost 8-1 to the

Bonivital Black Sox in their first home game of the season.

North Winnipeg hosted the St. James A's on Tuesday but no score was available at press time.

The Pirates will then play the Elmwood Giants on Friday (7 p.m.) at Koskie Field and the Black Sox Sunday (1 p.m.) at Whittier Park.

The 15U St. James A's, whose roster includes several local players on the team, beat Bonivital 7-4 last Friday.

St. James earlier defeated the Inter-

lake Orioles 9-0 last Wednesday for their first win of the season.

The A's played the Orioles on Monday and then will take on Carillon Friday (6:30 p.m.) in Ile des Chenes.

Sunday will see St. James host a doubleheader against the Brandon Marlines. Games start at 1 p.m. and 4 p.m.

The U13 Pirates, meanwhile, hosted Brandon in a doubleheader on Sunday.

North Winnipeg was defeated 17-15 before rebounding for an exciting 18-

17 win.

Last Thursday, North Winnipeg lost 13-8 to Carillon.

On July 13, North Winnipeg won its third straight game to start the season by edging the Winnipeg South Wolves 11-10.

The Pirates played the Red River Valley Pioneers on Tuesday and then will battle Bonivital Thursday (6:30 p.m.) and Oildome Sunday (1 p.m. and 4 p.m.). All three games are on the road.

# Canad Inns Mixed Doubles Curling Trials to be played in Portage la Prairie

## Curling Canada

Canada's quest for back-to-back gold medals in Olympic mixed doubles curling will begin in Portage la Prairie.

The announcement was made last week by Curling Canada.

The Canad Inns Canadian Mixed Doubles Curling Trials will be played Dec. 28 to Jan. 2 at Stride Place in Portage la Prairie, and will determine the pairing who will represent Canada in mixed doubles curling at the 2022 Winter Olympics in Beijing.

"Portage la Prairie did a superb job hosting the first Canad Inns Canadian Mixed Doubles Trials four years ago, so it was an easy decision to bring the event back to Stride Place," said Amy Nixon, Chair of Curling Canada's Board of Governors. "Portage la Prairie has proven repeatedly that it can put on top-calibre curling championships, and I'm positive the city will show its support for these Olympic hopefuls."

Four years ago, at the inaugural Canad Inns Canadian Mixed Doubles Trials in Portage, Kaitlyn Lawes and John Morris prevailed, and then went on to claim gold at the 2018 Winter Olympics in Pyeongchang, South Korea, where mixed doubles curling made its debut as an Olympic medal sport.

"The City of Portage la Prairie is very excited to be hosting this world-class event at Stride Place. We look forward to welcoming curling fans and curlers from across Canada in December," said Portage la Prairie Mayor Irvine Ferris.

Sixteen teams will be competing in Portage la Prairie, and six have already qualified, including the top two finishers at the 2021 Home Hardware Canadian Mixed Doubles Championship, presented by Nature's Bounty Vitamins — gold-medallists Kerri Einarson and Brad Gushue and silver-medallists Kadriana Sahaidak and Colton Lott.

Also in the field are the top four finishers (as of May 1, 2020) in the 2019-20 Canadian Mixed Doubles Rankings: Jocelyn Peterman and Brett Gallant, Jennifer Jones and Brent Laing, Nancy Martin and Tyrel Griffith, and Rachel Homan and John Morris.

"Canad Inns is a Manitoba Owned, Manitoba Grown and Manitoba Proud company. And what can be more Manitoban than curling," said Dan Lussier, CEO for Canad Inns. "We are thrilled and honoured to be the Title Sponsor of the Mixed Doubles Curling Trials once again. The City of Portage la Prairie and its residents have a proven track record of hosting large sporting events and we know that

they will put on a world-class event. In 2018, Manitoba's own Kaitlyn Lawes and John Morris won the Trials and went on to win Olympic gold. We know whoever wins this year's Trials, will be great ambassadors for Canada at the 2022 Olympics and we wish all teams a great bonspiel."

A fourth-place finish by Einarson and Gushue at the 2021 World Mixed Doubles Championship last month in Aberdeen, Scotland, clinched Canada's berth in the 10-team mixed doubles field in Beijing.

"I'm not sure Canadian curling fans realize just what an amazing accomplishment that was by Kerri and Brad in Aberdeen," said Scott Pfeifer, national mixed doubles coach for Curling Canada. "They were both exhausted from spending so much time in the bubble in Calgary, away from friends and family, and went to Scotland under an immense amount of pressure to secure our Olympic berth. It was a performance Canada should be proud of."

The event will follow the 2021 Tim Hortons Canadian Curling Trials in Saskatoon, where Canada's four-player men's and women's teams for Beijing will be decided. Members of Canada's Olympic four-player teams won't be eligible to compete in the Canad Inns Canadian Mixed Dou-

bles Trials because of the rigours of the Olympic curling schedule.

"It seems that curling fans and volunteers in Manitoba step up every four years for events such as the 2013 Tim Hortons Roar of the Rings in Winnipeg and the 2018 Canad Inns Canadian Mixed Doubles Trials, and we all know what the winning teams did in both Sochi and Pyeongchang," said Craig Baker, Executive Director of CurlManitoba. "We hope Manitoba continues to provide our Canadian team with a bit of luck heading into what is sure to be a thrilling curling season. We're proud that our province will be part of the excitement."

Stride Place, which opened in 2010, has 1,675 seats in its main arena, and is home to the Manitoba Junior Hockey League's Portage Terriers.

"In 2018 our city became part of history as the first to host a Canadian mixed doubles trials event and we can't wait to continue that legacy in 2022," said host committee chair Rob Gemmell. "Our community is passionate about curling and we'll be proud to once again say that Team Canada's path to the mixed doubles curling podium begins in Portage la Prairie."

# Kuntz wins Nott Autocorp Men's Amateur

## By Brian Bowman

The Nott Autocorp Men's Amateur Championship needed the final hole to decide a winner at the Neepawa Golf and Country Club last Sunday.

Breezy Bend's Braxton Kuntz drained a birdie putt on the 18th hole to defeat fellow club member Ryan Sholdice by a single stroke.

Kuntz fired a final-round 68 while Sholdice carded a 70 on Sunday,

which included five birdies and three bogeys.

Sholdice just missed an eight-foot eagle putt on the 16th hole and had to settle for a birdie. The pair was tied going into the final two holes.

Sholdice earlier fired rounds of 70, 67, and 66 to sit at 13-under - and one stroke better than Kuntz - heading into the final round.

Kuntz earlier carded rounds of 70, 66,

and 68 to finish with a tournament-best 16-under 272.

Rounding out the top five were St. Boniface Golf Club's Jacob Armstrong (67-72-72-68-279), Shilo Country Club's Drew Jones (65-72-75-73-285), and Elmhurst Golf & Country Club's Jordy Lutz (72-73-69-75-289).

Local players featured Noel Ngo, who finished in a three-way tie for 14th (73-75-70-76-294), Wesley Hoy-

dola, in a five-way tie at 17th (71-73-77-74-295), Ben Bandura 30th (75-73-73-79-300), Brady Bandura 45th (73-78-79-81-312), and Brent Ingram, three-way tie for 46th (75-78-81-79-313).

Golf Manitoba's next event is the Senior Men's and Women's Championship at the Steinbach Fly In Golf Club on Aug. 4-6.

# Baseball Manitoba 2021 Return to Play Update

## From Baseball Manitoba

Due to the most recent announcement regarding Public Health Orders, Baseball Manitoba has created and released Version 6 of its Return to Play Document.

The following guidelines came into effect at 12:01 a.m. on July 17.

### Mask Use:

#### Coaches

Coaches are encouraged to wear a mask outdoors when not engaged in physical activity or cannot properly

### Physical Distance (two metres).

#### Umpires

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#### Participant Limit:

Groups of 50 athletes plus registered team staff and officials, including coaches, managers, Health and Safety Coordinators, and umpires are allowed.

#### Spectator Limit:

150 spectators are allowed at each session/competition and must always physical distance (unless from the same household). This number is based on the current maximum public gathering size. Spectators are not included in the participant group numbers.

#### Contact Tracing:

Contact tracing will continue to be required for indoor sessions.

Contact tracing is encouraged, but is no longer required for outdoor

sessions and competitions.

"Baseball Manitoba will continue to monitor the Public Health Orders," read a statement on Baseball Manitoba's website. "We will be prepared to revise any and all aspects of our Return to Play Plan in the event of any updates to the Public Health Orders. We are extremely excited baseball is in full swing in Manitoba."

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Sudoku Answer

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Crossword Answer

# X CROSSWORD

### CLUES ACROSS

- Language group with Iranian influence
- No seats available
- Health insurance organization
- Having a strong sharp smell or taste
- Defunct European economic organization
- Dutch word for "language"
- Hard to penetrate
- When you'll get there
- Iranian city
- Small fishes
- Dry white wine drink
- Turkish city
- U.S.-born people
- Synthetic resin
- Major nerve in human body
- Type of recording
- Small drum
- Alters
- General's assistant (abbr.)
- Venezuelan capital
- Free of deceit
- Member of Ancient Hebrew nation
- Competition
- Launch an attack on
- Cavalry sword
- Spiritual leader
- One point east of due south
- Afflicted
- Database management system
- Snakelike fish
- Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation
- Small drink
- Not wet
- Impudence

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- Performed perfectly
- Ribosomal ribonucleic acid
- Thin, compact object
- One attempting to find something
- No longer working
- Egg-shaped wind instrument
- Book of Genesis character
- Volcanic craters
- Brand of American automobile (slang)
- Hip hop icon Kool Moe
- Bangladeshi monetary unit
- Self-immolation by fire ritual
- Family of genes
- Et \_\_\_\_ : indicates further
- Pacific Standard Time
- S. American wood sorrel
- Women's \_\_\_\_ movement
- Chinese hoopster Ming
- Layers of rock
- Patriotic women's group
- Solid water
- Shade of brown
- Very fast airplane
- Put clothes on
- Quality of one's character
- Time zone
- Primates
- Pleasantly
- Metrical feet
- Rogue
- German river
- Relieves from
- Swiss river
- Prejudice
- Actor Idris
- Those who resist authority
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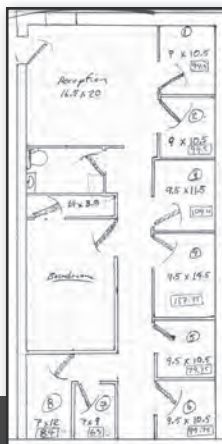
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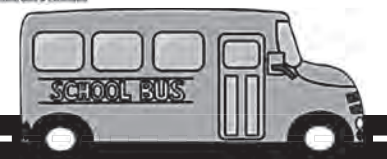
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Parcels A, B, C, D, E and F, Plan \_\_\_\_\_ WLTO (WLTO Deposit 187/2021) in Part of River Lot 5, Parish of St. Paul, as shown in the sketch.

Per resolution 2020-139, no persons are permitted to physically attend the Council Chambers at this time due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Meetings will be available live through YouTube. The link will be provided at [www.weststpaul.com](http://www.weststpaul.com). We request the public email [info@weststpaul.com](mailto:info@weststpaul.com) by 2pm the day of the meeting to register to speak; or to register as for, against or for information.

A copy of the above By-Law can be provided by the RM of West St. Paul office, located at 3550 Main St. West St. Paul, Manitoba between 9:00 am and 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday.

For more information contact:  
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-Love Mom, your children, your brother and sister

**OBITUARY**

**Glen Kenneth Bond**



Peacefully on July 13, 2021, Glen Bond of Edmonton, Alberta, passed away after a short battle with cancer, with his family by his side.

He was predeceased by his wife, Pat; parents Bert and Lillian; and his two sisters Pat and Bev. Glen will be lovingly remembered by his son Derek (Michelle); daughter Glenda (Shawn); granddaughter Sara; brother George (Marg); his nieces, nephews, extended family members and many friends.

He was born in Winnipeg, MB on August 9, 1940, to Bert and Lillian Bond. The family moved to Grosse Isle, MB in 1947 where Glen and his siblings learned about country and farm life. He attended Grosse Isle School where he made many lifetime friends and memories. At the age of 19, he moved to Ottawa for meteorology school. Glen met his wife at a baseball game in Selkirk in 1965 and they were married on June 4, 1966.

A Meteorologist with Environment Canada for 36 years, Glen has been stationed to many weather offices throughout Northern Ontario, Manitoba, Resolute Bay, and Saskatoon, where he would provide weather briefings for pilots and local communities. Most notably, Thompson, MB from 1975 to 1986 where he was very involved in many activities and many sports, and always cheering on all the kids (curling, softball, hockey, to name a few). In 1986, he was transferred to Saskatoon, where he would retire in 1995. With his retirement, Glen kept busy with helping his family and volunteering most notably with the Saskatchewan Railway museum Saskatoon, SK and the Edmonton Icelandic Canadian club of Edmonton (ICCE).

An avid railway enthusiast and aircraft fan, Glen enjoyed visiting museums and exhibits. His favourite pastime was watching the steam powered Prairie Dog Central railway running from Inkster, MB to Grosse Isle, MB. He passed his passions for these onto his children and granddaughter.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Prairie Dog Central at: The Vintage Locomotive Society Inc., PO Box 33021 RPO Polo Park, Winnipeg, MB R3G 3N4 Or to: Edmonton Cross Cancer Foundation <https://www.albertacancer.ca/in-memory/> Funeral Service will be held on Saturday Aug 7 at 11:00 am, at the Selkirk Lutheran Cemetery (6137 Highway 9A, Selkirk). A gathering will be held at the Grosse Isle Heritage Site (111 Prairie Dog Trail), starting at 1:00 pm. Please note that we will be following the required Covid Regulations in place at that time.

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## OBITUARY



### James Roy Wesley Gilbert

Peacefully, on July 13, 2021, after a brief illness, Roy Gilbert, a lifelong resident of Selkirk, Manitoba passed away on his 92nd birthday. He is now reunited with June (nee Pruden), his beloved wife of 69 years.

Dad was born in Selkirk, the third of four sons, to Maurice and Muriel Gilbert (nee Dixon). They came to Selkirk from Elkhorn for Maurice's vocation in the funeral business. The family lived in numerous homes around town

and Dad really enjoyed reminiscing about the Selkirk town of old, his neighbourhoods, and various antics with friends and brothers. He was a great storyteller and throughout the years loved to recall funny, strange or unique experiences of school chums, residents, and the old Selkirk landscape.

An entrepreneur right from the early days, Dad had "the best paper route in the world" which he faithfully executed each day with his dog Rover and in winter pulling him and his sleigh. He took an avid interest in the merchants and businesses in town, especially in the funeral business observing his father. When Maurice passed away, dad was too young to take over, so he furthered his studies and trained at Bardal's in Winnipeg, earning his funeral directors license.

In 1955, now fully licensed and in his early twenties, he repurchased the funeral home in Selkirk that his father had started, when Mr. Langrill died. Dad was very devoted to the people he served and the Gilbert Funeral Home, running it successfully for many years. He was later joined by his son Wes and subsequently Wes's son, David making it a four generation business. Dad was a member of the Manitoba Funeral Service Association for many years and had served as president.

Dad met Mom one fine day in Winnipeg Beach at a church picnic when their families just happened to spread their blankets next to one another, and the rest they say is history. Dad would tease that he had strong competition from dapper men in fancy cars from Winnipeg vying for mom's attention. Thankfully he persisted and prevailed in the end! Roy and June were married in 1951 at St. George's Church, Wakefield.

Dad was a lifelong member of the Selkirk United Church, serving on council several times. Being community minded, he was a member and president of the Selkirk Rotary Club and was instrumental in the building of the new public pool in the Selkirk Park, a School Trustee during the amalgamation of the Lord Selkirk School Division, and also a member of the Masonic Order. He sat on the board of the Betel Home Foundation for many years and helped purchase property and plan for the new Betel Home in Gimli.

A true golf enthusiast, Dad was a lifelong member of the Selkirk Golf and Country Club, enjoying his game on the course for 80 years and then watching on TV from the comfort of his lazyboy chair. Dad and Mom loved the game of bridge, playing with their friends and at the Selkirk Duplicate Bridge Club. They won the club championship twice and at age 90 were and still are the reigning champs.

They enjoyed their cottages first at Chalet Beach and later north of Gimli. Dad enjoyed duck hunting, curling, and, in retirement, the art of stained glass. He made countless stained glass keepsakes for us all.

The door at Roy and June's house was always open. People of all ages were welcomed to the pool, to parade day each July, backyard barbeques, and enjoying the river view. The family met there most Sundays for dinner and life long traditions were established in the yard that have continued to the present generation. A few years ago Dad and Mom moved into condo life, leaving behind their beloved home on Eveline Street with Wes and Leanne. Today the family still congregates there and the traditions continue!

Dad and Mom loved to travel to Mexico, Europe, across Canada and the US, and finally found their paradise in Hawaii. They loved their daily routine on the beach and cherished the many new friendships they made. They welcomed each grandchild to the island and introduced them to the "Aloha Spirit".

Roy was predeceased by his beloved wife June on March 18, 2020 and leaves surviving his daughter Jane Massey (Bob), sons Wes (Leanne) and Geoff (Cheryl); seven grandchildren, Andrea (Phil), Jamie (Ashley), Kurtis (Ashley), David (Cindy), Kayla (Adam), Deanna (Ray), Graham (Alisha); and eight great-grandchildren, Vivienne and Elysia; Skylar, Locklyn and Berklee; and Grayson, Everleigh and Vayda. Roy will also be missed by his brother Don (Del), in-laws Glen (Alice), Norm (Pat), and Dale (Carol) and many nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends. He was predeceased by his brothers Eric and Mel. A celebration of Life will be held at the St. Clements Cemetery with Rev. Cole Grambo officiating. In lieu of flowers, donations in Roy's memory can be made to the Selkirk and District Foundation or the Selkirk United Church.

Roy's memorable storytelling, his generous spirit, big laugh and great sense of humour will be missed by his family and friends. Rest in peace Dad and Poppy!

Condolences may be left on his tribute wall at [www.gilbartfuneralhome.com](http://www.gilbartfuneralhome.com)

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## OBITUARY

### Edward Joseph Sebastyanko November 14, 1940 – July 13, 2021



With sadness and heavy hearts, we announce the unexpected passing of Ed on July 13, 2021 at the age of 80 years.

Ed leaves to cherish his memory, his wife Sharon; daughters, Shannon (Brian) and Kathy; his sons, Michael (Sam), Matthew (Alana), eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Also left is his brother Stan (Marlene), sister-in-law Sandra and brother-in-law Dave (Joanne).

A Celebration of Life for Ed will be planned.

Condolences may be left on Ed's memorial page at [www.interlakecremation.ca](http://www.interlakecremation.ca)

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## OBITUARY

### Thelma Choma



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our mom, Thelma Choma on July 15, 2021. Reaching the age of 86, she has experienced a lot of life. From growing up in a loving family of fourteen kids in southern Manitoba, to getting on a train by herself in her early twenties to move across the country for work, to settling in our family home in the Melrose area, she worked many jobs and met many people. Mom worked as a teacher for one year, a nurse's aid in two sanitoriums and a hospital, and as a market gardener with our dad (Ted). Her chosen career was being a psychiatric nurse which she was for many years.

Mom and Dad raised four children of their own, Karen (Marshall), Terri, Ken, and Patty (Mark), who will carry on the recipes, traditions, gardening, and work ethic we were taught. Grandma will always be remembered by Lyndsay (James) and Kelsey for

the books she read with them, the food she made, and the sweets she shared. The Christmas table grew in recent years to include Skylar, Josh, Matthew, Makayla and Eric and Mom enjoyed spoiling them all.

After all her years of work, Mom was happiest at home, surrounded by her family, her flower beds, and garden-fresh vegetables. If you are lucky, you may have one of her knitted or embroidered pieces. If you are even more fortunate, you have been asked to solve a crossword clue or unscramble some Jumble letters with her. Mom's hands were never idle, and her mind was always sharp.

Mom never wanted to be the center of attention so we will hold a private interment. In lieu of flowers, please consider planting a rose bush in your own garden, teaching your kids a recipe, or learning how to knit something to give away.

Condolences may be left on her tribute wall at [www.gilbartfuneralhome.com](http://www.gilbartfuneralhome.com)

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## OBITUARY

### Louis Angus McLeod



It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of Louis McLeod on July 13, 2021 at the age of 72. Louis was born on April 6, 1949 to Norman and Adrienne McLeod in Eriksdale, MB. Living in Lunder Mb, until 1973 at the age of 24.

Louis was known to many for his quick wit, thunderous laugh and the ability to give everyone a nickname. Louis loved his family and friends, his door was always open and always there to help. He loved playing crib, talking on the phone and of course watching the Jets, Bombers and Blue Jays on T.V. Louis also enjoyed his deer hunting trips.

Louis married Brenda on July 6, 1976 in Thompson, MB. From there they lived in Churchill and later settled in Selkirk, MB, where they had 2 children Barrett and Brandi. Louis was blessed with 4 grandchildren, Kaleb, Nicholas, Taylor and Oaklyn. He loved them

immensely and was their biggest supporter and cheerleader. He would try his best to be at every sporting event and dance recital. He barely missed any. He was the loudest, proudest papa in the stands.

Louis worked for Manitoba Hydro, starting his career in 1973 at Notigi Control Structure as a camp maintenance man. Carpentry brought him to Churchill for a few years and then finding a permanent spot in Selkirk. While based in Selkirk he had the opportunity to work in many remote and isolated communities. He was very handy and able to build whatever was asked of him. His carpenter shop was a common gathering place to socialize and tell stories. Louis retired after 34 years with Manitoba Hydro, during this time he made many great friends and will be remembered for his kind heart, sense of humour and his unique wave.

Louis is predeceased by his father and mother, Norman and Adrienne McLeod, his sister Norma and brother-in-law Carl Magnusson, sister Annette and brother Joe.

He leave to mourn his wife Brenda, son Barrett, daughter Brandi, grandchildren Kaleb, Nicholas, Taylor, and Oaklyn; 2 granddogs Sophie and Rory; brothers and sisters, Willie, Richard (Pat), Denise (Wayne), Larry (Sheryl) and Robin; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. He will be missed by all

Cremation has taken place, memorial service will be held at a later date.

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## FEATURE OF THE WEEK



**COUNTRY LIVING ON 11.3 ACRES!**  
594 MCPHILLIPS ROAD, LOCKPORT  
\$424,900

Long term owners have lovingly cared for & updated this home for decades. Start your next chapter here in this 3 bedroom bungalow in prime McPhillips location. 11.3 acres with excellent subdivision potential. Gorgeous eat-in kitchen, great sized living room, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, fully finished basement with great rec space. Outside a large portion of the backyard is fully fenced, great for pets and kids. Restore the 4 stall barn and start your own hobby farm. Tons of updates incl Shingles (2005) Windows (2006-2007) Kitchen cabinets & counters (2012) 750 gallon septic tank (2014) Water softener (2016) Eavestroughing (2018) Submersible water pump (2019) Flooring & removal of popcorn ceiling (2019). Peaceful country living just minutes from the city!

## FEATURED PROPERTIES

<p>HH TEAM <b>NEW</b></p> <p><b>\$214,900</b></p> <p>Open: 07/25 2-4 pm 10 Main St, Tyndall</p>	<p>HH TEAM <b>NEW</b></p> <p><b>\$299,900</b></p> <p>Open: 07/25 2-4 pm 45 Morier Ave</p>	<p>HH TEAM <b>WATER FRONT</b></p> <p><b>\$534,900</b></p> <p>5592 Henderson Hwy, St Clements</p>	<p>HH TEAM <b>PRICE DROP!</b></p> <p><b>\$419,900</b></p> <p>51 Peltz Road, East Selkirk</p>	<p>HH TEAM <b>80 ACRES!</b></p> <p><b>\$399,500</b></p> <p>113142 Road 13 East, Fraserwood</p>
<p>HH TEAM <b>INDOOR POOL</b></p> <p><b>\$499,000</b></p> <p>202 Taylor Ave, Selkirk</p>	<p>HH TEAM</p> <p><b>\$329,900</b></p> <p>315 Pandora Ave W, Winnipeg</p>	<p>HH TEAM <b>PENDING</b></p> <p><b>\$144,900</b></p> <p>503 Tallie Ave, Petersfield</p>	<p>HH TEAM</p> <p><b>\$179,000</b></p> <p>316-1671 Plessis Rd, Winnipeg</p>	<p>HH TEAM <b>7.98 ACRES</b></p> <p><b>\$269,900</b></p> <p>8156 99 Road N, Rockwood</p>
<p>HH TEAM <b>7.73 ACRES</b></p> <p><b>\$59,500</b></p> <p>1 Tamarack Lane, Clandeboye</p>	<p>HH TEAM <b>2.4 ACRES</b></p> <p><b>\$84,900</b></p> <p>1 Fuller Road, St. Clements</p>	<p>HH TEAM <b>2.2 ACRES</b></p> <p><b>\$84,900</b></p> <p>7 Fuller Road, St. Clements</p>	<p>HH TEAM <b>PENDING</b></p> <p><b>\$125,000</b></p> <p>286 Nanton Road, St. Clements</p>	<p>HH TEAM <b>PENDING</b></p> <p><b>\$54,900</b></p> <p>12 Tom Prince Dr, Petersfield</p>

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