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Creating a community orchard



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ACAN co-chair Jonah Langelotz (left) and Altona Mayor Al Friesen at the site of what will one day be the Altona Community Orchard. For the full story, see Pg. 2.

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Dog park pops up near exhibition centre

By Ty Dilello

The Town of Altona's Parks and Recreation team has recently set up a trial Pop-Up Dog Park north of the Millennium Exhibition Centre to test the concept of a fenced-in dog park in the community.

"It just started last Friday, so it is a bit too soon to tell if it's going to stick, but the feedback so far has been positive," said Town of Altona communications coordinator Sarah Cail this

week.

The town decided to test out the idea after fielding multiple requests from local dog owners looking for a safe space to run their pooches off leash.

The park is open daily from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.

The space is only for dogs (no other animals). All dogs must wear a collar or harness with their Town of Altona license on it. Dogs must be at least six months old and be up to date on all their vaccinations.

Dogs who are aggressive, sick, or in heat are not allowed.

Dog owners are responsible for any injuries or property damage caused by themselves or their dogs. They are also asked to clean up after their furry friends.

As another way to gauge interest in a dog park, the Town of Altona has a survey up on its website (altona.ca) for people to weigh-in on the idea. Residents who complete the survey will be entered to win a prize.



The Town of Altona is testing out the idea of a dog park in town with a new pop-up park recently set up north of the Millennium Exhibition Centre.

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Community orchard coming to Altona

By Ty Dilello

Last week, the Town of Altona and the Altona Community Action Network (ACAN) announced they will be teaming up to develop the land north of the Altona Community Garden into a community space that produces food and provides an example of a climate-resilient food system to educate, nourish, and inspire the community.

The idea for the Community Orchard was first proposed to town council a few weeks ago by ACAN co-chair Jonah Langelotz, along with several other group representatives.

The proposal was about much more than just trees. The plan, which encompasses three acres, includes a naturalized retention pond and hill, half an acre of main orchard growing space, two secondary growing areas, eco-buffers, native tallgrass prairie, and a pathway system connecting it all to Altona's existing community trail system.

"ACAN put the energy into it to get it to where it is now," said Mayor Al Friesen. "They've been in some discussions with our town administration and our staff to see where it would fit in. They looked at it as a large blank canvas just north of community gardens, and it fits in with

both of our goals of sustainability and being progressive in Altona.

"There's a lot of work that needs to be done, but this is a great start," he added. "Our council was caught up with the energy and enthusiasm of ACAN, and we're happy to be able to partner with them. Being progressive is an important part of who we are in Altona. Our sustainability is important, and this fits into that and the respect for the footprint we have."

ACAN intends to apply for a series of grants and begin fundraising to make this community space a reality as soon as possible. They have a three-year development plan which would see grant writing, site surveys, and other planning done this year so they can get shovels in the ground in 2023.

"We are excited to move on to the next phase of this project," said Langelotz. "Our task force has already spent lots of time

working on a thorough proposal to council, and we know this is just the beginning of the work for a project of this nature.

"We know that to make this dream a reality, it will take careful planning and patience. But we are optimistic that together our community can work hard and help create a space that is for and represents our community well."

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Winkler Citizens on Patrol looking for members

By Ashleigh Viveiros

They're the extra eyes and ears of the local police department and, as always, Winkler's Citizens on Patrol Program is looking for a few extra hands.

Police Chief Ryan Hunt presented COPP coordinator Dustin Brown with a cheque for \$5,000 last week to cover the costs of the volunteer program. The money flows from the police department budget to the Winkler chamber, which provides administrative support for COPP.

It's used to purchase equipment, cover training costs, and defray fuel costs for volunteers who go out on patrol, Brown explained.

There are currently eight active COPP members and a handful more helping out on a casual basis.

"We are still looking for more," Brown said. "COVID kind of took the wind out of the sails of a few people. We had to shut down for a while there and some of those members didn't come back or have since retired, so we are still looking for some new members."

With this program, it's very much a case of the more the merrier.

"I don't think any number is too high," Brown said. "The more members we have, the better chance that somebody's going to be going out."

The program requires no minimum time commitment from its volunteers, though there is an expectation you'll try to get out on patrol at least a few times a year.

"Ideally they would go out every couple of months," said Brown. "Some people go out for an hour or two, some go out for four or five."

Armed with walkie-talkies linked to the on-duty officers, COPP volunteers are tasked with driving around the community keeping an eye out for criminal activity and reporting it to police for follow-up.

"We're out on the streets looking for suspicious behaviour or vehicles or crimes in progress," Brown said. "Making a lot of notes and handing them over at the end of the night. Every night looks a little different."

"We're eyes and ears, definitely. We're not getting out of the vehicle. We're not putting ourselves in any dangerous situations or anything like that. We leave that for the professionals."

Chief Hunt said they certainly ap-



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Winkler Police Chief Ryan Hunt presents Citizens on Patrol Program coordinator Dustin Brown with the \$5,000 in support the volunteer program receives from the police department each year.

preciate the extra help. As the community continues to grow, officers can't be everywhere.

"We rely on the volunteers who go out to help us find crime that's going on in the community and just see things that are out of the ordinary," he said, noting reports from COPP volunteers routinely help police get a jump on suspicious activity. "We real-

ly appreciate having people from the community going out and helping us ... it does play a big part in what we do."

For more information on getting involved with Citizens on Patrol, contact the Winkler and District Chamber of Commerce in city hall or head to winklerpolice.ca/community/citizens-on-patrol/.

Ellie Holcomb to headline Harvest Festival Sunday night lineup

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The last big piece of the Harvest Festival stage lineup puzzle is now in place.

Festival director Kathy Bueckert announced the Sunday night headliner on the event's social media pages last Friday.

"We are so excited to announce Ellie Holcomb is coming to Winkler to close out the 2022 festival," she said.

The Nashville-based singer/songwriter released her third solo album *Canyon* last summer.

Holcomb's solo debut, *As Sure As the Sun*, in 2014 earned her a Top 10 hit on Christian radio with "The Broken Beautiful" and a GMA Dove Award for New Artist of the Year.

Her second LP, *Red Sea Road*, was released in 2017 and included such charting hits as "Find You Here" and "Wonderfully Made."

Holcomb joins a headliner schedule that includes performances from country music crooners Petric on festival Friday and rising country music stars Jade Eagleson and Tenille Arts on the Saturday night.

The Winkler Harvest Festival runs Aug. 12-14 at the Parkland fairgrounds.

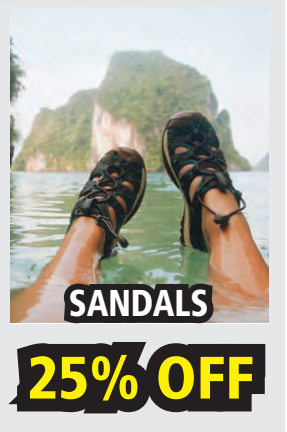


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Tractor trekkers on parade



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Eden Foundation's 15th annual Visit the Villages Tractor Trek saw 54 vintage tractors take part on Saturday. Riders started out from Winkler this year and made their way through the villages of Schanzenfeld, Hochfeld, Blumenfeld, Osterwick, and Chortitz before ending the day back in the city for supper. At press time, organizers were still crunching the numbers as to how much in pledges the event collected in support of Eden Health Care Services' mental health programming across southern Manitoba.

Explore Morden Winkler reflects on highs and lows of 2021

By Ashleigh Viveiros

It's been a challenging couple of years for anyone connected to tourism, and Explore Morden Winkler is certainly no exception.

The regional tourism agency is looking forward to things getting back to normal in the months ahead, directors shared at their annual general meeting last week.

"We went through our hard times, but we're out of there now. And we're going to be better and stronger," outgoing co-chair Gord Maddock said after the group gathered in the Winkler council chambers July 5 to reflect on the highs and lows of 2021.

The pandemic affected every industry, but perhaps none so keenly as tourism, fellow co-chair Karina Bueckert noted.

"We had to pivot and shift our focus within the last two years like no other industry has," she said. "With almost all tourism being shut down ... we were able to pivot our approach to being a tourist in your own backyard. This strategy limited our reach but allowed us to continue to promote the tourism industry leaders in our own region."

That included the launch of several hugely popular food week campaigns.

"From Burger Week to Pizza Week and beyond we promoted the deli-



cious finds within our own region that we often overlook," Bueckert said, noting these themed weeks helped draw in customers for restaurants that were struggling to keep their heads above water amidst public health restrictions.

These campaigns were targeted solely at local residents, she explained, as Explore Morden Winkler decided early on to stop promoting the area to out-of-towners for the duration of the pandemic.

That was partly to help stop the spread of the virus between regions, but also "to ensure we were not giving another platform for online users to target our region," Bueckert said, referring to the influx of negative social media comments the area received in the wake of having the lowest vaccination rates in the province. Such negative rhetoric has been

on the downswing of late, Bueckert noted, and they're optimistic they'll be able to continue to rebuild the region's reputation amongst potential tourists moving forward by showcasing all the good we have to offer.

"The damage that was done online has been significant, but if people can step away from their screens they'll

see we're great people," she said, noting Winkler, Morden, and Stanley have "come out of it actually more unified than anything."

The agency put the extra downtime of the past year to good use, creating a new website and getting to work on a series of videos and other promotional materials to be used in the year ahead.

"We think now is the time to spread our wings and fly," Bueckert said, noting they're eager to begin promot-

ing the area as a tourist destination once again.

"We are very excited to see festivals starting up again as well as welcoming tourists from outside of our region again," she said. "Our focus will be on supporting the tourism industry leaders in our region to new tourists coming in ... as well as continuing to promote within our region."

Incoming board chair Peter Loewen noted he's been working on creating a social media personality that people can connect with and that will help promote the Explore Morden Winkler brand.

To that end, he has ideas for a number of videos and posts for the year ahead to showcase Morden-Winkler and Stanley attractions. A scavenger hunt taking visitors to all the hot spots in the area is also in the works.

"We have such an incredible area and I want to show people that we do," Loewen said. "That's what drives me."

"There's so much out there," agreed Maddock. "There's walking paths, there's biking trails, there's the Meridian Exhibition Centre here in Winkler, the Access Event Centre in Morden. And then we've got the beach, the golf courses. It's just huge what we have, and that's only a little bit of it ... we'll get that on video and start showing people what they can do out here. Encourage them to come spend the weekend with us."

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Musical collaboration

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Douglas Kuhl School of Music's Cadenza Summer Music Week made a triumphant return last week.

Over 80 strings, piano, and voice students spent five days at the Winkler EMM Church honing their skills under the tutelage of a faculty of professional musicians.

It's the first time the day camp has been held since 2019, noted Cadenza's Hannah Drudge.

"It's been so good to be back. It just feels like normal times again," she said.

The program provides a welcome dose of collaboration for students and teachers alike.

"I think one of the huge things about Cadenza that is so exciting is throughout the year we spend so much time in music by ourselves, in individual lessons and practicing, and then here we get to come together and make music together," Drudge said.

"After the last two years we've had,

with so much more alone time, it's really powerful to see that music is something we can do together again, it can be something we can collaborate on, a way to make connections with other people.

"Music is more than just an individual activity. It's really a group activity. It's a community activity."

Along those lines, the return of Cadenza also meant the return of the free lunchtime concerts, which were open to the community.

Cadenza's faculty took to the stage every day last week to showcase a variety of different musical genres and instruments. Friday afternoon and evening also included student chamber, orchestra, and musical theatre recitals.

"It's been a great turnout," Drudge said after Wednesday's concert. "It's been great to have people come out again to enjoy the music."

For more on DKSM's upcoming programming, head to www.douglaskuhlschoolofmusic.com.



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

The Douglas Kuhl School of Music hosted its Cadenza Summer Music Week in Winkler last week, with over 80 young performers taking part to learn from a faculty made up of professional musicians and vocalists. The community was invited to enjoy the talents of that faculty with free lunchtime concerts (left) all week long.



Katie's Cottage selected for Spruce Up Your Story funding

By Ty Dilello

Katie's Cottage is one of 10 community spaces across the prairies selected to receive funding from Red River Mutual's Spruce Up Your Story community sponsorship program.

The company recently announced its 2022 winners, who altogether will receive \$150,000 in funding.

"We're in our third year of this initiative now, and it has grown and adapted with our communities, but our focus on people and their stories remains the same," said Red River Mu-

tual president and CEO Brian Esau in a statement. "We're grateful to further connect with the places where we do business and make a positive impact in a way that is meaningful for people who call those places home."

The submitted renovation or beautification projects were evaluated based on community use and connection, their commitment to sustainability, and connections to a local insurance brokerage.

Katie's Cottage, a respite home located across the road from the Boundary Trails Health Centre, will use the

funds to make some improvements outside around its property.

"We will be using the money to put cement curbing decorative around the flower and shrub beds, as well as new parking lot curbing, changing adding new shrubs around the cottage sign, and planting more trees," said executive director Ruth Reimer. "We don't have an exact amount, but it's somewhere in the neighbourhood of \$10,000.

"We are excited to receive this grant, and it will be great for guests to sit outside and enjoy the beautiful sur-

roundings."

Katie's Cottage caters to guests from across southern Manitoba who need a place to stay while a loved one receives treatment at BTHC. They provide both overnight accommodations as well as drop-in day services..

"The space was selected partially because it aligns with our four pillars for the campaign," noted Kailynn Newediuk, marketing coordinator for Red River Mutual. "And also because the space's submission shared how it is really the heart of a community in need."

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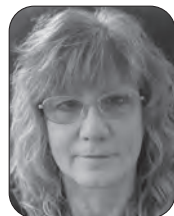
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Of weddings, family, and the value of perspective

By the time you read this my daughter will be married and I will still be swamped in a pile of emotions and memories that include images of tiny little Itsy (her nickname, which has become her name) taking after her older brothers playing Call of Duty at five years old and being the personification of action that she has always been.

I'm thrilled for her and my new son-in-law Ethan. The two of them complement each other in so many ways it just feels great and worthy of celebration.

Of course their settling into a new home in Winkler is all part of the secret Cantelon expansion plan made all the more stealthy as she sheds her maiden name and employs a new secret identity via her husband's Mennonite surname ... yes, the plan is unfolding as it should.

One of the great things about a wedding is the gathering of family from far and wide. To be able to see brothers, and sisters, aunts and uncles and cousins from Ontario is great and made all the more special because the purpose of the gathering is celebration and not sadness. Too often distant family does not see one another unless someone dies.



By Peter Cantelon

Personally I was thrilled to be able to finally answer the age-old question: "WHY did you move to Manitoba?"

Having been born and raised in Guelph, Ontario I can tell you without stretching the truth that Manitoba never really comes up in the average Ontarion's mind. To be honest, the average Ontarion cannot imagine leaving Ontario unless it is for retirement in Florida.

Sure they're "aware" of Manitoba in the same way you are aware that there is a distant and cold planetoid called Pluto, but that is generally where things end.

So the wedding was also an opportunity to introduce people to the region I wholeheartedly and joyfully have come to know as home. There is beauty and brilliance here that they need to see up close and personally. Frankly I became a bit of a salesperson promoting the region the way a real estate agent shows off a home they're trying to sell.

"You've got more sunlight per year here than almost anywhere else in the country."

"Sure it can get a tad cold in winter, but it's a dry cold!"

While our cost of living has surely

risen in the 17 years I have lived here it is nothing in comparison to Ontario and the Greater Toronto Area most of my family lives in. Heck, there are decent jobs available here and you can purchase a house without having to sell a child and a few organs in the process.

As I reflect on these things I realize that on many occasions I have taken for granted the brilliance of our region.

Now as my daughter and new son-in-law start their own family I cannot think of a better place for people to plant themselves and grow.

Still, if either of my sons decided they would want to move elsewhere I would not put up a fuss. I grew up to become a traveller and the experience has given me a broad perspective which has heightened the value of things I love about the area.

Now I need to get back to follow-up emails to family urging them to ditch the costly life in dull, grey Ontario for the prospects of a bright new future on the prairie of southern Manitoba.

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A glimpse through the lost lens of Nick Yudell

By Lorne Stelmach

Putting together the exhibit and forthcoming book *The Lost Expressionist – Nick Yudell, A Photographer Discovered* became a labour of love for Celia Rabinovitch.

Currently on display at the Manitoba Museum in Winnipeg, the exhibit reveals a vibrant world in Manitoba of the 1930s through the young Jewish Canadian's photographs that feature dramatic portraits, experimental photography, and images of play, place, and self.

Morden plays a major role in them, as this was where Yudell spent a majority of his life. The exhibit all started with the discovery of a hidden cache of negatives shot before the Second World War by the young man from Morden who perished during that conflict.

Rabinovitch spent years researching and developing the collection of work by Yudell, who at some point organized his images into an archive that was preserved by his cousin Milton Rabinovitch, Celia's father.

She was moved to create *The Lost Expressionist* to recognize Yudell's artistic vision and the various communities he touched, and she sees it all as being a vital archive that shows daily life in the 1930s.

"It captures a time and an era when I think people were more authentic," she said of the exhibit, which is scheduled to come to Morden later next year. "This is a complete record of a different time. There was a lot of joy. People were able to have fun without having a lot of money, and they were able to make their own fun."

Yudell was born in Winnipeg. His mother died soon after his birth and his father had a business and older children to manage, so it was felt it would be better for the child to live in Morden with his maternal aunt, who was Rabinovitch's grandmother.

Yudell grew up with seven other Rabinovitch children who were still at home, including Milton. He was very much part of the family, Rabinovitch learned.

"Everyone adored him. They took him around everywhere, and he was fully a member of the family. He was my father's brother, and my father told me he shared a bed with him when they were little," said Rabinovitch, who noted her father was about nine years older than Yudell.

She believes Yudell had a better opportunity to grow and flourish in Morden with the Rabinovitch family.

"He had seven cousins who loved him and did stuff with him ... he was completely part of the family. He had two families, one in Winnipeg and one in Morden, but his Morden home was, I think, his true home."

Perhaps especially close to him was Milton, who went on to start a business on Railway Street before opening Rabinovitch Brothers on Stephen Street.

"I remember that building from when I was a child because we used to go in to see my dad ... the wood floors and a lot of older fixtures, it was a very interesting place when you were little, lots of things to look at," Rabinovitch recalled. "It became a gathering place for people in the '30s to meet and talk ... especially Saturday nights when my father kept it open for farmers coming in to get supplies and things."

"The family had a very significant presence and were very well liked and a very integrated part of the community. I don't think having different religions made a difference in Morden. It was always an egalitarian, sharing community," she suggested.

Yudell's journey as a photographer started when he received a camera in 1928. He quickly started taking photos of family and places around Morden.

"Obviously, he just fell in love with photography," Rabinovitch said. "His first pictures are of my uncle Wilf Rabinovitch on a telephone pole in 1928 ... and then another is of his other older cousin Ruby Rabinovitch in front of the family home, which was an old Victorian house on Stephen Street."



Yudell attended school in Winnipeg around 1930 but then came back to Morden around 1933.

"He studied photography there, and he photographed all of his classmates, so his photographs provide us with a complete record of his youth," Rabinovitch noted.

"Morden is quite prominent in his photos. He photographed the Morden dam and the park right after it was built," she added, noting her father at one point acquired a movie camera, and he used it to record scenes of daily life which her brother David recently had restored.

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Morden-raised photographer Nick Yudell's work is on display at the Manitoba Museum this summer. Top: Yudell in a self-portrait he took just before leaving to fight in the Second World War. Above, from left: The old Morden post office in 1933, the Morden dam in the park prior to 1937, a shot of Ruby Rabinovitch in front of the Rabinovitch family home in Morden sometime before 1930.

Morden Legion working on new memorial banners

By Lorne Stelmach

A fourth set of commemorative banners honouring local veterans will be unveiled later this year, but eight of the existing ones were displayed recently around Canada Day.

The thought behind the short-term display in the large downtown storefront windows of Morklers was simply to make a point about freedom, suggested Ken Wiebe, who has spearheaded the project for the Morden Legion.

"People have been talking so much about freedom, and I just wanted people to be aware that sometimes the price of freedom is very expensive," he said. "Staying at home is not a big deal compared to dying in a foreign country. You have freedom, but it came at a great price. It cost people's lives."

The Morden Legion collection of commemorative banners honouring local veterans continues to grow with a third set of 11 unveiled last fall after 26 that were part of the initial introduction and the 15 that were added in 2020.

The banners are displayed in various locations for about a month around Remembrance Day, and they feature images of area residents who have served in the armed forces through both war and peacetime going back



VOICE FILE PHOTO

Pat Gibson and Ken Wiebe with the banner for David Smith Urquhart, whose plane was shot down over France in the Second World War. It was one of the eight banners displayed temporarily at Morklers earlier this month.

generations.

Families can submit a photo of the person and a little bit of their service history. The only requirement other-

wise is that the subjects be members of the community, or at least from a family with a strong connection to the community.

Wiebe sees there being sustained interest because so many families have connections to veterans.

"And as often as we've put them up, people still come in to the store who have never seen them before," he noted. "And there are a lot of people from out of town apparently who came by the store and went in and wanted to know what it was all about ... a guy from a legion from another community has already been to see me and is looking at doing the same sort of thing in their community."

"We are doing another set this fall, and right now I've already got seven ready to go," said Wiebe, who invites anyone interested or wanting more information about the banner program to email him at klwiebe4854@gmail.com.

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> YUDELL, FROM PG. 7

"I'm putting small clips of those on Instagram because they are really charming ... and you can see how different Morden was then," she said. "It was, I think, kind of on the cusp between a really rural and agrarian life and then the life of the town and new technology that had come in at the time."

There are a number of things that stand out for Rabinovitch, who observed that people then had to make their own entertainment in the midst of the Great Depression.

"[Milton] shot all kinds of things, and Nick did still photography, so sometimes Nick's in the movies and sometimes he's shooting them."

Later on, Yudell studied portrait photography, so he captured a wide array of people and locales in the community—everything from the nurses residence to the experimental farm to a popular local bakery.

"He did all kinds of interesting portraits, both casual and somewhat styled with strong black and white contrast, just as you would see in film noir movies," Rabinovitch said.

"I'm assuming they went to the movies a lot."

He continued to study photography and learn new skills throughout the '30s.

"In 1937 he got the first copy of *Popular Photography* ... he had every copy then from 1937 on," Rabinovitch said. "He was studying and informing himself about photography, and it was also at the same time he was doing dramatic black and white portraits of townspeople."

As part of her research, Rabinovitch interviewed many people to rebuild details of Yudell's life, particularly closer to the war. She feels those oral histories gleaned from interviews have given her a good idea of what Yudell was like as a person.

"I was able to rebuild most aspects of his life up until 1943 ... it's been a fascinating journey, first to read Nick's life through his photographs, which I took as kind of a visual diary."

A cousin described him as very quiet and introspective.

"I sense that in the photographs be-

cause he's got great observation. He pays very careful attention to people's faces ... and at that time, they didn't have a lot of money to buy film, so he used every shot in the roll carefully ... he tried to get it right.

"I think he had a great sense of play as well ... he had a quiet sense of humour," Rabinovitch added, citing the example of a couple photographed behind the family store with each in one leg of a large pair of pants, while another had people dressed in costumes, for example.

"I think they were very forward-thinking and very curious about the world as well. These were self-educated people," she said.

"What was interesting was some plans for a dark room fell out [from a magazine], and those plans were electrical plans for how to hook up a darkroom, so he was already studying things like that," she continued. "He also was studying nighttime photography with long exposures, so he has a shot of Stephen Street at night and then the next day after a snowfall. He would take it from the

same perspective.

"So he told stories with his photographs, and the stories told me about him," said Rabinovitch, who suggested her father was similarly shy and observant "so I think he and Nick had a lot of fun together."

The Lost Expressionist exhibition's run at the Manitoba Museum was recently extended into fall.

Locals will hopefully also have the chance to see it closer to home sometime in late 2023, as the Pembina Hills Arts Council is involved in plans to host it.

"I think it will be fantastic to have the exhibit in Morden," said Rabinovitch.

You can support this exhibition with a tax-deductible charitable donation to 'The Lost Expressionist Development Fund' with receipts issued through The Pembina Hills Arts Council. All donations go to the hard costs of exhibition expenses.

Learn more about the show at lost-expressionist.com.

Manitoba Road Trip Ideas

Call of the North

Northern Manitoba is an area as vast as it is diverse. Discover the region's natural beauty along with its true hospitality in the places you visit along the way. Hit the road and remember *home is where the heart is.*



↑ Rocky Lake

1 DISCOVER THE NORTHERN JEWEL

Make your way north on Highway 10 to **The Pas** and **Opaskwayak Cree Nation**, neighbours across the Saskatchewan River. Start your exploration in the heart of The Pas—the former courthouse and current Sam Waller Museum. The oldest brick building in Manitoba now houses artifacts detailing the Indigenous history of the area along with Sam Waller's amazingly eclectic collection. See dressed fleas, a Cree syllabic typewriter and a two-headed calf.

The jewel of the North is Clearwater Lake, the dazzling focal point of **Clearwater Lake Provincial Park**, less than 30 minutes from The Pas. The spring-fed lake is crystal clear and its beautiful turquoise colour is beyond impressive. The giant lake takes up almost half of the park with access from sandy beaches as well as public boat launches. Fishing excursions—either on your own or guided with an operator—will likely set you up

near an underwater shelf where large lake trout like to gather. Clearwater Lake is a top choice for fishing year-round.

Another of the park's unique features is a collection of deep crevices, where rocks split from the cliffs along the shoreline, known as the "caves". Follow a short self-guided hiking trail on the lake's south shore and explore the caves from the trail, viewing platforms and stairways.

There are hotels in The Pas as well as the Kikiwak Inn in Opaskwayak Cree Nation. Rent accommodations at one of the lodges in Clearwater Lake Provincial Park, stay in one of the park's campgrounds or opt for one of the yurts (wheelchair accessible options are available). Thirty minutes north from The Pas on Highway 10 is **Rocky Lake**, another favourite destination for water recreation with two resorts offering a range of options, from cabins to seasonal and transient campsites.

2 FALL FOR WEKUSKO FALLS

About two hours northeast of The Pas is the town of **Snow Lake**. The town is surrounded by many more beautiful lakes like Herb, Kormans, Tramping and Osborn Lakes.

Learn about the history of this town at the **Snow Lake Mining Museum**. See exhibits of authentic mining equipment, including mock-ups of mining drifts and a mine rescue centre. Relax in the cutest community space, the Ladybug Garden, before checking out Sweet Nothings, where exhibits and creations from local artists

are on display. The town has two hotels as well as bed and breakfast options.

Snow Lake is also just 15 minutes away from **Wekusko Falls Provincial Park**. The park has camping, beaches, hiking, fishing and scenic views from the suspension bridges over the Grass River as it tumbles down 12 metres—the impressive Wekusko Falls. Across the highway is a full-service lodge, a perfect spot in summer and winter for a fishing trip to catch monster northern pike, walleye and lake trout.



↑ Wekusko Falls Provincial Park



↑ Grass River

3 FOLLOW THE GRASS RIVER

Head back east along Highway 39, this time stopping at **Grass River Provincial Park**. A top paddling destination, the Grass River connects First, Second and Third Cranberry Lakes with the park's large Reed Lake. There are designated backcountry campsites along the routes, but the park also has three campgrounds and lodge options. Check out the 3.2-kilometre Karst Spring Trail, a lovely loop that features a spring gushing from the sedimentary rock cliff.

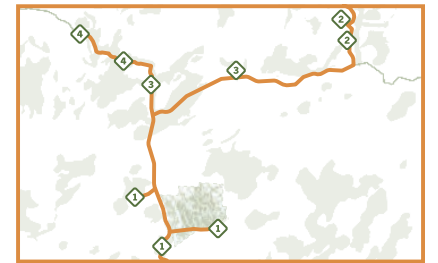
Then continue west toward **Cranberry Portage**. Going

back 2,000 years, this was an important portage route connecting the Grass and Saskatchewan River systems. Learn about the area's history at the carefully restored rail station, home to the **Cranberry Portage Museum**. Stop by the **Irvin Head Gallery** showcasing Indigenous carvings and paintings by local artists.

In addition to the campgrounds at Grass River Provincial Park, there are a handful of fishing lodges in the area or you can continue on to Bakers Narrows Provincial Park or to a hotel in Flin Flon.



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↑ Snow Lake



↑ Flin Flon

4 THE WATER AND THE WILD

Bakers Narrows Provincial Park is centred around Lake Athapapuskow. Cree for "rocks all around", this clear blue lake is known for giant lake trout and walleye all year-round. A boat launch in the park provides easy access to the lake or you can opt for a guided trip. The lodge here also offers canoe and kayak rentals. While in the park, keep an eye out for wildlife, like moose, beaver or great blue herons. The park offers camping, including the option to stay in a waterfront yurt.

Next, head to **Flin Flon**, a charming city built atop volcanic rocks on the Saskatchewan border. Begin your exploration at the statue of Flin Flon's namesake—the fictional Flintabbatey Flonatin from the science fiction novel *The Sunless City*. Follow Flin Flon's Boardwalk along Ross Lake, an accessible 2.2-kilometre path. Flin Flon's Trail begins where the boardwalk

ends—adding another two kilometres along with some amazing views of the city.

Stop into the **Flin Flon Station Museum**, a former CN Rail station that features artifacts from the city's mining and pioneering history. Visit the **NorVA Centre**—an artist-run studio and gallery cooperative. See local and travelling exhibits and purchase some original art. Check out what's playing at a retro night under the stars.

In addition to accommodation options at Bakers Narrows Provincial Park and lodges nearby, there is a campground just off Highway 10 as you enter town. Flin Flon also has a number of hotel and motel options.



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arts & culture

Candlewick brings back *Fiddler on the Roof*

By Voice staff

The Candlewick Players theatre troupe is returning to a tried and true fan favourite to mark a milestone.

In celebration of Candlewick's 20th anniversary, they will take to the stage at the Manitou Opera House to present the musical *Fiddler on the Roof*.

This particular production was Candlewick's first full-fledged musical 13 years ago, and director and producer Richard Klassen is excited to reprise the beloved story.

"We felt that after such a long layoff, that bringing back *Fiddler* would be a great way to kick off our return to restriction-free performances," he said.

Fittingly, many of the cast that played in the original production have returned, although mostly in different roles. The exception is Winklerite Darren Kehler, who will reprise the lead role of Tevye. So he will be backed by many experienced and talented castmates, but there will be lots of new talent on the stage as well.

"Honestly, the only aspect that is completely unchanged is the script," noted Klassen. "Although Darren agreed to played Tevye again, all others returning will portray a different character, and some will have added responsibilities in the show's direction with regard to dance, music and



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In honour of its 20th anniversary, much of the cast from Candlewick Players' first full-fledged musical 13 years ago is back to perform *Fiddler on the Roof* July 29-31 and Aug. 5-7.

character development.

"With the new cast members coming aboard, the public will see a fuller stage with new and innovative ideas," he continued. "Even the orchestra is different, as 13 years ago the musical score was played solely on a piano and a synthesizer, whereas this year we will have a fuller orchestra complete with not one, but two violinists. It will be very exciting."

The story is, like all Candlewick productions, a family-friendly show,

said Klassen, and people of all ages will appreciate the plot and manner in which it will be presented.

"The crux of the story is about Tevye's family and how the community in which they live maintain traditions despite social and political influences in an ever-changing world," he noted.

"And in that vein, it's heartwarming to see families in the cast. It really drives home the theme in which the show was originally written. Some

of these children in the cast were not even born when their parents played roles 13 years ago, and now to see youngsters alongside their parents is fantastic."

Performances will take place over the weekends of July 29-31 and Aug. 5-7.

Tickets are available by visiting www.candlewick.ca and following the 'CWPlayers' link.

Indigenous summer music tour coming to Roseau River

Jerry Sereda, Sherri Shorting, and Ivy Venin to perform July 31

By Ty Dilello

The Manitoba Arts Network's Indigenous Summer Tour is back this month and is making a stop at the Roseau River Anishinabe First Nation on July 31.

A host of Indigenous artists are on tap to perform across the province this summer, all selected by award-winning musician Rhonda Head.

Jerry Sereda along with Sherri Shorting and Ivy Venin perform at the Roseau River stop of the Manitoba Arts Network's Indigenous Summer Tour July 31.

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"I'm excited to be part of the organizing of the tour because the emerging artists go through an emerging artist program, where they learn music 101, from recording, touring, distribution, performance, etc.," said Head, who is the Manitoba Arts Network's Indigenous programs coordinator. "It's great to see the artists blossom in the music industry."

"The artists that were chosen for this year were alumni from the beginning of the first emerging artist program. All of the artists that went through the program are doing well in the music industry."

The hope is that the concerts will inspire new musicians who live far

from urban centres and do not have easy access to the music industry and arts support systems.

"This tour will create awareness that being a musician can be a rewarding career and that supports for career development in music exist," said Rose-Anne Harder, arts network executive director. "The tour's major goal is to claim space for Indigenous performing artists, increase underserved communities' access to the arts, and connect and empower Indigenous performing artists."

Country music singer Jerry Sereda with Sherri Shorting and Ivy Venin will be the featured artists performing

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'Travelling Light' on now at Winkler gallery

By Ashleigh Viveiros

As a travelling musician, Raymond Klassen has had the chance to explore the world.

As a painter, he's tried his best to capture the beauty he's seen on those adventures.

Klassen's paintings are on display at Winkler Arts and Culture this month in an exhibition entitled Travelling Light.

"My rule for painting is that I only paint places that I've been and seen

personally," Klassen says. "So it's a mix mainly of U.S. and Canada, with a little bit of other countries too.

"I like being able to show people places I've been and try to let them experience it too, in a way, by capturing what I saw in the moment," he says. "I'm just hoping they'll be inspired and appreciate the outdoors and the gift of the amazing landscape we have in this continent. There's a lot of amazing places here, and not everybody gets to experience them firsthand."

An avid outdoorsman, most of Klassen's pieces depict the wonders of the natural world.

"There's a few man-made subjects but it's mostly landscapes and a bit of wildlife," he says. "I've always liked hiking, nature, camping—just the outdoors in general. I love painting landscapes."

This is Klassen's first solo art show and represents a range of new



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Artist Raymond Klassen (right) only paints landscapes of places he's been. He tries to capture the mood of a location through colour and light.



Next up at the Park St. gallery is the annual Faces of Winkler exhibition, showcasing local residents that have impacted the community in ways both big and small. That show runs July 27 to Aug. 27.



and older works.

His style, painting with acrylics and oils, has changed somewhat over the years, Klassen observes. Some of the earlier pieces have near photographic detail while others are a little more impressionistic.

"I probably used to be more detailed than I am now," Klassen says. "Now my goal is to really capture the feeling of a place through the lighting and colour more than detail."

"If you get the lighting right, it will look realistic, even if it's not super detailed."

Klassen's work is up at the WAC until July 23.

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at the tour stop in Roseau River.

"As an Indigenous musician from Manitoba, it was the Indigenous people and communities, as well as the small communities across Manitoba, that first allowed me to play in their local events and supported my music and my career," noted Sereda. "So for an opportunity to go back to some of the Indigenous communities, the Manitoba communities, as well as play some new towns is an incredible opportunity for me to meet and connect with the heart and soul of country music across Manitoba.

"It also allows me to personally thank them for being a part of the support network that has moved me from acoustic performances around campfires to large festivals across Canada."

Sereda's music is a blend of the classic country from the 1980s and 1990s infused with some more modern pop and rock elements.

Venin is an Indigenous singer-songwriter from Winnipeg and

a member of Lake St. Martin First Nation. Her music is described as alternative folk pop.

Sherri Shorting is an Anishinaabe singer and songwriter from the Lit-

tle Saskatchewan First Nation who released her first single, Confessions, last year. She describes her music as having a touch of folk, country, rock, and reggae.

The Summer Tour stop in Roseau River is entirely free to attend. Its location in the community has yet to be determined, but head to manitobaartsnetwork.ca for updates.



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A dream of flight

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A youngster dreams big at a recent Flyday Fridays event hosted by the Morden Flying Club. The community is invited down to the Morden airport every Friday through to the end of August to watch the planes come and go and chat with pilots. Hot dogs and burgers are available for purchase. The fun gets underway each week at 5 p.m.

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How a pharmacist can support you in dealing with chronic diseases

Chronic Disease Day on July 10 was an opportunity to raise awareness about chronic diseases and acknowledge the impact they have on Canadians.

Broadly defined as persistent health conditions that can be treated but not cured, chronic diseases are a serious health concern. They can have a detrimental effect on an individual's overall health and directly impacts quality of life.

Nearly half (44%) of Canadians over the age of 20 have at least one chronic disease, with cancer, heart disease and stroke being the three most common conditions.

There are several risk factors related to chronic diseases that cannot be controlled, such as age, sex and genetic make-up. However, we can decrease our likelihood of developing chronic diseases by making lifestyle changes. These adjustments could include eating a healthier diet, eliminating tobacco and exercising regularly.

Living with a chronic disease can certainly be challenging, however many Canadians are able to self-manage their symptoms and maintain independence with support from their health care team.

As your Winkler pharmacist and a health care professional, I am here to help you manage your chronic conditions.

Here are some ways pharmacists can support chronic disease management:

- **Medication reviews** – The use of medicine is common in chronic disease treatment, but it is not always used correctly. Taking medications irregularly or incorrectly can lead to worsening of chronic disease symptoms.

Your local pharmacist is a great resource if you are finding it difficult

to maintain a regular medication routine. Your pharmacist can conduct medication reviews to assess the correct frequency and dosages for your medications and work with you to address challenges in maintaining appropriate use.

Pharmacists can also provide tips and tools, such as blister packs and reminder apps, which can make it easier to stay on schedule with your medication.

- **Heart health** – Heart disease is the second leading cause of death in Canada, and nine in 10 Canadians have at least one risk factor for heart disease.

The good news is that many of these risk factors can be reduced by making healthier lifestyle changes.

Your pharmacist can collaborate with you to see which specific factors may put you at a higher risk of developing heart disease and walk you through an action plan to lower your risk. This could include maintaining a healthy blood pressure, learning to manage stress, limiting alcohol consumption and quitting smoking.

- **Mental health and wellness** – Receiving a chronic disease diagnosis is difficult and managing chronic conditions can take a toll on your mental and emotional wellbeing.

People living with chronic diseases experience anxiety and depression at twice the rate of the general population, demonstrating the fundamental link between our mental and physical health.

Your pharmacist is a great support to discuss mental health challenges you are experiencing while navigating chronic conditions. Pharmacists are well-informed about mental health services in the community and may be able to refer you to other practitioners who can provide specialized mental health support.

While chronic diseases can't be cured, they can be managed through a range of treatment options. Visit your local pharmacist to learn how they can help you manage your chronic condition.

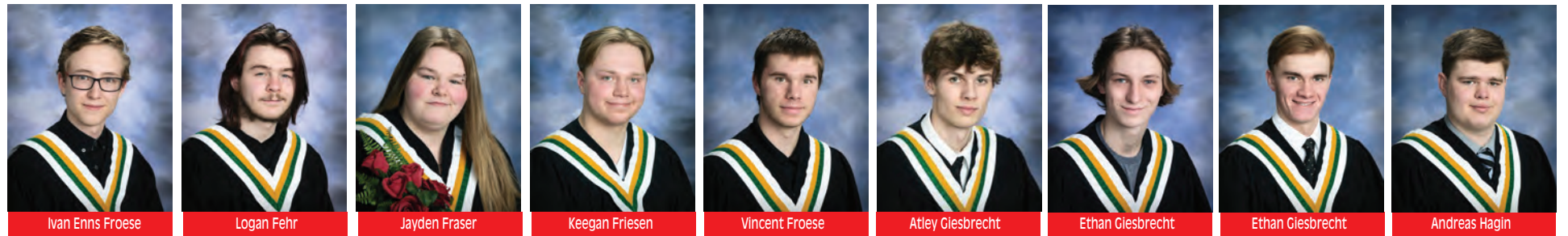
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By Zahid Zehri

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Shaping Our Future Environmental Sciences Scholarship.

Speaking with the Voice after the ceremony, the co-valedictorians reflected on their favourite memories of their four years at W.C. Miller.

"Sports were a big thing for me as that's where I made most of my friends," said Bueckert. "And that's where I became close with teachers and coaches."

"Just spending time with my friends in our grade. It was a good experience," added Pilkington. "We missed a couple of years in the middle, but being able to hang out with everyone every day has been great. I'm going to miss everybody."



W.C. Miller Collegiate graduates Autumn Neufeld, Samara Peters, and Erin Hamm take advantage of a fun photo op that was set up outside after the ceremony.

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Museum provides a glimpse into Plum Coulee's past



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Board member and tour guide Deanna Jean Funk on a tour of the Plum Coulee Prairie View Elevator Museum, which includes a recreation of an old one-room school.

By Ty Dilello

If you ever wanted to learn a little more about the history of Plum Coulee and its surrounding area, a hidden local gem in southern Manitoba is the Plum Coulee Prairie View Elevator Museum, located inside the grain el-

evator 277 Main Avenue.

In 1975, Manitoba Pool built in Plum Coulee what was then the most modern grain elevator of its time in Western Canada. It was 108 feet high, with all the modern time-saving features of the day installed into it.

In the late 1980s, the elevator was



The museum is located on Plum Coulee's Main Avenue inside the old grain elevator donated to the town years ago. It is home to a variety of displays capturing life in the area through the years.

upgraded and repaired, the most costly project being the installation of a computerized overhead shipping scale. More changes followed in 1998 when the name was changed to Agricore.

The elevator was eventually gifted to the town when it went out of use in 2002. For a long time, the Plum Coulee Museum was located in a small building on Main Avenue until it was finally moved to the spacious elevator in the spring of 2010.

The current displays depict different themes such as kitchen, dining room,

parlour, laundry room, town office, communication, business, toys, royalty, medical, fashion, sewing, one-room school classroom, tools, and more.

One of the many volunteers at the museum is 78-year-old Deanna Jean Funk, who grew up in the area and moved back to Plum Coulee after living abroad in Vienna, Austria, for nearly 20 years. She has been a board member at the museum for the last four years.

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"WE'RE STILL LOOKING FOR MORE FARM ARTIFACTS, SO IF ANYONE HAS ANY KICKING AROUND ..."



The museum is packed full of artifacts, ranging from dresses (left) to antique broom making machines (above).

SWING into GOLF season!



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Deanna Jean Funk in front of a display outlining how the museum building operated when it was a working grain elevator.

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> MUSEUM, FROM PG. 17

“My sister had a house in town that she wanted to rent, and here I was ready to rent a house,” said Funk. “I had some free time and knew some of the people that were already involved in the museum, and somebody asked if I’d like to be a board member. So it’s been very interesting. I enjoy the visitors and all of their questions.”

Some of the new things for 2022 at the museum include a wedding boutique fashion room, a town office and a stuffed snowy owl.

Staff are also working on setting up an old, recently-found fire truck. The train caboose outside the museum has also been redone and repainted.

“I have a lot of favourite artifacts because there is so much stuff at our museum,” shared Funk. “But I enjoy the Hutterites display, the one-egg

frying pan, and the one-room school room as I resonate with that because I went to a one-room school. It brings back memories.”

The Plum Coulee Prairie View Elevator Museum is open in July and August from Tuesday to Saturday (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.). Admission is by donation. Tours may be arranged for off-hours in September by calling 204-829-3948.

“We’re still looking for more farm artifacts, so if anyone has any kicking around, please get in contact with the museum,” Funk said. “We have a large caldron that we would like a stir-stick for. People who have them still use them, so we’re looking for one with some age. We also want more wedding photographs.”

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Morden Triathlon returns

By Lorne Stelmach

The Morden Triathlon made a successful return this past weekend after a two-year absence, and race director Heather Francis was satisfied with how it all turned out.

"We had a great showing for our triathlon Saturday especially; all the athletes had great races," she said. "Sunday we had Mother Nature interfering again for a bit, but we made some adjustments and were able to get our cross triathletes out there racing."

"Our overall numbers were down, but that's been seen across the board with triathlons this year as people are getting back into it."

Luke Love completed the Olympic triathlon in first place with a time of 2:17:53.3. He was followed by Patrick Labossiere in second (2:21:25.0) and Jeff Morier (2:33:45.9) in third.

The Olympic duathlon top three finishers were Levi Warkentine (2:27:17.8), Leanne Swayze (2:35:09.5), and David Reimer (2:44:54.6).

First in the sprint triathlon was Kevin Earl (1:12:31.7) followed by Nicole Balzer (1:14:00.0) in second and Brenden Alm in third (1:14:43.1).

The sprint duathlon was won by Jason McNicholl (1:08:08.8). In sec-

PHOTOS BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE
Competitors of all ages and skill levels were in Morden last weekend for the return of the Morden Triathlon.

"WE HAD A GREAT SHOWING ... ALL THE ATHLETES HAD GREAT RACES."



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second and third were Aaron Warrentine (1:10:55.08) and Jeff Shmoorkoff (1:18.01.9).

The top finishers in the Try-a-Tri were Miguel Rondeau (44:05.9), Eden Jamieson (44:28.8), and Zachary Pauls (45.32.7).

Do-a-Du winners included Jordan Townsend (57.06.1), Pam Parker (57.06.3), and Jaden Townsend (57.06.3).

The sprint cross triathlon was won by Hezekiah Hoepfner (24:46.6), Josh Hennan (25:52.6), and Hunter Hiebert (26.58.5).

Jeff van Rosmalen (23:23.3), Kev-

in Esau (23:30.3), and Craig Finlay (24.47.3) reached the podium in the standard cross triathlon.

First-place finishers in the Kids of Steel events included Vivan Johnson in the 3-5 age category, Gideon Hoepfner in the cross triathlon 14-15 long group, Kierstin Vanderkerckhove in the cross triathlon 14-15 short, Patrick Desjardine in the 12-13 long, Kyle Azaransky in the 10-11-year-old group, Abigail Veenstra in the 8-9-year-old group, and Oliver Labossiere in the 6-7 age group.



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A canine wannabe athlete dove in during one of the swimming events at the Morden Triathlon Saturday.

Bisons, Orioles end regular season in 3rd, 7th place

By Ty Dilello

The Pembina Valley Orioles and Altona Bisons both split a pair of games over the weekend to close out the MJBL regular season.

On Sunday afternoon, Pembina Valley met Winnipeg South for a doubleheader,

and although they lost the first game 20-4, the Orioles came roaring back to win the second 8-7 in extra innings.

With that, the Orioles end the regular season in seventh place in the eight-team league with an 8-15 record.

"For success in playoffs, we need good starts from the mound and complete games from everyone," said Pembina Valley manager Jim Odlum. "Just got to make the simple plays and grind out the hits."

The Bisons, meanwhile, lost to the St. Boniface Legionnaires 9-1 in the first game of their doubleheader but won 11-10 in the second.

"We did not play well. Maddux Mateychuk pitched well in the first game, but

some poor defence cost us some runs," said manager Curt Letkeman. "It was 3-1 when he left the game, and our next pitcher had a rough outing giving up four runs which put the game out of reach."

"Our offence was poor all day as we hit a lot of weak fly balls. We should have walked away with game two as their pitchers issued 13 walks, and yet we were still down in the seventh inning. We got lucky as they had come with a small roster, and in the top of seven, with them leading 10-7, one of their guys got ejected for arguing a strike call which left them with eight players, meaning they had to forfeit. An ugly win, but it was an ugly day so we'll take it."

The Bisons finish their regular season in third place with a 13-9 record. With the way that the current standings are, it looks like Altona will meet Winnipeg South, and Pembina Valley will meet St. James for the best-of-three MJBL quarterfinals, which begin on July 19.

The quarterfinals and semifinals are both best-of-three series, while the championship final will be a best-of-five.

"IT WAS AN UGLY WIN, BUT IT WAS AN UGLY DAY SO WE'LL TAKE IT."

13U championships held in Winkler



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Winkler was the site of Baseball Manitoba's 13U (Zone 2) provincials last weekend. The Winkler Giants and the Winkler Rangers were both on hand to represent the community, with the Giants (shown above in their 8-6 win over Glenboro Saturday) making it to the playoffs Sunday before getting knocked out in the semi-finals by Mitchell 7-1. Mitchell in turn fell to Steinbach 11-2 in the gold medal match.

Border Baseball enters final week

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Border League Baseball regular season comes to an end this week with its final games on Tuesday.

The evening will see the Altona Bisons play against the Whips in Winkler, the Morden Mud Hens host the Pilot Mound Pilots, the Twins host Clearwater, and the Cardinals travel to play in Baldur.

Last week was a mixed one for some of the local teams.

The Bisons found themselves on the losing end of a match against Winkler July 5, giving it to the visiting Whips 7-1.

Winkler went on to dominate the Pilots 16-6 three nights later in Pilot Mound.

Morden, meanwhile, fell to the Cartwright Twins 10-3 July 5 and to the Baldur Regals 6-5 Friday, but then bounced back with a 7-1 win over Carman Sunday.

With that, the tight standings have Morden in first place with an 8-5 record followed by Winkler (also 8-5), Carman (6-6), and Altona (6-7) in the East Division.

In the West Division, Cartwright leads the way at 8-4 followed by Pilot Mound (5-6), Baldur (4-7), and Clearwater (4-9).

This weekend, July 15-17, Morden hosts the 2022 Baseball Manitoba Senior AA Provincials. The Border Baseball League is looking to bring home their first title from the event since 2017.

Winkler's Reid Dyck drafted by the Bruins

By Ty Dilello

Winkler's Reid Dyck made a big step towards his hockey future over the weekend when he was selected in the sixth round (183rd overall) by the Boston Bruins at the 2022 NHL Entry Draft.

Dyck, who was at home as the draft unfolded in Montreal, was beyond thrilled to hear his name called.

"I'm very excited to be an NHL draft pick. This has been a moment I've been waiting and hoping would happen for a long time, so I'm glad it's a reality," he said. "I look forward to working hard to hopefully get to play for the Bruins one day."

The 6'4" netminder got his start in the Winkler minor hockey system before lacing up with the Pembina Valley Hawks AAA team for several seasons.

He also played for the MJHL's Winkler Flyers in 2020-21 before spending the last season and a half with the WHL's Swift Current Broncos.

In the 2021-22 season, Dyck had a 6-12-1 record in Swift Current with a 4.26 goals-against average and .884 save percentage. He was also named to the Team Canada World U18 team that played in Germany this spring, losing in the quarterfinals.

Dyck's plans for next season are to go back to Swift Current and get another year of WHL hockey under his belt as the Bruins look to develop their latest goaltending prospect.

"We will have a very competitive training camp followed by a competitive season," he said. "Our young core will have aged another year, and we will be prepared to do some damage this year and make a run in the playoffs. I'm looking forward to getting back at it."



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Winkler netminder Reid Dyck was drafted in the sixth round by the Boston Bruins at the 2022 NHL Entry Draft last weekend.

Mateychuk picked by Columbus Blue Jackets



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Denton Mateychuk was selected in the first round (12th overall) of the NHL Entry Draft last week by the Columbus Blue Jackets.

By Ty Dilello

Dominion City's Denton Mateychuk was selected in the first round (12th overall) by the Columbus Blue Jackets at the 2022 NHL Entry Draft in Montreal last week.

It's been a long time coming for the young defenseman, who says he's eager to see what the future may hold for him.

"I'm excited to take the next step in my career and join the Columbus Blue Jackets organization," said Mateychuk. "I know that Columbus has a bright future with a lot of big prospects, so I'm really excited about being there."

Mateychuk credits his family and growing up in a small town for helping him get to where he is today in the sport of hockey.

"Growing up in a small town, there are ups and downs as there are good things that come from it and some disadvantages as well," he told the *Voice* ahead of the draft. "There was certainly more access to ball

fields or hockey rinks in Dominion City than in other places, I'm sure. In the winter, my Dad could get the rink for me whenever I wanted, which was nice when I was younger, and I would skate for hours. That really helped, and it just gave me the love for the game that I have today."

Mateychuk's first full season with the WHL's Moose Jaw Warriors saw him contribute 64 points in 65 games. The Warriors ultimately fell in the second round of playoffs.

Mateychuk was able to return home to Manitoba just in time to finish out his Grade 12 school year and graduate from Roseau Valley School last month.

He now heads south to take part in the Blue Jackets development camp and get his first taste of an NHL training camp. Mateychuk will then likely head back to the WHL's Moose Jaw Warriors for the upcoming 2022-23 season.

"I'm excited to get down to Columbus and meet some of the other prospects," he said. "Next season can't come fast enough."

Winkler Storm best Saints 1-0

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Storm bid farewell to a longtime player with a win last weekend.

Winkler downed the visiting NKMB Saints Sunday evening by a score of 1-0, with Ilyas Umar firing home the winning goal.

The team dedicated the victory to Roberto Kort, who is hanging up his cleats after 15 years with the Storm.

Sunday's win followed a 5-1 loss to Luso Canadian CCS a few nights ear-

lier, on July 6. Tom Prazak scored for the Storm that match.

With that, Winkler is now 2-4-1 for the summer, which has them in the bottom of the Manitoba Major Soccer League Premier Division standings alongside Luso Canadian CCS (1-2-4) and Lucania FC (1-3-2).

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OBITUARY

Jacob (Jake) Froese 1950 – 2022

Jacob was born in Altona, MB and passed away on Wednesday, June 29, 2022 at the age of 71 at Boundary Trails Health Centre after a long and courageous battle with cancer.

He will be dearly missed by his wife, Lena Froese and his children, Tammy Froese, Jason Froese and Garret Froese and his wife, Jena Froese.

Jacob was predeceased by his parents, John and Helen Froese as well as his sister, Justina Klassen and brothers, John and Peter Froese.

Jacob worked on his family farm in Altona in his early years and went to New Hope School. He drove truck for a living and really enjoyed the adventures of where this took him across North America. Jacob was also quite entrepreneurial having been involved in the success of many businesses. Jacob and his wife Lena opened Topper's Restaurant where he spent many enjoyable hours connecting with his local community through nostalgic Mennonite cuisine. He also owned and operated the Superstore Gas Bar which served his community for many years. On top of having his own business ventures, Jacob spent 27 years volunteering with the Winkler Fire Department, earning awards of recognition for his extensive commitment and duty to his town along the way. He enjoyed fishing with his family and friends, as well as working on various hands-on projects around the garage and yard. He enjoyed sports, especially hockey and football and could often be found cheering on the Jets and Blue Bombers in front of his basement television. Jacob had a huge heart for his family and a deep pride for his community. He will be greatly missed by many family members and friends.

Jacob's burial took place at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, July 4, 2022 at the Froese Family Cemetery outside of Altona. The memorial service was held afterwards at the Winkler Sommerfeld Mennonite Church.

Donations may be made in Jacob's memory to the Boundary Trails Health Center Foundation. The family of Jacob Froese would also like to thank the staff of Boundary Trails Health Centre for their compassionate care of our father, as well as to Wiebe Funeral Home for their thoughtful services.

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OBITUARY

Claude Bissonnette



Claude was born on March 3rd, 1932 and passed away on July 4, 2022. He was raised and attended school at St. Jean Baptiste MB. Claude had never been married. He had worked for two years for the Dept. of Indian Affairs during the 1960's, worked for the Manitoba Dept. of Health, travelled across the whole province and taught at a school for approximately five years, from 1959 until his early retirement in 1988.

Claude enjoyed sports and said in a family tree documented book: "I was always very active in sports and had the pleasure of being on some Winnipeg teams for both baseball and hockey. We won provincial titles in the 1950's. My agility and speed allowed me to outrun every bunt or throw from the field. From the 1960's and on, golf became a big passion and part of my life, I was self-taught, with that being considered I was still very good at my swings and only got better as time went on. I eventually got good enough to win some competitions." Claude said that some of his greatest accomplishments came to him in 1981 when he had won a triple crown: The French Canadian Open, The Knights of Columbus States open, and the most coveted, The Internationals held in Morden and Winkler, Cavalier and Walhalla. In 1987 and 1991, he had the pleasure of being on a three man team winning the Provincial Senior Interclub Championships. Years have slowly started catching up to him and while he tried to perfect his golf swing, he didn't neglect other sports such as: cross-country skiing, curling, hiking and hunting.

Throughout Claude's life there was one thing he always cherished, his family. He had always made sure to keep in contact with his brothers George (deceased), Louis and his sister Rose Marie. Claude spent lots of time with his nephews Ray, Dan and Marc, and was fortunate enough to see his great nephew Luc and great niece's Alex, Samara and Leah.

In his last few hours prior to his departure from our planet Claude shared laughs and jokes with his nephew Ray. He left with no regrets and leaves the people he touched behind with many memories filled with joy.

A private gathering in honor of Claude will be held at later date where he will be laid to rest in the family plot in St. Jean Baptiste.

"Golf is the closest game to the game we call life. You get bad breaks from good shots, good breaks from bad shots – but you have to play where it lies." — Bobby Jones

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OBITUARY

Edith Martens (nee Fehr) 1940 – 2022



Our dear mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother Edith Martens passed away peacefully in her home on Tuesday, July 5, 2022 at the age of 82.

She was born on January 28, 1940 to Johann and Maria Fehr in what was Rosenfeld, northwest of Altona. Edith started school in Roseville and continued her schooling in Schoenweise, after a family move. She developed her creative talents in art and sewing and had perfect handwriting despite learning to write with a quill and being left-handed. Growing up in a large farming family allowed Mom to learn how to work hard, helping both inside the home and on the farm. Despite the hard work, there were many fun times singing, making music and playing board games with family and friends. She was baptized on June 7, 1960 by Bishop Cornelius Nickel in the Blumenfeld Reinland Church. She was united in holy matrimony to Isaac Martens on September 4, 1960 by Minister David Buhler. She and Isaac started their journey together on a small farm near Winkler. They moved to the town of Winkler and lived there for a number of years before spending more than 25 years near Blumenfeld on a mixed-use farm. They were pioneers in organic gardening and farming, aiming to be good stewards of the earth. After a move to a smaller acreage near Winkler, they developed a market garden and orchard, before retiring to a place in Winkler with an even smaller garden. No matter where home was, Edith made good friends with all of her neighbours. Family was of utmost importance to her and she was a part of a large close knit family. She was an exemplary role-model for her family and for the many groups she volunteered her time and talents. Edith was a founding member and many times the Head Leader of the Blumenfeld 4-H Club. She passed along her gifts, teaching many how to sew and garden and much more. Always a contributor to the community, she expanded her volunteerism once the farming duties began to lessen. She really enjoyed working at the MCC Thrift store, baking treats as a Salem Home Volunteer, serving with the Valley Harvest Maids, leading a Reinland Church serving group and instructing the quilting for the church quilting group, always with a humble heart. Additionally she applied her seamstress skills, sewing for others to support the family. She enjoyed undertaking challenging work so ended up with customers who became lifelong friends as she got to know each person and enjoyed creating a unique solution to each person's custom needs. She left a mark on many in the community and will be greatly missed.

She was predeceased by her husband of 60 years, Isaac; her daughter, Mary Giesbrecht; a granddaughter, Christina Martens; sisters Annie, Mary and Helen and brothers, Diedrich, David, Jacob and Isaac, sisters-in-law, Nettie, Susan, Mary, Maria and Martha as well as brothers-in-law, Diedrich and John.

She is survived by her brother, John Fehr and sister, Sarah Peters and also by eight children: Alma Friesen (George), John Martens (Mary), son-in-law, Ken Giesbrecht, Henry Martens (Tena), Edith Samuels (Emile), Isaac Martens, Annie Schaefer, Sarah Martens (Roy) and Eva Martens (Jay). She also leaves behind 27 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren; sisters-in-law, Marie, Catherine, Susie and Anne and brothers-in-law, Art, David, George and Jake and many nieces and nephews. Edith included in her family several step grandchildren and their spouses and children.

Graveside funeral service was held at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 9th, 2022 in the outdoors at the Schanzenfeld Reinland Cemetery.

Donations may be made in Edith's memory to some of her favorite causes such as Faith Mission, the Reinland Mennonite Church or the Canadian Red Cross.

We would like to thank the amazing staff of CancerCare at the Boundary Trails Health Centre, the Palliative Care team that assisted us in caring for her at home and the staff of Home Care that also made that possible. Their kindness and input were very appreciated and allowed us to have the time to create many new happy memories with mom in her final months at home. Thank you to Wiebe Funeral Home, Rev. Cornie Peters and the Reinland Mennonite Church for assisting with the service. Thank you to everyone who had a part in enriching Mom's life. The family

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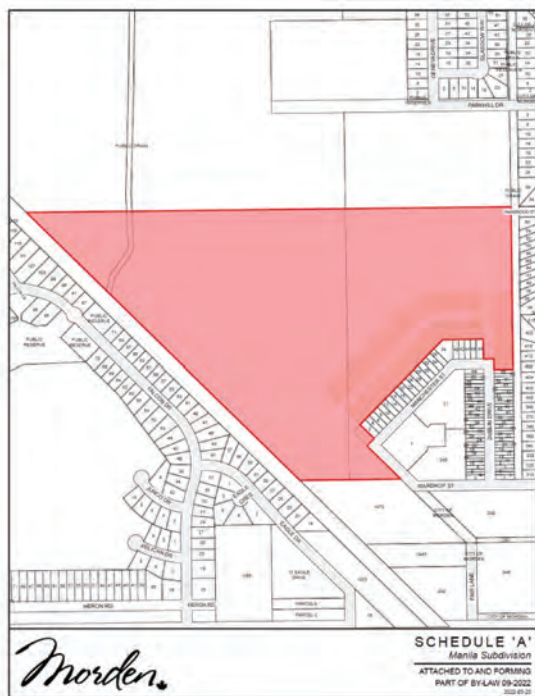
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Buffalo and Blue Cheese Chicken Recipe

2 tablespoons Buffalo sauce
1 tablespoon crumbled blue cheese, for garnish

1 green onion, sliced, for garnish
Heat rice according to package directions.

In a small, microwave-safe bowl, combine chicken and sauce. Microwave on high 2-3 minutes.

Serve chicken over rice. Garnish with blue cheese and green onion.

Prep time: 2 minutes
Cook time: 3 minutes
Servings: 1
1 cup Minute White Rice
1 breaded chicken tender, sliced



"Mac" and Cheese in a Cup Recipe

Heat rice according to package directions.

In a microwave-safe cup, stir rice, milk, cheddar cheese, cream cheese, garlic powder and mustard powder, if desired.

Microwave on high, stirring occasionally, 2 minutes, or until heated through and cheese is melted and saucy.

Tips: For extra-cheesy rice, add 2 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese.

Substitute garlic powder with 1/2 clove minced, fresh garlic.

Prep time: 2 minutes
Cook time: 3 minutes
Servings: 1
1 cup Minute Jasmine Rice
1/3 cup 2% milk
1/3 cup shredded cheddar cheese
1 tablespoon cream cheese
1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
1 pinch dry mustard powder (optional)



Summer Shrimp and Squash Kebabs

2 zucchini, sliced 1/2-inch thick

Soak skewers in water at least 30 minutes. In large bowl, combine vinaigrette, shrimp, cherry tomatoes, corn, red onion, yellow squash and zucchini; marinate 30 minutes-1 hour.

Preheat grill to medium heat. Skewer pieces of cherry tomato, shrimp, corn, zucchini, red onion and yellow squash on wooden skewer. Repeat with remaining ingredients and skewers. Grill kebabs about 8 minutes, turning frequently until shrimp and veggies are cooked. Serve with additional vinaigrette.

Servings: 4 (2 skewers per serving)
8 wooden skewers (12 inches each)
1 cup Newman's Own Garlic Vinaigrette & Marinade, plus additional for serving
16 large shrimp, peeled and deveined
16 cherry tomatoes
2 ears fresh corn, each cut into 1-inch pieces
1 large red onion, cut into 1-inch wedges
2 yellow squash, sliced 1/2-inch thick



Mediterranean Orzo Salad

1/4 cup pitted Kalamata and green olives, cut in half

1/4 cup crumbled feta cheese

1/3 cup Newman's Own Garlic Vinaigrette & Marinade, plus additional for serving (optional)

In large bowl, combine orzo, cucumbers, tomatoes, chickpeas, arugula, olives and feta cheese. Toss with vinaigrette.

Serve with additional vinaigrette, if desired.

Servings: 4
2 cups cooked orzo
2 mini cucumbers, thinly sliced
3/4 cup cherry tomatoes, quartered
1/2 cup canned chickpeas, drained and rinsed
1/2 cup arugula

Ask the Money Lady

Dear Money Lady: We can't earn enough to save anything for the future. My husband works two jobs, we have three kids, and it's just not possible to save. We do own a home, but I honestly believe we will never have it paid off. Short of my husband getting another job, do you have any ideas on what we could do?

Candice

Thank you Candice for your question – with all the talk in the media about more employment positions than applicants, we still need to be reminded that today's living expenses are increasing faster than employment incomes and many are feeling the squeeze in today's economic market.

Candice, I want to share a story with you about a very good friend of mine that created a homestay business and used this income to make the payments on her mortgage to eventually today be mortgage free. A homestay business is similar to an Airbnb business but uniquely different in that it is mainly used for international student housing all around the world. The idea of having a boarder in your home is not new, in fact, it was a very common practice in the early 1900's. I know, today most people would not want to take in a boarder, instantly giving up their personal space and privacy. That being said, this activity, now referred to as a homestay business, has become surprisingly popular within the academic world and it has helped many people bridge the gap with their income and the lifestyle they desire. The internet has opened a whole new world of business opportunities, with some big companies now offering services to connect students and travellers with hosting families that are all part of a new network of temporary scholastic lodging facilities.

Starting a homestay business is relatively easy, however there are few things you need to keep in mind. You can never really step away from this type of business, always monitoring your student boarders and interviewing potential new ones. This is a true home-based business and as such must be reported on your tax return. You will need to declare the rental income, but by doing so, you can also take advantage of the many household expenses you can write off annually. Good, comprehensive home insurance is also a must, and once you get the hang of things you will also want to set out the "household do's and don'ts" to your new homestay students.



Christine Ibbotson

My friend has had a homestay business for the last 30 years and used this extra income to upgrade her homes throughout the years. Besides the obvious desire for a larger residence and perhaps acquiring more boarders, my friend realized that this business was a great way to continue using the qualified home expenses as future tax write offs to lower her income. Mortgage interest, property taxes, home insurance, and all utility expenses are legitimate write-offs to lower income. The secret to really benefiting from this strategy, would be to live within your means and use all of the business income to pay down debt. This became a very manageable business venture for my friend, one that lowered her marginal tax rate through the years and ultimately allowed her to pay less taxes and increase her net worth.

If you are thinking of having a boarder in your home, please discuss this with your accountant, and never think that you cannot declare this income on your tax return. All it takes is an anonymous tip to the CRA from a disgruntled neighbour or tenant, and you will be audited. Run your homestay business the right way. Do your homework and make a business plan. Consider your home location and whether you want to provide rooms for travellers, international students, or just people from your community. Will you cater to singles, business professionals, or have an age or income requirement? Whatever you choose, if you decide to entertain the homestay business and use what my friend would call them as her "mortgage helpers," you could stand to make a lot of money and will most likely reach your goals in half the time.

Good Luck & Best Wishes,
ATML - Christine Ibbotson

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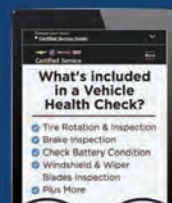
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