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# Oh Canada!

Griffin Wiebe stands tall beside the mountie his family built for the Winkler Canada Day yard decorating contest last week. For a few more photos, check out Pg. 4.

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# Miami Railway Station Museum provides a glimpse into the past

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Restoration work on the Miami Railway Station Museum's 1914 train caboose is moving ahead smoothly.

The museum is eagerly awaiting the completion of the project so visitors can explore the vintage rail car that was installed at the facility last summer.

"He's redone the window frames because they'd all rotted out and we're getting a tin roof put on. The ends are going to be painted red and the sides will be a mineral brown," says museum board chair Joan Driedger, noting contractor Mike Murray has put countless hours into bringing the aging structure back to life so it can spend its next century providing a glimpse into bygone days "It's going to look amazing when all's said and done."

The exterior should be completed this summer, though the interior will take a little longer.

"The interior all has to get the paint scrapped off, cleaned, restored," notes Julia Prondzinski, the museum's summer staffer. "So hopefully next summer we'll be able to open it up completely to people."

"We're going to put exhibits in there and make it look like it really did look like," Driedger says. "It's going to add so much to our museum."

Growth has been the name of the game at the railway station museum in recent summers. Two years ago it unveiled a new platform and this summer they're putting in a stretch



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The Miami Railway Station Museum's Joan Driedger (left) and Julia Prondzinski in front of the 1914 train caboose undergoing major restoration work this summer.

of track alongside it to give visitors a better idea of what the site would have looked like as a working station. Also in the works are the addition of a couple of authentic railway handcars.

A station manger lived and worked at the site from 1889 all the way until the 1970s. Today the museum is a national historic site.

"There's only three stations like this

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# Winkler celebrates Canada Day

The City of Winkler hosted a yard decorating contest to mark Canada Day last week. Upwards of 60 households took part, many going all out to wish our nation a happy birthday. Above, left: Bennett and Brielle Penner and their parents Curt and Jacqui set up a display at their Collegiate Dr. home depicting a few favourite Canada Day events, including a mini car show, petting zoo, and even “fireworks.” The family won first place for their efforts. Above, right: John and Helen Harder built a patriotic photo booth for passersby to enjoy. Below, right: This house on Barrie Bay clinched third place in the contest. Bottom, right: Bonneville Bay came together for a wide-ranging display featuring teepees, street hockey, and even a roadside Tim Hortons booth that won them second place. Bottom, left: Cornie and Kathy Blatz with neighbour kids Emily, Amy, and Rebecca Enns at their display. Below, left: Birthday wishes in chalk for our nation. Winklerites were invited to finish off the day by tuning into an online concert featuring the Quonset Brothers and Brothers Keep.



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built in all of Manitoba," notes Prondzinski. "The other two have been destroyed or vandalized over time, so we're a very unique piece of architecture, the only one of this style left ... and we're on the original site where it was built."

A tour of the building provides a glimpse into the life of a rural station agent, including the rooms their family would have called home alongside the work spaces that welcomed countless travellers and cargo loads over the decades.

"At one time this was a bustling place," says Driedger. "It was a daily thing, people would come and go from Winnipeg on the train."

"And of course during the world wars it was very busy because he [the station agent] was also the telegraph agent, so he would know all the news before anyone else," says Prondzinski.

The museum opened for the summer mid-June and are doing all they can to make visits safe for people amidst the pandemic.

"We have hand sanitizer available and will be limiting the number of visitors inside at any one time," Driedger says, adding that they're also asking guests not to touch any of the artifacts—a departure from the usual. "We've always been very interactive. We've had people play on the organ and do museum bingo and the train games, but for right now we're asking people to be more hands-off."

"We've roped off our rooms so you can still see everything but you can't touch anything. But we are still open," she stresses. "And we have a self-guided tour for people to follow."

The museum is open Wednesday to Sunday 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 12:30-5 p.m. Visitors are asked to bring exact change for admission: \$2 per person or \$5 per family.

Donations are gratefully accepted towards the caboose restoration project.



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Left: Before the season's over, railway tracks will run by the Miami Railway Station Museum's platform once again. Above: "Frank" the station agent mans his post all dressed up for "Fun Frank Fridays."

## Manitoba hits six days with no new COVID cases

By Lorne Stelmach

The numbers remained favourable in Manitoba this past week as efforts continue to keep the coronavirus under control while further reopening the economy and restoring services.

The public health update Monday touched on the resumption of home care services.

Lanette Siragusa, chief nursing officer with Shared Health, said there is a phased-in approach to restoring home care starting with priority one and two services such as meal preparation and helping clients to dress.

"Now that the curve has been flattened, home care co-ordinators continue to contact clients and families to discuss resuming these services and whether they are still required," she said.

"I do just want to remind people that this is not a return to normal; additional precautions will remain in place to protect clients and staff during home visits," Siragusa stressed. "This is not a process that's going to happen overnight. It will be gradual and prioritize those clients with the highest needs."

The move comes as the province reported Monday that there had been no new cases of COVID-19 over the previous three days. The total number of lab-confirmed positive and probable positive cases remains at 325.

Manitoba started off the week with 14 active cases, 304 recoveries, seven deaths, and no current hospitalizations.

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## An angry woman

**W**hen a woman has been unjustly treated and decides to fight back, she is dismissed as emotional, vengeful, and bitter. When a man responds the same way he is righteous, angry, a warrior.

An angry woman is deemed hysterical and ignored or gotten rid of; she is told to be quiet and be pretty—to calm down. An angry man is feared and taken seriously.

Growing up I watched my mum dismissed again and again and again. She was dismissed by her doctors, dismissed by the police, dismissed by family services, and dismissed by the men in her life.

As young teenage girl she was placed in a foster home after being

kicked out of the house by her mother to make room for her new stepfather's three boys. Message: you are less valuable than men.

She bounced around foster homes for awhile until there were none available for her.

As a practice in the 1950s, if there were not enough foster homes you would be placed in the care of a mental asylum because they often had spare beds.

While in such an institution in Whitby, Ontario the staff decided a young, depressed teenage girl who was angry at what had happened to her needed one thing: electroshock treatment.

Mum struggled with memory issues and headaches the rest of her life after that.

When I was being bullied by a group of teen boys once, she stormed over and let loose on them and they stood there and laughed at her. She stood her ground and took it and eventually they left.

When she was being threatened with a beating by my stepfather and called the police, they told her they couldn't do anything until he beat her up. When he left her face a purple, bruised mass, they took him away, joking with him asking, "What did you do now Pete?" while she wept

and eventually went to the hospital.

Mum had to fight with all her energy her entire life to be taken seriously about things men take for granted. Again and again and again she screamed to be heard, many times literally, and her voice was swept under the carpet and ignored.

These memories are burned into me forever.

Even today in our enlightened era people make fun of women who present as strong and angry. They are called "Karens" and consigned to the category of joke. The relegation of angry women to a special category for mocking is stupid, demeaning, and horrible.

As my daughter leaves childhood and is growing into the strong, young woman she is becoming I do not want a world that dismisses her or that deems her emotional and hysterical simply for standing up for herself. I want a world that takes her seriously and listens to her voice.

If she is in a meeting with peers and management, I want her voice to count as much as the next person's.

A world that does not take women seriously, a world that devalues, mocks, and ignores them, is a garbage world and the people who do this are garbage people.

It needs to stop.



**By Peter Cantelon**

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## > COVID-19, FROM PG. 5

"Manitoba numbers have continued to be good, but we need to remain vigilant to keep our numbers low," said Dr. Brent Roussin, chief provincial public health officer.

"We still expect COVID-19 to be around for some time, so we need to continue to live with this virus and continue to practice all of the things that Manitobans have been well aware of," he said, pointing to the importance of good hand hygiene, physical distancing, and staying home when ill.

## BRACING FOR A DEFICIT

The provincial government re-

leased an economic update last week assessing the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, and it didn't paint a pretty picture.

The best case scenario forecasts a deficit for 2020-21 in the range of \$2.9 billion. That number could balloon to up to \$5 billion in the event of a prolonged economic downturn or a COVID comeback.

Manitoba's economy is expected to decline by about five per cent this year with an expected loss of revenues in the range of \$1.5 billion in 2020 and over \$1 billion next year.

With additional unanticipated spending underway to combat COVID this year, a rapid restart to the

economy will be required or else the province's financial problems will deteriorate further, said Finance Minister Scott Fielding.

"Manitoba was better prepared to face this crisis," he said. "However, the impacts of COVID-19 will take several years to address, and should we have a COVID comeback and the global economy fails to grow, we will wind up with higher projected deficit and debt levels."

Also last week, the government issued a request for proposals to complete elective surgeries postponed due to COVID-19.

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# Gateway taking phased approach to reopening

Limited number of participants welcomed back this week for day programming

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The staff of Gateway Resources have more than risen to the challenges COVID-19 has presented in recent months, the agency reported at its annual general meeting last week.

"The health concerns through the surprising pandemic have certainly limited us in the fulfillment of our goals as an organization in the way we had envisioned them," noted board chair Brian Derksen in his report.

But through it all, including the closure of its day programming for adults living with intellectual disabilities, Gateway staff have stepped up in a big way, helping out in other departments and capacities as needed to keep services like its recycling and residential programs running smoothly.

"We are very thankful for our direct support professionals and their commitment to continue to build into the lives of the people we serve," Derksen said. "The management team has risen to the new challenges of supporting our team and their efforts are greatly appreciated."

"We are hopeful we can return to normal service provisions in the coming months."

Work on that front began this week as Gateway began welcoming some of its participants back for programming, with enhanced cleaning and physical distancing regulations in place.

CEO Kim Nelson explained this is the first of a multi-phase approach to getting operations back on track.

"For phase one we do have a few individuals who have been identified to come back for day programming," she said. "It's nearly half of the individuals that we support, which will allow us to maintain physical distancing."

Staggered breaks will further help to keep the numbers down in the lunch room and all staff will be outfitted with protective equipment to work with participants.

In the weeks to come, they hope to welcome back more participants and begin offering transportation services once again.

"Each phase will be evaluated and then we hope to be able to continue to open things up as we go," Nelson said, stressing they're aware of how difficult the past few months have been for everyone and hope to get things back to normal as soon as is safely possible. "The stress [COVID-19 restrictions] have put on families and the individuals that we support has been overwhelming."

The agency was able to provide some services to participants most of need of them this spring.

"Some agencies weren't able to offer critical services but we were able to do that in a safe way, which was good, because we were able to help the people that were really struggling," Nelson said, explaining a few individuals were allowed to come in for modified day programming.

Day services staff were also redeployed into Gateway's various residential sites to provide additional support there.

"So those individuals were still able to do daily activities with a staff member coming in," said Nelson.

## LOTS OF HIGHLIGHTS

COVID-19 challenges aside, 2019-2020 was a pretty solid year for the agency.

"It has been a really great year. It finished off clouded by COVID but that definitely was not the focus of the entire year," Nelson noted.

Highlights include the continued upgrades to Gateway's fleet of vehicles, including adding two new buses; a much-needed roof replacement at the main building and various



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Gateway Resources began welcoming participants back for the first time this week after COVID-19 restrictions shut down their day programs this spring.

renovations to the residential sites to improve accessibility and functionality; and the completion of one full year of operating the Clay Owl Studio & Boutique.

"That has been a huge success for the individuals that we support to have a social enterprise to work out of," Nelson said of the pottery studio. "We've seen their confidence increase and it provides them with an amazing opportunity to learn new skills: work the till, deal with customers, even be able to update a website. They are learning and really enjoying it."

Clay Owl is of course just the latest employment opportunity Gateway is able to offer. Workers in its recycling program and wood shop also continue to hone valuable skills while doing meaningful work in the community.

The agency also has numerous participants

out working at businesses throughout the community.

"Seeing all the growth and changes in the individuals we support and all of their opportunities in the community ... it's just phenomenal the support that Gateway gets from the communities we serve," Nelson said.

Looking forward, Gateway is hoping to expand its new home share program once it's possible to safely host more public information nights.

They launched that this spring and currently have three families welcoming Gateway participants into their homes.

"We're really hoping to expand that," Nelson said, noting they have many participants for whom shared living situations are a great fit. "They're independent individuals who just want to not be living totally on their own."

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The proposals, which can be submitted by both public and private facilities, must present details on how the applicant will be able to address priority surgical and diagnostic areas by creating additional capacity in the system.

The move drew some criticism that the government should be focusing more on the public rather than private sector, but Health, Seniors and Active Living Minister Cameron Friesen defended the approach.

"This government is looking for innovative solutions to address the backlog of surgeries created by the COVID-19 pandemic, and we believe this plan will get people the care they need as quickly and efficiently as possible," he said.

"The Manitoba government already works with a number of providers outside the pub-

lic system to provide services," Friesen added. "This initiative demonstrates that we are committed to exploring all available options to get surgeries and procedures rescheduled so that Manitobans have access to the care they need now, while the risk of COVID-19 is lower."

The health care system paused elective surgeries in late March to ensure there was capacity to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic if case numbers continued to increase.

Surgical volumes were reduced by about 7,000 procedures. In late April, elective surgeries resumed as case numbers fell, and surgical volumes reached 90 per cent of normal levels by early June. At that time, there were still about 5,500 people waiting to have their surgery rescheduled.



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## Morden's second cannabis store open for business

By Lorne Stelmach

Morden's second cannabis retailer

opened for business on Canada Day. Tokyo Smoke's location in the Pembina Connection development on the

east end of Morden is the company's seventh retail cannabis store in Manitoba.

"We were looking to bring another brand to the town and we also want to move out into the rural areas more and try to reach the smaller communities," said manager Kendra Dyck.

"Southern Manitoba is growing more as well, so having our footprint here is important," she continued, adding that the Morden location can also serve the wider region as "there's not too many options for places to go here."

The July 1 opening offered tours of the Tokyo Smoke shopping experience with a preview of the strains, formats, and accessories available for purchase.

Founded in 2015, the first Tokyo Smoke store opened in Toronto. The company expanded to Calgary in 2017, the same year it won best brand honours at the Canadian Cannabis Awards.

In 2018, it continued expanding na-

tionwide and was one of the first four retailers granted licenses to operate cannabis retail storefronts in Manitoba. The new Morden location is employing six people.

Dyck said that Tokyo Smoke has shown a commitment to quality, customer service, and education.

"Some people are still unsure about where they are at with their journey with cannabis," she said. "Education is our first outreach. They get a tailored experience with our education specialists, who have taken the time and training to help each guest get to their intention with the cannabis products that we carry here."

"People can come in and take time and not feel rushed," Dyck added. "They can take the time to go through with our educational specialists to ask any questions they have and have the one-on-one interactions, so it's more of a personalized experience."

The store offers a range of cannabis products, including vapes, topicals, and edibles.



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Tokyo Smoke opened its doors in Morden's Pembina Connection on July 1.

## Red River College graduation goes online

Winkler campus  
class of 2020 was 57  
grads strong

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Red River College grads from across the province came together for a virtual graduation ceremony last week.

RRC Winkler campus bid farewell to 57 grads in total, including students from their business administration diploma program and administrative assistance, business accounting and management, and health care aide certificate programs.

Physical distancing guidelines necessitated by the COVID-19 pandemic made in-person ceremonies impossible this year, but the college wanted to ensure the hard work of its graduates was recognized, RRC interim president and CEO Dr. Christine Watson

said at the virtual event posted online June 30.

"Convocation is an important milestone for our students and the college community as a whole," she said. "The time and energy spent in acquiring a credential is worth celebrating, and we want to honour and acknowledge your accomplishments and the support of your networks."

"Your graduation will be one to remember, and will be marked in history," Watson told the class of 2020. "All of us at the college recognize that our graduates completed the past term under especially trying circumstances as a global pandemic took its hold on the world."

"The past few months have challenged all of us in ways many of us could not imagine. And yet, you graduates persevered through it all," she continued. "Graduates, I hope you take a moment to acknowledge all you have come through and recognize that you've come through it on

the other side stronger.

"I also hope you feel reassured knowing that you're leaving the college with skills that your future employers will need now more than ever as we work to build our economy."

Providing greetings from the RRC students' association was Avery Halldorson, who also pointed out that overcoming the challenges of learning in the midst of a pandemic made the grads all the more resilient.

"Graduates, your final term was unlike any other. You have faced challenges and obstacles that were not listed in your course description ... this makes your accomplishments nothing short of extraordinary."

"We have all gained so many skills

from the college and, frankly, COVID-19 as well," Halldorson continued. "These accomplishments make you special. They set you apart from the graduates before you."

"Never forget the hard work you have all put into your education, because you will show the world what you are capable of. You have learned so much from this experience."

"Congratulations graduates of Red River College. There is so much out there for you, but don't forget to take a moment to appreciate all you have accomplished so far," Halldorson said

in closing. "Don't forget the friends, memories, experiences, and lessons learnt along the way."

**"THE PAST FEW MONTHS HAVE CHALLENGED ALL OF US IN WAYS MANY OF US COULD NOT IMAGINE."**



# Local beekeepers association seeks to educate

By Lorne Stelmach

Given increased awareness around the importance of the species as well as how much they are at risk, there is increasing interest in beekeeping today.

That is true even here in this region, where the South Central Beekeepers Association is working to not only connect beekeepers but also play an educational and promotional role.

"There is a growing number of both hobbyists and commercial beekeepers in Manitoba," suggested association president Josh Wiebe of Border Hills Honey.

"We hope to boost our overall understanding of beekeeping and the industry in south central Manitoba. We believe coming together as beekeepers will contribute to the overall health of the bee population in Manitoba."

The association consists of commercial, sideline, and hobbyist operators throughout the region. It normally meets at 7:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of every month at the Morden Library, although meetings have been postponed of late thanks to the pandemic.

"We are hopeful and expecting meetings to resume in September after COVID-19 social distancing recommendations prevented meeting earlier this year," said Wiebe.

Their meetings draw anywhere from a dozen up to 30 members and non-members. Memberships fees are \$15 annually and available to anyone, in-

cluding those who just want to support the organization and the industry.

"The popularity of beekeeping continues to grow in the region, and with that growth comes a desire to network and learn more about beekeeping," suggested Wiebe. "Each year we see an increase in attendance of new beekeepers, so that networking is incredibly helpful to the success of a first year beekeeper."

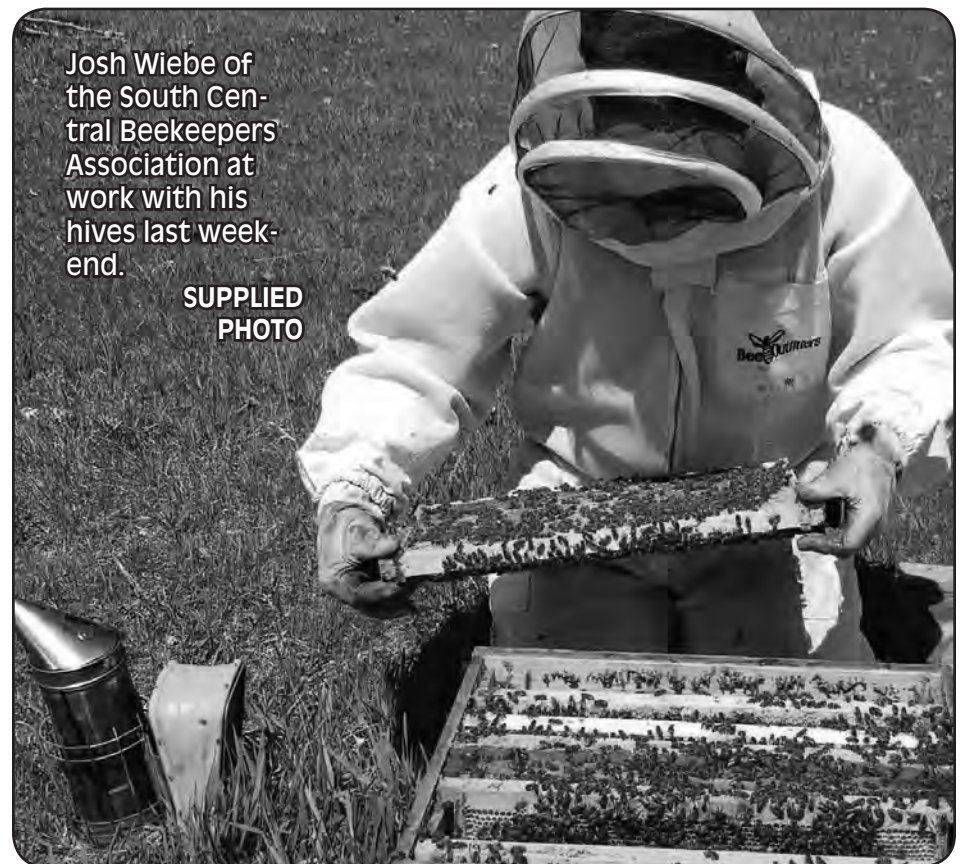
"Beekeepers may attend looking for mentorship, and many of our members carve out time to make themselves available to answer questions or discuss amongst ourselves what we are seeing and how we are reacting," Wiebe continued. "Each year is different and the ability to bounce ideas off of like-minded local beekeepers helps us make the correct decision. Each year is different and comes with new or old challenges in beekeeping."

Wiebe said part of the appeal is simply that "honey bees are fascinating creatures ... and that they make an incredibly delicious product in abundance in our area due to the long summer days."

In addition to honey bees, there are an estimated 231 species of bees in Manitoba, of which some species are threatened by increasing habitat disturbance or destruction.

"While honey bees are not on the list of threatened species at this time, many hobbyists are trying to do their part in aiding the pollinators to thrive," Wiebe said.

If people are concerned about the



Josh Wiebe of the South Central Beekeepers Association at work with his hives last weekend.

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well-being of pollinators, Wiebe suggests there are a few things they can do:

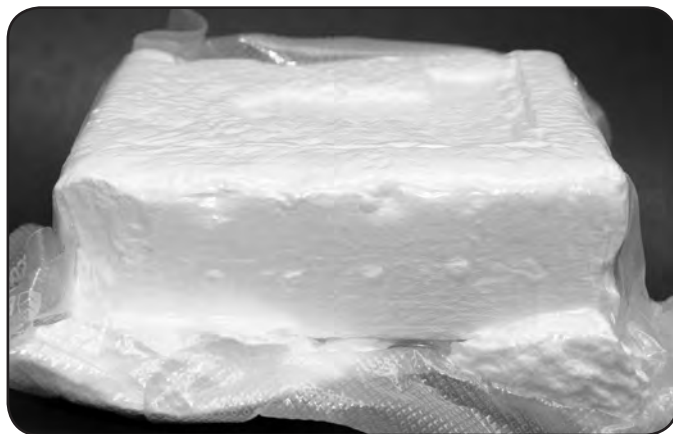
1. Plant flowering plants that bloom throughout the season. Early and late flowering plants are very important for pollinators, so plant a wide variety to ensure a good amount of forage all through the year.

2. Leave native areas intact. Many Manitoba pollinators are ground nesting, so areas of low or no disturbance are incredibly important for them to thrive.

3. Support your Canadian beekeepers by purchasing Canadian honey. Check the back of the label to ensure it says product of Canada at the supermarket, or you can visit your local farmers market or purchase directly from a local beekeeper.

4. Avoid using pesticides if you are able, as dandelions, clover and other wildflowers are incredibly important food for bees.

For more information, connect with the South Central Beekeepers Association on Facebook.



WINKLER POLICE PHOTO

Winkler Police found approximately half a kilogram of cocaine after a vehicle search June 29.

## Police seize \$45K in cocaine

Police got \$45,000 worth of cocaine off the streets after making an arrest in a drug trafficking investigation last week.

Just before 8:30 p.m. on June 29, Winkler Police, with assistance from members of the Winnipeg Police Service, conducted a traffic stop on Highway 23 in the Rural Municipality of Morris.

The driver and lone occupant of the vehicle was placed under arrest and a search of the vehicle resulted in police locating approximately half a kilogram of cocaine.

The driver, a 20-year-old Morden man whose

name police have not made public, has been charged with possession of cocaine for the purpose of trafficking.

He was released with conditions and a court date of July 28 in Morden Provincial Court.

The Winkler Police Service in a statement last week voiced its thanks to the Winnipeg Police Service for their help with this investigation.

"This valuable inter-agency cooperation has once again proven to be an effective tool in our efforts to combat drug trafficking in our communities."

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# MS Bike takes this year's national ride online

By Lorne Stelmach

A major nationwide event in support of the MS Society can't happen because of pandemic restrictions, but the organization is still aiming to bring people together virtually online.

The society is inviting people to join

in on an online celebration July 25-26 to rally Virtual MS Bike participants together to share their stories, connect with each other, and combine their individual efforts.

MS Bike has been running for more than 30 years and is a staple in the MS Society's awareness and fundraising efforts, noted Averill Stephenson, di-

rector of marketing and development for the Manitoba division.

"Usually there's 10 or 12 people from the communities [of Morden and Winkler] who participate in one of our bike events each year," she said. "We also do have a really active support group that meets in Morden. They've been involved in fundraising activities and advocacy efforts really any time we reach out and ask them to be involved.

"A big part of our community effort is bringing people together," Stephenson said.

When and how far participants choose to ride this summer is up to them, but 2020's virtual MS

Bike will have weekly challenges such as the fastest kilometre and longest ride, event weekend distance goals of 40-200 km, and even a virtual ride across Canada (7,117 km).

All you have to do to get started is register at [msbike.ca](http://msbike.ca), set a goal, and start cycling. Once registered, you will be able to connect with virtual MS Bike participants across Canada using the Strava Club and Facebook

group and see how other cyclists are participating.

You can also tune in on Sat., July 25 at noon ET for a livestream rally featuring members of the MS community.

"Although we are facing challenging times globally, it's important that we continue to find ways to connect as a community and support one another," said Pamela Valentine, president and

CEO of the MS Society of Canada. "The current health crisis has impacted all Canadians, and for those affected by MS it's another uncertain and unpredictable concern on top of an already challenging disease."

MS is a chronic autoimmune disease of

the central nervous system. It is considered an episodic disease, meaning that the severity and duration of illness and disability can vary and are often followed by periods of wellness.

Canada has one of the highest rates of multiple sclerosis in the world. On average, 11 Canadians are diagnosed every day.

**"A BIG PART OF OUR COMMUNITY EFFORT IS BRINGING PEOPLE TOGETHER."**



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The MS Society invites cyclists to get involved with the virtual MS Bike ride this summer.

## PHAC reports on a successful year at AGM

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Pembina Hills Arts Council reported on a successful year of cultural programming at its annual general meeting last month.

Highlights of 2019, reported acting board chair Cathy Lone, included the launch of PHAC's first satellite gallery in the Manitou Opera House followed soon after by a second in Neuberghal at The Commons Barn.

"This expansion into the surrounding communities was very exciting and fulfilling for the staff and board," Lone noted.

Closer to home, the PHAC gallery in downtown Morden also saw its fair share of changes in 2019.

The facility's main floor offices were moved upstairs and the old office space transformed into two members galleries. The main reception desk was also moved to the front of the gift shop area and the main gallery got a fresh coat of paint.

"There has been a lot of positive feedback from members and visitors about this renovation," Lone said,

adding the outside of the building also received an update with a new canopy over the front door.

PHAC had an equally busy year when it came to programming and community events, with Lone singling out such activities as the popular open mic nights, art talks, music listening parties, the holiday craft show, and more.

The council's membership grew significantly by year's end, hitting a record of 87 members.

Also looking at the numbers, the gallery welcomed a total of 11,577 visitors, including through special events and programming, and had volunteers dedicate over 255 collective hours to the gallery.

Financially, PHAC finished 2019 with a budget deficit of \$4,707.

Still, Lone is quick to thank everyone who supported the gallery in the past year. Fundraising events and donations from individuals and businesses brought in over \$14,000 for the agency.

"The PHAC's fundraising activities for 2019 were again supported by

people from many surrounding communities," Lone said. "These events happen because volunteers assist the staff, and the council thanks each volunteer greatly."

Coming on board as PHAC board chair moving forward is Lorne Stelmach, who has high hopes for the council's continued success, even as it continues to deal with the challenges created by the global pandemic.

"Our immediate priority amidst the pandemic has been to ensure things are stable, especially our stability financially," he said. "Obviously it's been a challenging time for every organization, and the arts council is no different. But thankfully a number of things fell into place to carry us through. I think we're in a stable enough position that we can work on moving forward now."

Stelmach lauded gallery staff for their dedication to ensuring the community remained engaged over the past few months with virtual events and social media posts, and to getting programming going once again as soon as it was safe to do so.

"We're working to get ourselves up and running again," he said. "First it was getting the gallery open in a safe manner, and that's been done, and now we can turn our attention back to workshops and other programming."

They're looking at how to safely host their popular chili bowl fundraiser outdoors this year to meet space requirements, and have also recently gotten the green light to be part of the City of Morden's concerts in the sun catch planned for July 17 and Aug. 14.

There are no plans for any further renovations to the gallery itself, Stelmach noted, although the city has committed to replacing the leaky clock tower roof sometime this year.

If you'd like to get involved with PHAC in any capacity, Stelmach stresses you'd be most welcome.

"We always emphasize that people don't need to be artists," he said. "You just need to value and appreciate art and value and appreciate what the gallery does in terms of drawing people in and celebrating art."



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Aaaah, the water, the breeze, the trees—a summer salve to soothe cool winter blues. With a richness of outdoor patios, green spaces and watery places, Winnipeg awaits, humble and happening. Save your summer by taking time—even an overnight—to catch a nice breeze in the city that Vogue once called “an absolute must-visit destination.”

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Have your own bike? Cycle along Wellington Crescent to Assiniboine Park. Follow the biking trails on Google Maps or download a cycling map from [bikewinnipeg.ca](http://bikewinnipeg.ca), which also lists locations to pick up a paper map.

## Nice al fresco eats

Getting outside doesn’t mean you need to be super active. Drivers or walkers can pick a neighbourhood like Corydon or Academy Road rimmed with nice patios or small shops to breeze in and out of.

Eating outdoors reveals Winnipeg at its casual best whether at an outdoor market, food truck



Left: Enjoy one of the many patios in the Exchange District. (William Au) Bee2Gether Bikes is a great way to see the sights at The Forks or Assiniboine Park. (Mike Peters)



or one of dozens of open-air patios, from CIBO Waterfront Café to the shaded riverside tiers of 529 Wellington.

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Places in the city rent canoes, kayaks, SUPs and will help load it. Guided trips like inflatable kayak events on the Seine are doable and different for a group of friends. For these and more paddling routes, rentals and more, check out [onlyinthepeg.com](http://onlyinthepeg.com) for a detailed guide.

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# Food trucks finding alternative spaces this summer

By Lorne Stelmach

Summer is usually the peak time for food trucks, but life amidst a pandemic means it's been a struggle this year for owner-opera-

tors everywhere.

It's been a challenge to keep the grill going in a season devoid of all the festivals, fairs, and other community events that draw the crowds the food trucks rely on for business.



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Burgers R Us staffer Margaret Loewen cooking up some fries last Thursday while the food truck was set up off Hwy. 3 between Morden and Winkler.

"For us, it's a bit of a learning curve too. It has its challenges for sure, but I just like doing this," said Dale Unger, an Altona area resident who operates the Burgers R Us food truck.

Only in his second year with the truck, Unger just got a taste of what the business could be like last summer only to have much of it disappear so far this season.

"This year the restaurant business has been affected in such a way that nobody knew was coming," he said. "We only recently started in the last couple of weeks, and it's picking up very slowly. I think people are still reluctant to get out somewhat."

With the large-scale events out of the picture, Unger has been trying to think of possibilities for locations to set up shop in the region.

"We were used to doing a lot of festivals and fairs last season ... there's things like company lunches as well," he said.

"We're fortunate to be mobile, and we are trying different sites now to see where people may be gathering and wanting something to eat."

Last week, Burgers R Us took advantage of a standing offer from Friesen Sales and Rentals in the Hwy. 3 corridor for food trucks to park on their lot.

"We're trying this site now and hoping people will come out and support us," said Unger.

"We've thought about Altona but haven't set up there yet. We did a company lunch in Winkler at Load Line which was really good, so we're actually looking for more companies to catch on

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# Winkler's OK Tire named national store of the year

By Lorne Stelmach

Winkler's OK Tire received national recognition recently in being named the company's store of the year for 2019.

OK Tire's annual conference awards ceremony a few months ago recog-

nized the achievements of many of their outstanding stores, but the biggest honour came to the Winkler location, which has been serving the community for over 30 years.

Accepting the award on behalf of

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The team from Winkler's OK Tire was honoured as the Store of the Year for 2019 at the company's annual conference earlier this year.



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# Morden wraps up Pride Month

By Lorne Stelmach

It's level of community involvement was limited by the pandemic, but the Morden Pride group feels it still made its presence felt last month.

Marking June as Pride Month, the group not only had to overcome the restrictions that ruled out having its second annual rally but also saw its colours and decor that briefly adorned the mosasaur display on Hwy. 3 stolen.

It was discovered through video surveillance from a nearby business that a few individuals were tampering with the Bruce statue around the time the decorations were believed to have gone missing. The incident remains under investigation.

"It's sad and very frustrating to have some of our committee members' items stolen and potentially destroyed, but we've kept our heads up about it," group member Shay Millar said in an interview by e-mail.

"Problems like these can't and won't deter us from

working towards our goal of making sure everyone in our community feels safe and loved and that they're not alone," Millar added. "We see that the intolerance is out there but we're not going anywhere."

Morden Pride held its inaugural parade last year and had hopes to rally and march again on June 27, but those plans were cancelled due to COVID-19.

The group instead raised the rainbow flag at the Access Event Centre and hosted a few online events.

"We held a livestream of the flag raising to kick off the month and decorated Bruce the mosasaur soon after," said Millar, noting they were grateful to receive permission from the City of Morden for these efforts.

"We got an immense amount of help from Mayor Brandon Burley. His support and help have been invaluable to our cause this far, and we owe him a great

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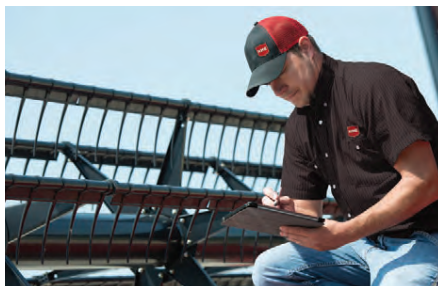
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Write down the address and double check the route so you don't get lost. If you plan to pick your own fruit, be sure to protect yourself from the sun by wearing sunscreen and a hat.

### WHEN YOU GET THERE

If you want to pick your own berries, head straight to the booth to pay and find out how it works. An employee should be on hand to show you where to find the ripest ones. Pick all the good fruit you see before trying another spot. This way, you'll fill your container quickly and the next person can continue

where you left off.

At the vendor's kiosk, take the opportunity to stock up on a variety of berries. Raspberries, blueberries, strawberries, blackberries and lesser-known types like sea buckthorn berries and black currants are perfect for snacking, making jam or topping yogurt, pancakes and salads.

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## Friday Night Lites music nights return to The Oaks

By Lorne Stelmach

A popular live music series has returned to Morden for the summer.

The Oaks at Minnewasta Golf and Country Club kicked off the new Friday Night Lites series June 26. It runs every other Friday through the summer.

The key consideration for the organizers of course was to be able to host the events in a manner that follows all public health orders in relation to coronavirus.

"People just love live music ... but as well they need to know that safety measures have been taken seriously," said Jeannie Pauls, who is helping with organizing the series this season.

"We are mindful of the restrictions for live music as well as capacity and distancing," she said, noting there is limited seating and guests are asked to maintain a six foot distance, so that rules out dancing for the time being. "The tables are appropriately set up for distancing as well as just the view of the venue."

They did a soft opening for the first evening with local musicians Rick Wiebe and Joel Nickel. This Friday from 8-10 p.m. will feature blues singer/songwriter Brett Schulz and rock/pop artist Allanah Jeffreys.

Schulz will be performing a solo acoustic set of music in the vein of Bruce Cockburn and James Taylor.

Due to COVID restrictions, Jeffreys will not be bringing her band along but will be joined by her brother Jaiden for an acoustic set.

Tickets for Friday Night Lites are \$10. Seating is limited, so call 431-349-3434 or e-mail [events@oaks.me](mailto:events@oaks.me) to reserve your seat.

You can also stay up to date at The

Oaks at Minnewasta Facebook page for upcoming events, which will include Joel Titchkosky and Karl Redding performing July 24.

"We're hoping to be able to open it to bands in August ... but we want to see how things are going ... we don't know what's coming [in terms of the pandemic]," Pauls noted.

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Allanah Jeffreys and Brett Schulz perform at The Oaks Friday night.



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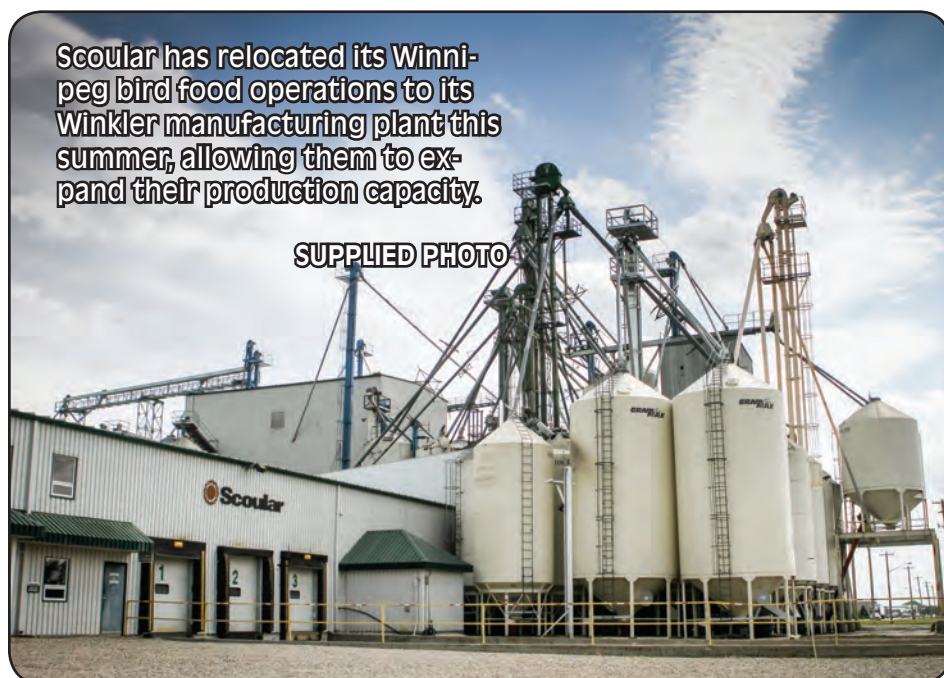


# Agriculture

## Scoular expanding Winkler plant operations

Scoular has relocated its Winnipeg bird food operations to its Winkler manufacturing plant this summer, allowing them to expand their production capacity.

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By Ashleigh Viveiros

Scoular is expanding its manufacturing operations in Winkler.

The company this month relocated its Winnipeg bird food operations to its facility at 129 Manitoba Road.

"We were running short of capacity in our Winnipeg facility," explains Ben Friesen, Scoular's product group manager for sunflowers, adding the company was also leasing that facility.

Meanwhile, they own the Winkler site and recently purchased additional space to grow there.

"So this gives us the opportunity to increase our capacity," Friesen says.

Scoular Canada purchases from Manitoba farmers both confection sunflowers for human edible snack foods and black oil sunflowers for use

in bird feed.

The expansion will allow the facility to begin doing bird food blends for the first time, Friesen notes.

"It's a very exciting thing for us in Winkler, for all the staff here," he says of the facility's 40 or so employees, who are eager to branch out into new products and packaging sizes.

The expansion has created six new jobs in Winkler.

"It's a very exciting opportunity to add to the workforce in the area," Friesen says, adding they're also pleased to be able to serve local producers better. "At Scoular, we think of ourselves as the 'Sunflower People' for the growers of Manitoba. We are committed to providing these growers with a competitive market for their sunflowers."

### > PRIDE, FROM PG. 16

deal of thanks for being such a friend," Millar said.

They were also pleased with the response to their art show.

"We sought out creative works from our community, some of which were able to be displayed in the front entrance windows of St. Paul's United Church," said Millar. "Any additional art pieces or writing submissions were posted online to the Morden Pride Facebook group."

"We have a lot of talent in our rainbow community. All of our artists should be proud. The spirit and passion of these folk is cer-

tainly not in short supply."

Millar said the most important thing for the group is to continue to be there for people who identify as LGBTQ+ to know they have support and to help build a safe community for them.

"In spite of how little we were able to do outdoors this month, we actually had a fantastic response from the community."

### > THE OAKS, FROM PG. 17

Regardless, she said they look forward to giving musicians a chance to perform, as they haven't had many

"Our Facebook page has been seeing a great deal of traffic, and we got a lot of amazing submissions to our art showcase. It was wonderful to see so much activity and support even with our limited functions."

"I feel like we've made huge strides already even still riding on the success of the march last year," Millar said. "Many people in the rainbow

community used to think their only hope to find a place to belong was to leave the area. Since Morden's first Pride, we've connected so many rainbow folk and allies alike and continue to do so all the time."

"It doesn't show any signs of slowing down. We're looking forward to the strides and visibility we have yet to create in the years to come."

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# The difficulty of “living on the edge”

Submitted by the Pembina Valley Watershed District

Farmers Andy and Terri Keen are used to “living on the edge,” but that doesn’t mean that it is easy.

They have worked with the Pembina Valley Watershed District to help them adapt to the steep slopes and vulnerable soils in and around the Pembina River Valley.

“Water erosion is one of our biggest risks when farming on sloped land, and the watershed district has helped us deal with some of those challenges,” noted Andy Keen. “Together, we have invested in several retention dams on top of the valley that slow down the runoff. This reduces the erosion risk and that enables me to keep more of my soil in-place which will increase my production over time.”

PVWD manager Cliff Greenfield and district staff have worked with

the Keens to develop several water retention and flood-peak reduction type projects.

The funding for these works comes from several sources, including the landowner, the watershed district, and various grants.

Over the past several years, the Canadian Ag Partnership program has been a substantial funder.

This program requires that the producer complete an Environmental Farm Plan. This is an environmental based self-assessment and, according to Keen, well worth the time and effort.

“This process helped us evaluate our operation from an environmental impact lens and it’s a self-assessment so nothing to be scared of other than a little bit of paper work,” he said.

The Lake Winnipeg Basin Program is another source of funding that helps projects that can show a benefit to the



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downstream water quality.

Reducing erosion and holding water on the land in a water retention project is proven to improve downstream water quality and also provide other local benefits like ground water re-

charge, erosion risk reduction and water for agriculture and the environment.

For more information, contact the PVWD at 204-242-3267 or pvcd@mts-mail.ca.

## Two killed in multi-vehicle collision near Fannystelle

A seven-year-old Winnipeg girl and a 61-year-old man from St. Andrews were killed in a multi-vehicle collision near Fannystelle July 2.

Just before noon that day, emergency crews were called to the scene on Hwy. 2, approximately three kilometres east of the community.

Carman RCMP report their initial investigation has determined that a number of vehicles were stopped in the highway’s eastbound lane at a marked construction zone where work was being completed.

The vehicles were waiting for direction to safely drive through the construction zone when an eastbound semi with trailer failed to stop and drove into the lineup of stopped vehicles.

In total, eight vehicles were involved in the collision: two semis with trailers, five passenger vehicles, and one motorcycle.

The seven-year-old was in one of the passenger vehicles while the 61-year-old male was driving the motorcycle. Both were declared deceased at the scene.

Fifteen people were injured in the collision. Several were treated at the scene and released.

Six people were taken to hospital including two adults, two children under the age of 16, and two children under the age of three.

One adult and the two children under three have since been released from hospital.

A 22-year-old female, a 14-year-old female, and a 10-year-old female remain in hospital with serious injuries.

The driver of the semi truck, a 56-year-old man from Saskatchewan,

was arrested at the scene.

He is facing two counts of dangerous operation of a conveyance causing death, two counts of criminal negligence causing death, and three

counts of dangerous operation of a conveyance causing bodily harm. He is currently in custody.

Carman RCMP continue to investigate.

## WSD announces admin. hires for 2020-2021

Western School Division wrapped up the school year last week with an announcement of a couple of administrative hires for the 2020-2021 school year.

Effective this fall, Janice Bonner will step into the role of interim principal at Morden Collegiate.

Bonner comes to the job with experience both as a teacher and school administrator. She has spent the past five years of her career working as the vice-principal of R.D. Parker Colle-

giate in Thompson.

Leaving the collegiate is current principal Marianne Fenn, who will be WSD’s new assistant superintendent.

The Morden Adult Education Centre is also welcoming a new director in Todd Folkett, who takes over from outgoing director Kelly Vipond.

Folkett has been teaching for 22 years, including the past six as a full-time teacher at the Morden Adult Ed. Centre. Prior to that, he taught at École Morden Middle School and in

the Flin Flon and Brandon school divisions.

“Western School Division is very pleased to announce these hirings,” the division said in a statement. “We believe that these announcements send a strong message to our students, staff, and community and will assist the division in meeting the exciting opportunities outlined in the board’s priorities plan.”

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# A Chinese hiking adventure

**A**fter retiring from teaching, I was able to fulfill my lifelong desire to travel.

With my husband's blessings, I visited Europe, Uganda, Thailand, Vietnam and other countries. I had many interesting experiences along the way but nothing rivals the hike I took in China in April 2015.

Eve, my long-time school friend, and her husband Rich had taught in China for six years. They invited me to travel with them as they visited former students and friends. This allowed us to go to many areas of China off-limits to most tourists.

Eve's friend, Cheryl, arranged for us to stay in a small resort near Old Dali in Yunnan province. Cheryl wanted to spend a day alone

with Eve and so she arranged for Rich and me to go a day hike with Jacob, the owner of the Rock-Hard Adventure Tour Company.

Rich, despite his age and some health concerns, was a regular hiker in Banff. I was a casual hiker but up for the challenge. The easy hike up to a waterfall as described in Jacob's brochure seemed perfect for us.

He came to meet us with his 15-year-old nephew, Isaac, in tow.

"Isaac will help us," he explained. That should have been our first clue. Why would we need help on an easy hike?

Then came two more clues:

"Are you okay with walking on rocks

in ankle-deep water?" Jacob asked, followed with: "We might have to rapel down a huge boulder in our way."

Instead of retreating back to the safety of our resort, I bravely followed Jacob to his jeep. We bounced over rocks and treacherous pot holes to get to our destination.

The first few hours of hiking were great. We trekked on gradually inclining hilly terrain while Jacob regaled us with stories of the history of this Cangshan Mountain range. The hill-sides were covered with beautiful red rhododendrons growing amongst other wild flowers and vegetation.

At noon, we relaxed on rocks in warm sunshine as we ate the lunch Jacob had prepared—pancakes stuffed with savory or sweet fillings. I was feeling happy and blessed to be in China and on this adventure. A short time later, I wasn't as sure about the blessed part!

We hiked up to a huge boulder blocking the trail. Isaac slid down first so he could help Rich and me. Rich was next. I thought he managed well until I saw him shivering and shaking in the icy water below. When it was my turn, I could not believe how steep the rock was and how far I had to slide. With nothing to hold on to, I started out slowly but soon gained momentum. My only hope was that Isaac was strong enough to stop my feet-first plunge in to the river. He did! But with his help, I still had to jump. At my age, I should not be jumping from any distance and jumping into a rocky river was totally insane. I survived without a broken ankle and was thankful we only had one more boulder to conquer.

The next boulder was at least twice the size of the first one. Rich and I were not talking at this point. We watched dubiously as Jacob began fastening the rope anchor and Isaac risked his young life, we thought, scrambling down into a deeper river without benefit of a rope. We threw



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The author with her hiking buddies, Rich and Isaac, after a harrowing hike in the mountains of China.

our backpacks to him and he placed them on higher ground. This time, I was glad I had elected to go first.

After I had my harness on, Jacob told me to walk backwards slowly down the rock.

"Lean back, he said, 'keep the rope by your waist with your right hand and hold the hook with your left.'"

I did exactly as I was told, acting way more confident than I felt. Then, without warning, my feet slipped on the slimy moss and I was sliding down on my left side. I heard a collective gasp!

"Loosen your grip," Jacob shouted.

"I don't think so!" I soon realized, though, that unless I wanted to stay on that rock forever, I would have to loosen my grip.

So with a combination of loosening and tightening my grip, I finally reached the edge. Here, I turned to a sitting position and again, with Isaac's help, splashed into waist-deep water. I was happy to stumble and trip over rocks to higher ground and the warmth of my dry jacket.

It was Rich's turn. Unlike me, he has been an adventurer all his life. He, too, listened carefully and acted nonchalant about the entire process.

As he was leaning back and walking slowly, his feet also slipped. But instead of sliding feet first down that slimy rock, he was coming down headfirst. It was my turn to gasp. I was frightened for him but not frightened enough to come down from my dry perch to help. How short Isaac managed to stop tall Rich's speedy head-first descent into the depths, I don't know. But manage he did! Rich was stopped and turned around so that he, too, could plunge into the river feet-first. The rest of our trek was uneventful!

While we were experiencing our extreme hike, Eve and Cheryl were safely riding a gondola up a mountain range. They had their lunch and hiked some easy trails around the mountain. Eve came home to find me showered, in my merino wool pyjamas, lying under a blanket on the sofa.

"How was your hike?" she inquired casually as she went about preparing dinner.

"Don't ask!" was my quick response.

*Florence Dyck is a former Mordenite now living in the Okanagan*

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that way and maybe provide a staff lunch.

"For us, now, it's one site at a time, see how it does and then go from there. If people support us, we'll stay; if not, we'll move on and try somewhere else."

For Unger, like many other food truck owner-operators, he is fortunate that this is a sideline business for him. He also does bookkeeping and works as a bus driver, although that too was impacted when schools shut down this spring.

"So I guess it's good to be diverse in that way," he said.

He appreciated the offer from Friesen Sales

and Rentals to set up in what is a high traffic spot.

"It's pretty good exposure here, though I think we need more signage to stop some people on the highway," he said. "So far, so good. I think we'll keep plugging away here for a while."

"I think a lot of people are just trying to make the best of things," Unger said, adding he encourages communities to support the various food trucks operating in the region. "I also want to wish other businesses well. Just try and don't give up. We've got to try to keep going."



# Incredible Creatures: Asian giant hornet, the buzz behind the hype

By John Gavloski

Asian giant hornets are the largest species of hornet in the world and are native to Asia (Japan, China, India, Nepal). There has been some concern that it may show up in Manitoba. Although not impossible, that's highly improbable.

In this week's Incredible Creatures we will explore the interesting world of Asian giant hornets, why the concern and hype, and the odds of them establishing in Manitoba.

## Are Asian Giant Hornets in Canada?

Asian giant hornets were found in Nanaimo on Vancouver Island September 2019. The nest was successfully eradicated. Last October a single hornet was photographed, but not collected, in White Rock, B.C., and in December a dead specimen was found near Blaine, Washington. Lab findings determined that the specimens from Vancouver Island and Washington State were from different colonies. This May, an Asian giant hornet was killed near Langley, B.C. It is still uncertain whether there is an active colony in North America, but hornet traps have been placed in southern B.C. and residents are asked to report suspected sightings.

Like our native species of hornets, Asian giant hornets would rather not mess with people, but could if they felt threatened. While getting multiple stings by Asian giant hornets would be of greater concern than stings from a honeybee, an individual sting is not dangerous unless you are allergic to bee and wasp stings, in which case even a honey bee sting is of concern. Advice in China is that people stung more than 10 times should seek medical help.

## Bees Cooking Hornets

If Asian giant hornets ever did establish in some parts of Canada, one of the biggest threats would be to honeybees. But some bees in Asia

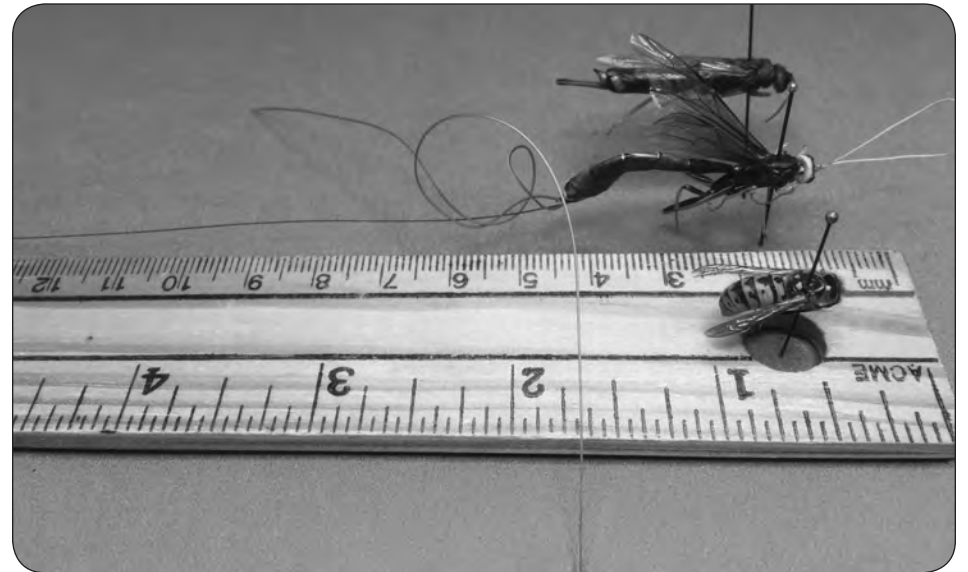
have a way of fighting back. The Japanese honeybee (*Apis cerana japonica*), which come from the same region as Asian giant hornets, can protect itself from Asian giant hornets by overheating them. As the hornet enters the bees' nest it is swarmed by hundreds of bees. The bees decouple their wings and rapidly vibrate their wing muscles to create heat. This creates temperatures and CO2 levels that are lethal to the Asian giant hornet at the centre of the swarm. The western honey (*Apis mellifera*), the species kept by beekeepers in Canada and many parts of the world, can't do this, however.

## Local Large Wasps

Only queens overwinter for many of our common local wasps. These can be bigger than the workers. Early in the year, before the nest is established and workers produced, larger queens can be seen flying around. Asian giant hornets nest in the ground. So, a large hornet nest in a tree or some other aboveground location likely is from one of the native or already established wasps.

Some other insects that are quite large and wasp-like are shown in the photo at left. A yellowjacket is shown at the bottom of the photo to give perspective to the other insects. The insect at the top of the photo is a horn-tail. They lay eggs into trees, where their larvae live. The insect in the middle of the photo is a large wasp called Megarrhyssa, which parasitizes larvae of horn-tails living under tree bark. These are both quite large and what may appear to be a stinger in both of these is actually used to lay eggs under the bark of trees. They are harmless to people.

Asian giant hornets prefer to live in low mountain areas and forests in the areas they are native to, while almost completely avoiding plains. The United States Department of Agriculture predicted where this wasp could survive in North America. It is unlikely



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Other large insects from the bottom to top: a yellowjack, a large wasp called a Megarrhyssa, and a horn-tail.

to be found in large numbers across most regions of Canada. It has the potential to survive in southern regions of Canada with milder climates such as the west coast and southern Ontario. Our odds of them establishing

in the Canadian prairies is very low.

*John Gavloski is an entomologist with Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Development*

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store owners Walter and Alvera Funk were their children Dwayne and wife Brianna Funk with daughter Candace and husband Daniel Guenter.

Walter Funk said it was fitting to have his kids there, as they have been proud to run their store as a family business.

"We never expected this; it's kind of humbling that they would pick a small guy like us," Funk said.

"We work hard and try to do what the franchise requires of us, and overall it has paid off," he said. "It's definitely helped us as far as letting people know that we are an honest driven business, and we are doing our part to serve the community."

The Funks started up their own auto repair shop in 1991. They joined the OK Tire network in 2015, bringing with them nearly 25 years experience and a loyal customer base.

Funk attributes their success to treating people right.

"I think it's trying to keep the cost down and treating the customers properly, having good customer service," he said.

"We've got staff who have been here 15 years or more, and that helps as well. People feel comfortable coming and always see the same fa-

miliar faces," he added, noting they always aim to "treat them fairly and make them feel like they are part of the team, and they can contribute and we can take their ideas and run with it."

OK Tire chief operating officer Michael Rutherford said that the Winkler location exemplifies the company's values.

"The heart of OK Tire is our owners and employees living in the communities they serve, and the team at OK Tire Winkler are perfect representatives of this," he said. "We are proud to have them as part of the OK Tire family and look forward to their continued success."

"We know our achievements as a whole are because of the dedication our employees consistently demonstrate," added Jim Caldwell, president and CEO of OK Tire. "We feel it's important to recognize our fantastic team across the country and acknowledge those who have made a significant impact on the success of our great company."

OK Tire has been part of the Canadian landscape since 1953. It has over 300 independently owned and operated locations across the country.

## Save the date: United 150 concert slated for June 2021

Manitoba 150 wants you to save the date for its rescheduled United 150 concert.

The free summer concert celebrating Manitoba's 150th anniversary had to be pushed back this year thanks to COVID-19.

Organizers recently announced Saturday, June 26, 2021 as the make-

up date for the show, which will take place in front of the Manitoba Legislative Building.

A full line-up of artists and activities will be released at a later date, but Canadian rock 'n roll royalty Randy Bachman and Burton Cummings remain the headliners.



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## Local cyclist earns “Everesting” world record

By Lorne Stelmach

A local cyclist climbed the equivalent of Mount Everest right here in the Pembina Valley.

Russell Thiessen now owns a world record for his successful “Everesting” challenge June 21.

He climbed a total of 8,848 metres in a time of 11 hours and 17 minutes, which bested the previous record for

unpaved road by a full 17 minutes.

He accomplished the feat in 76 laps for a total distance of 153 kilometres. A GoFundMe campaign held in conjunction with the effort raised \$4,500 for Winkler’s Central Station Community Centre.

Going into it, Thiessen thought the record was a bit of a long shot. He can hardly believe the day went so well and how good he felt pretty much the

entire ride.

“It was a lot better than I expected. I thought there would be some tough climbs, but they didn’t really happen that much ... and it ended up being a really good day,” he said.

“It feels pretty good ... I initially didn’t think I had much of a chance at this record,” he added. “I’m super happy that it worked out really well. I honestly didn’t know if I could.”

The concept of Everesting is simple: pick any hill, anywhere in the world, and complete repeats of it in a single activity to hit the height of Mount Everest.

The Everesting website (everesting.cc) shows that there have been 8,339 successful attempts in 96 countries with a total of 73,836,096 metres climbed and 3,262,203 total kilometres.

Tackling this challenge has been in the back of Thiessen’s mind for some time now.

He’s been an avid cyclist and racer since he was a child. Today he rides for Country Cycle’s Prairie Fire Racing Team.

“Ever since I was a kid, I just loved riding my bike and it never got old for me like most people when they get older,” Thiessen said. “For the last couple of years I’ve thought about wanting to do this, but it just never really worked out with my racing schedule and everything else.

“This year, because of COVID, there were no races happening, so this was the year for me to go for it ... I had no

goal to look forward to with no races coming up.”

Attempting it in the Pembina Valley was an obvious choice.

“There’s not much in the way of hills around here. There’s not a whole lot of choice,” he said. “I came upon the climb in the valley because it’s pretty steep and consistent. The steeper the climb, the faster you can complete the elevation.”

Going up is an obvious challenge, but even negotiating the downhill is equally challenging in a different way, explained Thiessen.

“If you want to do it fast, you also need to find a climb that doesn’t have too many turns in it because having to brake for a corner going down takes time out of it.

“It was about eight minutes of climbing for about one minute of going down,” said

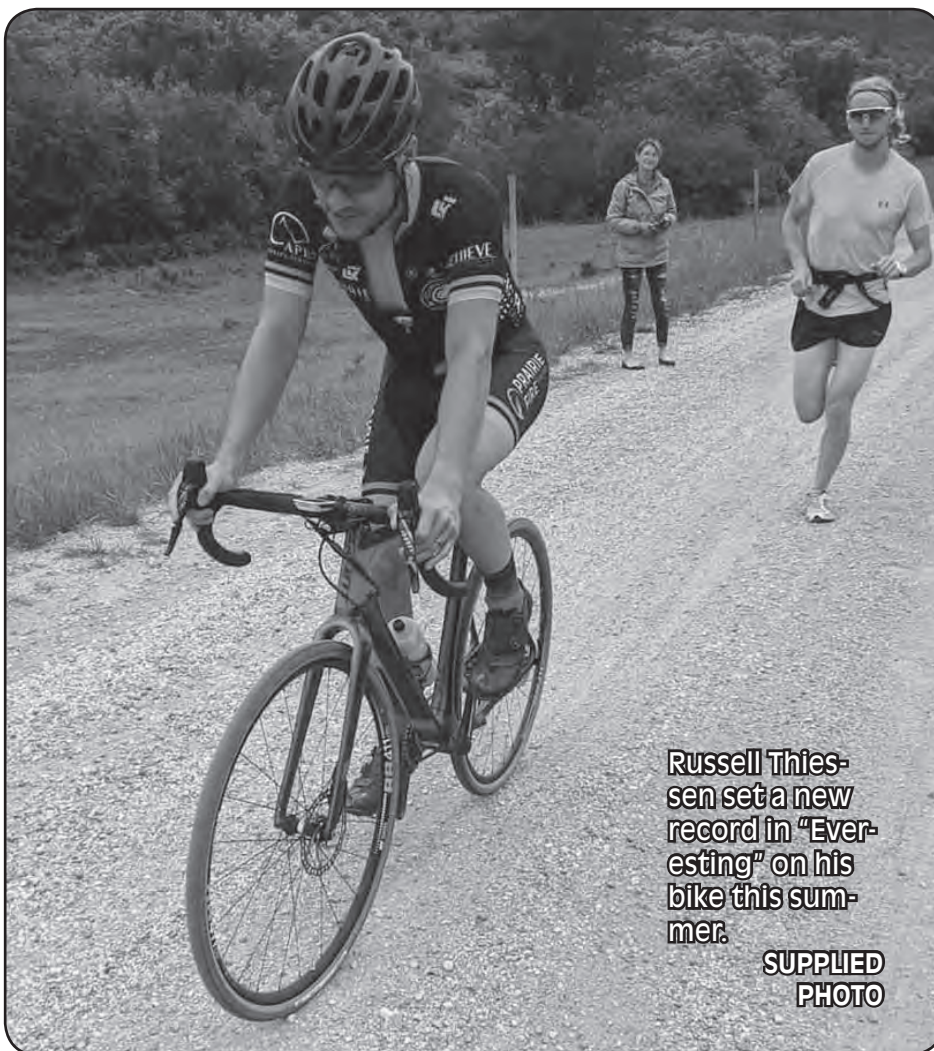
Thiessen, who estimated he may have been travelling “between 80 and 85 km when I was coming down.

“There’s only one slight corner in this climb that I did, so I was able to come down pretty fast and not have to brake much.”

The Strava app available through the Everesting website allowed Thiessen to work out how much he would have to do with his chosen route

“I had to do 74 laps to complete the

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Russell Thiessen set a new record in “Everesting” on his bike this summer.

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## Mohawks start season with win, Whips with a loss

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Morden Mohawks kicked off the summer with a 7-2 win last weekend.

Morden welcomed the Carman Cardinals to the Buhler Field Friday night to start the Border Baseball League

2020 season.

This week the Mohawks face off against the Winkler Whips on Tuesday (results were not available at press time) and then on Sunday they host the Baldur Regals.

Morden is hoping to improve on

their second-place finish from last summer. Their record was 12-4 and then they fell to the eventual league champions, the Winkler Whips, in the playoffs. Winkler finished in third in 2019 with 11 wins and five losses.

Meanwhile, Winkler’s bid to defend

their title got off to a rocky start Friday at the Parkland ball diamonds when they lost to the Altona Bison 7-5.

After taking on Morden Tuesday, the Whips host the Pilot Mound Pilots on Sunday and then head to play the Cardinals in Carman next Tuesday.

Check out the Winkler Morden Voice online at [www.winklermordenvoice.ca](http://www.winklermordenvoice.ca)



# Orioles 3-1 to start season

By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Valley Orioles unleashed some firepower at the plate last week as they put themselves into contention in the early going of this summer's shortened MJBL season.

The week saw the Orioles sweep a Canada Day doubleheader against the Carillon Sultans in convincing fashion before then heading to St. Boniface and taking down the Legionnaires on Friday.

The 6-1 victory over St. Boniface brought the Orioles a fourth straight win after having dropped their opener to defending champion Elmwood, who shared the league lead with Pembina Valley going into the week at 4-1.

Making their home field debut last Wednesday, the Orioles took game one 21-8 over the Sultans and then continued the onslaught with a 16-9 victory in game two.

"We had a slow start," observed coach Jim Odlum, noting the Orioles actually trailed 6-0 after the third inning of game one.

"The floodgates just opened and our hitters started hitting, hitting the gaps and hitting the ball hard ... everyone was connecting."

There were many who contributed at the plate, but a highlight was a grand slam home run from Jared McCorrister, who then also added a



The Orioles took game one of their Canada Day doubleheader against the Carillon Sultans 21-8 and then clinched game two 16-9.

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three run shot in the second game as well.

"Thomas Titchkosky came in to pitch and pitched well. We made a few errors the first few innings, but then everything really tightened up," said Odlum.

"We're happy to see our hitters starting to hit, and they started the second game the same," he continued.

"We built up a pretty good lead, but we let off the gas a bit ... there weren't the errors in the second game though, and all our pitching threw well enough ... and when we needed a hit, we seemed to get one."

It leaves Odlum feeling the team has a lot of potential now as they continue on with what will be just a 21 game regular season schedule.

"We have a potent offence, and it's good to see our hitters starting to connect. We're all pretty happy ... any time you go into a doubleheader and you come away with two wins, you've got to be pretty happy with it."

"We've got some young guys coming in as well, and they're doing the job," said Odlum. "We're pretty happy with our team. We've got some depth we've never had before. The problem with that much depth is if everyone's

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HITTERS STARTING TO  
CONNECT."**

playing well, it's hard to move guys in and out. That's a good problem to have though."

The Orioles are scheduled to host the Winnipeg South Chiefs Wednesday and then head into Winnipeg Sunday for a doubleheader with St. James.

## 2020 MJHL Prospect Development Camp dates announced

From the MJHL website

After three very successful MJHL Prospect Development Camps, the Manitoba Junior Hockey League is proud to officially announce the 2020 MJHL Prospect Development Camp will take place once again this summer in Winnipeg at the Seven Oaks Arena Complex from July 23-25.

The camp is by invite only and geared towards current MJHL prospects born in the years 2003 and 2004 who are eligible to play in the MJHL for the upcoming 2020-21 season.

"The MJHL Prospect Development Camp provides the next generation of MJHL players with the knowledge and resources to be successful both

on and off the ice, an experience of what MJHL Hockey is all about, an opportunity to work with top level coaches and players and the platform to showcase themselves to coaches and scouts from all levels," said MJHL commissioner Kevin Saurette.

"This event continues to grow in stature both on and off the ice and we are very excited at the talent level of the prospects that have been invited to this year's camp. If you look across the league right now, many of the top players from last season have participated in this camp and/or have already moved on to higher levels through this camp and a year in the MJHL," he added.

The main goal of the camp is to pre-

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pare the prospects for what it takes to be successful in the MJHL and what it takes to get to the next level (NCAA, Major Junior, USports, NHL). The camp activities will emphasize the elements these players will need to focus on to transition successfully from elite minor hockey to elite Junior "A" hockey.

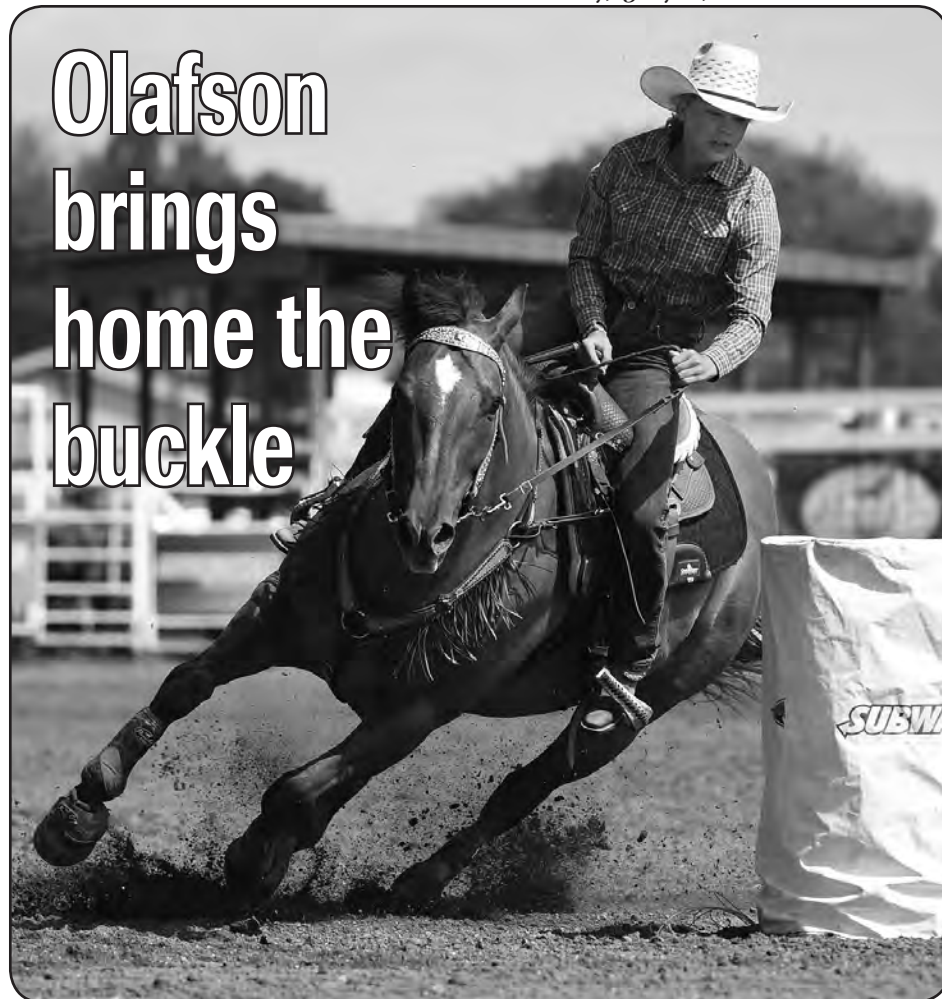
Players will receive both on and off-ice skill development led by experienced professionals in their respec-

tive fields. The on-ice program will consist of skill and practice sessions along with modified scrimmages, the off-ice portion will cover elements related to athleticism and mental skills, as well as the technical and tactical skills required to play in the MJHL.

This camp will follow all protocols and procedures associated with the MJHL Phase 1 return to play guidelines.



## Olafson brings home the buckle



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Morden's Rylee Olafson came home from the Manitoba High School Rodeo Finals held in Swan River last weekend with the Junior High Finals barrel racing buckle. Olafson's placings included a first and a third in pole racing (she knocked a pole in another run), two seconds and a fourth in barrels, and a pair of thirds in goat tying (no time in her third run). Olafson sends her thanks out to sponsor Sunvalley Tire for their support this season.

# Delayed weed control? Make it count

By Ian Epp

For canola fields that have not been sprayed this year, effective weed control may come down to one herbicide application—so make that application count.

Start by assessing the weed and crop stage situation in each field. Answers to the following questions can determine the course of action, including rates, tank mixes and more: How many weeds are present? How big are they? What species are they? What is the crop stage? What is the crop stage relative to the weed stage?

If weed population is greater than the crop population and weeds are more advanced or at the same stage as the crop, the highest available rate of herbicide may be required to provide the best weed control.

Know the weeds present, and know the herbicide rate required to truly control those weeds.

If you have a lot of grassy weeds in a Liberty Link canola field, you will want to tank mix clethodim with the Liberty (glufosinate) at a rate suited to the infestation level.

Or, if it's a Clearfield or Falco crop, you may want to spray grassy weed herbicide early and save the partner broadleaf herbicide for a second pass. Those partner products can only be

sprayed once per season.

If cleavers are a problem, a tank mix with quinclorac may be recommended. When using a tank mix, pay attention to the mixing order. It often changes based on the products in the mix. Talk to your retailer or check with the company for the mixing order specific to your tank mix. This is often critically important to avoid clumping and other major issues.

Finally, if the crop is moving toward the end of its herbicide spray window, it's most likely that the crop will be sprayed only once. Under such circumstances, maximize herbicide efficacy by putting together an effective tank mix, choosing the higher herbicide application rate, and spraying under good conditions.

For more details on rates, tank mixes and timing for each canola system,

please search for the article "Weed control strategies for each HT system" at [canolawatch.org](http://canolawatch.org).

While there, you can sign up to receive the timely Canola Watch email updates throughout the growing season.

—Ian Epp is an agronomy specialist with the Canola Council of Canada. Email [epi@canolacouncil.org](mailto:epi@canolacouncil.org).

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full elevation ... typically, people will do an extra little bit just in case ... so I did ride 76 laps."

"On paved roads, it's quite a bit faster," he said, noting the paved record is in the range of seven and a half hours. "Some of the best professionals in the world have been going after that record because they don't have racing either."

Thiessen noted he was grateful for the participation of a number of people who spent time alongside him

throughout the day.

"Even the conversation with them helped keep me distracted with the effort," he said. "I only rode alone probably for the first three hours ... throughout the day, I had different friends and other cyclists from the area come, and they rode laps with me."

He takes pride in having accomplished the feat, but he also welcomes the idea of someone besting his record.

"That's how records work; they're made to be broken," said Thiessen, who was uncertain right now whether he would attempt it again. "If I think it's within the realm of my ability ... right after Everesting, I didn't think I would ever want to do it again, but time always makes you forget how much you endured ... maybe at some point I would try again."

"Right now, I'm just hoping racing starts again in the fall."

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## PUBLIC NOTICE



## RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF STANLEY PUBLIC NOTICE BY-LAW NO. 9-20

To Amend By-law No. 5-19 rural water distribution system

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Stanley has scheduled a public hearing at:  
The Council Chambers  
**Thursday, July 23 at 9:00 a.m.**

Under By-law No. 5-19, which was approved by The Municipal Board E-19-074, Council created two categories of taxpayers: specific properties with a frontage tax rate and all taxpayers in the RM on which a mill rate was to be levied. The amendment under By-law No. 9-20 is proposing to change all taxpayers from all taxable, grant-in-lieu and otherwise exempt properties in the RM to all taxable and grant-in-lieu properties in the RM.

The estimated costs, funding and all other details of the project remain the same.

Under this proposal, there will be no tax impact to taxpayers in the RM:

Under the approved by-law No. 5-19

<i>Estimated Municipal borrowing:</i>	
<i>Local Improvement Debenture (Municipality)</i>	
<i>Amount</i>	<i>\$300,000.00</i>
<i>Maximum Interest Rate</i>	<i>4.5%</i>
<i>Terms</i>	<i>10 years</i>
<i>Annual Payment</i>	<i>\$37,913.65</i>

Based on the 2019 Assessment roll (\$37,913.65 /\$564,174,420) an estimated mill rate of 0.067 mills will be required. Based on a residential property with a value of \$100,000 (portioned 45,000) a \$3.02 LI tax will be levied annually for 10 years.

Under the proposed amending by-law No. 9-20

<i>Estimated Municipal borrowing:</i>	
<i>Amount</i>	<i>\$300,000.00</i>
<i>Maximum Interest Rate</i>	<i>3.27%</i>
<i>Terms</i>	<i>10 years</i>
<i>Annual Payment</i>	<i>\$35,655.46</i>

Based on the 2020 Assessment roll (\$35,655.46 /\$630,373,810) an estimated mill rate of 0.057 mills will be required. Based on a residential property with a value of \$100,000 (portioned 45,000) a \$2.57 will be levied annually for 10 years

A written objection may be filed with the Chief Administrative Officer, at 23111 PTH 14 in the RM of Stanley prior to the commencement of the hearing. At the hearing, Council will hear any potential taxpayer who wishes to make a presentation, ask questions or register an objection to the amending by-law.

All objections, written or verbal, must be filed prior to the adjournment of the hearing and must include the name, address and property description of the person filing the objection and the grounds of their objection.

Copies of the amending by-law are available at the municipal office at 23111 PTH 14 and on the municipal website at [www.rmofstanley.ca](http://www.rmofstanley.ca). Feel free to call the RM Office for additional information at 204-325-4101.

Dated at the RM of Stanley this 29TH day of June 2020 and issued pursuant to Section 318 of The Municipal Act.

Dale Toews, Chief Administrative Officer  
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All claims against the above estate, supported by Statutory Declaration must be sent to the attention of: Jesse Reid, #25-416 Dallas Road, Victoria, BC on or before the 13th day of August, 2020.

Dated at Victoria, BC, this 2nd day of July, 2020  
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### CITY OF WINKLER NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING UNDER THE PLANNING ACT

The Council of the City of Winkler, under the authority of The Planning Act, will hold a Public Hearing, at the Winkler Council Chamber, 185 Main Street, Winkler, Manitoba, on **Tuesday, July 28th, 2020 at 7:00 PM**, at which time and place the Council will receive representations and objections from any persons who wish to make them in respect of By-Law No. 2254-20, of the City of Winkler.

The general intent of the above By-Law No. 2254-20, is to zone the land described below, Namely:

**All of Plan No. (Deposit No. 592-2020) MLTO in the SW ¼ 8-3-4 WPM** as shown outlined in a heavy solid line on the map attached hereto as Schedule "A", and forming part of this by-law, be rezoned

FROM: "CR" COMMUNITY RESERVE ZONE

TO: "RS" RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY ZONE, AND  
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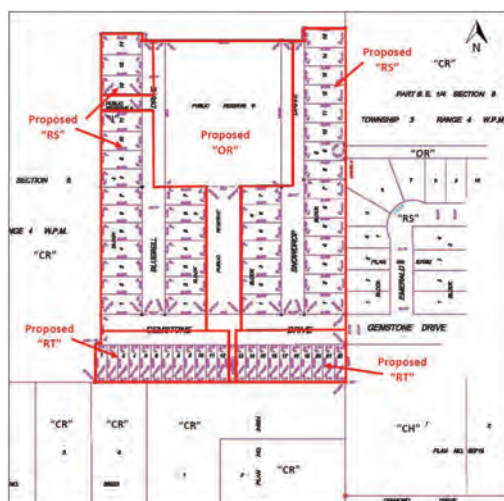
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DATED at Winkler, in Manitoba, this 22nd day of June, 2020.

Designated Officer  
City of Winkler

SCHEDULE "A"  
To By-Law 2254-20



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The general intent of the above By-Law No. 2253-20, is to zone the land described below, Namely:

**935 Eastview Drive, described as Lot 1, Plan 53327 MLTO in the SW ¼ 11-3-4 WPM**

as shown outlined in a heavy solid line on the map attached hereto as Schedule "A", and forming part of this by-law, be rezoned

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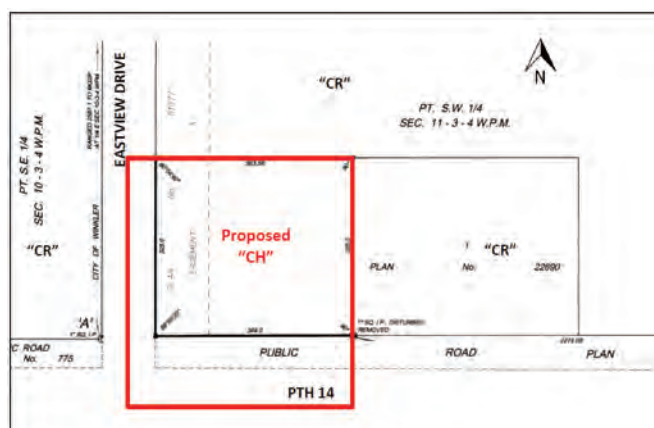
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## OBITUARY



### Eva Heinrichs (nee Unger) 1941 - 2020

Eva Heinrichs, 78, of Morden, MB formerly of Winkler went to be with her Saviour on Friday, June 26, 2020 at Tabor Home.

She is survived by son, Danny (Shelly) Heinrichs; daughter, Beverly (Wes) Penner, son-in-law, Patrick Swift, nine grandchildren, four great grandchildren, two brothers and two sisters. She was predeceased by her husband, Carl, daughter, Rose Marie, one granddaughter, her parents, and numerous brothers and sisters.

A private memorial service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday July 2, 2020 Wiebe Funeral Chapel in Morden with interment prior at Rosenbach Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made towards funeral expenses.

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## OBITUARY



### Kazmir (Kas) Mark Holod May 3, 1938 – July 1, 2020

My journey here has come to an end. I have had many good times. I sadly leave behind to cherish my memories my wonderful wife, Glenda; brothers, Mel (Jane), Bernard and Randy; sister, Brenda Campbell (Chuck); brother-in-law, Lyle Plett (Eliza), sister-in-law, Donna Anderson (Duane), sister-in-law, Bonnie Holod along with many nieces and nephews. Predeceased by parents, George and Catherine; sister, Carol Bell; brother-in-law, Jim Bell and brother, Reg.

I was born to George and Catherine Holod (Rainkie) at Elk Ranch, MB on the edge of Riding Mountain National Park. The most beautiful country in Manitoba. I completed my schooling in Neepawa where I participated in hockey and baseball. I was part of the first organized little league baseball team outside of Winnipeg. In 1955, I began a lifelong career with MTS now known as Bell MTS. Retiring as Service/Construction Manager for the Winkler area in 1993. With MTS I traveled the length and breadth of Manitoba from Ontario to the Saskatchewan border and from the US border to Churchill. If I could have turned back the clock, I would have done it all over again. Where else could one work and get to travel the entire province of Manitoba and get paid for doing so? As well as meeting exceptional people along the way like Gordie Temple and countless fellow employees.

In 1975, I became a member of Westwood Royals fastball team in the Crestview men's league. In 1977, the Westwood Royals won the league championship. We were known as the Cinderella team. It is the only Westwood team to win the championship. I subsequently met Gary Gillis with whom I have had a lifelong friendship. Gary also introduced me to my hunting and fishing buddies from Glenboro. Ken Lalonde, Ken Cullen, Butch, Howie, John, Armand and the Jeffery clan with whom I have hunted and fished with since 1975, forty five years.

In 1988, I married the love of my life, Glenda. She was my best friend and companion. We shared many happy years together travelling, golfing, hunting and fishing. The years we spent together where the best of my entire life. I loved her and I know she will miss me and now she won't have anyone left to tell her what to do or how to do it since I was the best MacGyver of all time. In 1992, along with my wife, we started K & G Enterprises, a used car business which allowed me to meet many people from all walks of life and created many friends along the way.

I also had some great times and some turbulent times golfing with "Shaker", Herb and John. How good would Herb have been, if he could only "putt". My memory about events, dates and names was truly admirable, I never forgot a name. I lived a good life. Couldn't have asked for anything more. I will also miss my hunting buddies including the Jefferies bunch. I had great times with the royals and the hunting gang which Gary called (Hootin Nannies). I hope I will be missed by many.

The family wishes to express their deepest gratitude to the paramedics, doctors, nurses of Boundary Trails Health Centre for their kind, respectful and compassionate care.

Donations may be made in Kas's memory to the Boundary Trails Health Centre Foundation, Box 2000, Winkler, MB R6W 1H8.

Cremation has taken place and ash interment will take place at Chapel Lawn Tribute Niche, 4000 Portage Ave. in Winnipeg at a later date. Due to COVID-19 restrictions of no more than 50 people indoors, only invited family and friends may attend.

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1. Cyprinids
6. Icelandic literary works
10. Break in half
14. Japanese mushroom
15. Have offspring
17. Not feeling well
19. A very large body of water
20. Witch
21. Behemoth
22. Speak negatively of
23. Absence of difficulty
24. Pampering places
26. Drives
29. Truck that delivers beer
31. Makes
32. A team's best pitcher
34. Carvey, comedian
35. Seas
37. S. American plants
38. Time zone
39. Deviate
40. No longer are
41. Moving in slowly
43. Patrick and Glover are two
45. Living quarters
46. Taxi
47. Pancake made of buckwheat flour
49. Swiss river
50. Not happy
53. Have surgery
57. Formal withdrawal
58. Give way to anxiety
59. Greek war god
60. 2K lbs.
61. Word of farewell

#### CLUES DOWN

1. ex Machina
- WWII diarist Frank
- Concluding passage
- Supplement with difficulty
- Title of respect
- Cubic measures
- Remnant
- Jones
- Salts of acetic acid
- Long, upholstered seat
- Capital of Okinawa Prefecture
- A one-time aspect of Egyptian sun god Ra
- Prefix denoting "in a"

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16. Propels upward
18. What we are talking about
22. Prosecutor
23. Employee stock ownership plan
24. He brings kids presents
25. Burmese monetary unit
27. Hurries
28. Injury remnant
29. Tooth caregiver
30. Elvis backup singer Betty Jane
31. "The Partridge Family" actress Susan
33. Midway between east and southeast
35. Most excellent
36. Heat units
37. Possess legally

39. Food items
42. Skeletal structures
43. Challenge to do something bold
44. Blood type
46. Sammy, songwriter
47. Farmer (Dutch)
48. Clare Booth, American writer
49. Piers Anthony's protagonist
50. Malaysian coastal city
51. Hairstyle
52. NY-based department store
53. Geosciences organization (abbr.)
54. Brazilian city
55. Niger-Congo languages
56. Gesture

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Crossword Answer

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1	8	2	6	3	5	7	4	9
9	4	3	7	8	1	2	6	5
4	2	7	9	1	3	5	8	6
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