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Minnedosa's annual Fun Fest celebrations were held this past weekend, featuring a parade, car show, live music and much more. The streets were filled with smiling onlookers and participants. For additional photos from the Minnedosa Fun Fest, see Page 10.



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Virden Indoor Rodeo celebrates 35 year milestone

Personal reflections from Christine Waddell (Lobel),
co-owner Virden Empire Advance and Neepawa Banner and Press

By Christine Waddell
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

Full disclosure: I'm a '67 grad from Virden Collegiate Institute but have lived in the Neepawa area since '71. Although I'm not a rodeo follower, I do have a fair knowledge of horsemanship.

I loved the Virden Indoor Rodeo and all the downtown Western Daze events, the sales, the sounds and my new very special snake friend. Also watching future stars safely trying their steer wrestling moves on Thursday evening in downtown Virden. The food trucks and entertainment were excellent.

All those VIP passes people saw are not the traditional Very Important Person, rather it means Involved and Invested and financial sponsorship, sometimes to the second and third generation.

In the arena, it was great hearing names familiar to anyone from the Virden and Westman region but also as far away as Australia. It was fun hearing Neepawa names familiar to us such as Dalgleish, Gillies, Miller and Whelpton.



PHOTOS BY KEN AND CHRISTINE WADDELL

Pictured left: Christine Waddell found a new very special snake friend at Virden's Western Days. Waddell said, "She is lovely and it was a perfect night for a Madagascan boa to make new friends."

Pictured middle: Former Blue Bomber Obby Khan, PC Manitoba leader in a conversation as he made new friends at the Virden Rodeo VIP dinner Friday night. Khan is shown here in conversation with Dianne Hansen, ad sales person for the Virden Empire Advance. Khan was a star with the Bombers and Hansen is an avid Bomber fan.

Pictured right: Any child willing to pet the boa had a chance to do so at Virden's Western Days.

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1975: Neepawa info booth greets over 2,000 guests

By Casper Wehrhahn
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

**125 years ago,
Wednesday,
August 22, 1900**

Note: The entries for 1900 are from The Neepawa Register, as The Press for that year is not fit for regular handling.

There has been quite a boom in the building line in Arden this summer and several fine residences and a commodious school building have been added, vastly increasing the town-like appearance of the place. It is extremely pleasing to have to record such improvements in view of the hard times.

The commodious Massey-Harris warehouse is completed. Messrs. McGill and Hunt are busy getting their display stock of binders, mowers, etc., into position.

On an average about four new cases of typhoid fever per day are admitted to

the general hospital. There are now about 40 cases in the wards. So says the Winnipeg Tribune.

**100 years ago,
Friday,
August 21, 1925**

Glencairn: Sam Babynka, who resided some eight miles northeast of here, died in Winnipeg hospital on August 12 from the effects of a body wound inflicted by a neighbor some two weeks ago in a drunken brawl. Sam Cyepeswick, a neighbor, has been arrested on suspicion and is now in Dauphin jail awaiting trial.

**75 years ago,
Thursday,
August 24, 1950**

One of the few remaining pioneer farmers of the Glendale district is Isaac Kerr, of Neepawa, who marked his 83rd birthday on Friday of last week.

Vatican authorities are disturbed by the increasing

propaganda in favor of birth control which, despite strong church opposition, is gaining ground in many countries of Europe.

Funeral services for Isaac Verschoyle Lord, 74, well known Neepawa resident who died in Winnipeg General Hospital Aug. 16, following a lengthy illness, were held in the United Church here on Aug. 19.

**50 years ago,
Thursday,
August 21, 1975**

[Vina Montgomery] said, so far, over 2,000 people have signed the guest book [for the Information Centre] which is many more than they expected. The book has been signed by people from Germany, Switzerland, other parts of Canada and, of course, our very own Manitoba tourists.

Note: The Information Centre was located on the corner of Main and Fifth in Neepawa.

Erick Dyck, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Dyck of Neepawa, has received the General Motors Scholarship of \$1,000 for high academic standing in third year Engineering at the University of Manitoba. This is the second consecutive year that Eric has won the award. He is presently employed in Calgary with Hudson Bay Oil Co. as a junior engineer and will return to the U. of M. in September.

Vivian Hotel Co. Ltd., Neepawa, are pleased to announce the opening of



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Neepawa used to have an information booth! The booth is pictured here as it appeared around this time in 1975. Vina Montgomery was in charge of the booth, which had received over 2,000 visitors for that year during its hours of operation.

the Town and Country Beauty Salon, Tuesday, Sept. 2. The salon will be located in the Vivian Motor Hotel and Christa Weiss will be the owner-operator.

Mrs. Charlotte Scott, East View Lodge, observed her 90th birthday Friday, Aug. 1. Mrs. Scott was the third resident to enter East View Lodge, after having lived in the Neepawa area all her life. Herson, George, and Mrs. Scott of Erickson, Man., joined her on her birthday for supper.

On July 5, 1975, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stan Drysdale was the scene of a lovely wedding when their daughter, Tannis Jean, was united in marriage with William Alister Skeet.

**20 years ago,
Monday,
August 22, 2005**
Cigarettes may be out of

sight, but most Neepawa retailers have found they certainly aren't out of mind...

Under provincial legislation, retailers had to ensure cigarette and tobacco products were hidden from view beginning last Monday.

Who says there's no such thing as rural cuisine? Certainly not the organizers of the second annual Supper-in-the-Field.

Kathy Swann of Parkland Tourism said when the first supper was proposed last fall, reactions varied, but few were enthusiastic.

Despite a less than stellar reception, Swann forged ahead...

The first supper was a partnership between Parkland and Elkhorn resort. Over 350 people enjoyed a gourmet dinner in a huge white tent set up

in a meadow near Elkhorn Resort last September.

Four regional Red Seal chefs presented their versions of a fall supper, with a menu featuring bison, pickerel, wild boar, roasted vegetables and desserts...

This year, chefs will serve spit-roasted hind quarter of elk, stuffed trout, boiling pot deep-fried turkey, earthen baked beans and roasted potatoes.

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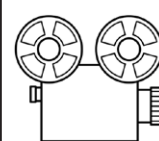
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Tundra

By Chad Carpenter



Putin playing with us all

The timing on this column is a bit awkward as it's Monday morning. This past Friday, President Trump of the United States met with President Putin of Russia.

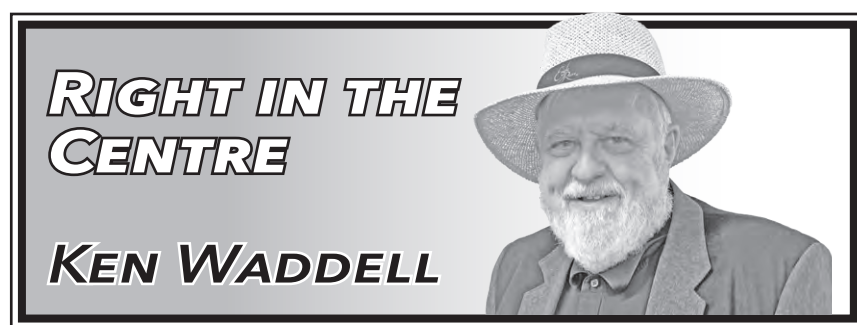
Prior to the meeting, and on several occasions, Trump boasted that he would end the Russia-Ukraine war in short order. That didn't happen, obviously, and it didn't happen last Friday.

I believe that Putin has played Trump like a cheap violin. Putin praises Trump, and Trump, being who he is, soaks it up like a petunia in the sunshine.

Putin and Russia have no intention of ending the Ukraine War until they get the last drop of Ukrainian blood on the ground and have possession of most, or all of Ukraine. The area has been fought over for centuries and it seems there have been few productive lessons learned from history. I believe Putin is upset about Ukraine wanting to join NATO. That could well be, but if Putin, along with former and future Russian leaders, would take a breath and figure out the costs of their misplaced ambitions, Russia could be the power they once thought they were.

If one looks at an interactive historical map of Europe, borders have changed hundreds of times in the last 1000 years. Tyrants, dictators and overly zealous emperors have moved the borders over and over again. That's all Putin is doing. He has the energy, the power, and the forces to do as he pleases. Well, he did until he invaded Ukraine in what was supposed to be a very brief war. He miscalculated. Heavy tanks and equipment can't always cross farm fields easily. Roads clog up and weather delays travel. Russia's poorly trained troops and poorly maintained equipment bogged them down literally.

So, in spite of early failures, Putin



and his headstrong military doubled down and tried a war of attrition. They forgot how hard invaded people can fight back on their home turf. Sabotage, human sacrifice, and devious defence mechanisms can bring about heavy losses, and that has proven to be the case in this war. If military and political leaders would study history and actually learn from it, park their egos, and think, they would come to a better conclusion.

When Russia invaded Ukraine, other countries should have rallied to the cause and given Putin a two word message, "Go Home!"

But, they didn't. Like most historical leaders, they tried to cajole and appease. They supplied munitions to the Ukraine and the war has dragged out with poor results and costs that the rest of us will be paying for. It's very annoying.

Now, with Trump following after Putin like a willing retriever dog, Putin will get what he wants, at least for now. If Putin lives a few more years, he will want more.

How do we know that?

Just look at WWII Germany as Hitler nibbled away at his European neighbours until the whole world was sucked into a war. The answer that should have been given to Putin, that is "Go Home!", should have been given to Hitler on Day 1 of his first invasion. Had European countries, and especially France, stood up to Hitler, there would have not been a WWII.

But here we are today in a bloody mess with no end in sight.

By the time you read this column, there may be some kind of Russia-Ukraine truce, but I doubt it will last.

What should happen is that all countries should hunker in and build their economy by means of internal and external trade. There are billions of people to feed, clothe, and equip for what could be a bright future for all if the efforts and money put into war would be geared to peaceful commerce, trade, culture, and yes, feeding everyone.

Putin and Trump are theoretically smart men, but they are not using their power properly. I will give Trump credit for aiming for peace, but he needs to stand up to Putin and say "Go Home!" and when that happens the world can perhaps stop the absolute futility of war and live in the security that God has set us up to achieve. When there is peace, there is prosperity. When war strikes, famine follows closely behind.

Ironically, Putin doesn't need to be a war monger for Russia to prosper and he should know that. I think Trump knows that but has trouble with his ego getting in the way. I guess somehow cutting ribbons for the opening of a flour mill and bread factory doesn't rank as high as military parades.

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Homebodies

RITA FRIESEN



"I'll get me home"....

Studies show that everyone dreams. Frequently. And therefore, I must also dream, frequently. However, I seldom recall a dream, let alone with any degree of clarity. That's why this dream was so outstanding.

The setting was a semi public building, split level, with a wide staircase. The players were a hodgepodge of familiar and unfamiliar. One very familiar couple, now well into middle age, had just had a baby, as had one of their children. So that makes child and grandchild the same age. While we were gathered informally, a fire siren blasted. The bins and augers of the local grain elevator were engulfed. The call was for evacuation. Immediately meet at the muster station, a near by school. In this dream, and thankfully it was a dream, I could not find my shoes or my jacket. And I would not leave without them. What I did find was a pair of fuchsia colored runners, rather like soccer shoes. They fit and I took them. I did leave without a jacket, but chose to push a lawn mower to the meeting place. Walking past the elevator, I noted that the blaze had been extinguished and only the bins and augers gone. Needless to say, I arrived late. After hiding the mower in some bushes I encountered the supervisor for the evacuation. 'you missed the bus out.' 'I know.' 'what are you going to do?'. 'I'll get myself home!'. And I woke up. Again, thankfully it was only a dream.

You know how, when you wake up, you try to figure out what triggered the dream and how it may pertain to your life? With the news being filled with fire and evacuation stories it made sense to think about them after falling asleep. Why Lisa had a baby at her age- I have no idea! But several family members have just had little ones and more are carrying. So that could be a trigger. Take a lawn mower? Not a riding mower, but a push one. That could only slow me down. Again, mowing lawns and the sounds of lawn mowers are fairly common these days..so, ok.

What struck me as I reviewed the dream was the calm assurance I experienced while searching for footwear, while walking past the scene of the fire, and the awareness that I missed the bus out. No panic, steady and steadfast approach to the task at hand. And then, again, the calm assurance that I would get myself home. Not a plan in place, not a person to rely on. But the assurance that I would get myself home.

I do think of myself as self reliant, a problem solver, and capable. I do not embrace danger, look for anxiety producing moments (no high risk adventures for me!) nor am I one to too frequently disobey orders or bend too many rules. (Check with family and friends on that one!)

I will spend more time dissecting this dream, it's so seldom that I remember one that there must be a reason for this one. I will laugh at myself for spending so much time on the project!

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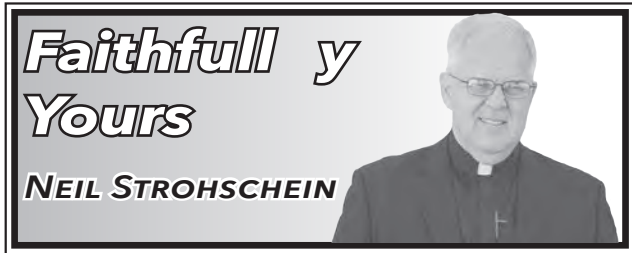
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Look for the fruit

Many years ago, I heard nine words that radically changed my life. They came from a recorded message by the leader of a missionary society that sent personnel into some of the most difficult places on earth for Christian missions. He spoke of the challenges faced by those who answer God's call to work in these places; and of the struggles he and his staff face when helping them cope with those challenges.

"Many of our personnel come from Colleges and Seminaries in North America," he said. "They believe they have the faith and spiritual maturity we seek in those who choose to serve in the places where we work. As evidence, they point to times of enlightenment, renewal, revival and significant spiritual growth they experienced while in training."

Then came the words that changed my life. "We tell these people that we don't want to hear about their spiritual experiences for one year," he said. "We want to see the fruit on the



tree." In other words, this man and those who worked with him wanted to see how the faith and maturity these "first-termers" claimed to have would stand up to the harsh realities of missionary life; and how their faith, hope and love would increase when they had to face issues and challenges for which they were totally unprepared.

I have applied those words to every federal, provincial and municipal government that has come to power since I was first eligible to vote. Those elected weren't always the ones I voted for. But since, hey received the most votes, they won the right to govern; a right I always have and always will respect. But trust isn't something governments win on election day. It is earned by governing with

integrity and passing laws that benefit all citizens equally. To discern that, we need honest answers to hard questions.

For example, are the promises people make realistic, rash or just rhetoric? How do they react when faced with sudden emergencies, on-going crises or the fact that a service club, government or church does not have sufficient cash on hand to pay for their promises? Will they be humble enough to admit that a proposed solution to a specific problem may be the worst option and not the best? Will they listen to and collaborate with those they lead and jointly come up with sustainable initiatives that will provide the greatest benefit for the money spent? And will they keep their promises to do so?

When preparing to vote in an election, or when evaluating our leaders to determine if they still deserve our trust, we have every right to ask these questions and more. But we should not be surprised when people use the same questions when evaluating the work we do in our community, business, service club or church. If we expect others to earn our trust, we must be prepared to work just as hard to earn theirs.

In the Sermon on the Mount (see Matthew 7:15ff), Jesus spoke of people who, on the outside appeared to be honest, upright and caring people; but who, on the inside were evil, corrupt, manipulative and determined to use others for personal gain. You will know them by their fruits, he said. So, look for the fruit on the tree. He did, and so should we.

It is time we took Jesus' words seriously and let "the fruit we see on the tree" determine how we support our current leaders and who we will choose to replace them when their terms of office expire.

Letters

Canola is a way of life

Dear Editor,

Every July in Southwestern Manitoba, the fields begin to glow with a golden hue. It's not actual gold - it's canola. Across the Parkland and Westman regions, these rolling fields have sustained families for generations. It's more than a crop; it's a way of life, a livelihood, and a vital part of our national economy.

But this year, farmers across our region are watching their hard work turn into uncertainty. China's new 75 per cent tariff on Canadian canola seed isn't just a trade decision—it's a direct hit on our communities. When added to existing 100 per cent tariffs on canola meal, oil, pork, peas, seafood, and the complete ban on Canadian beef, it's clear that China is doing everything it can to squeeze Canadian producers out of the market.

The impact will be devastating. In 2024, Canada exported \$5 billion in canola to China. That revenue helps pay mortgages, hire local workers, support equipment dealers, and keep rural towns alive. And yet, the federal Liberal government — led by Prime Minister Mark Carney — is nowhere to be seen.

This follows the Canadian government's implementation of 100 per cent tariffs on Chinese electric vehicles (EVs) along with a 25 per cent tariff on their steel and aluminum products. While these tariffs were implemented to protect Eastern Canadian jobs, they have come at a steep cost to Western Canadian farmers, businesses, and communities.

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BP Archives: The 1980 Neepawa Blades!



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Pictured here are members of the 1980 Neepawa Blades! The photo is dated to Feb. 21, 1980, when it made an appearance in The Neepawa Press.

Team members were, starting in the back row from left to right: Coach-Manager, Lionel Dagg, Yvonne Bremner, Mary Kimball, Barb Sellman and Dawn Henton. Front row: Pat Kimball, Kathy Kaspick, Kim Dagg, Kathy Michalchuk and Mavis Dagg. Missing are: Muriel Gamey and Joan Nugent.

Thumbs up, thumbs down



Something needs to be done about hwy. 16 going through town. It's so busy and incredibly annoying. Can't even cross the street. Only one pedestrian crossing doesn't do it. Add more crossings or traffic lights. Wonder how nobody has been killed yet!!

Colin Whelan
Neepawa, MB



To the life guards at the Neepawa Pool: Great job done especially as they had to spend time under water to vacuum the pool as the vacuum in pool was not operating.

Bernice Baker
Neepawa, MB

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HELEN DRYSDALE

OUT OF HELEN'S KITCHEN

Pickles

I have had a busy summer preserving summer's bountiful harvest. It's been tempting to romanticize our grandmothers' many jars of preserves in neat rows upon the basement shelves, but instead I reflected upon their tenacity to provide for their families. Canning, drying, pickling and preserving to have enough food for the winter was hard work. I do not have a wood stove to do my canning on and the hot and cold running water makes my work a breeze compared to my female ancestors. I am sure those hard working ladies measured their accomplishment by the quantities of provisions stored away in those cellars for the long winter months. Today I have the luxury of preserving what I like to eat and not be worried about having enough supplies to last the cold winter months.

Crisp pickle slices

- 16 cups sliced medium cucumbers

6 medium onions, sliced

2 red peppers, diced

3 cloves of garlic

1/3 cup pickling salt
- 4 cups white sugar

2 tsp. turmeric

2 tsp. celery seed

3 Tbsp. mustard seed

3 cups vinegar

Wash and do not peel cucumbers. Slice thinly. Add onions, peppers and whole garlic cloves. Add salt, cover with ice and mix thoroughly. Let stand 3 hours; drain well. In a large pot bring the remaining ingredients to a boil. Add the vegetables and bring back to a boil. Immediately seal in hot sterilized jars. This makes about 5 quart jars.

This zesty pickled vegetable blend is a great way to use up fresh produce from your garden.

Autumn Relish

- 4 cups chopped ripe tomatoes

3 cups chopped cabbage

4 cups chopped cucumber

2 cups chopped onion

1 cup chopped green bell pepper

1 cup chopped red bell pepper

1/2 cup pickling salt
- 4 cups white vinegar

3 cups sugar

2 tsp. dry mustard

1 tsp. celery seeds

1 tsp. turmeric

1 tsp. paprika

1 tsp. red pepper flakes (optional)

2 Tbsp. cornstarch blended with 3 Tbsp. water

Prepare the Vegetables: In a large mixing bowl, combine the tomatoes, cabbage, cucumber, onion, green and red bell peppers. Sprinkle with salt and let stand overnight. Drain well making sure to press out all liquid. In a large pot combine vinegar, sugar, mustard, celery seeds, turmeric, paprika and red pepper flakes. Bring to a boil. Add the drained vegetable mixture and return to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer for 30 minutes. Stir in the cornstarch and cook for a few minutes more, stirring until thickened.

Pack into sterilized canning jars, leaving 1/2 inch of headspace. Use a thin knife to remove any air bubbles from the jars and top it off if needed. Wipe jar rims clean, then cover with lids and screw bands on until fingertip tight. Place the filled jars in a boiling water bath and process them for 10 minutes. Remove jars and allow to cool completely.

This simple recipe makes tasty and crisp homemade pickled jalapeños slices for the lovers of heat.

Pickled jalapeños peppers

- 1 lb. jalapeños peppers

1 cup vinegar

1/2 cup water

1/2 cup sugar
- 1 tsp. pickling salt

2 tsp. pickling spice

2 cloves garlic, halved

Slice Peppers: Wash peppers and cut off stems. Slice peppers into 1/4-inch thick rings. Wear gloves for this step to avoid burning your hands. In a medium pot combine the vinegar, water, sugar, salt, and pickling spices. Bring to a boil over medium heat, stirring occasionally, about five minutes.

Meanwhile place a piece of garlic into the bottom of 2 sterilized pint jars. Divide peppers between jars. Top with the two remaining pieces of garlic. Pour the pickling liquid over the peppers to one half inch from the rim. Wipe jar rims clean, then cover with lids and screw bands on until fingertip tight. Place the filled jars in a boiling water bath and process them for 10 minutes. Remove jars and allow to cool completely.

Letter to the Editor: Canada being muscled out

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Carney promised Canadians he would be a master negotiator, capable of solving complex global trade disputes. But under his watch, things have only gotten worse. Canada is being muscled out of key markets: the U.S. has doubled tariffs on our softwood lumber, Mexico is giving our ministers the cold shoulder, and Europe is spending \$750 billion on U.S. instead of Canadian energy.

Here in Southwestern Manitoba, farmers sowed their canola this spring, believing that this government would resolve the crisis. Instead, they're facing another harvest with

fewer buyers and more barriers. While farmers sacrifice and adapt, Ottawa remains silent.

Conservatives are standing up for these producers. We are demanding that the federal government take real action — starting with the cancellation of a \$1 billion loan to BC Ferries to buy ships from Chinese shipyards. If China is targeting our farmers, they should not be rewarded with Canadian contracts and Canadian tax dollars.

This is not just about numbers or diplomacy. It's about people — hard-working Canadians who wake before dawn, work through weather and risk, and expect their govern-

ment to have their backs when times get tough.

The Liberal government's failure is not just a political issue — it's a moral one. Conservatives are ready to work across the aisle to restore access to existing markets while also expanding into new markets. Will the Liberal government commit to doing the same?

The farmers of Southwestern Manitoba — and across Canada — deserve more than empty promises. They deserve action. And if this government won't stand up for them, Conservatives will.

Sincerely,
Levi Cottingham
Birtle, Manitoba

Cattle market report

By Blaine Huston
GLADSTONE AUCTION

We had a bit of a smaller sale to start off the sale season. The market was still really strong this week on all types of classes. We sold 323 head of cattle through the ring in Gladstone on Tuesday, Aug. 19! Cows and bulls sold with soaring demand. Feeding type cows and heiferettes are still selling strong. High Yielding cows traded from 205 to 2.20. Feeding type

cows are ranging between 220 to 245. Bulls traded strong 230 to 2.50

We didn't have very many feeders but that didn't affect the prices!

We had a herd dispersal of fall bred cows and they sold for \$5000-5900!

We had 766 pound crossbred yearling steers bring \$5.23 a pound that works out to \$4007.00 a head!!

As you can see, we had a very powerful market on Tuesday in Gladstone.

Gladstone Auction Mart
Cattle Market Report

Aug. 19, 2025

Steers

4-500 lbs.	\$6.50 to 7.31
5-600 lbs.	\$6.22 to 7.11
6-700 lbs.	\$5.29 to 6.00
7-800 lbs.	\$4.50 to 5.40
8-900 lbs.	\$4.33 to 4.98
900+ lbs.	\$3.20 to 4.01
Bulls	\$2.30 to 2.50

Heifers

4-500 lbs.	\$4.95 to 5.80
5-600 lbs.	\$5.34 to 6.10
6-700 lbs.	\$4.45 to 5.42
7-800 lbs.	\$3.85 to 4.75
8-900 lbs.	\$3.50 to 4.60
900+ lbs.	\$3.15 to 3.85
Cows	\$2.20 to 2.45

323 head sold

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Nutrien Ag Solutions (Canada) proposes to upgrade its existing operations in Ninga by relocating two dry fertilizer operations from two sites, one in Gladstone, the other at another Nutrien operation also located in Ninga to an existing operation located at SE 6-3-18 WPM in the Municipality of Killarney-Turtle Mountain. The proposed upgrade includes the transfer of a seven-bin dry fertilizer system and two hopper bins.

This proposal can be viewed at www.manitoba.ca/sd/eal/registries

Anyone affected by the proposal who wishes to provide feedback should submit their comments using the online form at www.manitoba.ca/sd/eal/registries by September 05, 2025.

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Manitoba youth Beef Round-Up 2025 results

Banner Staff
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

Note: This article was written with information courteously provided by the Manitoba youth Beef Round-Up. All names are spelled, and awards listed, as per the details provided to the Neepawa Banner & Press.

The 18th annual Manitoba Youth Beef Round-Up was certainly a busy event! As stated in the report from the Round-Up in last week's paper, a total of 109 youth participated and 122 head of cattle were gathered at the Stride Exhibition Place in Neepawa.

Featured this week are the awards results for the 2025 youth Beef Round-Up.

Individual Judging
(Sponsored by Mazergroup)
Junior: Kerri-Ann Walker, Brynn Steppler. Intermediate: Abbey deRocquigny, Chase Airey. Senior: Carson Baker, Thomas Allen.

Team Judging and Sales Talk
(Sponsored by Manitoba Charolais Association)
Pee-Wee: Bexley McIntosh. Junior: Braydon Steppler. Intermediate: Rhett Sigurdson and Brynn Chapman; Chase Ailey and Averi Jury. Senior: Carson Baker and Thomas Allen; Cora Baker and Keira Duguid.

Agribition Judging Team
(Sponsored by Manitoba Beef Producers)
Carson Baker, Thomas Allen, Cora Baker and Kara deRocquigny.

Bob Gordon Memorial Award
(Sponsored by Bob Gordon family)
This award is presented to the top overall judge. The recipient for this year's award was Carson Baker.

Photography
(Sponsored by Gordon and Diane Peters)
Pee-Wee: Benson Bootsmann, Braxton Fehr. Junior: Juliana Veldhuis, Ella Sellman. Intermediate: Kendra Ginsburg, Emery Griffin. Senior: Cora Baker, Keira Duguid.

Graphic Design
Pee-Wee: Paisley Baron,

Britton Canary. Junior: Reid Duguid, Emerson Sissons. Intermediate: Orla Duguid, Chase Airey. Senior: Keira Duguid, Sigga Vigfusson.

Art
Pee-Wee: Bexley McIntosh, Nadia Dekeyser. Junior: Emerson Sissons, Reid Duguid. Intermediate: Brycen Frecon, Orla Duguid. Senior: Cora Baker, Kara deRocquigny.

Scrapbook
Pee-Wee: Bexley McIntosh, Paisley Baron. Junior: Emersyn Sissons, Khloe Stocki. Intermediate: Kiera Boulton, Kendra Hinsburg. Senior: Keira Duguid, Cora Baker.

Cook-off
(Sponsored by Enns Brothers Equipment)
Team 18, comprised of: Declynn Album, Rhett Sigurdson, Cohen Canart, Keirsten Davey, Hannah Tibbett, Reese Williamson.

Team Grooming
(Sponsored by Manitoba Charolais Association)
•Pee-Wee/Junior: Team 18–Cohen Canart, Kirsten Davey, Hannah Tibbett and Reese Williamson. Team 6–Blake Airey, Cheta Franken, William Keen and Weston Manz.
•Intermediate/Senior: Team 17–Brynn Chapman and Emery Griffin. Team 14–Kate Ginsburg and Keira Boulton.

Ag Challenge
(Sponsored by Mazergroup)
Team 7, comprised of: Otto Veldhuis, Keegan Dyke, Gracey Wilkinson, Blake Griffin, Brooklyn Holliday and Keidon Sissons.

All Star Team
This award is presented to a team that worked well together throughout the event. The recipient this year was Team 14, comprised of: Kate Hinsburg, Kiera Boulton, Britton Canart, William Cuthill and McGoy Glasman.

Digger Award
This award recognizes an individual who worked hard and always offered a helping hand. This year's award was presented to Tristin Rea.

Young Handler Award
The young Handler Award is honours an individual who presents themselves and their animal well in the show ring. The 2025 recipient of this award was Blake Airey.

Herdsman Award
(Sponsored by Gordon and Diane Peters)
The Herdsman Award is for the best presented stall. This year's recipient was the Sigaurdson/Veldhuis Stall, comprised of: Brock Sigaurdson, Rhett Sigaurdson, Otto Veldhuis, Casper Veldhuis and Juliana Veldhuis.

Leadership Award
(Sponsored by Manitoba Beef Producers)
The Leadership Award recognizes an individual who shows exemplary leadership qualities throughout the event. This \$500 award was received by Cora Baker.

Round-Up Scholarship
Carson Baker, receiving \$1,500.

Aggregate Award
(Belt buckles sponsored by Enns Brothers Equipment)
Pee-Wee: Bexley McIntosh. Junior: Reid Duguid. Intermediate: Kendra Hinsburg. Senior: Cora Baker.

Showmanship
Pee-Wee: Bexley McIntosh, Benson Bootsmann. Junior: Brynn Steppler, Brayden Steppler. Intermediate: Harley McCauley, Broiler Franken. Senior: Brock Sigurdson, Otto Veldhuis.

Cattle Show results
-Angus-
•**Calves:** Champion Angus Bull Calf–Brycen Frecon; Reserve Champion Angus Bull Calf–Carson Baker; Champion Angus Heifer Calf–Ellie Nolan; Reserve Champion Angus Heifer Calf–Nadia Dekeyser.
•**Female:** Champion Angus Female Born 2024–Brynn Chapman; Reserve Champion Angus Female Born 2024–Kate Hinsburg.
•**Female with Calf:** Champion Angus Female Born 2023 with Calf–

Kendra Hinsburg; Reserve Champion Angus Female Born 2023 with Calf–Carson Baker.
•**Champion Angus Female:** Brynn Chapman with Roy Mac Erica 22M.
•**Reserve Champion Angus Female:** Kate Hinsburg with KCH Annie K 412M.

-Hereford-
•**Female:** champion Hereford Female Born 2024–Khloe Stocki; Reserve Champion Hereford Female Born 2024–Madeline McCauley.
•**Champion Hereford Female:** Khloe Stocki with GRHK 38J Dew 44M.
•**Reserve Champion Hereford Female:** Madeline McCauley with SNBR HM Marigold 104M.

-Simmental-
•**Bull Calf:** Champion Simmental Bull Calf–Abbey deRocquigny; Reserve Champion Simmental Bull Calf–Bexley McIntosh.
•**Heifer Calf:** Champion Simmental Heifer Calf–Kate Hinsburg; Reserve Champion Simmental Heifer Calf–Brooke Collins.
•**Female:** Champion Simmental Female Born 2024–Brynn Steppler; Reserve Champion Simmental Female Born 2024–Brock Sigurdson.
•**Female with Calf:** Champion Simmental Female Born 2023 with Calf–Bexley McIntosh; Reserve champion Simmental Female Born 2023 with Calf–Brooke Collins.
•**Mature Female Born with Calf:** Champion Mature Simmental Female Born with Calf–Kate Hinsburg; Reserve Champions mature Simmental Female Born with Calf–Cooper Lafreniere.
•**Champion Simmental Female:** Bexley McIntosh with MRK Brave 311L and MRK Mr. McIntosh 503N.

•**Reserve Champion Simmental Female:** Brynn Steppler with McIntosh Lulu 12M.

-Commercial-
•**Bull Calf:** Champion Commercial Bull Calf–Jaylynn Lynch; Reserve Champion Commercial Bull Calf–Emily Murray.
•**Heifer Calf:** Champion Commercial Heifer Calf–Camryn Armstrong. Reserve Champion Commercial Heifer Calf–Hanley Fehr.

•**Female:** Champion Commercial Female Born 2024–Camryn Armstrong; Reserve Champion Commercial Female Born 2024–Rhett Sigurdson.
•**Female with Calf:** Champion Commercial Female Born 2023 with Calf–Camryn Armstrong. Reserve Champion Commercial Female Born 2023 with Calf–Hanley Fehr.
•**Mature Commercial Female Born with Calf:** Steine Vigfusson.
•**Champion Commercial Female:** Camryn Armstrong with Pair Loretta and Nova.
•**Reserve Champion Commercial Female:** Camryn Armstrong with Miss Montie 57M.


-Charolais-
•**Heifer Calf:** Champion Charolais Heifer Calf–Paisley Baron; Reserve Champion Charolais Heifer Calf–Brianna Snowden.
•**Female:** Champion Charolais Female Born 2024–Chase Airey; Reserve Champion Charolais Female Born 2024–Abby Snowden.
•**Champion Charolais Female:** Chase Airey with SVY Starstruck 437M.
•**Reserve Champion Charolais Female:** Abbey Snowden with Hidden Lake My Moo 87M.

-All Other Breeds-
•**Champion All Other Breeds Female:** Sigga Vigfusson with Head for the Hills Polka Dot.
•**Reserve Champion All Other Breeds Female:** Castleton Scott with Armc Remington rose 16M.

-4-H Parade of Champions-
•Brynn Steppler (Miami Club), McIntosh Lulu 12M.
•Isla Lussier (Mountain View Club), Trixie.
•Kate Hinsburg (Rapid City Club), KCH Malibu 401M.
•Brycen Frecon (Alida Club), RRW Kandy 409M.
•Chase Airey (Rivers Club), SVY Starstruck 437M.
•Rhett Sigurdson (Oakville Club), Daisey.
•Ivey Allen (Prairie Mountain Club), PBHR Taylor Swift 18E 88M.
•Averi Jury (Neepawa Club), 5M Minnie.
•Sawyer Morrison (Treherne Club), Ellie Maria.
•Keirsten Davey (Portage Club), Twd Mabel 1M.
•Declynn Allum (Carnduff Club), Longview Blush 65M.


-Supreme Female Top Five-
1) Bexley McIntosh–MRK Brave 311L with bull calf
2) Brynn Steppler–McIntosh Lulu 12M.
3) Brynn Chapman–Roy Mac Erica 22M.
4) Chase Airey–SVY Starstruck 437M.
5) Brycen Frecon–RRW Kandy 409M.

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New admin building planned for North Cypress-Langford

By Ken Waddell
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

The RM of North Cypress-Langford is planning a move. The current RM admin building has been put up for sale. In an interview with the Neepawa Banner & Press, North Cypress-Langford CAO Teresa Parker said, “The council is planning to move to a more central location. The current building was moved to its current location in 2009.” It has been renovated for administrative use and is a modern looking building.

The North Cypress-Langford office is located in Carberry. On Jan. 5, 2015, the Rural Municipality of Langford and the Rural Municipality of North Cypress were “officially” amalgamated by way of regulation to

establish the Municipality of North Cypress-Langford. The first North Cypress-Langford council was elected at the Oct. 22, 2014 general election.

“Old Langford” borders Neepawa on the south, east and west and while commercial enterprises such as Mazer Equipment, Enns Bros. and the Neepawa Airport appear to be part of Neepawa, these lands actually sit within the jurisdiction of the North Cypress-Langford. Although the airport and the industrial park are owned by the Town of Neepawa,



PHOTO FROM RM OF NORTH CYPRESS-LANGFORD
The current North Cypress-Langford municipal building, which has been put up for sale.

it’s actually located in North Cypress-Langford. After amalgamation, the RM closed the former Langford office in Neepawa at the Beautiful Plains County Court Building. The BP county Court Building is jointly owned by North Cypress-Langford, the RM of Rosedale

and the Town of Neepawa. Built in 1883, it was established as a government headquarters for the County of Beautiful Plains.

down from the Beautiful Plains County Court Building Partnership. The BP County Court Building is jointly and equally

owned (i.e. 1/3 each). Any future ownership changes would require another amendment to the provincial act.

On occasion, ratepayers in the former Langford portion have complained about having to do municipal business such as paying tax and water bills at the Carberry location when they were used to being able to conduct municipal business closer to home at the County Court building.

The BP County Court Building is now used by the RM of Rosedale, the Neepawa and District Chamber of Commerce and various other local non-profit organizations.

BP Museum history: Dumfries School District



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE BEAUTIFUL PLAINS MUSEUM

Pictured here is a scene from the Dumfries School District, dated to 1954. Names for those pictured were not listed.

By Casper Wehrhahn
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

The Dumfries School District was first formed in 1884, when construction was completed for a building on the northwest corner of SW7-14-14W. This is in what is now known as the Municipality of North Cypress-Langford!

A new school was built on SE14-14-15

in 1903, using land purchased from an individual by the name of James Hall. This school would close in June of 1966.

Some of the teachers who worked at the Dumfries School were: Nellie B. Hunter, John. L. Gerow, and Hazel Maria Kellington— the individual for whom Neepawa’s Hazel M. Kellington School is named.



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The Beautiful Plains County Court Building in Neepawa used to have the RM of Langford office in it. The RM of North Cypress-Langford is still a one-third owner of the Beautiful Plains County Court Building.

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Harvest Sun Music Festival: 20 years and rising

By Rob Waddell
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

This year's Harvest Sun Music Festival in Kelwood was a special one marking 20 years of a Manitoba treasure. With events at the Kelwood Community Hall, Campground and Arboretum, folks got to enjoy walking around and see the beauty that small Parkland towns have to offer. With the hall decorated with willow, fabric, rugs and lights to host the "prairie portal", musicians and fans alike were treated to a magical experience.

The campground stage was host to morning yoga, zany antics by the James



Culleton SuperFun show, a light breeze, and shade in the old oak trees. A grand time by all reports!

COURTESY OF HARVEST SUN
Pictured are some scenes from the recent Harvest Sun Music Festival, which marked its 20th year in Kelwood. The music festival provided plenty of entertainment for people of all ages to enjoy.



Local ties for third in Virden



Shelby Gillies of Neepawa tied for third in the Ladies Break Away Roping competition at the 2025 Virden Indoor Rodeo. Mounted on her horse Kinney, she hit a time of 2.9 seconds. Gillies was pretty happy with her placing and the rodeo overall. She said, "It's really big, an awesome event that they put on." The Virden Indoor Rodeo has been voted "Best Rodeo in Canada" for 2022, 2023 and 2024.

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Minnedosa Fun Fest a good time for all



PHOTOS BY CASPER WEHRHAHN AND EOIN DEVEREUX
Minnedosa’s Fun Fest weekend seemed to have something for everybody. Pictured here are some scenes from the Parade, book sale and car show. However, there were also a plethora of other activities, such as live music, food trucks, bouncy castles, face painting and more!

All treats, no tricks



PHOTOS BY CASPER WEHRHAHN
Neepawa’s Dairy Queen was offering up one double whammy of a treat on Thursday, Aug. 14. That day, from the hours of 10:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., was the 2025 edition of its annual, and ever well received, Miracle Treat Day. While ice cream is a sweet treat by itself, the sweetest treat of all during this annual event is the fact that funds raised from blizzards purchased benefit Children’s Miracle Network and the Children’s Hospital Foundation of Manitoba.
Staff were working hard serving up smiles, assisted by youth volunteers from the Yellowhead Day Camp. This is the second year the Day Camp youths have assisted during Miracle Treat Day, and all reported an exciting and fun time.



Stride Credit Union introduces the Stride Forward Fund

Manitoba – August 21, 2025: Stride Credit Union has long been a fervent supporter of our communities – from youth sports teams to charity golf tournaments to music festivals and beyond. Stride has also proudly supported larger impact projects such as Beautiful Plains Ag Society grounds in Neepawa, the Community Centre in Austin, the Habitat for Humanity build in Neepawa, the Oakville Hall and Stride Place in Portage la Prairie. These types of projects often require years of planning and fundraising and long-term commitment from volunteers and community members.

The team at Stride Credit Union wanted to have a clearly defined program that could positively impact larger projects in our communities. Today, the team at Stride Credit Union is proud to introduce the **Stride Forward Fund**. This Fund will help encourage growth in the communities that we serve and will continue Stride Credit Union’s longstanding investment in social, environmental, and economic progress.

The Stride Forward Fund will have an application intake period from September 1-October 3, 2025. The application process has been thoughtfully designed to ensure accessibility for eligible community groups, non-profits and other project committee members.

Stride Credit Union will be giving away \$200,000.00 for the inaugural granting period through the Stride Forward Fund. The funds will be available to community groups, non-profits and other initiatives in the following areas:

- **Portage Area** (up to \$70K)
- **Neepawa Area** (up to \$60K)
- **Gladstone Area** (up to \$30K)
- **MacGregor Area** (up to \$20K)
- **Austin area** (up to \$20K)

The Stride Forward Fund is an exciting extension of the commitment Stride Credit Union has made to rural Manitoba for many years. Successful applications will feel the immediate impact of the larger grant amount and the communities will reap the benefits of these projects coming to life. For more information, please visit strideforwardfund.ca and our website stridecu.ca.

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Gill & Schmall Dream Ride Park officially open



PHOTO BY JOSHUA JACKSON

On Aug. 18, the Gill & Schmall Dream Ride Park held a ribbon cutting ceremony. From left to right. Don Schmall, Dream ride kids Kendall, Evie and Maiya and Brad Walker.

By Joshua Jackson
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

It was a dream come true as the ribbon was officially cut on the new Gill & Schmall Dream Ride Park.

A barbecue was held on Aug. 18 to celebrate the opening of the park, located beside Neepawa's Gill & Schmall, at 371 Mountain Avenue.

The park features include wheelchair accessible tables, a hard-top gazebo, and plenty of places for families to sit and enjoy Neepawa's core while surrounded by lush flower beds.

Dream Ride co-organizer Marsha Forgue said the new park downtown is for everyone.

"It's a place downtown where people can take their lunch or go and visit and sit. We didn't really have that downtown. You could go to Riverbend, but there could be issues for seniors to go up and down a hill," she said. "Dream Ride is a Neepawa event created in 2020, and it's raised \$237,000. That's because of the Neepawa and area community alongside the cyclists and walkers who participate. To be able to have a fixture of the Dream Ride in our town is special."

The Dream Ride started after a small group of cyclists rode through Clear Lake with a goal to raise \$5,000. The event has since ballooned into an annual event that sees many cyclists tackle the hills of Riding Mountain for a worthy cause.



PHOTO BY JOSHUA JACKSON

A barbecue was held during the Gill & Schmall Dream Ride Park grand opening, which raised \$1,221 for the Dream Factory, with Gill and Schmall rounding the donation up to \$2,000. The proceeds will go to the Dream Factory.

The Dream Factory is a Manitoba-based charity that strives to create joyful experiences for kids battling life-threatening illnesses while offering meaningful support to the families.

The Barbecue that was held also raised \$1,221 for the Dream Factory, with Gill and Schmall rounding the donation up to \$2,000.

Forgue is grateful to Gill and Schmall Agencies for donating the land, as well as many businesses and volunteers who donated time, money, materials, and services to make the Dream Ride Park a reality. A special thanks also goes to those who donated to the park through fundraisers such as MAYkin, Krispy Kreme, Val's Pies, and Brews 'n Bites.

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Party at Polonia



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It was a party for all ages on Aug 16 and 17 as residents young and old came out to celebrate the 140th anniversary celebrations take place at Huns Valley.

By Joshua Jackson
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

The village of Polonia (known as Huns Valley) turned into a party town over the Aug. 16 weekend, as hundreds of spectators came out to celebrate the 140th anniversary of Huns Valley.

The community was first settled over two days on Aug. 16 and 17, 1885, hence the dates of the celebration. Those who settled here were part of what was known as the Hungarian

Colonization. A movement that included individuals immigrating from Hungary, as well as those from countries that were under Austro-Hungarian rule at the time. The area settled was christened as New Hungary, and the post office was named Huns Valley.

The planning committee anticipated 300 people in attendance and planned accordingly, but the interest grew well beyond that number, as upwards of 600 people flocked to the anniversary party to celebrate.

The event kicked off with an opening ceremony, then, throughout the weekend, patrons had the opportunity to go on a bus tour to learn about the area's history, dance the night away to music, participate in kids' activities, purchase souvenirs, try their luck at the silent auction, homestead tours, displays and pictures.

On Sunday, the crowd was treated to breakfast and a Mass was held dedicated to family ancestors and Our Lady of Czestochowa.

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'I couldn't have asked for a warmer welcome'

Neepawa Chamber introduces new office administrator Bechtel Lanutan

By Casper Wehrhahn
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

The Neepawa & District Chamber of Commerce officially welcomed a new office administrator and member services coordinator recently. This individual is Bechtel (Becca) Lanutan, who is succeeding outgoing office administrator and coordinator Jennifer Wiebe. Lanutan's first official day holding office was July 21.

"I couldn't have asked for a warmer welcome. From the beginning, I've had the privilege of being mentored by Jennifer, whose guidance and support have made my transition into the role incredibly smooth and inspiring," said Lanutan. "Her mentorship has helped me understand the heart of the Chamber and how we serve our members—and I'm so grateful for that foundation as I grow into this position."

Lanutan added, "I've always been passionate about connecting with people and creating positive experiences—whether through events, conversations, or community initiatives. The Chamber's mission to support local businesses and foster community growth deeply resonated with me. This role felt like a natural fit, combining my love for organization, communication, and relationship-building in a space that values collaboration and innovation."

Lanutan also holds a business diploma from Canadore College in Ontario, which she notes provided her with "a strong foundation in administration, marketing and customer service". She has also organized a combination of corporate and family events.

"I thrive in environments where I can make people feel welcomed and valued," said Lanutan.

A prosperous future

Wiebe had previously held the position for six years, beginning as a social media person (one year),



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Bechtel (Becca) Lanutan.

then junior administrator (two years) and finally acting executive director and office administrator (last three years).

"I have thoroughly enjoyed working with the Chamber for these past 6 years and feel that it is a great time for someone new to take the reins and bring new ideas and skills to help our membership progress to the next level in our rapidly growing community," said Wiebe. "It has been a privilege to bring a new midway company to our annual fair after Covid and see it become a family favorite. I am also glad to have started a new event, our 'morning coffee mixers', that give members another way of meeting up to network and receive info and training. I feel now is a great time to give someone else a chance to expand on the Chambers growth possibilities."

Wiebe added, "The Chamber of Commerce board has been a wonderful group of people to work with over the years. They have helped me to hone my skills with professionalism and patience. I wish to thank all the members and volunteers that I have worked with over

the years and wish them a prosperous future."

While Wiebe currently doesn't have a specific plan after retiring from her role in the Chamber, she is looking forward to enjoying the rest of summer, tending to her garden, and perhaps take some courses in the fall.

As for Lanutan's look into the future, she shared a word of gratitude and excitement.

"I'd just like to say how grateful I am to be part of such a vibrant and welcoming community. I believe that every person has a story worth hearing, and I'm excited to learn from each member I meet," said Lanutan. "If you ever drop by the office, expect a warm smile and a genuine conversation—I'm here to help, connect, and grow with you."



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'Deeply disappointed'

Industry statement on China's preliminary Canadian canola seed imports ruling



PHOTO BY JOSHUA JACKSON

With fall quickly approaching, a canola field east of Neepawa owned by Jason McLaren gets swathed so it can dry and be harvested.

Media Release CCC AND CCGA

The Canola Council of Canada (CCC) and Canadian Canola Growers Association (CCGA) are deeply disappointed with last week's preliminary ruling by China's Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM) as part of its anti-dumping investigation into Canadian canola seed imports. In its ruling, MOFCOM announced the imposition of a 75.8 per cent duty, collected in the form of a deposit, on all Canadian canola seed shipments as of Aug. 14, 2025.

Since the beginning of China's anti-dumping investigation in September 2024, the Canadian canola industry has been consistent in its position that Canada's canola trade with China is aligned with and supports rules-based trade, fair market access and competitiveness of Canadian canola in the Chinese market. China is a highly valued market and the Canadian canola industry has and will continue to work hard to meet Chinese customer and food security needs.

"With this preliminary determination of dumping for canola seed together with the existing 100 per cent anti-discrimination tariffs on canola meal and oil, the Chinese market is effectively closed to the Canadian canola industry," says Chris Davison, President and CEO of the Canola Council of Canada. China is Canada's second largest market for canola and canola products with exports to China valued at \$4.9 bil-

lion in 2024.

Today's ruling by MOFCOM is timed for impact as farmers who planted canola in 2025 are preparing for harvest in a few weeks time.

"This tariff will have an immediate and substantive impact on farmers' marketing opportunities for the 2025 canola crop," says Rick White, President & CEO of CCGA. "Canadian farmers are globally competitive and if a solution is not found swiftly, the impact will be quickly felt on our farms and in our rural communities."

The preliminary determination and its associated duty create significant additional uncertainty and volatility in the global marketplace. Exports to China of canola and canola products provide an important demand signal for the Canadian canola industry. The absence of this signal will have significant and widespread impacts across the canola value chain.

Both CCC and CCGA are continuing all efforts to resolve this issue for Canadian canola farmers and the broader value chain. The CCC and CCGA are calling for immediate support from the federal government as the industry navigates this unprecedented market closure.

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Summer volleyball camp held in Neepawa



PHOTO BY EOIN DEVEREUX

The 14-15 year-old group of players along with Kyra and Hanna Kasprick, as well as Heather Douglas took time to pose for a group photo during the recent volleyball camp.

By Eoin Devereux
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

A local volleyball camp recently taught and refined the fundamentals of the game to a group of talented young athletes. The Neepawa Summer Volleyball Camp ran for four days last week at the NACI gymnasium, with its final day of training held on Thursday, Aug. 14.

The sessions were split into three age groups and featured just over 70 participants in total, from across the region.

The training accommodated all different amounts of skill, from those just starting their volleyball journey to seasoned players aiming to take their game to the next level. All aspects of the game were covered such as proper passing, setting, hitting, blocking and defensive footwork.

The original idea for the camp began with former HMK teacher and coach Heather Douglas, and has evolved to include NACI alumni Hanna and Kyra Kasprick. The sisters have been active in the sport since

middle school, and started coaching it three years ago. They first teamed up with Heather on the camp last summer, and helped expand the program this year with a partnership with Volleyball Manitoba. The effort definitely appears to have worked, as the participation numbers have more than doubled compared to 2024.

Kyra Kasprick, told the Banner & Press it was wonderful to see the response to the camp. She added that it was important for herself and Hanna to give back to

the community that helped raise them.

"Growing up in a small town, you quickly realize that a lot of the opportunities you get are only there because someone took the time to make them happen. I wanted to be that person for the younger kids, especially when it comes to something I'm passionate about like volleyball," stated Kasprick. "Hanna and I really wanted to give rural youth the same chances to play and learn as kids in bigger cities. This is exactly the kind of camp I would

have loved to be part of when I was younger, and now being able to create that experience for others and be a positive influence in my community is what really matters to me."

As for Heather Douglas, she said it's great to see Kyra and Hanna so enthused about giving back to their hometown through the camps, and wanting to maintain it for the future. As for the response from the parent, and more importantly, the players, Douglas said there have been a lot of smiles out there on the court.

"A lot of positive remarks and response. When I look out and I see their smiles, see [the players] working together as a team, and

just how much their skills have improved in just four days, Yeah, it just makes us all smile."

Kyra Kasprick elaborated on Douglas' remarks by adding that the camp was a great experience for both herself and Hanna, as well.

"We've put a lot of time into organizing and coaching, but seeing the kids improve, build confidence, and enjoy the sport makes it all worth it. Creating a positive and inclusive space for them to learn has been really rewarding, and something I've gotten a lot out of personally. We're definitely hoping to bring the camp back again next summer and continue building on what we've started."

As training camp nears, Titans bolster roster

By Joshua Jackson
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

With training camps beginning at the end of August for Manitoba Junior Hockey League (MJHL) clubs, the Neepawa Titans are continuing to tweak their roster ahead of the 2025/2026 season.

The Club recently traded for 2005-born goaltender Zach Burleigh from the French River Rapids of the Northern Ontario Junior Hockey League for a Player Development Fee. Zach split

the 2024/2025 season with the Steinbach Pistons. Burleigh would play nine games for the Pistons, registering a 2.02 Goals against average, a .904 save percentage, three shutouts, and a 6-1-1 record. With the French River Rapids, the goaltender would start 15 games with a 5.07 goals against average and a .890 save percentage.

In a separate transaction, the Titans traded away prospect Joshua Shaganya in exchange for Winnipeg Freeze blue-liner Jayden Penner, the 2006-born

product from Morden. Last year, Penner logged 56 games for the Freeze, adding five total points.

The Titans also signed forward Ryan Harris, who hails from Burnaby, British Columbia. The 19-year-old played for the Comox Valley Glacier Kings of the Vancouver Island Junior Hockey League.

"I'm excited for the opportunity to be a part of the Titans. I'm looking forward to joining the team and getting the season going," said Harris via a news release.

The incoming talent had 13 goals and 11 assists in 43 regular-season games as a rookie with the Kings.

"Ryan will add some scoring punch on the right side. He has a nose for the net and is responsible defensively," said Titans Head Coach and GM Ken Pearson.

The Titans start training camp at the end of August in Brandon before opening up their preseason schedule on September 2 against the Virden Oil Capitals at the J&G Homes Arena in Brandon.

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Sports

Neepawa wins first PMGL title

By Thomas Friesen
THE BRANDON SUN

Neepawa Golf and Country Club was on the good side of the fiercest rivalries in Westman golf.

The club captured the fourth annual Prairie Mountain Golf League championship with a 6-0 victory over Minnedosa Golf and Country Club on Monday evening.

"Going against Minnedosa made it a little bit better for us," said Brandt Young, one of the four Neepawa players to play both the semifinal and final matchups.

Young and Neepawa superintendent Mark Kerkowich played Derek Cameron and Grant Jacobsen in one match, with Ben Rainka and Hayden

Delaloye beating Devon Fordyce and Brett McNabb in the other. The format is four-ball, or "best ball," with each golfer playing their own ball, but only the better of the two scores counts on each hole. Each match has three points up for grabs—one for the front nine, one for the back, and one for the overall match. Young and Kerkowich didn't feel they played their best but snuck away with 1-up victories on each nine to earn all three points. Then again, Kerkowich, a multi-time club champion, can be tough to beat without his best. "It definitely frees you up playing with such a steady player. You know that he's going to make pars out there, so it frees you up to attack pins and try to get more aggressive



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Ben Rainka, from left, Hayden Delaloye, Mark Kerkowich and Brandt Young of the Neepawa Golf and Country Club beat Minnedosa Golf and Country Club in the Prairie Mountain Golf League final at Oak Island Resort on Monday.

and make birdies," Young said. "He was very clutch in moments when we needed it." The biggest moment for their group was on the 17th hole as Neepawa trailed by one on the back nine with the match all square. Kerkowich hit a "slinging

cut" out of the trees to three feet and made his birdie putt to win the hole before also winning the 18th. As it turned out, it wouldn't have mattered. Rainka and Delaloye won the front by one, then handily defeated their opponents on the

back to seal the victory for Neepawa. Young said the pair were around 8 or 10 under on the day, which makes sense. Delaloye is back from his rookie year of junior college golf at Southeast Community College in Lincoln, Neb. "It'd be between him or Mark, if not solely him as the best player in town," Young said of Delaloye, who defended the Neepawa club championship this year. "Ben's equally as talented a player in his own right. Smaller fella but hits it a mile, and those two complemented each other." The celebration at Oak Island was short-lived. While they were lucky to dodge a few storms during the round, it started pouring shortly after the round, so the team packed up quickly and stopped at

A&W in Brandon for a bite, then headed home. While the four played both playoff matches, Young was quick to point out that it took more than just them to get to the final. Ian Kerkowich, Austin Gwilt, Kevan Levandosky, Lance Nugent, Marc Giroux, and Zak Hicks all played two matches for the team throughout the six-match regular season. They earned 23 1/2 points, 1/2 behind Minnedosa and 1/2 ahead of MacGregor as the No. 2 seed. That meant home-course advantage for the semifinals. "We won our semifinal handily," Young said. "I don't think that's the case without getting home-course advantage and without the play of all the members throughout the year getting us over the hump there."

Local products win Western Canadian Baseball title



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L to R, Kellen Hockin, Jude Carr, and Jayden Ford, recently competed in the Western Canadian Baseball Association 15U AA Championships in St. Albert, Alberta.

By Joshua Jackson
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

Three local baseball players, Kellen Hockin, Jude Carr, and Jayden Ford, recently competed in the Western Canadian Baseball Association 15U AA Championships in St. Albert, Alberta. Team Midwest would end up with a 4-1 record. The squads first game saw Team Midwest rout the Vancouver Expos 19-8, then the squad would squak past host St. Albert Cardinals 4-3. The team would drop lose its

only game 10-4 against the Lumsden Cubs, before winning their final round-robin game against the Consort Cubs 10-3. Team Midwest would find themselves in a showdown against tournament rivals, the Lumsden Cubs. Team Midwest would get their revenge and defeat the Cubs 5-2 to secure the championship.

Carr to represent Manitoba

Team member Jude Carr was selected to play with Team Manitoba and will travel to Summerside, P.E.I.,

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Pirates' ship sunk, Padres win SCBL title



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A Portage Padres baserunner takes a lead off first during Game 1 of the Santa Clara Baseball League final against the Plumas Pirates.

By Joshua Jackson
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

The 2025 Santa Clara Baseball League (SCBL) season has come to an end with the Portage Padres claiming the Championship against the Plumas Padres.

After a 13-all tie between the two teams on Aug. 6, the series now shifted to a points-based format, with two points awarded for a win and one for a tie.

During the game on August 14, the Pirates would pummel the Padres 9-6. The Plumas Pirates built an 8-1 lead over the Por-

tage Padres through four innings, but Portage would make things interesting by putting up five runs to make it 8-6. The Pirates added another run and came away with a 9-6 victory.

Game five shifted to Portage, where the offence would come alive and the Padres would edge the Pirates 6-7 to claim back-to-back SCBL championships.

Portage attends provincials

Portage would also compete in the Sr. AA Provincials, with the help of Neepawa Cubs product Garrett Rempel. The Padres posted

a 1-2 record, including one loss in extra innings to Oak River, a riveting 1-0 loss to Elmwood to kick off the tournament, and a 7-6 walk-off win against Cartwright.

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Obituary

Laura Joan Yerex

It is with deep sadness the family of Laura Joan Yerex, 66 years old, announce her death on August 2nd, 2025 in Victoria B C

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Lawrence George Smith

On Monday August 4, our family said goodbye to someone who brought so much happiness into our lives. Lawrence George Smith of Neepawa formerly Foxwarren, MB, passed away peacefully at the proud age of 91, after facing his journey with courage and peace.

Lawrence will be remembered for his love of music and fellowship.

Lawrence will be forever in the heart of his wife of 49 years Georgeen (Crew). Lawrence was a cherished father and grandfather and will be deeply missed by Kyle (Sherry) and grandson Torrin, Myrna (Jamie) and grandchildren Lara and Callan, Roxanna (Tyler) and grandchildren Adriana and Cole. Lawrence leaves behind his close family: sister in law Angela, Nieces and Nephews Ken (Holly), Keith, Marie (Bruce), Barb (Mark) and their children and grandchildren who he enjoyed so much. Lawrence was predeceased by his Mother Margaret and Father Cecil and his life-long best friend and sister Gail (Gordon), his brother Rod, sister-in-law Doreen (John) and brother-in-law Frank. Lawrence was a dear friend to many in his church, community and family each of which although not listed will be forever loved.

Lawrence was born in the Bayfiel district near Foxwarren, MB in the summer of 1934. Over his years in Foxwarren he was a member of the United Church and later the Binscarth Christian Assembly. His longest association was with the Independent Order of Oddfellows. Lawrence lived on the Home Quarter with his parents for many years before marrying Georgeen Crew of Birtle, MB on a beautiful fall day in 1975.

Lawrence was often heard telling stories of first driving a tractor pulling a binder at 8 years old, and driving a team of work horses pitching sheaves for many a year. Farming advanced by degrees over his many years but he still fondly recalls the sentiments he had for those work horses that he respected so deeply. Lawrence held many a friend in captive conversation for hours reminiscing about growing up in the Great Depression and the War years and later the better years of farming with tractors and advancements; these stories will remain in many hearts forever.

In 2004, Lawrence and Georgeen made the move to Neepawa, MB to retire near family. It had been a life-long dream of his to retire to the beautiful community along Highway 16, and they enjoyed many years in their little home with the big back yard garden. Lawrence thrived in retirement and was active in the Neepawa Community Choir, The Hims, Slo-Pitch, Neepawa Bowling League, Titans Hockey Anthem volunteer, and many more activities over his 21 years in town. Lawrence and Georgeen joined the Baptist Church in Neepawa where Lawrence served on the Deaconate and enjoyed many years leading the church in song on the worship committee. Lawrence loved his music and he loved everyone who loved music.

Georgeen made the move to Country Meadows in 2018 and not long behind Dad decided to move next door to her at Aspenlea where his heart was full with the companionship he found at both places. He was either with the coffee crew at Country Meadows or the Potluck crew at the apartment.

We will remember Lawrence's easy smile, his happy nature, and his deep appreciation of friendship. It was Lawrence's wish to be surrounded by singing, and his spirit was comforted by the soprano voice of his dear friend near his end hours. He touched the lives of so many, and his memory will be forever an inspiration to seek true happiness.

A service took place on August 11, 2025 at the Neepawa First Baptist Church with interment in the Riverside Cemetery, Neepawa, MB.

White's Funeral Home in care of arrangements.
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Roy Anderson

Passed away at the Portage Hospital August 17, 2025 at the age of 92 years.

A Celebration of life will be held at 2:00 PM Friday, August 22, 2025 at the Co-op Community Hall in Gladstone, MB.

Interment will take place at the Gladstone Cemetery
Clarke's Funeral Home Gladstone/MacGregor in care of arrangements.

Gerald Herman Olmstead

April 8, 1933 – August 14, 2025

Gerald Herman Olmstead passed away peacefully at the Carberry Personal Care Home on August 14, 2025, at the age of 92.

Gerald leaves to mourn his beloved wife of 67 years, Beverley; son Trent and wife Candis, children Nathan (Monica), Tanner, and Michaela; son Kevin and wife Dallis, their children Rileigh, Gavin, and Garrett; and daughter-in-law Karen and her children Bryce (Nikki), Travis (Hailey), and Teanna (Evan). He was also blessed with two great-grandchildren, Wyatt, Copper and one more on the way. Gerald is survived by his sister Phyllis (Ron Calvert); in-laws Gary and Shirley Johnson, and Betty Johnson (Kenny).

He was predeceased by his parents, Olive and Herman Olmstead; his parents-in-law, Ernest and Geraldine Johnson; and his beloved son, Myles Olmstead.

Gerald was born on the family farm in the Gregg district on April 8, 1933. The family farmed there until 1948, when plans were made to move to town due to Herman's declining health. Sadly, Herman passed away suddenly before the move, but Olive and the children carried on with the relocation as planned.

At a young age, Gerald took on significant responsibility. With the help of Willis Steen, he managed to put in the crop from age 14 to 17. He left school in Grade 11 to return to the farm full-time and run the family operation.

On October 12, 1957, Gerald married Beverley Johnson. Together, they farmed until their retirement in 1985, after which they moved into town. Retirement didn't keep Gerald out of the field for long—he continued helping on his sons' farms, especially during seeding and harvest, enjoying any time spent running tractors.

Gerald and Bev cherished summers camping with their boys in Minnedosa and, in later years, traveling together to places like Victoria, Texas, Hawaii, and to Expo '86 in Vancouver.

A devoted husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Gerald took a keen interest in whatever his family was involved in—on or off the farm—whether it was curling, hockey, baseball, or other pursuits. He was deeply proud of everyone's accomplishments.

Off the farm, Gerald enjoyed golf, bowling, and curling. He was active in many local organizations over the years. He served as caretaker of the rinks in Gregg and Carberry, was a lifelong member of the Carberry Elks—where he once served as Exalted Ruler—and was involved in the local Drop-In Centre, where he managed the books for many years.

Gerald's connection to 4-H ran deep. A former 4-H Beef Club member himself, he later served as a club leader and took pride in seeing 4-H become a multi-generational interest in his family. He also sponsored a class in the 4-H Achievement program in the Olmstead family name.

A mild-mannered and generous man, Gerald was always ready for a chat—whether uptown or with the guys at the store—and was ever willing to lend a helping hand to neighbours, whether during harvest or in daily life. He was devoted to Beverley and always happy to take her wherever she wanted to go. Many will still hear his familiar words echo fondly in their memories: "Oh, Beverley."

Gerald's quiet strength, kind spirit, and deep love for his family and community will be dearly missed.

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Obituary

Terry Wayne Morden

Terry Wayne Morden passed away at his residence in Winnipeg on July 30th at the age of 69.

Terry was born in Ste. Rose du lac. He was raised and attended school in McCreary, Manitoba. He later moved to Winnipeg and began his career as a truck driver; first hauling gravel then driving long haul for TransX for 25 years. Later he drove for Prairie Coach Express and Freightliner before retiring in 2021.

Terry was predeceased by his father Charles in 1982, mother Olive in 2011, brother Fraser in 1999, sister Marilyn Benson in 2019 and nephew Glen Benson in 2004.

He is survived by his brother David (Marge) Morden, sister Debbie Morden, sister-in-law Margaret Morden, Aunt Joan Skoropata and many nieces and nephews.

Graveside service for family and friends will be on September 6, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. at McCreary Municipal Cemetery, McCreary, MB.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Terry's memory may be made to a charity of your choice.



Arnold Elroy Fisher

Arnold Elroy Fisher passed away at Country Meadows Care Home in Neepawa On August 10, 2025, at the age of 97 years.

Elroy was born on May 20th, 1928 to Arnold and Elizabeth Fisher. They farmed in the Justice district until 1943 at which time they

moved their family to the Wellwood district where they continued to farm.

Elroy married Leona Scott on October 4, 1952. He worked on road construction for a few years and enjoyed operating heavy equipment.

Elroy and Leona returned to farm near Wellwood in 1961. They raised three children Donna, Larry and Ron.

They took up square dancing, joining the Belles and Bows club in Brookdale. Evenings throughout the week and jamborees on the weekends kept them busy dancing and meeting many people from various clubs.

Later in life his passion was restoring Farmall tractors and was proud of the numerous ones he completed.

He is predeceased by his sisters, Lorraine and brother-in-law Jim Wells, Margaret and brother-in-law Bob Moore, brother-in-law Bob Scott and his wife Marjorie, brother-in-law Gerald Scott and his wife Frances, and his son Ron.

Elroy is survived by his wife of 72 years, Leona, his daughter Donna, son Larry and daughter-in-law Lorraine, Daughter-in-law Trina, as well as eight grandchildren, several great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

His family would like to thank the staff at Kinsmen 2 and Country Meadows for the compassion and care they gave him during his time spent there.

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Your duties may include:

- Cleaning and sanitizing butcher and slaughter production areas and everything in between to ensure top-quality food safety standards.
- Operating cleaning equipment like high-pressure hoses to clean production equipment.
- Using cleaning chemicals with respect and following Material Safety Data Sheets.
- Ensuring all Quality Assurance checks are performed.
- Maintaining a safe, clean, and organized work area throughout the facility.
- Collaborating as a team to meet tight deadlines, ensuring production floors operate on time.

We are looking for people who are:

- Fit and capable of working in a physically demanding role. Capable of bending, lifting, and climbing.
- Available to work an 8-hour Night Shift from Monday-Friday, between 11:15 PM to 9:00 AM
- Capable of repetitive manual tasks and standing for long periods of time
- Capable of working in diverse environments, including exposure to varying temperatures, humidity, and odors
- Minimum of one (1) to seven (7) months experience in sanitation, or industrial cleaning, or heavy-duty cleaning
- Completion of Secondary school or equivalent experience
- Able to effectively communicate in English
- At least 18 years old to meet the minimum age requirement

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Hog Receiving Barn Worker (NOC85100)

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Quick Facts:

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- 2500+ employees worldwide
- We Care about our employees, communities, customers, animals, and our environment

What we can offer you:

- Competitive Wage
- Vacation: 10 working days of paid vacation
- Comprehensive Benefits package – health coverage, dental plan, vision care, long-term disability, and pension plan
- Permanent full-time employment (74-80 hours per bi-weekly)
- PM Shift Premium
- Full training, with genuine opportunities for career progression
- Employee Referral program - \$500!
- Free parking
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- And more!!!!

Your duties may involve:

- Receiving and unloading hog deliveries.
- Sorting hogs into appropriate receiving pens.
- Ensuring humane and safe handling of hogs in our facility.
- Completing hog receiving documents to CFIA standards.
- Scraping trailers.
- Working outdoors and in a barn environment.

To excel in this role, you should possess:

- Respect for animal welfare, food safety, and workplace safety. Understanding of animal behavior
- Capable of working in diverse environments, including exposure to varying temperatures, humidity, and odors
- Minimum of one (1) to seven (7) months experience working with livestock
- Fit and capable of working in a physically demanding role. Capable of bending, lifting, and crawling
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TUESDAY NOON



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Harvest Help Wanted (Carberry, MB)

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- Sorters to pick dirt and other materials out of potato's
- Yard crew to help back in trucks, clean up dirt, etc.

Season to start approximately September 10th, 3-4 week duration. 12 hour days starting at 7am
Supper provided

Opportunities for bonuses based on punctuality, work performance and completion of season.

Contact Tanner at 204-841-4170



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The current starting wage is \$16.45/hour with incremental increases to \$24.60/hour based on tenure as per our Collective Agreement

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What we can offer you:

- Competitive Wage
- Vacation: 10 working days of paid vacation as per our collective bargaining agreement
- Comprehensive Benefits package – health coverage, dental plan, vision care, long-term disability, and pension plan
- Permanent full-time employment (74-80 hours per bi-weekly)
- PM Shift Premium
- Full training, with genuine opportunities for career progression
- Employee Referral program - \$500!
- Free parking
- Company events
- And more!!!!

Your duties may include:

- Slaughter, eviscerate, and mark hogs for further processing;
- Debone edible parts and remove inedible organs for parts;
- Cut pork carcasses into primal cuts for further processing, cutting, or packaging for local, national, and international premium markets.

We are looking for people who are:

- Fit and capable of working in a physically demanding role
- Capable of repetitive manual tasks and standing for long periods of time
- Open to working in colder/warmer environments
- Minimum of one (1) to seven (7) months experience in meat cutting or slaughter or completed a program in Industrial Meat cutting
- Completion of Secondary school or equivalent experience
- Able to effectively communicate in English

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Caretake Wanted

Elderly Person's Housing

Gladstone MB

Centennial Apartments and Crescent Lodge is looking for a year-round caretaker.

First complex houses 24 units; the second complex houses 10 units.

General upkeep and maintenance items to be covered by the caretaker.

Please submit your cover letter and resumes to Laura Marchant at lmarchant@southernhealth.ca or
Box 1000 Gladstone, MB R0J 0T0.

Upon review of applications, a meeting will be booked to review general contract items and compensation.
Call 204-385-6123 for more information.

Rolling River School Division

invites applications for

Early Childhood Education Facilitator

The ECE Facilitator supports communities in the development, enhancement and expansion of early childhood programming and acts as a resource to Kindergarten teachers in the implementation of play-based learning.

Based on 7 hours per day the position is approximately 0.3 FTE
An average of 1.5 days per week or 6 days per month
10 months per year (school year)
Rate of Pay - \$32.30 - \$36.30 per hour

For more details and application information, please visit our website at www.rrsd.mb.ca select Employment then Support Staff Positions link.

Beautiful Plains School Division

invites applications for the following position for

Hazel M. Kellington School in Neepawa

Nutrition Program Worker

See Division website for more details on this position at www.beautifulplainssd.ca
Click on Job Postings.

Deadline for Applications:
NOON, Tuesday, September 2nd, 2025

Applicants should forward their cover letter, resume, and a minimum of three references to:
Julie van Kommer
Coordinator of Student Services
Beautiful Plains School Division
Box 700, Neepawa, MB. R0J 1H0
FAX: (204) 476-3606 • EMAIL: bpsd@bpsd.mb.ca

Successful candidates must complete a satisfactory Criminal Records and Child Abuse Registry check.

Only those selected for a short list will be contacted.
All applicants are thanked for their interest in the Division.

Rolling River School Division

invites applications for

Educational Assistant Various Locations

To provide support to students under the direction of and within a program that has been developed by the school and divisional educational team.

10 Months (school year)
Days that school is in session
Rate of Pay: \$21.50 - \$26.30 per hour

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Forrest Elementary, Forrest, MB	5.5 hours per day (scheduled as 6 hours every other day)
Onanole Elementary, Onanole, MB	2 positions 5.0 hours per day 3.92 hours per day
Rapid City Elementary, Rapid City, MB	3.0 hours per day
Tanners Crossing School, Minnedosa, MB	2 positions 6.0 hours per day 5.5 hours per day

For more details and application information, please visit our website at www.rrsd.mb.ca
Select Employment link then Support Staff Positions link.

PUBLIC NOTICE MUNICIPALITY OF GLENELLA-LANSDOWNE BOARD OF REVISION

Public notice is hereby given that the 2026 preliminary assessment roll for the Municipality of Glenella-Lansdowne has been delivered to the Municipal Office, in Glenella, MB and is open for public inspection during regular business hours. Applications for revision may be in accordance with sections 42 & 43 of the Assessment Act.

APPLICATION FOR REVISION:

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

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

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

43(1) An application for revision must:

- be made in writing;
- set out the roll number and legal description of the assessable property for which revision is sought;
- state the grounds on which the application is based; and
- be filed by:
 - delivering it or causing it to be delivered to the office indicated in the public notice given under subsection 41(2), or
 - serving it upon the secretary, at least 15 days before the scheduled sitting date of the board as indicated in the public notice.

The Board of Revision will sit on September 18, 2025, at 1:15 p.m. at the Glenella Community Hall, 100 Ray Street, Glenella MB to hear applications.

The final date on which applications must be received by the Secretary of the Board is September 2, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.

Prior to filing a complaint against the liability to taxation, amount of an assessed value or classification of property, you are encouraged to discuss the matter with the Provincial Municipal Assessment Branch in Minnedosa by phoning 204-867-4760 or toll free 1-866-401-8986.

Dated at Glenella, Manitoba, this 6th day of August, 2025.

Wendy Wutzke, Secretary
Board of Revision
Box 10
Glenella, Manitoba R0J 0V0

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE PLANNING ACT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On the date and at the time and location shown below, a PUBLIC HEARING will be held to receive representations from any person(s) who wish to make them in respect to the following matter:

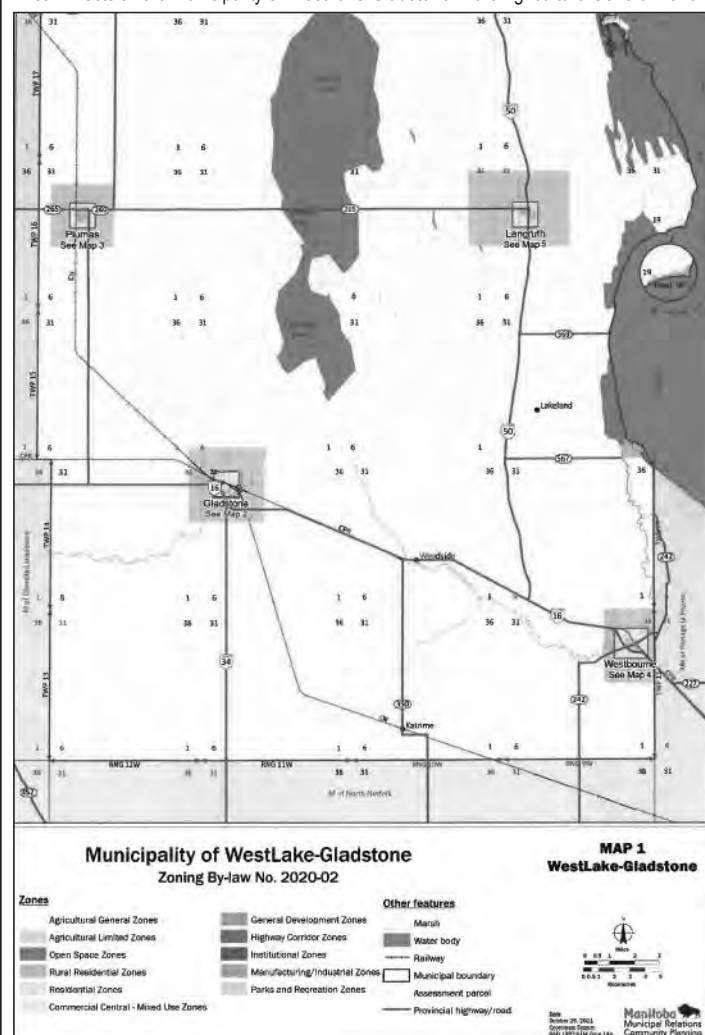
By-law No. 2025-15, being an amendment to Zoning By-law 2020-02

Hearing Location: 14 Dennis St. E, Municipal Office Council Chambers

Date & Time: Wednesday September 17, 2025, at 10 am.

General Intent: To add Private Camps as a Conditional Use in the Agriculture General Zone

Area: Affects all the Municipality of WestLake-Gladstone in the Agriculture General Zone.



For Information Contact: Chief Administrative Officer, Karen Paz, 204-385-2332

A copy of the above proposal and supporting material may be inspected at the location noted above during normal office hours, Monday to Friday. Copies may be made and extracts taken there from, upon request.

Notice

NOTICE OF VOTERS LIST / PERSONAL SECURITY PROTECTION RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MINTO-ODANAH

Notice is hereby given that a copy of the VOTERS LIST may be revised at:

The Rural Municipality of Minto-Odanah, 49 Main St. S., Minnedosa, Manitoba from Monday to Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m..

At this time the Senior Election Official (S.E.O.) will be available to update the voters list by:

- adding the names of voters who are entitled to have their names on the list;
- deleting the names of persons who are not entitled to have their names on the list; and
- making such other correction of errors to the list as required.

VOTER ELIGIBILITY:

A person is eligible to have his or her name added to the Voters List if he or she is:

- a Canadian citizen and at least 18 years of age on election day; and
- a resident of the local authority for at least six months prior to election day, OR a registered owner of land in the municipality for at least six months prior to election day.

NON-RESIDENT VOTERS QUALIFIED IN MORE THAN ONE WARD:

In accordance with Section 25(2) of The Municipal Councils and School Boards Elections Act, any non-resident voter who owns property in more than one ward is responsible to notify the S.E.O. in writing, not later than September 16, 2025 of the ward in which he/she desires to vote. Failing the foregoing, the voter's name will be placed on the list as the S.E.O. may select.

APPLICATION FOR PERSONAL SECURITY PROTECTION:

A voter may apply in writing to the S.E.O. (at the address / fax number below) no later than September 16, 2025 to have his/her name and other personal information omitted or obscured from the voters list in order to protect the voter's personal security. The application may be submitted in person, by mail or fax and must include your name, address and include proof of identity.

All changes to the voters list must be completed on or before September 16, 2025.

Dated at Minnedosa in the Province of Manitoba, on August 19, 2025.

Aaren Robertson, Senior Election Official
Rural Municipality of Minto-Odanah
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Notice

NOTICE OF REGISTRATION OF PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATE FOR GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MINTO-ODANAH

Please be advised that a municipal by-election will be held on **October 22, 2025.**

Prospective municipal election candidates must register with the Senior Election Official (SEO) during the registration period before they may begin to accept contributions, incur expenses, fundraise or borrow money for their campaign.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I will be receiving candidate registrations:

For the office of councillor: Between August 14, 2025 and September 16, 2025

at the Rural Municipality of Minto-Odanah office, 49 Main St. S., Minnedosa, Manitoba during the regular hours of business.

To obtain a registration form contact the S.E.O. at the telephone number listed below.

Dated at Minnedosa in the Province of Manitoba, on August 19, 2025.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION SALE OF LANDS FOR ARREARS OF TAXES RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MINTO-ODANAH

Pursuant to subsection 367(7) of The Municipal Act, notice is hereby given that unless the tax arrears for the designated year and costs in respect of the hereinafter described properties are paid in full to the Municipality prior to the commencement of the auction, the Municipality will on the 17th day of September, 2025, at the hour of 2:00 PM, at Rural Municipality of Minto-Odanah, 49 Main Street South, Minnedosa, Manitoba, proceed to sell by public auction the following described properties:

Roll Number	Description	Assessed Value	Amount of Arrears & Costs for Which Property May be Offered for Sale
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The tax sale is subject to the following terms and conditions with respect to each property:

- The purchaser of the property will be responsible for any unpaid municipal utilities and any property taxes not yet due.
- The Municipality may exercise its right to set a reserve bid in the amount of the arrears and costs.
- If the purchaser intends to bid by proxy, a letter of authorization form must be presented prior to the start of the auction.
- The Municipality makes no representations or warranties whatsoever concerning the properties being sold.
- The successful purchaser must, at the time of the sale, make payment in cash, certified cheque or bank draft to the Rural Municipality of Minto-Odanah as follows:
 - The full purchase price if it is \$10,000 or less; OR
 - If the purchase price is greater than \$10,000, the purchaser must provide a non-refundable deposit in the amount of \$10,000 and the balance of the purchase price must be paid within 20 days of the sale; AND
 - A fee in the amount \$500.85 (\$477 + GST) for preparation of the transfer of title documents. The purchaser will be responsible for registering the transfer of title documents in the land titles office, including the registration costs.
- The risk for the property lies with the purchaser immediately following the auction.
- The purchaser is responsible for obtaining vacant possession.
- If the property is non-residential property, the purchaser must pay GST to the Municipality or, if a GST registrant, provide a GST Declaration.

Dated this 15th day of August, 2025.

Managed by:



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Chief Administrative Officer
Rural Municipality of Minto-Odanah
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Young entrepreneurs shine at Neepawa's annual Children's Business Fair

By Joshua Jackson
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

Neepawa's young entrepreneurs got a taste of the business world at the Neepawa Children's Business Fair on August 14.

The business fair, which completed its third year, borrows a model from the Acton Children's Business Fair in Texas. They created a template for communities worldwide to easily host



PHOTO BY JOSHUA JACKSON

Two of the many youth who participated in this year's Children's business Fair.

a children's business fair in their own town.

This year, 17 young entrepreneurs set up shop in the Yellow-head Centre in conjunction with the

ArtsForward Farmers Market to give shoppers a wide variety of options.

Neepawa's Economic Development Officer, Marilyn Crewe, said it was great to see the kids out there giving it a try.

"I am always impressed with the

young people who step up to run their own business. The Children's Business Fair is a fun and easy way to give entrepreneurship a try," she said.

At the market, there was everything from baked goods to home decor, jewelry, slushies, art, and more! Crewe acknowledges that one of the most gratifying parts of the fair is watching youth come back year after year and watching their business expand.

"I have seen a few young entrepreneurs return each year. They grow more confident in selling and often do better at presenting their product," said the Economic Development Officer.

A panel of judges, Jodi Baker, Jodi Baker Photography; Ally Potrebka, Neepawa-Gladstone Coop; and Nathan Braun, of New Hope Health Centre, were on hand to talk to the youth, provide feedback, and hand

out awards in three categories: best customer service, most unique, best booth presentation, and highest sales.

Caitlin Pankratz and their booth Heart & Hooks took home the best customer service prize, Brianna, Zopiah and Keith Bagongon with their business MichRose were awarded most unique, Novalee Menzies with Jewls & Willows Bakery took home the best booth presentation and highest sales award.

Crewe said she's glad to see the community come out and support the entrepreneurs of tomorrow.

"The community shows up in a big way for this event, and the partnership with ArtsForward's Farmers Market is an important part of that," she said. "I think it is important for the community to see the talent of our youth. Each sale gives the youth more confidence and encourages their entrepreneurial spark."

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Tender

**Rolling River School Division
CLEAR DIESEL FUEL TENDER**

Rolling River School Division invites sealed tenders by the undersigned for approx. 140,000 litres of Clear Diesel Fuel from **September 2025 to June 2026.**

The tendered price must be current and include all taxes at the tender closing date.

Fuel is to be delivered to Division owned tanks situated throughout the School Division.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Submit sealed tenders (email is acceptable) clearly marked **"DIESEL TENDER"** to be received by **12:00 noon, Tuesday September 2, 2025**, to:

Cam Woodcock
Transportation Supervisor
Box 1170
Minnedosa, MB R0J 1E0
Phone 204-867-2754 (ext. 1)
Fax 204-867-2037
cwoodcock@rrsd.mb.ca

**TURTLE RIVER
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Invites tenders for
Clear Diesel Fuel & Clear Gasoline

Tenders for approximately 95,000 litres of clear diesel fuel to be delivered to various Division owned tanks situated throughout the School Division.

Tenders for approximately 170,000 litres of clear gasoline to be delivered to various Division owned tanks situated throughout the School Division.

The duration of the Tender is from September 2025 through June 2026.

Tenders will be accepted until 12:00 pm CDT Friday August 29, 2025.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Send Tenders to:

Collin Janzen, Transportation Supervisor
Turtle River School Division
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The spotlight shone brightly on young talent in Neepawa as ArtsForward's drama camp ended in a dazzling performance, showcasing the creative spirit and hard work of young aspiring actors.

The 28-person camp spent the week learning the basics of singing, choreography, and memorizing lines as they prepared to bring their show "What a Wonderful World" to the Roxy Theatre stage.

The camp was led by instructors Meaghan Peters, Angie Weisgerber, Kellie Spencer & Sylvie Tomoniko.



Former Chicken Delight building coming down



PHOTOS BY MARTY WARNER AND KEN WADDELL

Above: The former Chicken Delight restaurant is under a demolition order from the Town of Neepawa.

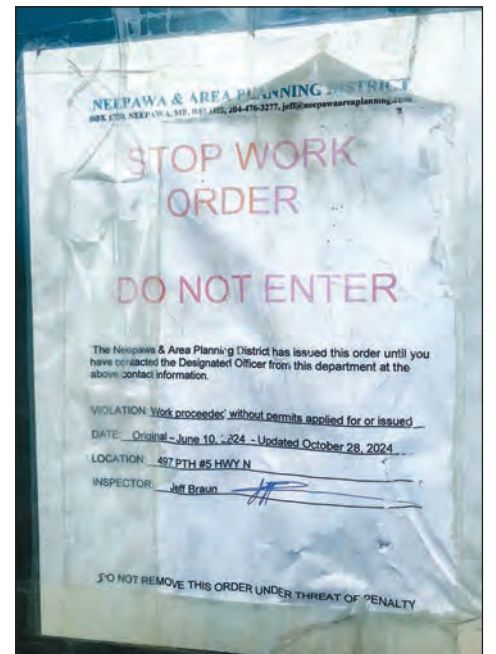
Right: The Stop Work Order issued by Neepawa Area Planning District was posted on June 10, 2024

By Ken Waddell
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After years of standing empty and endless rumours, the old Chicken Delight Building at the junction of Hwy. 16 and 5 (west) is about disappear.

After the franchise restaurant was closed a number of years ago, the restaurant was put up for sale and advertised on billboards at the site. Eventually, the building sold and work on renovations was started. The Neepawa Area Planning District subsequently issued a stop work order on June 10, 2024 and updated it on October 28, 2024.

Recently, having not received conformation from the owners on the terms of the work needed, the Town of Neepawa ordered



demolition to take place. The building is said to have significant structural issues. The demolition is scheduled to start Monday with the work being done by Breaker 16 Rentals of Neepawa.

Neepawa RCMP seek suspect involved in thefts



SUBMITTED BY RCMP

The Neepawa RCMP are asking for the public's help in identifying a specific person. In a release, the RCMP stated the suspect is responsible for thefts from numerous businesses in Neepawa, as well as unauthorized use of a credit card.

Police are urging the public that if anyone has any information to help identify the suspect, to contact the Neepawa RCMP at 204-476-7340, Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-8477 or submit a secure tip online at www.manitobacrimestoppers.com.

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