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Neepawa
students
to perform
in Westman
Youth Choir

By Casper Wehrhahn
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The Westman Youth Choir has hit the road for its 45th season. This choir is composed of 54 youths from across western Manitoba, which have been described as passionate and talented singers.

Neepawa is well represented within the choir, as three Neepawa Area Collegiate Institute students are in its ranks. These individuals are Siri Warwaruk, Charleigh Carefoot, and Marian Virdtazo.

Entry into the Westman Youth Choir is by audition, and all of its members gather for two weekends to rehearse at Camp Wannakumbac.

“[It’s a] scary [process],” the three Neepawa students laughed.

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RCMP make arrests in mailbox thefts

Neepawa, Minnedosa, and other communities hit by late 2024 crime spree



FILE PHOTO

Several post office boxes in Neepawa and surrounding Westman communities were damaged late last year, in connection to a series of break-ins and thefts of mail. After nearly a year of investigation, Spruce Plains RCMP have made a pair of arrests.

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A pair of suspects have been arrested in connection to a wave of thefts that hit Canada Post mailboxes across Westman late last year. Starting in November, and continuing through to early 2025, Spruce Plains RCMP received numerous reports of

break ins and thefts from mailboxes. The communities that were hit included Neepawa, Minnedosa, Arden, Kelwood, MacGregor, Carberry, Rapid City, Glenella, Erickson, Onanole, Sandy Lake, and Rivers.

Police conducted an investigation, which included the examination of the mailbox sites, multiple

interviews and search warrants to secure the required evidence.

After almost a year of work, RCMP have arrested 38-year-old Ryan Eckberg of Brandon and 41-year-old Jennifer MacDonald of Boissevain. Both of the accused have been charged with 41 offences including multiple counts of breaking and

entering, theft from mail over \$5,000, possession of property obtained by crime, fraud under \$5,000. These charges have not yet been proven in a court of law. As of Oct. 9, both individuals remained remanded into custody.

In a media release sent to the Banner & Press on Friday, Oct. 10, Staff Sergeant Andrew Cowan, De-

tachment Commander for the Spruce Plains RCMP stated that “The investigators put a tremendous amount of work in their relentless pursuit of leads which led to the arrest of these two individuals responsible for the numerous thefts that affected multiple communities.”

Spruce Plains RCMP continue to investigate.

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Westman Youth Choir a 'really good experience'

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Virtadzo added, "Very nervewracking."
"We have to sing O' Canada and sight-read some music," Warwaruk explained.

Each singer also has a differing level of experience with the Westman Youth Choir. For Carefoot and Virtadzo, this is a first-time experience. This tour will be Warwaruk's third.

"It means so much to us that we can get together—and we just sound so good. It's really great to be able to experience something like that," said Warwaruk.

The trio also noted that it's an incredible learning experience, with Warwaruk expanding upon that point.

"There are a lot of kids that go who are really experienced with learning music and reading it, so it's a really good experience to learn that type of stuff as well," said Warwaruk.

Now that preparations are complete, the choir is set to tour around Westman for both public and private performances.

Carefoot, Virtadzo, Warwaruk, and their 51 fellow singers begin their



PHOTO BY CASPER WEHRHAHN

Westman Youth Choir singers Charleigh Carefoot (left), Siri Warwaruk (second from left), and Marian Virtadzo (far right) pictured with Neepawa Rotary Club president Rrain Prior (third from left), Neepawa Legion Branch #23 president Lloyd Hall, and Neepawa Area Community Choir representative Blair Chapman. These local groups have sponsored Carefoot, Virtadzo and Warwaruk. The sponsorship will cover a portion of their registration costs.

journey in Virden tomorrow. Then, after making their way to Hamiota and Strathclair, they will return to Neepawa on Oct. 20 to perform at the Neepawa United-Anglican Church. The concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. that day, with entry fees applying.

For the readers of this paper in and around Brandon, a final concert will also take place in the city's First

Presbyterian Church. This performance is scheduled for Oct. 21 at 7:30 p.m.

This year's choir is under the direction of Clint Mc-

Lachan, of Brandon; and Kendra Obach, of Stonewall; and accompanied by Danielle Guina, of Brandon.

Neepawa calls for boost in funding to Manitoba Water Services Board

By Eoin Devereux
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

For years, Neepawa, like many other municipalities across the province, has asked for support from the Manitoba Water Services Board (MWSB). But now, it's the Board itself that is asking for a significant show of support.

On Tuesday, Oct. 7, Town Council voted unanimously to support a resolution from the Manitoba Municipal Administrators Association. The resolution urges the provincial government to increase its annual budget to the Manitoba Water Services Board's from \$24 million to \$100 million.

The Water Services Board helps municipalities to fund water and sewer projects through a 50-50

cost-sharing program. This process has been very good for Neepawa over the past decade, as it has helped cover the costs of several major water and sewer system expansions and renovations.

In their letter to councils across Manitoba, The Water Services Board noted that it had received 346 applications from 103 municipalities in 2025, for projects valued at \$1.35 billion.

Recognizing this issue, the Town of Neepawa is joining other municipalities in calling on the province to significantly increase its funding for water and wastewater projects.

Council voted unanimously in favour of sending a resolution to the province, stressing how crucial it is for municipalities to stand together in their advocacy.



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Neepawa Area Health Auxiliary & Gladstone Kin Club.



1975: Robinson Stores honours Isabel Finlayson

By Casper Wehrhahn
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

**125 years ago,
Wednesday,
October 17, 1900**

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

Mekiwin: Prairie chickens are quite plentiful in these parts and local sports are taking full advantage in consequence.

Those young men who amuse themselves Sunday afternoons by target practice should find some more secluded spot than that occupied last Sunday. If they must have the sport, and can indulge on no other day, we suggest that they get further from town where there will be less danger of a stray bullet finding a human billet.

**100 years ago,
Friday,
October 16, 1925**

McCreary: Word has been received from F. Geish, our local barber, who went to Saskatchewan to look after his crop that it has rained and snowed so much that he is unable to come home by motor car.

**75 years ago,
Thursday,
October 19, 1950**

Neepawa's population rose sharply on Saturday when some 250 Shriners and their wives and about 70 members of the Winnipeg Junior Chamber of Commerce paid a one day visit.

The Shriners, together with their pipe and bugle

bands, created a terrific stir among the local youngsters when their souped up Model T appeared in gay Shrine colours completely equipped with a gong, a variety of horns and even a siren.

Twenty members of the Neepawa Ladies' Golf Club gathered at the home of the president Mrs. J. W. Bradley Friday afternoon to bid farewell to Mrs. F. Warren, who is leaving Neepawa.

The atom-packed Winnipeg Blue Bombers are scheduled to visit and play in Neepawa on Oct. 26.

They'll not meet a local team, but their plays will be on film. Present in the flesh will be one of the coaches and possibly two or three of the outstanding players.

The Privy Council today sustained judgement by the Supreme Court of Canada which declared the sale of margarine in Canada is a matter of provincial jurisdiction.

The decision by the judicial committee of the Privy Council came as a climax to a long hard fought battle over whether the manufacture, sale and distribution of margarine should be made legal in Canada.

Note: According to the Canadian Encyclopedia, the sale of margarine (also known as oleomargarine) was strongly opposed by dairy farmers. As a result, it was regulated and even prohibited in many countries, including Canada. In Canada, the manufacture and sale of margarine was banned in

1886 and enforced until 1917 when dairy shortages became a problem during World War I. It was banned again in 1923.

Provincial authorities controlled what colour the margarine within that province is permitted to be. Provincial laws also required eating establishments that serve margarine to display a disclaimer which states "Oleomargarine is served here".

A CBC article from 2005 states that the Margarine Act was repealed in Manitoba that year.

A Neepawa couple who on their diamond wedding anniversary in 1945 received congratulations from Their Majesties the King and Queen, Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King and his Honor R. F. McWilliams, K.C. lieutenant governor of Manitoba, tomorrow, Friday, Oct. 20, observe their 65th wedding anniversary.

**50 years ago,
Thursday,
October 16, 1975**

Franklin: Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Taylor who celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary last Sunday.

Isabel Finlayson, a long-time member of the staff at the Robinson Store in Neepawa.

In appreciation of her long service to the company, Robinson, Little and Co. (President and General Manager Clare C. Leckie) presented Miss Finlayson with an engraved silver tray.

Miss Finlayson was also honoured at a recent dinner at which the staff of the Robinson store presented her with a tote bag and a lamp. The staff expressed best wishes and good luck to Miss Finlayson in her



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Fred Barker presented a commemorative silver tray to Isabel Finlayson in October of 1975. The tray was to commemorate her years of service with the Robinson Stores Limited company prior to her retirement.

retirement.

**20 years ago,
Monday,
October 17, 2005**

It may be too early to call NADCO's Northern Relocation Allowance an unqualified success.

But with two families already taking advantage of the program only a month after it was advertised, it certainly qualifies as a success.

Kelwood: With only six members left, the Kelwood Legion Ladies Auxiliary will disband at the end of the year.

Two new polls suggest young Canadians are cynical about government and the law, and believe big corporations and entertainers are too rich.

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By Chad Carpenter



It's all about the news

In my role as publisher and editor, I invest a lot of time in listening to people, writing about people and events and studying the news industry.

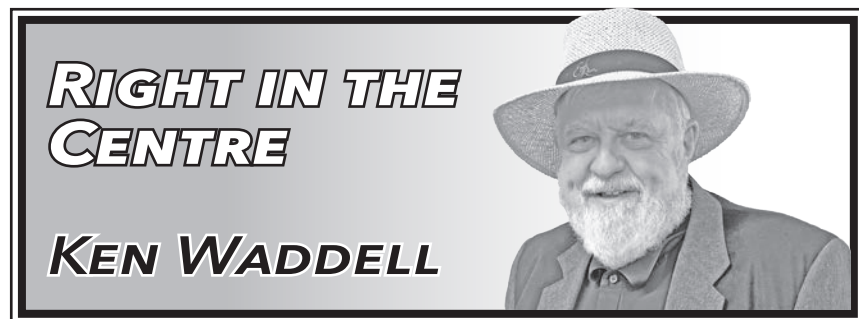
One of the worst things that has happened in the news industry is the 24 hour news channels, either on-line or on television. There just isn't enough new "news" to fill a 24 hour cycle. Even on the international scene where there are wars, economic shifts and numerous other news items, the best the studios can do is to get about two hours a day of fresh material.

To fill in the time, TV stations and online outlets re-hash and re-run old material. War stories are the worst, as any TV viewer will attest, in a two minute story you can see the same building being blown up three times. Then an hour later, it's shown all over again.

Fortunately, it's not a problem in local newspapers. We have our say and the community has their say once a week and that's it. There just isn't enough news to have "news" printed or broadcast all day and all night long.

Another thing that has happened is that neither the news industry, nor the journalism schools are training themselves adequately in the art of news versus opinion pieces. This column is an opinion piece and there are usually about one or two pages of opinions in our papers every week. The rest should be news and advertising. When we report on town councils or sports events, we want it to be news and not opinion unless, within the story, a person is expressing an opinion and then it should appear in quotation marks,

Newspapers need news, that's number one. And they do need opinion pieces and, of course, advertising. In our world today, it's difficult to con-



vince people to pay for news. A recent survey in the United States stated that only 15 per cent of people are willing to pay for news. In days gone by, local newspapers had hundreds, if not thousands of paid subscriptions. That is becoming less common nowadays. In fact, the largest community newspapers in Manitoba are free distribution, including this paper. It's a model we adopted over 30 years ago and in the case of the Virden Empire-Advance, we switched to free distribution as soon as we bought the newspaper in 2024.

There are advantages to both free and subscription newspapers, but I won't bore readers with those details here; save to say, we have adopted the free distribution model.

Another major change has happened to newspapers and that is the continuing decline in service from Canada Post. The subscription newspapers are really up against it during postal strikes and there has been two in the past 10 months. I think that Canada Post could be extinct, as we know it, in the next couple of years unless there's a huge change in service and attitude. As I have said many times, the local postmasters give great service, but Canada Post as a corporation and the Canadian Union of Postal Workers have long ago forgotten their roots and their

mandate.

In order to provide delivery of our three papers, we left Canada Post entirely except for out-of-region subscriptions. To bring you your paper every week, we have five vans and a SUV. We have six staff, where at least part of their duties is driving papers around the country. They all report that people are glad to see us every Thursday or Friday and I can attest, as I am one of the drivers, that the reception is good.

I know in the days ahead, the fear-some winter driving days, we may wish we weren't on the road in a storm, but even winter driving isn't too bad. And when it is, I have always told my drivers, they make the decision. I have never made anyone drive on a road when they thought it was unsafe. I tell them, I want them home safe, the van home safe and the load safe but in that order. People come first.

And that's our outlook on life. My wife and I have been in the newspaper industry since 1968, with a few different activities once in a while. We have been continuously in the newspaper business for 36 years.

Thanks again for all your support.

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Homebodies

RITA FRIESEN



History review

One advantage/disadvantage of those sleepless nights is the opportunity to read. This week I picked up a book first published in 1966, 'The Winter Years' by James H. Gray. The author was born in Whitemouth, Manitoba, reported for the Winnipeg Free Press, reflecting on his experiences on the Great Depression, and covering events on the prairies during these times of testing—testing the mettle of the people, testing new ways of caring for people, and the land. The events were definitely before my time, before my memory, however I did hear family members talk about the financial collapse, the drought, the grasshoppers—the utter despair.

Ed's family was one of those that simply walked off a farm in the Palliser Triangle and relocated to Starbuck, Manitoba. He told of his father and older brother loading a railcar with livestock and farm implements, and the rest of the family driving, slowly, out of the bleakness and destitution of failed and failing farms to the green of the new place, right on the banks of the La Salle River. It was spring when they made the move, and it was a memorable arrival—the river water covered the bridge and they had to walk across, through ankle deep flowing water. A sure symbol that the worst of the drought was over, for them.

'The Winter Years' depicts the sorrow of living on relief, the work camps, the crowded housing, the wearing out of people and goods. Gray goes on to show how the province of Saskatchewan was better prepared to deal with the destitution. There was a plan in place to provide feed for one cow and two horses at the homestead, all other animals were shipped to community pastures. As a farmer at heart, the reality that cows adapted to their new environment much better than the horses because horses missed their owners and their home, rather hurt my heart. They returned home gaunt and broken in spirit.

The book also speaks of the work of the PFRA, the planting of shelterbelts, the work of deep plowing the soil contrary to the prevailing winds. I think of that aspect of farm husbandry. I come from a long line of tree planters; shelterbelts, decorative, and fruit trees. And then, as the farm implements became so much larger, existing shelterbelts were cleared to make farming easier. I pray we don't live to regret that too deeply. The organisation also had a plan in place to have dug outs, ponds, dug on the farms. They knew the need for stored water, for humans and beasts. Again, here too, we see sloughs and low lands carefully leveled, preventing water standing on precious farm land. I pray that we don't live to regret that too deeply.

The troubling times did bring out the better in some folks. In 1931, The Canadian Red Cross sent out a nation wide appeal for help for the 125,000 destitute farm people in Saskatchewan. The response was staggering, particularly from Ontario. Churches became the gathering points for donations of clothing, food, sheets and blankets. The United Church sent 135 carloads, Roman Catholics 62, Presbyterians 10, and Lutherans 8. Beyond expectations, and life saving.

So much to remember, and so much to learn.

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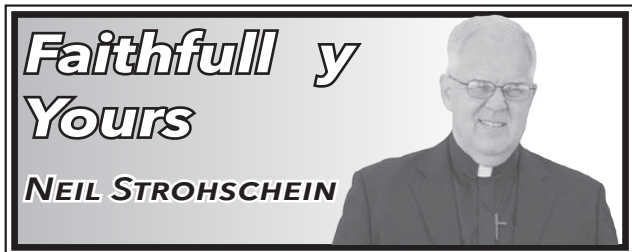
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Virtual getaways

These days, I spend a lot of time in front of a computer screen. I work from home. My days are spent researching and writing material for Sunday services, researching and writing these columns and serving the church in several other administrative roles.

Most of my days are orderly and very rewarding. But there are some days when I would give anything just to get away from it all for a while. That's when I take a few minutes for a virtual getaway—sometimes part of a cruise along the coast of western Norway, a flight from Vancouver to Victoria aboard a Harbour Air seaplane, or a portion of a train journey across Canada on the iconic Via Rail Canadian passenger train.

These getaways may not be as fulfilling as being personally aboard the ship, plane or train. But the images are vivid and the sounds realistic. They allow me to escape for a while, to imagine myself somewhere other than at



my desk. These getaways are not a waste of time. My work still gets done, only faster and with greater clarity and accuracy.

My virtual getaways aren't always on cruise ships, aircraft or trains. Sometimes, I travel with content creators to parks, cafes, historical sites and museums. Some trips cover filming locations for movies or TV shows; or we may visit the final resting places of people whose words and work helped to change our world and its people.

Most virtual getaways are to places that I will never be able to visit in person. The cost is prohibitive, and the risk of international travel is not something I am prepared to take right now. But every virtual getaway reminds me of truths that

are easy to forget.

First, beauty and majesty can be found everywhere in God's creation; and it is given to all of us to enjoy. It can be found in the delicate bloom of the spring's first crocus, in the majesty of massive trees, in the wildlife that lives in marshes, forests and river valleys, and in the people who live and work in our communities. Sometimes, we have to look closely so that we don't miss the hidden beauty we can see before us.

Second, the rugged mountains and massive canyons remind me that this world was here long before we arrived and will be here long after we are gone. We are temporary residents in a house that has been standing tall and strong for thousands of years.

Third, the age of the earth reminds me that we do not own what we think we own. Everything we have comes from the earth. The Bible reminds us that we are all under the same sentence: "Dust you are, and to dust you will return." (Genesis 3:19) The raw materials for the things we own (houses, vehicles, furnishings, technology, etc.) came from the earth; and when those items wear out or are broken beyond repair, they will be reduced to the elements from which they were taken. What can be recycled will be. What can't will be returned to the earth. None of it will follow us into the life to come.

So these days, when I take my virtual getaways, I remember the truths written above and ask for the wisdom to care for the small part of God's creation entrusted to me. My hope is to leave it better than I found it, so that whoever inherits it from me will enjoy it as much as I enjoy it now.

Letters

Mail should be essential

I agree with much of Ken Waddell's article regarding Canada Post (Oct. 3 edition - Seeking reliability).

Print is essential, but the internet has its place as well. In years past (specifically 1972), it took two months for my money to come from my bank in June, NSW, Australia, to a bank in Dauphin and they did not have the ability to send it to the Royal Bank in McCreary. Now the internet allows it to happen in two days.

On Oct. 3, I did the paperwork, remotely from Portugal, to send Euros from my Steinbach Credit Union account to my bank in Portugal. On Oct. 7 it was in my bank account in Portugal. Two business days, not two months like in 1972.

On the other hand, legal documents must be sent by courier or by Canada Post. There are varying results. This summer I received legal papers in a timely manner and they were sent from Ottawa to me in McCreary, BUT, Canada Post still has not delivered a large certified check from McCreary to Winnipeg that was sent on Sept. 2. If it does not show up then that certified check becomes stale-dated in late February, 2026 (after six months). Quite the pain as neither the check issuer nor myself can access those funds (a few thousand dollars) because the check is Certified and Canada Post has "stuck" it somewhere. Of course Canada Post is not accountable for lost mail - not even Registered Mail!. That certified check was sent by ordinary mail just like Government checks are sent.

So yes, the mail should be considered an essential service just like Police Service and Medical care - but we all know what that is like in rural Canada. The option? Complaining is NOT enough. Union leaders blather away while collecting high salaries. C.P. employees can do nothing. So now what? You dear reader, must exert political action on our (sometimes deaf) political leaders.

Otherwise the mail service will remain as same-old, same old.

Ken Pisichko
Portugal (formerly McCreary, MB)

Gladstone cattle market report

By Blaine Huston
GLADSTONE AUCTION

It was another hot sale this week. We sold 1,543 head of cattle through the ring in Gladstone on Tuesday, Oct. 14!

Here's a look at our butchers from last Friday's sale:

- D1-2 cows 225-240.
- D3 older cows 175-200.
- Bulls 225-248.

Here are some market highlights from the Oct. 14 sale:

- Fourteen pound black 855 steers bring \$5.24 a pound (\$4,480 a head).
- Eleven fancy Charolais steer calves come in the ring weighing 619 pounds and cash in at \$6.51 pound (\$4,030 per head).
- Six black 573 pound black exotic steer calves stamp there ticket at \$6.91 a pound (\$3,960 a head).

On the Hiefer side of things:

- Five black heifer calves weighing 682 pounds bring \$5.51 per pound (\$3,760 per head).
- Charolais heifers weigh 514 pounds and fetch \$7.1150 per pound (\$3,657 per head).

- Four Charolais hiefer calves weighing 439 pounds bring \$7.53 a pound (\$3,306 a head).

Plainer type cattle are still seeing some discounts.

As you can see the mar-

ket was powerful yesterday in Gladstone.

Our October Tuesday sales are all full, along with the Nov. 4. We have added a feeders sale to our butcher sale next Friday, Oct. 24.

Gladstone Auction Mart Cattle Market Report Oct. 14, 2025

Steers

3-400 lbs.	\$8.50 to 10.70
4-500 lbs.	\$7.15 to 8.78
5-600 lbs.	\$6.45 to 7.53
6-700 lbs.	\$5.30 to 6.70
7-800 lbs.	\$4.85 to 6.06
8-900 lbs.	\$4.45 to 5.33
900+ lbs.	\$3.75 to 4.94

Heifers

3-400 lbs.	\$7.90 to 9.50
4-500 lbs.	\$6.90 to 8.03
5-600 lbs.	\$5.90 to 7.11
6-700 lbs.	\$4.95 to 6.11
7-800 lbs.	\$4.45 to 5.42
8-900 lbs.	\$3.95 to 5.15
900+ lbs.	\$3.40 to 5.00

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John Drinkwater
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A big thumbs up to Neepawa Bay Hill Inn, for the great price, service you provided us, tasty continental breakfast and comfy stay. You are great. We will definitely be back next trip to Neepawa.

Tannis Winslow
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Lunch time

You have company coming for lunch. You want to impress, but you also want to serve something you know won't have you tied up in the kitchen for hours. A tuna melt is the ultimate mashup of two comfort food favorites: a buttery grilled cheese sandwich and creamy tuna salad. Pair this sandwich with a cheese soup featuring a blend of cheddar and mozzarella cheeses. It's perfect for a cozy lunch. Add a hot fudge pudding that will sweeten the ending to your luncheon. The decadent hot fudge sauce literally creates itself while baking in the oven.

Tuna melt sandwich

- For the tuna salad:*

 - 1/4 cup finely diced red onion
 - 1/4 cup finely diced celery
 - 1 small dill pickle, finely diced
 - 2 small cans tuna fish, drained
 - 2 tsp. lemon juice
 - 1 tsp. prepared Dijon mustard
 - 1/8 tsp. each salt and pepper
 - 1 Tbsp. finely chopped fresh herbs such as chives, basil, dill, or parsley (optional)
- For the sandwiches:*

 - 1/4 cup mayonnaise
 - mayonnaise or soft butter for the outside of the bread
 - 1 large tomato, sliced, optional
 - 8 hearty sandwich bread slices, such as rye
 - 8 slices cheddar cheese

For the tuna salad; stir together everything in a bowl, mixing it well, leaving the mayonnaise for last. Add mayonnaise a spoonful at a time, just enough to bind everything together. The salad should hold its shape on a spoon. Cover one side of each bread slice with butter or mayonnaise, spreading it all the way to the edges. Turn the slices over and cover with cheese. Top with tuna salad then with tomato slices. Top with another slice of cheese. Close the sandwiches and mayonnaise or butter top of the bread. Cook on a griddle or in a large frying pan over medium-high heat until deep golden brown and cheese is melted, about three minutes per side, pressing lightly with the spatula. Serve immediately.

Canadian Cheddar cheese soup

- 2 cups chicken or vegetable broth
 - 1/4 cup chopped onion
 - 1/4 cup very finely chopped celery
 - 1/4 cup shredded carrot
 - 1/2 tsp. garlic powder
 - 3 Tbsp. butter
 - 1/4 cup flour
 - 1/2 tsp. dry mustard
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
 - 1/8 tsp. pepper
 - 2 cups milk
 - 1-1/2 cups shredded cheddar cheese
 - 3/4 cup shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese
 - Garnish with a sprinkle of paprika or dried dill if desired

In a pot, bring broth to a boil. Add the onion, celery, carrot and garlic powder; simmer for five minutes or until vegetables are tender. Meanwhile, melt butter in large pot. Whisk in flour and dry mustard and cook for a minute or two. Gradually add milk; cook and stir over medium heat until thickened and bubbly. Add the broth and veggies to milk mixture and stir until blended. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Add cheeses. Cook and stir until melted. Do not boil.

Hot fudge pudding

- Sauce:*

 - 1 cup brown sugar
 - 1/4 cup cocoa
 - 1 3/4 cup hot water
- 1/2 cup white sugar
 - 1 cup flour
 - 1/4 cup cocoa
 - 2 tsp. baking powder
 - 1/4 tsp. salt
 - 1/2 cup milk
 - 1/4 cup melted butter or oil
 - 1 tsp. vanilla

Preheat oven to 350°F (175°C). Lightly grease a nine-inch square baking pan. Pre-boil water in a kettle while preparing cake. Combine sugar, flour, cocoa, baking powder, and salt in a medium bowl. Stir in the milk, butter, and vanilla extract. Mix well. Spread batter into prepared baking pan. In a small bowl, combine the brown sugar and cocoa. Sprinkle dry mixture evenly over cake batter. Slowly pour hot water evenly over dry mixture, do not stir. Bake 35 to 40 minutes until the top looks like a set cake but still feels slightly soft when gently pressed. Allow to cool for 15 minutes before serving.

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Teachers don't just teach subjects

I remember walking through a sunlit forest with a feeling of excitement to be in the open air and free of the classroom. I was in Grade 6 and fortunate to be in Mr. MacAdam's class, a teacher who was known for his nature hikes.

By the end of that school year, I had participated in a class trip to Ottawa, could identify multiple types of ferns and had a growing passion for taking care of the environment all thanks to him. I kept in contact with him into my university years. He was my favourite teacher at the time and over 10 years after his death, I still think of him. The story of my favourite teacher isn't unusual and I bet when you think about it, you have a story or two about your favourite teacher. Teachers are absolute gems who have impacts that span across generations.

A teacher's words are carried well into adulthood. Teachers are the builders of an adult's brain. They don't just bring facts to the table, they also teach invaluable life skills like empathy, negotiation, curiosity, and confidence. Teachers model for students how to listen, how to speak respectfully, and how to collaborate. These are foundational skills for any adult relationship. A calm teacher in an insane classroom gets a first-place medal in self-regulation and empathy, skills that the students see and internalize. Teachers are nurturers of critical thinking, they show us how to weigh evidence and make informed choices, essential skills for good decision making. They guide classroom discussions about fairness, kindness and diversity, shaping the literal

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future of our civilization. Teachers are playing the long game. There is no guarantee for them that the endless hours of work they put into lesson planning will have an impact on their students. For many, they may have to wait for years to see their impact on a student's life. They put so much faith into their careers and clearly do the work because they love the work and the students. I watch my father-in-law continue to teach well after your typical age of retirement and I know with 100 per cent certainty he continues to teach for the extreme love of his career and his students. As I enter my first year of teaching, I only hope that I have that level of passion when I am in my senior years of teaching. Teachers are masters of adapting. From new technologies to curriculum changes, to classroom changes, to new social norms, teachers are constantly pivoting, usually without

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Neepawa Town Council review: Tuesday, Oct. 7

By Eoin Devereux
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

The Town of Neepawa held its first Council meeting of the autumn on Tuesday, Oct. 7. Some of the notable items that were up for discussion included:

Councillor reports

• **Murray Parrott** has noticed an issue related to residents pushing their leaves into the gutters and curbs along the roads. He asked residents to take pride in their town's appearance and to collect their leaves.

• **Dave Clark** provided an update on the most recent Yellowhead Centre board meeting. He said the facility has had a few issues with the pumps to start off the year, that they are keeping an eye on. On a positive note, Clark also noted that rentals for both the arena and hall are at full capacity until the end of December. As well, the Yellowhead's Annual General Meeting has been scheduled for Oct. 23. The general public is invited to attend the event,

which will take place at 7:00 p.m. at the Yellowhead Centre.

• **Yvonne Sisley** offered a reminder that the annual 'What's the Big Idea' event is occurring on Thursday, Oct. 16. There are six business pitches set for this year's event, taking place at the Neepawa Legion. As well, the Westman Youth Choir will perform in Neepawa on Oct. 20, at the Anglican Church. There are three Neepawa based individuals who are members of this year's Choir. The ArtWest Travelling Art Gallery will also be at the Neepawa Public Library on Oct. 27.

• **Marijka Kostenchuk** attended the most recent HAND board meeting. A Fall Tea takes place on Oct. 16 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. One other item discussed was the increase in cost to the Yellowhead Centre Meal Program. Due to inflationary pressures, the cost will have to increase from \$11 to \$12. This is a six month notice, so the increase will occur in April.

• **Jason Nadeau** shared detail from the most recent Westman Regional Library Board meeting. A vote on the budget for the new year will take place in November. Nadeau also attended a Westlake Employment meeting. The latest services contract with the Provincial Government is being negotiated and finalized.

Manager of Operation

Denis Saquet informed members of council of a few notable projects and their progress. He shared that the Second Avenue water and sewer renewal, between Hamilton and Mill Street is proceeding as expected.

They hope they won't see the problems they have seen in the past. He added that they are waiting for final water tests to remove the temporary boil water advisory in that area.

Meanwhile, the Hamilton Street curb work close to the new hospital has been completed. It includes the approach going north-south between the hospital and new school, as well as the

hospital entrance.

Fianlly, it was noted that the Town have contracted out the asphalt patcher, who arrived last week. They are hoping to fill as many potholes as possible, starting on Mountain Ave and then branching out to other streets.

Correspondences

Chief Administrative Officer Colleen Synchshyn read a letter sent from Manitoba Hydro, informing Council of upcoming work on a local gas transmission project. In essence, a 19 kilometre, six inch natural gas steel pipe, from an existing value site, is going to be installed. The letter was requesting any feedback from the Town related to this planned extension.

An information session is also being planned to inform the public of the details related to this project, and what it means locally. The session is set for Oct. 21 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Neepawa Public Library. Everyone

is invited to attend.

Other business

• As part of the Manitoba Growth Renewal and Opportunities Grant, the Province is asking for more details from the Town on the proposed construction of a bridge on Hurrell Road. Some preliminary design and engineering information is required for the project, being planned for between N.E. 34-15 and S.W. 2-15-15. If approved, 50 per cent of the associated cost would be borne by the Town of Neepawa, and the other 50 would be covered through the grant.

• The Town has accepted a consultant proposal to update its Local Leadership Climate Adaption Plan.

• Council has accepted the proposal for a reassessment of the Water Treatment Plant for asbestos building materials. The reassessment is required by Workplace Safety and Health for older facilities across the province, that may have asbestos. An assessment was already been done before at

the Treatment Plant and no issues have been reported. In adherence to new regulations, however, this new assessment needs to be done. Council approved bringing in Pinchin Ltd, who are an environmental, health and safety consulting firm, to conduct the reassessment.

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Ensuring our history has a bright future

Meeting discusses way to keep B.P. Museum from closure

By Eoin Devereux
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

Surrounded by its' celebrated history, a large group of concerned citizens recently gathered at the Beautiful Plains Museum to discuss its' uncertain future.

A public meeting was held on Thursday, Oct. 9 in the museum's main foyer to talk about the urgent need for new board members and volunteers. Beautiful Plains is at risk of permanently shutting down, if new supporters don't step forward immediately.

How did we get here?

Currently, there were only five of ten board positions filled on the B.P. Museum. On top of that, those five individuals are stepping down on masse by the end of October.

The mass exodus is not as a rejection of the Museum, but rather a case of those involved having served their tenure...and then some. Several of the board members are dealing with



PHOTO BY EOIN DEVEREUX

About three dozen people attended a meeting at the Beautiful Plains Museum in Neepawa on Thursday, Oct. 9. The gathering was to discuss the need for more voluteers and board members to get involved to ensure the facility can remain open.

health issues as of late and are stepping aside to look after personal needs.

In response to the board member's decision, a call to action to the community was made to measure the amount of interest there was in keeping the Museum operational.

Solid public response

As for the meeting itself, a little under three dozen

people filled the building to learn a little about the museum's history, and more importantly, it's future. Beautiful Plains Museum Board Chair Helen Drysdale and Neepawa's Economic Development Officer Marilyn Crewe moderated the gathering. They explained some of the needs for the museum to remain operational. They stressed that the museum is not a major time consuming

initiative, and that even a small sized board of directors, with a few extra people on a volunteer list, would be more than enough to keep the doors open.

While a few individuals did volunteer on this evening, there is still a need for board members. Anyone interested in supporting the Museum is asked to attend the Annual General Meeting on Nov. 4.

The Beautiful Plains Museum was established in 1976 to collect, preserve and exhibit historical artifacts from Neepawa and the adjacent municipalities of Langford, Rosedale and Lansdowne.

Massive rummage sale held in Carberry



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

There were great deals for the taking in Carberry recently, and it was all to support an important cause. The Carberry North Cypress-Langford Health Action Committee organized a community wide Rummage Sale on Oct. 7 and 8. The sale supported the group's ongoing efforts for continued improvements to healthcare in the region. A large number of people supported the effort, both by donating items and as well, buying something at the event. The exact numbers raised from the two day sale are not yet available. the Banner & Press will share those details once they are confirmed.



FILE PHOTO

The Beautiful Plains Museum has been the home of local history for decades , but a lack of volunteer support could end up closing its doors forever.

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A hands-on look at Beautiful Plains history



PHOTOS BY CASPER WEHRHAHN

One of the valuable experiences Neepawa's Beautiful Plains Museum provides is student tours. On Oct. 8, the Neepawa Banner & Press had the opportunity to shadow one such tour, which was given to a class of Grade 8 students. The items at the museum not only give these students a closer look at the nation's history, but a more personal experience with the history of the Beautiful Plains area in which the students and their families make their home.

Top left: The General Store was chock full of everything you needed back in the day. All the students got a close look at the goods on display in front and behind the counter.

Far right: Seen here, this student puts on a stoic face for a photo op with the Banner & Press while wearing a genuine bison coat.

Above left: Typewriters, laundry implements, farm equipment and much more were inspected as the students roamed the exhibits on the bottom floor.

Above right: The barber shop section contains a plethora of old tools that were essential to the trade. And, as can be seen in the mirror's reflection a collection of license plates.

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Western Manitoba getting a visit from the CPKC Holiday Train this December

By Joshua Jackson
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

The Canadian Pacific Kansas City Railway Holiday Train is making a few stops in Westman, including Neepawa, as it gets on track for the 2025 holiday season.

The Holiday Train tour kicks off in Montreal, Quebec, on Nov. 19, before rolling its way across Canada and the United States.

The Holiday Train passes through Manitoba starting in December. The CPKC Holiday Train makes its first stop in Westman as the train rolls through Neepawa on Friday, Dec. 5, from 2:30 - 3 p.m.. You can see the Holiday Train in town at Railway Street between Mountain Ave. and Currie Ave.

After the CPKC Holiday Train departs Neepawa, it will continue down the line to Minnedosa from 4:00



FILE PHOTO

The Canadian Pacific Kansas City Railway's Holiday Train, pictured as it was seen in Neepawa in 2023. The train has made a number of stops in Neepawa for the holiday season, and will make a return once again for 2025. It arrives from 2:30 - 3:00 p.m.

p.m. to 4:30 p.m. before ending in Shoal Lake from 7:15 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.

The Holiday Train, in its 27th year, is free for you

to attend, but CPKC donates to the local food bank at each stop and encourages all attendees to make a monetary or food dona-

tion. This year's entertainment for the Manitoba-leg of the tour features two artists: three-time Juno-nominated country music

artist Jade Eagleson and breakout Canadian country artist Teigen Gayse.

In total, across the Holiday Train tour, there are

196 live music shows in six provinces and 13 U.S. states.

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CANADA'S HEART IS CALLING

By Eoin Devereux
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

To paraphrase an old proverb 'A community grows great when you plant trees in whose shade you may never sit'. Well, it appears as though Neepawa is on that path to greatness thanks to the efforts of Tree Canada, Town administration and our own local Home Hardware.

A large number of trees are in the process of being planted near the new hospital under construction on Neepawa's east end. They were purchased through a \$2,500 grant provided by Neepawa Home Hardware and installed on Wednesday, Oct. 8 by the Town's maintenance staff.

These trees were bought through Tree Canada, a national non-profit organization dedicated to planting and nurturing trees in rural and urban environments. To date, the group, along with local community partners, have planted more than 85 million trees.

Tree Canada Forestry Specialist Audrey Dallaire was on hand for the local commemoration of this year's trees. Dallaire said that Neepawa Home Hardware has been extremely supportive of the program, and that partnering on this new chapter in the community's development is very gratifying.

"The planting of trees is enhancing the urban canopy in Neepawa, and we're very supportive of that," stated Dallaire. "It's especially exciting to be a part of this important addition to the community, in the form of the new hospital, and in the future, a new school. To be in on the ground floor of something like this is exciting and we can't wait to come back in 10, 15 years to see all the construction finished and those trees established and benefitting the community."

Home Hardware's relationship with Tree Canada on a national level began in 1992, and has seen more than 30,000 trees planted. As for Neepawa, our local Home Hardware has been a part of the program for well over a decade.

Michelle Gerrard, the owner/operator of Neepawa Home Hardware, stated that it's very exciting to be part of a new project like the hospital and proposed new school area.

"Being able to donate towards the creation of some

Benefitting the community for years to come

Home Hardware sponsors planting of trees in Neepawa



Representatives from Home Hardware, Tree Canada and the Town of Neepawa, all assembled on Friday Oct. 10 to celebrate the planting of new trees close to the new Neepawa Regional Health Centre.

PHOTO BY EOIN DEVEREUX

new greenery in the area, it makes its mean a little bit more. Tree Canada and Home Hardware has been a great partnership over the years, and we're happy to be able to apply for those grants to help out our community when we can," stated Gerrard.

"We're hoping to have more next year. There are lots of trees planned for this area, so we'll donate to this area again next year, and then maybe for the next few years, until we get a good green space going out here."

Neepawa's Manager of Operations Denis Saquet

explained to the Banner & Press that the trees will be distributed along

several new roads and walkways currently being constructed. He noted this

will create a nice visual pathway in the area for local residents for years to come.



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Wednesday, Oct. 22 - Dauphin Library - Dauphin

Thursday, Oct. 23 - Neepawa Library - Neepawa

6:30 - 7:00 PM - Doors open, grab a refreshment and meet the new Superintendent

7:00 - 7:25 PM - Introductions & park update

7:25 - 9:00 PM - Interactive workshop

AFTERNOON EVENT

Saturday, Oct. 25 - Riding Mountain Visitor Centre - Wasagamung

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Titans seek redemption after tough week



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After losing 7-1, Neepawa will look for vengeance against the Niverville Nighthawks on Oct. 19 in Manitoba Junior Hockey League action.

By Joshua Jackson
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

The Neepawa Titans are hoping to shake off a rough week in the Manitoba Junior Hockey League after sustaining a pair of losses in back-to-back nights.

The Neepawa Titans played host to the Niverville Nighthawks on Oct. 10. The bounces were not in the Titans' favour as Niverville would capitalize just 38 seconds into the game and pummel the Titans 7-1. The Titans' lone goal came from Ty Kirk, assisted by Keenan Skrupa in the second period. Matthew Michta would stand in net for the Titans, stopping 29 of 36 shots. Although the score was not in favour of the Titans, one thing that

stood out was the team's penalty kill, as Niverville went only two for five on the power play.

The Titans then hit the road to Virden on Saturday, Oct. 11, for a tilt with the Virden Oil Capitals. The Neepawa Titans would find themselves down 3-0 with 8 minutes remaining in the first period of play. Newly signed Tyler Wamboldt would add his first as a Titan, as the Oil Capitals held a 3-1 lead after the first. The Titans would attempt a comeback with a goal from Keenan Skrupa, assisted by Owen Durigan and Cooper Kasprick, and a third-period goal courtesy of Sebastian Hetterich, also getting his first MJHL Goal, assisted by Talen Wallis. Two goalies would

take the net for the Titans, as Alex Myers played the first 20 minutes, allowing three goals on 13 shots. Zach Burleigh would take the reins for the rest of the game, saving 21 of 24 shots.

The Titans sit fourth in the MGEU West Division with a 3-6 record.

The Neepawa Titans have the week off to regroup before their road stretch continues. Neepawa will look for vengeance against the Niverville Nighthawks on Oct. 19, before taking on the Winkler Flyers on Oct. 21. The Titans' next home game isn't until Oct. 29, when the Titans take on the Steinbach Pistons at the Yellowhead Centre.

Neepawa Titans tweak roster, bring back a familiar face

By Joshua Jackson
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

The Neepawa Titans were scouring the market as they looked to bolster their forward core. The club signed forward Tyler Wamboldt and re-acquired Talen Lewis.

Tyler Wamboldt is a Thompson-born forward who played with the Norman Northstars of the Manitoba U18 AAA Hockey League last season, where he amassed 30 goals and 67 points along with 71 penalty minutes in 45 games. In

Wamboldt's debut as a Titan, he would make his presence known as he would add a goal in a loss to Virden.

The Neepawa Titans are also welcoming back Talen Lewis, as they traded for Lewis from the Weyburn Red Wings of the Saskatchewan Junior Hockey League in exchange for a PDF.

Last year, Lewis registered 10 goals and 14 assists with the Titans. During his stint in Weyburn, the forward had one assist in six games. Lewis joined the team for practice earlier in the week

Titans sign one to LOI

By Joshua Jackson
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

The Neepawa Titans may have played under 10 regular-season games in the Manitoba Junior Hockey League (MJHL), but they're looking toward the 2026-2027 season after signing a player to a Letter of Intent (LOI).

The Titans announced the signing of defenseman Theran Turner for the 2026-27 season.

Turner, who hails from Brandon, is a 2009-born left-handed defenseman

who is currently playing for the Brandon Wheat Kings of the Manitoba U18 AAA Hockey League (MU18HL).

Last season, Turner played for the Southwest Cougars of the MU18HL, racking up 11 points and 22 penalty minutes in 44 games.

"I'm extremely excited for the opportunity to play for such a great organization like Neepawa and to become a part of the community," said Turner.

Titans Head Coach/General Manager Ken

Pearson noted in the release that Turner had a brief but positive training camp with the Titans and is a good-sized defender the club is excited about utilizing next year.

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Dauphin Kings	7	6	1	0	0	12
Virden Oil Capitals	9	6	3	0	0	12
Waywayseecappo Wolverines	10	5	5	0	0	10
Neepawa Titans	9	3	6	0	0	6
Swan Valley Stampeders	10	2	8	0	0	4
Northern Manitoba Blizzard	6	0	5	1	0	1
Eastern Division	G	W	L	OTL	SOL	Pts
Selkirk Steelers	11	10	1	0	0	20
Steinbach Pistons	9	8	0	1	0	17
Portage Terriers	8	6	1	1	0	13
Niverville Nighthawks	7	6	1	0	0	12
Winnipeg Blues	9	3	4	2	0	8
Winkler Flyers	9	2	6	1	0	5
Winnipeg Monarchs	12	1	11	0	0	2

Game results

Friday, Oct. 10
Niverville 7-1 Neepawa

First Period
00:38 NIV C. Moore (1)
ASST: R. Arran (1)
14:45 NIV H. Wheddon (2)
ASST: A. Vigfusson (6), M. Boles (5)

Second Period
01:39 NIV A. Vigfusson (3)
ASST: H. Wheddon (5), P. Carrier (4)
06:59 NPA T. Kirk (2)
ASST: K. Skrupa (4)
17:23 NIV J. Scott (2) SH
ASST: Unassisted

Third Period
01:52 NIV L. Leduc (6) PP
ASST: J. Scott (1), P. Carrier (5)
07:39 NIV J. Scott (3) PP
ASST: L. Leduc (1), L. Mackenzie (2)
13:07 NIV H. Wheddon (3)
ASST: M. Boles (6), T. Phillips (4)

Scoring 1 2 3 Total PP
NIV 2 2 3 7 2/5
NPA 0 1 0 1 0/4

Goaltender
NIV A. Dubinsky - (W) 35/36 saves
NPA M. Michta - (L) 29/36 saves
Attendance: 256 - Yellowhead Centre

Game results

Saturday, Oct. 11
Virden 6-3 Neepawa

First Period
02:35 VDN B. Bryant (5)
ASST: C. Worthington (8), C. Wright (2)
06:36 VDN B. Bryant (6)
ASST: C. Wright (3), T. Plaisier (5)
12:52 VDN D. Drake (1)
ASST: M. Bonin (2), N. Schaefer (2)
13:30 NPA T. Wamboldt (1)
ASST: J. Clark (4)

Second Period
03:41 VDN D. Drake (2)
ASST: R. Baxter (3), L. Laramée (1)
19:22 NPA K. Skrupa (2) PP
ASST: O. Durigan (4), C. Kasprick (2)

Third Period
06:59 NPA S. Hetterich (1)
ASST: T. Wallis (4)
08:39 VDN C. Lewko (3)
ASST: L. Goertzen (4)
19:17 VDN R. Baxter (3) PP
ASST: B. Bryant (6)

Scoring 1 2 3 Total PP
NPA 1 1 1 3 1/5
VDN 3 1 2 6 1/5

Goaltender
NPA A. Myers - 10/13 saves
NPA Z. Burleigh - (L) 24/27 saves
VDN M. Gross - (W) 21/24 saves
Attendance: 702 - Tundra Place

MJHL Player stats

Leading scorers (MJHL)	G	A	Pts	Leading scorers (Titans)	G	A	Pts
1. Rohan Guevarra (SEL)	6	18	24	1. Jack Clark	3	4	7
2. Wyatt Witham (SEL)	5	16	21	2. Logan Paquette	3	3	6
3. Sebastien Hicks (WAY)	8	11	19	3. Keenan Skrupa	2	4	6
4. Ben Roulette (WAY)	7	11	18	4. Kyle Weisgarber	2	4	6
5. Griffin Krone (SEL)	8	9	17	5. Cooper Kasprick	3	2	5

Club 55 Bowling Minnedosa

Oct. 9, 2025: Men's High Single & Triple: Darrell Gabler 186 & 499. **Ladies' High Single:** Laurie Kohinski 186. **Ladies' High Triple:** Carole LeBoutillier 482. **Other Good Scores:** Darrell Gabler 161, 152; Caroline Harding 175; Vivian Oswald 185; Chuck Morden 167; Judy Gabler 172; Frank Porada 167, 156; Janice Abstreiter 152; Russ Taylor 175; Carole LeBoutillier 177, 152, 153; Iain Greig 151; Tara Ross 152.

Sports

Fourteen teams to play in Tiger Hills Hockey League season

Submitted
TIGER HILLS HOCKEY LEAGUE

The Tiger Hills Hockey League (THHL) will see the addition of two teams for the 2025-2026 season. The Wawanesa Jets will be returning after a one-year leave of absence, and the Sandy Bay Flying Feathermen will embark on their first season in the Tiger Hills

The new 14 team league will see the clubs split into two divisions for regular season scheduling only. Those divisions are:

- West Division:** Boissevain Border Kings, Deloraine Royals, Hartney Blues, Killarney Shamrocks, Melita Bisons, Souris Elks, and the Virden Oil Kings.
- East Division:** Carberry Plainsmen, MacGregor Wild, Minnedosa Bombers, Neepawa Farmers, Rivers

- Jets, Sandy Bay Flying Feathermen, and the Wawanesa Jets.
- All teams will play a 19-game schedule, playing their “divisional” opponents twice, and the other division once.
- Standings will be done as one big league (as opposed to two divisions). Teams will be ranked 1-thru-14, with the top 12 making the playoffs.
 - After the regular season, the top four teams in the standings will earn a first round bye.
 - The first round of the playoffs will be a best-of-3. Teams will get to choose their opponent for the series.
 - e x) 5th place will get first choice of who they want to play, followed by 6th and 7th. 8th place will play the last team remaining.
 - The second round of the playoffs will be a best-of-5. It will follow the same selection format as the first round, with the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams choosing opponents, and the 4th place team playing who is left.
 - The third round of the playoffs will be a best-of-5. Matchups will be determined by regular season seeding.
 - The finals will also be a best-of-5.
- A few new rules will be in effect this season as well.
- Coincidental penalties, when both teams are at full strength, will result in a 4-on-4 situation. In all other cases, coincidental penalties will not be time penalties, and will be served until a stoppage in play.
 - After both penalties and icings, the offensive team's centre gets to choose which side the faceoff will take place.
- The official schedule for the 2025-26 season has not yet been unveiled, though games are slated to start in late October. Check the Tiger Hills Hockey League website (thhl.ca) for updates.

Tigers conclude RMFL regular season, ready for post season play



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Neepawa Tigers closed out their RMFL regular season schedule in Winnipeg, against the Transcona Nationals last weekend. Neepawa was defeated in this game 24-19. With this result, the Tigers conclude the regular season with a 5-1-0 record, which is good enough to secure first place in the Murray Black Division. Next for Neepawa is the playoffs, and a game versus the Parkwest Outlaws. Opening kickoff is set for Sunday, Oct. 19 at 12:00 p.m., at Neepawa Collegiate Field. Pictured: The Dairy Queen Neepawa players of the week for week six were: Lexiin and Keegan, here pictured with Coach Lucas Clark.

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Neepawa Connects: new volunteer program is bringing friendship to seniors

By Joshua Jackson
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

The Home Assistance Neepawa and District (HAND) is looking for volunteers for its new program, which hopes to help seniors in Neepawa combat loneliness and social isolation.

HAND Coordinator Michelle Kasprick said she developed a very similar program a few years ago but never had a chance to implement it.

“Some friends and I were having a meeting about a different topic, and the

idea for Neepawa Connects just sort of got developed through the conversation,” she said.

The program hopes to pair registered volunteers with eligible seniors to foster companionship, conversation, and connection. The role of a Connected Friend Volunteer is mainly to be a person that a senior can depend on for friendship, social connection and regular contact.

“Ways this can happen are by in-person visits where the senior and volunteer can have coffee and a visit, play

cards, look at photos, etc, dropping off little ‘thinking of you’ care packages, sending a card or friendly note, and by making regular friendly phone calls,” she said.

Kasprick noted that there are things that are not the responsibility of a Connected Friend Volunteer, like errands, household and outside chores for the senior.

“The program is strictly a friendship-based volunteer service,” she said.

Kasprick urges everyone to consider this volunteer opportunity— not only will

you be making a huge impact on a senior’s life, but the friendship you find will greatly enrich your own.

“I feel there is a great need for a program like this in Neepawa, simply for the fact that all too often, seniors become isolated in their homes and feelings of loneliness and depression set in. This is especially true for those seniors whose mobility is compromised

and who are unable to get out and be around others,” she said. “Everyone needs human contact, friendship and someone to care. There is thankfully less of a stigma surrounding mental health nowadays, but I think that a lot of people forget that seniors’ lives are greatly impacted by their mental health as well. Neepawa Connects is a way of supporting that.”

Anyone who wishes to volunteer or have a volunteer contact them can call (204-476-2009) or come to the HAND office at 430 Brown Ave (across from the Neepawa Legion). Volunteers wanting to enlist in the program must complete an Adult Abuse Registry Check & Criminal Record Check, which are free for volunteers, as well as sign an Oath of Confidentiality.

Christmas Hoedown to be held in Neepawa

Banner Staff
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

Get ready to tap along to some champion fiddling and dancing. On Nov. 8, Scott Woods’ ‘Christmas Hoedown’ tour will have a performance in Neepawa. The show will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Roxy Theatre, located at 291 Hamilton Street.

Attendees can expect master class performances from not only Scott Woods, but also Leo ‘Spaghetti Legs’ Stock, special guests Gary and Nadine Boles, Steve Piticco and Kendra Norris.

About the entertainers

Scott Woods is known for his wins in the Canadian Open Fiddle Contest and the Canadian Grand Masters Fiddling Competition. He has also been named Canadian Fiddler of the Year (2018), and received a Lifetime Achievement Award for his contributions to music.

Kendra Norris, Woods’ sister, is known for her comedic tribute to ‘Cousin Minnie Pearl’. She plays piano and fiddle, and provides vocal performances as well.

Leo Stock is a drummer, fiddler and step dancer. He has had three consecutive wins in the Canadian Open Step Dancing Championship.

Steve Piticco will bring both electric and acoustic guitar skills to the show. He’s a multiple-time CCMA Guitar Player of the Year awards winner, and a Flat Picker of the Year from the Central Canadian Bluegrass Awards. Additionally, Piticco is also a member of the Ottawa Valley Country Music Hall of Fame.

Gary and Nadine Boles will take to the acoustic and bass guitars, and contribute vocals fit for Christmas classics.

Fresh and fun

All together, people can expect “a nostalgic yet high energy show that blends the charm of yesteryear with modern technology”. And, of course, a festive celebration “filled with heart, humour and holiday spirit”.

“You don’t have to be a fiddle or country music fan to enjoy it,” Woods said. “We design the show to keep things fresh and emotionally varied—bringing laughter, excitement, joy, and even a few touching moments.”

Keeping with the holiday spirit, proceeds from the concert (and the tour as a whole) will support Canadian charities.

“[We’re] giving back to the community with the gifts we’ve been blessed with,” Woods said of the Christmas Hoedown tour.

He added, “[It’s] a great way for people to come out, enjoy themselves and support their community.”

The upcoming performance in Neepawa is one stop out of a total of 47 towns across five provinces, from Nov. 1 to Dec. 21.

Tickets are \$45, tax included, and are non-refundable. Advance tickets can be purchased online at www.scottwoods.ca or by calling the Scott Woods Band Office toll free at 1-855-726-8896. See the website for a complete tour schedule.

Locally, tickets are available (CASH ONLY) at the Neepawa Banner & Press (423 Mountain Ave.) and Arts Forward.

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Obituary



Barry Asham

Peacefully at home, Barry moved on from this life on October 11th, 2025 at the age of 77 years.

Barry met Karen and they got married in 1983. Four children were added to complete their family. They lived in the Kinostota/Reedy Creek area until recently moving to McCreary. Some of the biggest memories are numerous hunts and patience he had with his kids and his grandkids. They remember all the crafts that Grandma and Grandpa taught them.

He leaves to mourn his wife Karen and their children Amber (Craig), David (Lisa), Justin (Amanda), and Ricky; his grandchildren Dillan, Gauge, Logan, Liam, Lucas and numerous grand puppies along with his sisters Peggy and Lorraine and his Brother David, as well as many many nieces, nephews and so very many honorary family members. Family was always very important to Barry.

Funeral Service for Barry will be held on Saturday, October 18th, 2025 at 1:00 pm at the Lakeview Chapel in Kinostota, MB.

Interment will follow in the Lakeview Chapel Cemetery. Should friends so desire, please consider remembering Barry with a donation to Diabetes Canada



In Loving Memory of Sarah Ada Klatt 1927 – 2025

Sarah Ada Klatt passed away peacefully on October 9, 2025, at the remarkable age of 98.

Sarah was born in Roblin, Manitoba, on September 19, 1927. Her family later moved to Kelwood, where she met the love of her life, Edwin Klatt, at a local dance. They were married in 1952 and shared a life filled with love, laughter, and dedication on their family farm in Plumas, Manitoba. Edwin predeceased her in May of 2008.

Sarah is survived by her four children: Darlene Heron, Lorrie Fraser, Gail Kirkland (Brian), and Kevin Klatt; grandchildren: Michelle Macdonald, Chris Kirkland, Candace Glover, Tyler Fraser, Ryan Heron, and Shannon Heron; great-grandchildren: Christopher Kirkland, Lauren and Matthew Macdonald, Sydney and Brandon Fraser, Bronson and Kiptyn Glover, and Weston and Becket Heron; and great-great-granddaughter, Abigail Kirkland.

She is also survived by her sisters Vi Hendrickson and Pat Bais as well as numerous nieces and nephews. Sarah was predeceased by her sisters Lil Fick and Pearl Muzyka, step-sister Ruby Pinchin, brother Geo Winn, and step-brothers John and Harvey Winn.

A vibrant and active member of her community, Sarah had a lifelong love of sports and social activities. She was an avid baseball player in her youth and well into adulthood, a devoted Blue Jays and Winnipeg Jets fan, and an enthusiastic curler, golfer, and bowler. Sarah also loved bingo nights and casino trips, where her family often marvelled at her good luck.

Her baking abilities were second to none — her pies were always a fan favourite at community bake sales and dinners. She was also a talented seamstress, creating countless cherished outfits for her family.

Sarah spent the last three years as a resident at Country Meadows Personal Care Home in Neepawa. The family extends heartfelt thanks to the staff for their kindness and care, and to Dr. Kristen Wareham for her dedication throughout Sarah's stay.

She was a longtime, dedicated member of both the Royal Canadian Legion and the United Church Women's group, contributing countless hours to causes close to her heart.

Sarah will be remembered for her strong spirit, warm heart, and unwavering devotion to her family, friends, and community.

At Sarah's request, there will not be a funeral. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Knox United Church in Plumas in her memory.

"Oh, we ain't got a barrel of money
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A private family service will be held at a later date.
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Notice

TOWN OF CARBERRY PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING GENERAL BORROWING BY-LAW NO. 18/2025 TO PAY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PRIMARY LAGOON CELL

The Council of the Town of Carberry at its regular meeting in the Council Chamber, Town Office, 44 Main Street on Tuesday, October 28, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. will hold a public hearing and consider giving first reading to By-law No. 18/2025 to authorize the following proposal to borrow up to \$3,200,000.00 to pay for:

*The construction of a
new primary lagoon cell at NW 29-10-14*

*The total estimated cost of the primary lagoon cell is
\$8,305,489.40, to be funded as follows:
\$2,552,744.70 from the Province of Manitoba; and
\$2,552,744.70 from the Federal Government of Canada
\$3,200,000 to be funded by borrowing*

The borrowing will be repaid over 20 years at a maximum interest rate of 6% per year

The annual repayment amount will be no more than \$330,000 to be levied annually as part of the general municipal levy.

Copies of the proposal to borrow and information about the capital project are available at the municipal office at 44 Main Street and on the municipal website at: www.townofcarberry.ca

Dated at the Town of Carberry this the 10th day of October, 2025 and issued pursuant to Section 174.1(1) of The Municipal Act.

Teresa McConnell
Chief Administrative Officer
Town of Carberry
Phone: (204) 834-6602

Obituary



Elsie Hockin

With deep hearts we announce the passing of our cherished mother, Elsie Eileen Hockin (nee Rainkie). She passed away peacefully on Monday, October 6th, at 3:30 a.m.

Elsie was born in Birnie, Manitoba, on September 28, 1935, to Annie and Frank Rainkie. She was predeceased by her devoted husband, Roy Hockin, and siblings Eva, Mark, Henry, Beatrice, Mervin, Leonard, and her son-in-law, Pierluigi Tolaini.

Survived by her children, Andy (Shannon), Frank, Shelly, grandchildren, Hayley (Clayton), Erika. Great grandchildren Sheldon, Ava, and Grace. Sister Jeannie Quesnelle, along with many nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear neighbors.

In 1952, at the young age 17, Mom was hired by Bob and Beulah Davidson, who introduced her to dad. Shortly after on October 24th 1953, she became his bride. They were married for 58 years until Dad's passing in 2011.

Elsie was a devoted farm wife, typical of that era. She poured coffee to countless generations, and as one of the cousins used to say, "Elsie pours my 1st cup of coffee every day!"

Not to mention there was an endless supply of popsicles for the neighbourhood kids.

She spent her days quietly at the kitchen table, preparing coffee, and observing numerous cribbage games. She was surrounded by a close-knit group of regulars where she listened to their lively conversation and questionable "wisdom and knowledge."

Elsie celebrated her 90th birthday while she was hospitalized. She was honoured with the presence of a few dear visitors and the exceptional staff at the Neepawa hospital.

We will deeply miss her presence. However, we find solace in knowing that she is at peace and surrounded by the most extraordinary family and friends one could ever desire.

With love and sorrow, we bid farewell to our beloved mother.

May she rest in eternal peace.

Coming Events

Neepawa Area Health Auxiliary presents Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Workshop

October 21, 2025
Neepawa Legion Hall
1 to 4 pm
free

Everyone is welcome to come and learn more about dementia, caregiver stresses and local supports available. We have 4 guest speakers.

Our theme is "Let's Connect, not Correct!"
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Obituary



Kathleen Dolores Koncz

With heavy hearts and deep love, we share that our dear Kathleen Koncz passed away peacefully on Tuesday, September 23, 2025, at the age of 85, surrounded by the love of her family.

Kathleen Dolores was born on September 5, 1940, on her parents' farm (SE 27-17-12).

She was the fifth child and only daughter of Martha and Charlie Walker. On June 14, 1969, she married Alex Koncz at Christ Lutheran Church in Waldersee, MB. Together, they built a life filled with love, hard work, and family, and were blessed with three children- Keith, Janice & Dennis.

Kathleen spent her life on the grain and cattle farm she cherished so deeply. She had a quiet strength and expressed her love through tireless acts of service and care. Though not one for many words, her actions spoke volumes — from hanging laundry on the line, tending to her large garden, preserving food for winter, to preparing countless hearty, home-cooked meals. She was especially known for her delicious cabbage rolls, perogies, bread, buns, pickles, jams, and sauerkraut. A skilled homemaker and talented cook, Kathleen entered many items in the local fair, very often bringing home first-place prizes. She also generously supported her community by baking for town events and gatherings, always contributing without seeking recognition. Kathleen had a deep sense of care for others; she often visited elderly neighbors and checked in on people in the surrounding communities, quietly offering kindness wherever it was needed.

Kathleen was predeceased by her beloved husband Alex, (December 15, 2022), her parents Martha and Charlie Walker, her brothers Clifford, Leonard, Alfred, and Harvey Walker. Kathleen's memory will be lovingly cherished by her children: Keith (Lindsay), and grandsons Sam (McKayla) and Noah, Janice Davis (Devin) of Winnipeg, MB, and granddaughter Hannah Davis (Chris) of Winnipeg, MB, Dennis, grandson Mathew (Kaxton) of Calgary, AB, granddaughter Lauren of Airdrie, AB. She is also survived by her brothers Wilfred Walker (Carol) of Neepawa, MB, and Delvin (Verna) of Portage, MB, sister-in-law Ruby Walker of Neepawa, MB, as well as numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews.

A funeral service to celebrate Kathleen's life was held at Christ Lutheran Church in Waldersee, MB, on Friday, October 3, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. Interment followed at Tupper Cemetery. Following the service, all were warmly invited to join the family at Keith and Lindsay's home for fellowship and refreshments.

The family extends heartfelt thanks to all who supported Kathleen with love and care during her final days. "Her hands were gentle, her heart was strong, and her love lives on in all of us."

Clarke's Funeral Home, Gladstone—MacGregor
in care of arrangements

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Notice



NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION
SALE OF LANDS FOR ARREARS OF TAXES
MUNICIPALITY OF MCCREARY

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 13th day of November, 2025, at the hour of 02:00 PM, at Municipality of McCreary, 432 First Avenue, McCreary, MB, 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
105200	LOT 38 PLAN 6271 NLTO EXC: ALL MINES AND MINERALS IN DEED 140611 NLTO IN NE 1/4 33-20-15 WPM - 462 JONASSON CRES, MCCREARY	L -\$4,000	\$2,421.45
109600	LOT 3 PLAN 807 NLTO EXC: ALL MINES AND MINERALS IN DEED 140611 NLTO IN NE 1/4 33-20-15 WPM - 211 BURROWS RD S, MCCREARY	L -\$4,000 B -\$12,900	\$10,097.76
119550	LOT 1 PLAN 41878 NLTO SUBJECT TO SPECIAL RESERVATIONS AS TO MINES MINERALS AND OTHER MATTERS AS PARTICULARLY DEFINED IN THE ORIGINAL GRANT FROM THE CROWN IN SE 1/4 4-21-15 WPM - 120086 ROAD 87W	L -\$10,100 B -\$202,500	\$21,876.23
143100	LOT 2 BLOCK 'B' PLAN 500 NLTO SUBJECT TO SPECIAL RESERVATIONS AS TO MINES MINERALS AND OTHER MATTERS AS PARTICULARLY DEFINED IN THE ORIGINAL GRANT FROM THE CROWN IN SE 1/4 4-21-15 WPM - 604 BURROWS ROAD N, MCCREARY	L -\$4,500 B -\$80,300	\$12,128.34
144200	AT MCCREARY AND BEING: LOT 18 AND THE SLY 2 FEET OF LOT 19 BLOCK 'B' SS PLAN 500 NLTO SUBJECT TO SPECIAL RESERVATIONS AS TO MINES MINERALS AND OTHER MATTERS AS PARTICULARLY DEFINED IN THE ORIGINAL GRANT FROM THE CROWN IN SE 1/4 4-21-15 WPM - 610 BURROWS ROAD N, MCCREARY	L -\$3,800 B -\$39,300*	\$10,177.77

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Dated this 9th day of October, 2025.

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Notice



NOTICE OF APPLICATION
MUNICIPALITY OF WESTLAKE-GLADSTONE
REVISED WATER AND WASTEWATER] RATES
GLADSTONE WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY

October 8, 2025

The Municipality of Westlake-Gladstone (Municipality) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised water and wastewater rates for the Gladstone Water and Wastewater Utility (Utility) as set out in By-Law No. 2025-11, read the first time on May 21, 2025. Rates were last approved in 2019 in Board Order No. 82/19, with current rates coming into effect January 1, 2022. In Board Order No. 62/25, an approval in principle was granted in May 2025 to recover debenture servicing costs. A deficit recovery rate rider was approved in November 2024 in Board Order No. 134/24 and in June 2023 in Board Order No. 75/23.

The current and proposed rates are as follows:

	Current Rates By-Law No. 2019-01	Proposed Rates		
		Year 1 By-Law No. 2025-11	Year 2 By-Law No. 2025-11	Year 3 By-Law No. 2025-11
Quarterly Service Charge	\$15.25	\$20.10	\$21.86	\$23.61
Water (per 1,000 gallons)*	\$18.38	\$22.30	\$23.72	\$25.14
Wastewater (per 1,000 gallons)	\$4.89	\$6.35	\$6.88	\$7.40
Rate Rider - Board Order No. 134/24 (per 1,000 gallons)	\$2.73	\$2.73	\$2.73	\$ -
Rate Rider - Board Order No. 75/23 (per 1,000 gallons)	\$0.94	\$0.94	\$ -	\$ -
Debt Surcharge - Board Order No. 62/25 (per 1,000gallons)	\$ -	\$ -	\$2.63	\$2.63
Minimum Quarterly Charge**	\$85.06	\$106.05	\$113.66	\$121.23
Minimum Quarterly Charge + Rate Rider + Debt Surcharge**	\$96.07	\$117.06	\$129.74	\$129.12
Bulk Water (per 1,000 gallons)*	\$24.58	\$26.78	\$28.28	\$29.78
Minimum Quarterly Unmetered Wastewater only***	\$54.37	\$70.90	\$76.90	\$82.81
Minimum Quarterly Unmetered Wastewater only (Rate includes Rate Rider and Debt Surcharge)***	\$ -	\$100.26	\$119.78	\$103.85
Hydrant Rentals (annually)	\$75.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Lagoon Tipping Fee (per truck load up to 3,000 gallons)	\$25.00	\$40.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00

*Current rate includes passthrough rates from Yellowhead regional Water Co-op

**Based on 3,000 gallons

***Based on 8,000 gallons

Details of the Municipality's application are available for review at the Municipal office or the Board's office. Any questions concerning the application for revised rates, or the operation of the Utility, should be sent directly to the Municipality.

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If you have concerns/comments regarding the Municipality's application for water and wastewater rates, please go to www.pubmanitoba.ca and provide your comment. Please note all comments will be forwarded to the Municipality.

Questions or comments should be sent on or before November 21, 2025.

The Board is the provincial regulatory agency that reviews and approves rates for water and wastewater utilities in Manitoba, with the exception of the City of Winnipeg. The Board's review process involves:

- the Utility filing a rate application to the Board,
- a public notification of proposed rate changes,
- the Board's review of the application through a public hearing or paper review process, and
- the issuance of an Order which outlines the Board's decision on the rate application and the rates to be charged.

The Manitoba Ombudsman has privacy guidelines for administrative tribunals. The Board is mindful of its obligations under those guidelines. Its decisions in respect of the application being considered will be sensitive to the guidelines. Personal information will not be disclosed unless it is appropriate and necessary to do so. However, the Board advises participants that these proceedings are public and that as a result, personal information protections are reduced.

The Board will then decide whether any further notice is required and whether to proceed with a public hearing or paper review process. All concerns received by the Board will be considered in the Board's decision on rates to be charged.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT IN CONSIDERING THIS APPLICATION, THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD MAY OR MAY NOT FIND IT NECESSARY TO DETERMINE RATES DIFFERENT FROM THOSE APPLIED FOR BY THE APPLICANT.

Note: All proceedings will be conducted in accordance with the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure, which the Board may vary in order to constrain regulatory costs. The Rules are available at www.pubmanitoba.ca.

Frederick Myktyshyn Assistant Associate Secretary
Manitoba Public Utilities Board

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Hog Receiving Barn Worker (NOC85100)

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Your duties may involve:

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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
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- Open to working in colder/warmer environments
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Ken Waddell, publisher

Tender

LAND FOR SALE BY TENDER

Ducks Unlimited Canada (DUC) has the following land for sale by tender:

Tender 1:

RM of Oakview

W ½ 3-15-22 WPM & E ½ 9-15-22 WPM
637.54 acres

There are approximately 442.95 acres in tame hay/pasture, with remainder in natural grass/bush/wetland. Roughly 351.32 acres of tame hay were seeded in spring of 2025. High tensile perimeter fence recently installed on W ½ of 3-15-22W as well. Property being sold subject to the registration of a 'No Break, No Drain' Conservation Easement Agreement. Cultivation of tame forage will be permitted once every 10 years for rejuvenation purposes. No restrictions with respect to haying or grazing. Four 'five-acre' parcels (one on each quarter) will be excluded from the Conservation Agreement to allow for future building/yard site development.

Tender 2:

RM of Oakview

W ½ of 9-15-19 WPM
320 acres

There are approximately 198.06 acres in tame hay/pasture, with remainder in natural grass/bush/wetland. Roughly 159.33 acres of tame hay were seeded in spring 2025. High tensile perimeter fence was recently installed as well. Property being sold subject to the registration of a 'No Break, No Drain' Conservation Easement Agreement. Cultivation of tame forage will be permitted once every 10 years for rejuvenation purposes. No restrictions with respect to haying or grazing. Two five-acre parcels (one on each quarter) will be excluded from the Conservation Agreement to allow for future building/yard site development.

Written sealed tenders are to be mailed or dropped off to the address below. Please indicate 'Land Tender' along with the RM name and corresponding tender number on envelope. Bids may also be emailed to Ducks Unlimited at du_brandon@ducks.ca. Please place "Manitoba Land Tender Bid" in the email's subject line. Interested parties should rely on their own inspection of each property. Properties will be sold as listed above. All quarters within each tender will be sold together. Bids on individual quarters will not be accepted. Highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. **Property information packages, including a sample copy of the Conservation Agreement are available – call Scott Henowitch at 204-761-5106 to have one emailed or mailed.**

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Puzzle competition held in Neepawa



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The Ravensburger Puzzle Competition in Neepawa had a warm reception on Oct. 11. Hosted in partnership between hid'n hollow and ArtsForward, the competition welcomed puzzlers of all ages and abilities to participate in either teams of two, or family teams of three to four people. There were a total of 18 teams participating, with 14 teams completing their 500 piece puzzles within the two hour time limit. *Note: A full story on this year's event will be available in a future edition of the Neepawa Banner & Press.*

Top left: Amy Rutledge of Winnipeg and Kirsty Williams of Brandon took first place in the doubles. Their completion time was 31 minutes and 17 seconds. Congrats team 'Eat Our Puzzle Dust'!

Top right: Team 'Not Last... Hopefully' secured first place in the family competition with a time of 47:56. Congratulations to Carrie Braden (left), Rylee Brown (middle) and Mackenzie Brown (right).

Pictured right: One of the day's many participating teams is seen here exercising a masterful focus as they near their puzzle's completion. Just a few more spots!



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Paving the way on Neepawa's Mill Street



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The road re-surfacing on Neepawa's Mill Street was seen to be making further progress this week. Asphalt was being placed and levelled, and seemed to be on track for a favourable completion date.

Resurfacing at Safeway



PHOTO BY KEN WADDELL

There's paving trucks all over the Town of Neepawa including the Safeway parking lot. For a couple of weeks, the store parking lot has been dug out, ground cloth and drainage installed and now the blacktop is being laid down. The work is being done in two stages with the west portion nearing completion. The work crew had to keep the lot functional all through the construction process for daily deliveries to the warehouse.

Comedian Matt Falk to open Kaleidoscope concert

Submitted Kaleidoscope

Comedian Matt Falk opens the 2025/26 Kaleidoscope Concert season on Friday, Oct. 24 at 7:30 p.m. Matt returns to Neepawa after a two-year absence with fresh and funny stories. If you saw him in 2023, you'll remember his hilarious family-friendly show. His entertaining anecdotes and relatable story telling kept the audience in stitches and this year's show will be another unforgettable experience filled with laughter and joy.



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Matt Falk, comedian.

Opening for Matt is local singer-songwriter Vince Andrushko. Vince's bluesy guitar style and "engaging voice overflowing with style and character" will hold you

in his thrall. Sometimes funny, sometimes poignant, always entertaining – Vince's songs and stories will stay with you long after the evening's over.

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