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Hitting the greens... indoors

Irons & Rye to become Neepawa's first golf simulator bar

By Casper Wehrhahn
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

When the season comes to a close each year, some golf enthusiasts perhaps find themselves saying “if only I could do this year round”. A local business owner who found himself having that same thought last year is well on his way to providing the answer to those wistful wishes.

For the past several months, Mark Mitchell, owner of Brews Brothers Bistro, has been developing his latest business venture—a golfbar. Known as ‘Irons & Rye’, is located at 426 Mountain Avenue (the south side of the former Harris Pharmacy building). It is currently scheduled to officially open next week on Sept. 1.

“Essentially, it is a place you can go, have a drink, have food service from Brews Brothers Bistro to the lounge, and literally play golf inside. It’s a lot of fun,” said Mark. “And since we have winter for seven months of the year, and a lot of people like golfing—or a lot of people who would even like to try golfing—this makes it very accessible for the whole year. You can golf year-round.”

When the new facility opens, Mark and Lyle will be managing operations at Irons & Rye, while Anastasia and Madison manage operations at Brews Brothers.

As of Aug. 20, there were still some ‘i’s to dot and ‘t’s to cross— or ‘putters and drivers to polish’— and the Mitchells were hard at work to bring the project across the finish line.



PHOTOS BY CASPER WEHRHAHN

Pictured above left and right: The exterior and interior of the Irons & Rye as it appeared on Thursday, Aug. 20. Pictured bottom left: A view of one of the three golf simulator bays, complete with material that emulates the golf greens.

From dream to reality

Delving further into the spark behind it all, Mark explained, “Usually I golf three times a year, but last year I was able to actually golf quite a bit. When the season ended, I wanted to keep golfing. So, my dad (Lyle) and I bought a simulator. I thought ‘we’ll set it up in Brews Brothers’. So literally every Saturday night, we’d take half of Brews Brothers apart and set the simulator up in there. And I said ‘well, this is fun, we should do it on a bigger scale.’”

However, setting up the simulator multiple times at the restaurant space was simply too much set-up and take-down. After deeming that option ‘not feasible’, Mark and Lyle were drawn by circumstance to take a close look at the space within 426 Mountain Ave.

“We looked at it and it was like ‘this is pretty good’.

Then it sparked, like, ‘ok, maybe we can do this golf simulator that I’m planning at Brews Brothers in a place where I don’t have to take it down all the time, and then I can share it with everybody’,” said Mark.

Testing the demand

Mark shared that those interested may want to get in on the action early, as the first 50 people who sign up will receive added benefits. These include being featured on the business’s website, and more.

“The Founding 50 will get a VIP Day, where they’re going to have the place to themselves,” said Mark. “They’re going to be getting a \$300 bay credit and a locked-in price for life, but they’re also going to get a founding member golf bag tag, a high-end member card, discounts for drinks, and stuff like that.”

After opening, Irons &

Rye’s ‘test phase’ will begin. This phase will help Mark and the staff determine what hours and/or months of operation will be best for the business going forward.

“Whatever Neepawa

wants is what we’re going to do,” Mark emphasized. “It’s the same as what I did for Brews Brothers... we’ll be open for what people want us to be open for. So we’ll figure that out as we

progress.” Best of luck to the Mitchell family and Brews Brothers team in their impending expansion.



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1976: Flame of the Games 'bursts to life'

By Casper Wehrhahn
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

**125 years ago,
Tuesday,
August 27, 1901**

Some idea of how the trackmen's strike is affecting the CPR may be formed from the fact that many visitors from Ontario now in Manitoba say that although they have returned tickets over the CPR still they will not risk their lives by returning over that road, but intend going back by the States. Every day parties going east take American roads in preference and will continue to do so until the strike is settled.

About 50 members of the Masonic order attended divine worship in St. James church on Sunday afternoon at 3:00 p.m. Rev. A. W. Woods preached a special sermon to the brethren and the music was appropriate to the occasion. The offering was in aid of the proposed Neepawa hospital.

The Gladstone Age reports that Miss Muriel Walton is rapidly recovering from the accident which befell her in the Bear Creek cyclone a month ago.

There is trouble brewing for seven north end boys and three youths from the south end who are committing trespass and depredations on the Pearce place, east of the farmers' elevator. Several out of the aggregation may get a free ride on the railway.

**100 years ago,
Friday,
August 27, 1926**

Arden: The new elevator is fast becoming a reality, upwards of two dozen men are working on it, twelve hours each day will soon bring it to completion.

Neighbourliness in Osprey was demonstrated in an unusual manner last week end. When A. Drayson went to the harvest field to resume work on Monday morning he found that the canvas and twine had been taken off his reaper and a special trip to Neepawa for new material was necessary before cutting could start. Mr. Drayson has such faith in his neighbours



Pictured left: Rick Fraser, representing Neepawa and Westman, had the honor of carrying the Games flame and light the Summer Games Torch in 1976. The flame would burn day and night until the closing ceremonies.



Pictured right: Neepawa's Mayor Hurrell took a crack at trap shooting, officially opening the shooting complex in 1976. Louise Rey and Gary McElmon also took a try at it.

that he expresses firm confidence in being recompensed. Neighbors helped themselves before and always made good.

That experiment in asphaltting at the intersection of Mountain Avenue and Hamilton street appears to have been a failure. The mixture lacks sticktoitiveness and solidity, due to the foundation being too flexible, etc., or something. Does anybody know what to do?

**75 years ago,
Thursday,
August 30, 1951**

Remarkable progress has been made the past few weeks in the building of Neepawa's fine new curling rink. Under the directions of foreman

Bob Lough, work has progressed rapidly and the impressive building is now nearing completion.

The Neepawa School Board has announced that the official opening of the West Park School will be held Saturday, Sept. 15. Among the special speakers at the event will be W. C. Miller, minister of education.

**50 years ago,
Thursday,
August 26, 1976**

The eternal flame of the 1976 Manitoba Summer Games burst to life Saturday night, July 21, and the first Manitoba games were underway.

It was a thrilling moment for more than 1,000 officials, spectators,

and athletes, who attended the opening ceremonies. Neepawa's Rick Fraser, in true Olympic style, ran the torch around the track and held it high in salute before touching off the flame.

Note: Did you know that the 1976 Manitoba Summer Games in Neepawa included canoeing? It sure did! The competitions were held just outside of Neepawa, at Lake Irwin on Thursday, Aug. 26 and Friday, Aug. 27.

Note: While the Summer games themselves were a major focus in the Aug. 26, 1976 edition of the Neepawa Press, some other items of note which saw much enthusiastic support from that edition are:

•Edrans Community Chappel: The chapel, "situated in the cemetery, formerly the United Church

in Edrans", was dedicated on Aug. 15, 1976. Over 200 people gathered for the ceremonies, with people coming from Winnipeg, Brandon, "and ither distant points".

•Shooting complex opening: A shooting complex was officially opened at the Neepawa Airport on Saturday, Aug. 21. The Black Powder Boys came to town for the event and were a central component

of the proceedings, providing demonstrations and allowing anyone from the many in attendance to try their guns.

•Neepawa Pool opening: A new pool was opened in Neepawa, with mayor Hurrell cutting the ribbon on Friday, Aug. 20. Activities appeared to include a public swim, as well as demonstrations of swimming forms used in both competitive and recreational swimming.

Glynis Walker graduated from Health Sciences Centre School of Nursing, July 29. She received an award for general proficiency in nursing. Glynis is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Walker of McCreary.

**20 years ago,
Monday,
August 21, 2006**

In a controversial and surprise proposal, federal Justice minister Vic Toews is proposing expanding the age of criminal responsibility to children as young as 10.

The current age of criminal responsibility is 12.

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Tundra

By Chad Carpenter



We need details on the bad deal, don't we?

As I was enjoying a weekend at the Harvest Sun Musical Festival in Kelwood on the weekend of Aug. 22 and 23 I was somewhat oblivious to the ongoing trade war with the United States. You have to search around a lot of communities to get cell service and Kelwood is one of them. I didn't know that Canada's Prime Minister Carney had walked away from talks with the US until Sunday and I have been cruising around the internet to find some details.

I think it rather strange that Canadians are being asked to back the prime minister when the actual rejected document has not been released to the public. Here's some rather cryptic but detail-lacking quotes we have heard.

Prime Minister Mark Carney says retaliatory tariffs will hit the U.S. starting next month after Canada walked away from what he called a "bad deal. We cannot accept what they've offered, and we will not give what they've asked," he said.

In itself, that doesn't tell us much so we have 40 million people guessing what is going on and only a handful of people actually having the details. That list includes some members of Parliament (MPs) and Premiers. As of Monday morning most media outlets were re-hashing quotes like the one above.

Manitoba Premier Wab Kinew said just ahead of the trade deadline that he didn't expect a good deal from a bad person, clearly showing his disdain for US President Donald Trump. Ontario Premier Doug Ford has often expressed similar sentiments suggesting that Canada should hit back hard with counter tariffs. Prime Minister Carney has made

similar statements.

I would like to have someone explain to me how Canada putting tariffs on US goods is going to help Canadians? It will make anything we import more expensive. A tariff is a tax, the government gets the money and consumers pay a higher price. Politicians really interested in lowering the cost of living and increasing trade don't do tariffs. People in the US are facing higher costs because they pay the tariffs on stuff going into their country and Canadians will pay more for stuff coming into Canada. Tell me again how "dollar-for-dollar" tariffs will help Canadian manufacturers, farmers and consumers. Likewise, how do US tariffs help people in the United States?

Canadians need stability right now. We don't need tariff-inflated goods and material at inflated costs in our quest to supply our farms factories or families. If we don't like tariffs and extreme name calling then, why do we insist on name calling and slapping tariffs on items Canada wants and need to buy. We shouldn't be adding more turmoil and trouble onto the trouble we already have.

I have had a few people tell me they support Mark Carney and I agree he's in a tough spot, as is all of Canada. But I insist, along with others, that we be told what the rejected agreement said. It's only then that we can truly determine if our trade negotiators were right in cutting off the talks. Retaliation is just wrong in my view. Remember the old proverb, "He who throws mud, loses ground."

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Walk with me...

Last week, this publication was kind enough to run my letter to the editor. At this time, Monday the 24th, I have had no reply from either of the Town of Neepawa officials that I contacted. The state of the sidewalks truly concerns me.

I walked my usual route today without my canine companion so that I could take notes as to from what and where my concerns surfaced. Walk with me. We head down Elizabeth and it's great. There is no parking on the north side of the street so even with no sidewalks its relatively safe strolling. Turn south on Mountain. The goings pretty good, the crossings smooth and It's easy to dodge the lilac bush by Seeds and Sprouts. Should be trimmed. Crossing Brydon is challenging, navigating a way through the broken roadway, and then there is a stretch in front of the S-Mart that needs serious grinding! The access to the east across from the Salvation Army Community Services building- well- there is no easy way across that! Craters... It's a delight to sit in safety at the Dream Ride Park. Here our community volunteers and business have excelled in design and care. Thank you. There is a lip just a few steps further south of the park that could/should be shaved. On to the first set of rumble strips. Try crossing the entrance to the parking lot of the Liquor Mart! If you're riding, hold on. There's a bit of a rough patch in front of the apartment block and the newspaper office, rough but doable. Then the corner of Mountain and Hamilton! Three official standards and a hand rail all at a corner, all in the space of six feet square, with uneven concrete for added excitement...Talk about threading a needle if you where using a wheelchair or scooter...This one I wonder about; is it Town or is it provincial because of the old highway 16 coming through town? If it's provincial, could the town petition for a better solution? Sometimes I swing around to the post office and there's a mighty upheaval of the sidewalk there. Today I continue south. One can carefully navigate crossing Isobel, a pretty wide area to choose from, but there is no avoiding the second set of rumble strips. The one on the west side of our medical clinic goes on and on. A real tooth rattler! At 16, I swing west for a block then head north on First. A little rough and uneven, right close



to senior's housing. The roadwork at the Safeway/Sobeys has been done really well, smooth sailing. If I was on a scooter or in a wheelchair I would need to extend my hand in front of my face to avoid being branch whipped by the tree on the west side of the Vivian. Crossing Hamilton, I head east, back to Mountain. By good fortune I have an opportunity to speak to a gentleman in a motorised scooter/wheelchair. Wonderful! Engaging in conversation about the state of the sidewalks affirms my determination to express my concerns. This summer one of his friends, also with a mobility device went down in a crossing and required the ambulance....not the first time it has happened to one of our citizens, but please, Dear God, the last time.

Homeward bound, north down Mountain. There are any number of places that have been patched and there are more holes that need repair. Rather rough if you're rolling, but, again, doable. Then there is the stretch on the east side of the Salvation Army Community Service building, some really rough spots. There is a bit of a green space at the corner of Mountain and Brydon. Sticking out of some treated edging are two pieces of Re-Bar. Several inches in length, I think they are a hazard. We are headed for an extended set of rumble strips! In front of the Touchwood offices, a section that many of our friends with mobility challenges utilise, is one of the roughest! It extends to the frontage of Guinn Brothers Memorials. I am so close to smooth sailing, just to cross Boundary and I am ever thankful to be walking, not riding! Past the Brent Hunter Memorial Gardens- a work of beauty by individuals and organisations, thank you!

There are four parties that are responsible for the safety and the appearance of our town. The Town and Municipalities if included, Businesses, Individuals and Service Clubs. I ask us all to do our part. And I still challenge town officials to try a walker, a wheelchair or a motorised scooter on our very public sidewalks.

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Letters to the editor

Residents have responsibility as well in helping make Neepawa beautiful again

When I moved to Neepawa in 1999, Neepawa was considered the most beautiful town in Manitoba. Fast forward 27 years and I am embarrassed that our town is not better cared for. There are weeds growing up in the sidewalk cracks and around some businesses. Now you might think the sidewalks and public spaces are the responsibility of the Town of Neepawa and they might be. But that doesn't mean that as residents and business owners that we can't do our part. The Town of Neepawa cannot be expected to patrol and control weed

growth in front of your property. As good citizens we need to pitch in and make our neighborhoods look less abandoned. For example, I would ask Red Apple and the Royal Bank to have a look at their property, including the side and back areas as well as any planters and see if they can improve the look of their property. Come on Neepawa. We can do better working together to make this town beautiful again. Ron Nordstrom Neepawa, MB

Manitoba drivers need tax relief at the pump

The Canadian Taxpayers Federation is calling on Premier Wab Kinew to cut the provincial gas tax and the federal government to keep its fuel tax cut after releasing its 28th annual Gas Tax Honesty Report, shining a light on all the hidden taxes that make fueling up more expensive. "Kinew can give Manitobans a break today by cutting the gas tax," said Gage Haubrich, CTF Prairie Director. "The government shouldn't be increasing the pain at the pump by charging high fuel taxes on top of high prices." The price of gasoline in Manitoba is about \$1.65 per litre. That's an increase of about 45 cents per litre since March 1. Drivers in Manitoba are paying about 27 cents in federal and provincial taxes per litre of gasoline when they fill up, according to the CTF's Gas Tax Honesty Report. The federal government charges a hidden carbon tax through fuel regulations that costs seven cents per litre. GST costs Manitobans about 7.6 cents per litre. The Manitoba government charges a provincial gas tax of 12.5 cents per litre. Every fill-up costs Manitoba families

about \$9 in the provincial gas tax for a minivan and \$12 for a pick-up truck. Kinew previously cut the provincial gas tax to zero in 2024. He referred to his previous year-long gas tax cut as "the most important thing that a provincial government ever did in the history of Manitoba." "We have heard loud and clear from Manitobans that this has been something that has made a difference," Kinew said in another interview about the previous gas tax cut. "If it was up to me, the holiday would last forever." Prime Minister Mark Carney temporarily cut the 10 cents per litre federal gas tax in April. Polling shows that 63 per cent of Canadians oppose the federal government hiking fuel taxes in September. "It's time for Kinew to bring back the gas tax cut and provide relief from sky-high gas prices," Haubrich said. "Carney can keep providing relief by scrapping his plans to jack the federal fuel tax back up." Gage Haubrich Prairie Director Canadian Taxpayers Federation

HELEN DRYSDALE

OUT OF HELEN'S KITCHEN

Apples

Editor's note: Apples are a refreshing snack on their own, seemingly especially so during summer and fall. But they are also delicious when incorporated into cooking and baking. So, this week, the Neepawa Banner & Press is revisiting some of Helen's recipes which utilize this delicious food/ingredient. Henry David Thoreau wrote "Surely, the apple is the noblest of fruits." We all know that the apple is a beloved fruit, and have been a symbol of knowledge, temptation, and health throughout history. It was said to be the forbidden fruit that Eve gave Adam. The Norse goddess Iðunn was known to be the keeper of magical apples, which held the secret to eternal youth. The Greeks perfected grafting techniques in 800 BC, which allowed for the propagation of desirable traits and improvements in fruit quality. When the Romans conquered England in the first century A.D, they brought apples with them and it was an apple that fell on Newton's head that started him into thinking about gravity. Apples were first cultivated in Canada by early French settlers, with the first planted trees appearing in Nova Scotia's Annapolis Valley around 1633. Today, there are more than 7,500 apple varieties grown worldwide proving there's an apple for everyone.

Pork and apple meat loaf

Moist and juicy pork meatloaf uses minced ground pork mixed with shredded apples. Home-cooked goodness with a fresh twist.

1 1/2 lbs. ground lean pork	1 Tbsp. dried parsley
1 1/2 cup shredded peeled apples	1 tsp. ground sage or Dash
2 Tbsp. finely chopped onion	1/4 tsp. ground allspice
1/2 cup breadcrumbs or oatmeal	1 tsp. salt
2 tsp. prepared mustard	1/2 tsp. pepper
1/4 cup ketchup	

Preheat oven to 350 F. Lightly grease a 9 x 5 x 3-inch loaf pan. In a bowl, mix the pork, apples, onion, breadcrumbs, mustard, ketchup and spices. Pat the meatloaf mixture into the prepared loaf pan. Cook in oven about 1 to 1 1/2 hours. The minimum safe temperature for ground pork is 160 F (71.1 C). Check by inserting a thermometer into the centre of the loaf.

Apple pancakes

1 cup white flour	1 1/2 tsp. cinnamon
1 cup whole wheat flour	2 eggs
3 tsp. baking powder	2 cups milk
1 tsp. baking soda	2 Tbsp. oil
2 Tbsp. brown sugar	2 medium apples, peeled and diced
1/2 tsp. salt	1/4 cup chopped walnuts if desired

In a bowl, mix together the flours, baking powder, baking soda, sugar, salt and cinnamon. In another bowl mix the eggs, milk and oil. Add the liquid mix to the dry mix and stir just until smooth. Add the apple pieces and walnuts. Cook on a medium hot, lightly greased grill or frying pan until the tops of the pancakes are bubbly. Flip the pancakes and cook the other side until golden brown. Repeat until all the batter is cooked. Enjoy with your favourite toppings. Delicious, moist and full of warm flavours.

Cinnamon apple mug cake

2 Tbsp. butter	1/2 tsp. cinnamon
1/4 cup milk	1/8 tsp. nutmeg
2 Tbsp. brown sugar	1/2 tsp. baking powder
1/4 tsp. vanilla	Pinch of salt
1/3 cup flour	1/2 cup diced apple (or more)

In a large microwave-safe mug, melt the butter. Mix in the milk, sugar, and vanilla. Stir with a fork. In a small bowl mix the flour, spices, baking powder, and salt and stir with a fork. Add to the mug and stir to mix. Avoid excessive mixing of the cake batter. Stir the diced apple into the mug cake. Clean off any batter on the rim of the mug. Microwave on high until the top of the cake is set, about 1 1/2 minutes. This time will depend on your microwave. Let cool for a few minutes before serving as this allows the cake to set, the flavour to develop and prevents burns. Serve while warm. If desired, drizzle with caramel sauce and top with a scoop of vanilla ice cream.



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Neepawa and Area Community Choir 2026-2027

Submitted
NEEPAWA AND AREA COMMUNITY CHOIR

The Neepawa and Area Community Choir is returning this fall, and adult singers of all ages, abilities, experience levels and postal codes are invited to join in to make music and be part of our amazing community.

Last year, approximately 60 singers from Neepawa and many surrounding communities enjoyed weekly rehearsals and a full slate of enjoyable choral events in town and farther afield.

In the fall, the choir hosted a Manitoba Choral Association workshop with amazing clinician, Scott Leithead, who also worked with the NMS Choir and the Choraliers. We performed in Brandon at a joint event with Konektis, Westman's premier choral ensemble, and Vox, a Portage area community choir. The 150+ voice finale was something to hear!

For the third time the choir hosted "Lessons and Carols" in December at the Neepawa United Anglican Church, which filled the pews with people and the rafters with familiar carols. Proceeds from the door were again donated to the local Salvation Army. Many of our singers also participated in the Dickens "A Christmas Carol" event featuring readings from the classic story plus music from the period.

In the spring we hosted a choral workshop with Brandon teacher and choral specialist, Marla Fontaine, a fun and educational

evening which also included pizza! Our year-end concert has evolved into two concerts, one afternoon and one evening... to accommodate the audience turning out from our very supportive community. The concerts featured guests The Choraliers, NACI Chorale, NMS Choir and Hims at Knox Presbyterian Church. Both concerts were full houses and proceeds from the door were donated to the concert venue (Knox) and our much-appreciated practice facility (NUASM). A donation was also made to support the NACI students who will be singing with the Westman Youth Choir this fall.

This year, the door is open to new as well as experienced singers. Rehearsals will begin Wednesday, Sept. 23 at Neepawa United-Anglican Church from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Once again, the choir is under the direction of Susan Salmon and Blair Chapman.

New singers are invited to come out to "try us on for size". There is no commitment required during the first month. We want to encourage even tentative singers with no background in choral music to give this a try. We believe that singing together with other people in (mostly) perfect harmony can become a healthy addiction.

Of course, we hope that all our amazing singers from last year will be able to return to sing again with us!

Questions regarding this year's choir can be directed to Susan Salmon (204-368-2375) or Blair Chapman (204-476-2359).

Gladstone reaches for the top in Terry Fox fundraising

By Cheryl Rosling
SUBMITTED

Gladstone has a couple more reasons to be proud after receiving the news that they ended up in the top 20 for their efforts in the 2025 Terry Fox Run fundraiser for cancer research for both the community and school runs.

The provincial results landed the Gladstone community run in the #3 spot in totals per capita and #9 in total funds raised. A pretty impressive feat considering that this includes all runs in Manitoba, many with much larger populations.

Please join us from 8:30 to 10:30 at the Co-op Community Hall in Gladstone for our annual pancake breakfast on Sunday, September 20.

Gladstone Elementary School was also recognized for their dedication and determination by landing in the #19 spot in 2025 for school fundraising. This is



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Pictured: Terry Fox, the Canadian who inspired annual fundraisers for cancer research. Schools in Gladstone, Manitoba have been top-20 participants over the years, and the community is eager to pitch in once again.

based solely on the amount of money that was raised. Another impressive showing considering that GES is a Kindergarten to grade 6 school with just over 130 students. This is the second time the school has reached near the top fundraising status, the last being in 2021. For the past several years,

we have used the following format— a school lunch fundraiser, t-shirt sales and pledge forms. We have a Try like Terry competition and after successfully reaching our fundraising goal, students get to watch school staff compete or participate in an out-of-the-ordinary task. The school has also enjoyed virtual presentations offered from the Terry Fox Foundation from Terry's niece and his nurse. We were honoured to host a visit from Terry's brother, Fred Fox in May of 2023.

Our fundraising efforts will have an addition this year. We will be putting in a table at our Fall community yard sale on September 26. All proceeds will be forwarded to the Terry Fox Foundation. Donations are gratefully accepted at Gladstone Elementary School the week before the sale. Volunteers are always appreciated as well. Thank you for your continued community support for a great cause!



REMINDER NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

You're Invited to share your views about the rate application filed by Manitoba Public Insurance

The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation (MPI) has filed the 2027 General Rate Application before the Public Utilities Board (Board) for approval of Basic Autopac vehicle insurance rates and premiums effective on April 1, 2027 through March 31, 2028.

For further details, please contact MPI at inquiries@mpi.mb.ca or visit the Board's website at www.pubmanitoba.ca.

A public hearing on the proposed rate application will be held beginning:
Tuesday, October 13, 2026 at 9 a.m.
Please view the hearing via the PUB website link
<http://www.pubmanitoba.ca/v1/live-stream.html>

If you are interested in learning more about this rate application, you are encouraged to attend the hearing, observe the hearing via live streaming, or provide your perspectives through the Board's online comment tool.

If you wish to speak at the hearing or make a written submission, please contact the Associate Secretary, Ms. Jennifer Dubois at 204-945-2638 or toll free 1-866-854-3698, no later than **September 1, 2026**.

For more information, visit www.pubmanitoba.ca.

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400-330 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0C4
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The funds raised will enhance the opportunities of the Supported Individuals living in our community.

Thank you!

Harvest Sun Music Fest entertains at Kelwood



PHOTOS BY KEN WADDELL

Kelwood's Harvest Sun Music Festival celebrated its 21st anniversary this year. From Aug. 21-23 the sun shone brightly in Kelwood. The weather was perfect, the grounds were in great shape and musicians and music lovers basked in sunshine and music.

The Festival format has changed over the years and now the two main concert events are being held in the Community Hall with pre-sold reserved seating. Concerts at the Community Hall were featured on Friday and Saturday evening. Also later in the evening, the Kelwood Legion hosted performances by Vince Andrushko and Annabella Proper on Friday and Saturday respectively. On Saturday morning, the ever popular Moody Manitoba Music Workshop occupied the campground outdoor stage. Special on-stage guest was musician and songwriter Rick Neufeld. The stage also hosted a Dolly Parton Tribute that unexpectedly preceded the famous star's death by a couple of days.

Perennial Harvest Sun favourite Al Simmons, performed at the outdoor stage on Saturday and briefly on Sunday. Sunday's main event was the Musician's Circle.

The pictures above capture the essence of the Harvest Sun Music Festival. Top left is a group photo of the Sunday Musician's Circle performers. Top right, the crowd's view of the Moody Manitoba Morning Songwriter's workshop. Lower left, singer-songwriter, Rick Neufeld, a Manitoba legend and lower right, the Musicians Circle in action.

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The community of Arden, in the Municipality of Glenella-Lansdowne, was the place to be over the weekend as the Whitemud Music Festival brought music lovers from near and far to the Lansdowne Centennial Park for the fourth year to enjoy a weekend of music, food and quality time with friends. Next year's Whitemud Music Festival weekend will be August 20 and 21, 2027!

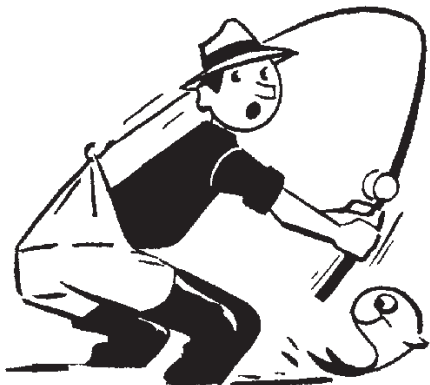
Top left: Ronnie Ladobruk entertained the crowd by playing the guitar behind his head.

Top middle and bottom right: Snake Oil - Ikons of Rock headlining Saturday night with their amazing performances covering a variety of rock bands from the 70s and 80s which included an outfit change from the lead singers for each of the bands they covered that evening.

Top Right: Wario, of The B34ST, a band from from Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, entertains the crowd for the 4th year at the Whitemud Music Festival on Friday night.

Bottom left: Matt Fehr, Shauna Fehr and Jakob Fehr were presented a \$1,000 to the Kidney Fund of Canada from the Whitemud Music Festival organizers Kevin Paramor and Rob Cameron.

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Take a look inside our railcar and you might notice an unusual piece of railway equipment: a train order hoop and fork. They may not look like much at first, but these simple tools played an important role in railway operations.

Before radios were commonly used on railways, dispatchers sent written instructions called train orders to train crews. These orders could include changes to where trains would meet, speed restrictions, warnings about track work, schedule changes, or emergency instructions.

The challenge? The train did not always have to stop.

If a train was not scheduled to stop at a station, a station operator could attach the written order to a train order hoop or fork and hold it beside the track as the train approached. As the train passed, a crew member could catch the order and bring it aboard. The crew would then read the instructions while continuing their journey.

It sounds almost unbelievable now, handing an important piece of paper to someone on a moving train, but this was once a normal part of railway life. It took good timing and skill from both the station operator and the train crew. Missing an order

could cause problems for train operations.

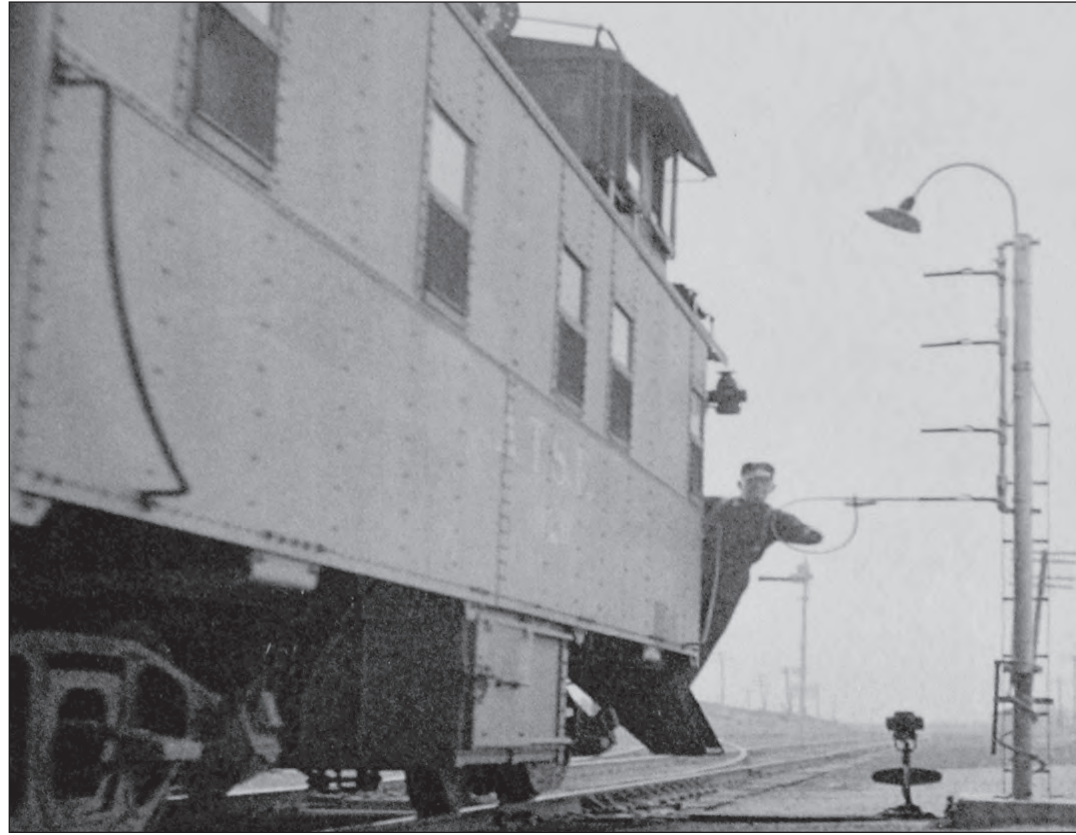
Train orders were widely used from the late 1800s through the first half of the 1900s, before radios became the main way railway crews communicated.

There is something special about seeing an object like this in person. You can read about railway history, but seeing the actual equipment used by railway workers makes the past feel a little more real.

We were especially happy to reopen our railcar during our 50th Anniversary Celebration. It is always exciting to see visitors step inside and take an interest in the history held within it.

If you have never been inside our railcar, or if it has been a while since your last visit, come have a look before the season is over!

The Beautiful Plains



FILE PHOTO

Pictured: A photograph showcasing how train orders were given to a train that was still in motion. Keep a firm grip and stance, railwayman!

Museum is located at 91 Hamilton Street. We are open Tuesday to Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., with additional Sunday hours (1:00 p.m. to 5:00

p.m.) throughout July and August. Aug. 30 will be our last Sunday opening, but we will remain open Tuesday to Saturday until Sept. 5.

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Grit Force Fitness takes it to the NXT LVL in Winnipeg



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Members of Grit Force Fitness in Neepawa competed in the NXT LVL Games in Winnipeg on Aug. 22 and 23. The event is a CrossFit based competition open to athletes all across Manitoba and the surrounding provinces. Teams consisting of two competitors who would participate in tests of strength, endurance, and teamwork featuring heavy lifting and functional movements.

Grit Force Fitness results - 2026 NXT LVL Competition

- Novice Masters Women Division**
Pure Grit: (Brenda L. Oshanyk and Sharla Magwood). Second place overall - 14 events, 0 event wins, six top-5 finishes.

Novice Women Division
Lift Heavy, Pet Dogs: (Allie McKenzie and Lyndie Dagg). First place overall - Eight events, four event wins, six top-5 finishes.
Caffeinated Chaos: (Wendy-Leigh Sacharko and Jessica Wither). Fifth place overall - 27 events, one event win, four top-5 finishes.
- Novice Men's Division**
109: (James McCarville and Mike McKenzie). Second place overall - 12 events, two event wins, six top-5 finishes.

Intermediate Masters Men Division
Shake and Bake: (Darryl Gerrard and Rob Wolfe). First place overall - seven events, five event wins, six top-5 finishes.
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Obituary

Claude Desrosiers

Claude Desrosiers passed away peacefully at 93, surrounded by family, the evening of August 16, 2026, at Ste Rose Hospital.

Predeceased by wife, Johanna; siblings: Raoul, Théodore, Roland, Jacqueline, Raymonde, Laurent, Elphège, Philippe,



Wilfrid; great-grandchildren: Amy, Joseph, Johanna, Jasper.

Honouring his memory are his wife, Adèle Letain; his children: Annika, Sonja (Paul), Normand, Thérèse (Douglas), Monique (Gérald), Christina (Smain), Solita (Daniel); his grandchildren: Gilbert (Erin), Denis (Heather), Nicole (Jonathan), Rennie, Cailem, Sienna, Bronté, Frieda, Mohammed; and great-grandchildren: Madeleine, Alida, Sophie, Silas, Xavier, Oliver and Bryer as well as Adèle's children: Marc and Michèle Cherak; grandchildren: Devon (Shea), Bryce (Stephanie); great-grandchildren: Elie, Serenity, Dallan, Illyanna; along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Claude was born in Biggar, Saskatchewan, September 17, 1932. Following years of religious studies with les Frères du Sacré-Coeur in Montréal, he attended the University of Ottawa, earning his BA, then his teaching diploma.

Claude enjoyed a long teaching career in Québec, Ontario, Saskatchewan and Manitoba before retiring in 1991. He met Johanna Verdonk in 1960 in Winnipeg. They married in 1962, and moved to Alonsa, then to McCreary when he accepted a position as high school principal. They purchased a farm west of McCreary in 1972, establishing a dairy before becoming maple syrup producers. Claude spent the rest of his days in this paradise.

Claude was a devoted and loving spouse, father, and grandparent. He selflessly helped and served people and community through volunteering, driving a Handivan for many years, and serving on many municipal committees. His knowledge and skills were evident in his devotion to liturgical preparation. Music was a main focus of his life. He was organist for his home parish, Our Lady Of the Nativity in McCreary for 56 years, and for Notre-Dames-des-Victoires in Laurier since 2009. He was also a member of La Chorale des Intrépides for a number of years.

Claude loved being outdoors, working with his hands, gardening, building and repairing, working with and caring for animals. He loved and encouraged wildlife and created a safe haven for them on his farm.

Please join us on Saturday, August 29 at Notre-Dame-des-Victoires Roman Catholic Church in Laurier, for prayers at 12:30pm and mass at 1pm. A luncheon will follow at the McCreary Community Centre. All are welcome to the internment, August 31 at 3pm.

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Lois Marilyn Christie (nee White)

It is with great sadness the family of Lois Marilyn Christie announces her passing on August 2, 2026 at the age of 90 in Edmonton, Alberta. Lois was born May 10, 1936 in Neepawa, Manitoba, where she lived until June 1954. As a teenager and young adult, her favourite activities included figure skating and ballroom dancing with Arthur Murray's studio.

Lois loved her role as a secretary from 1954-1961 in Winnipeg. She travelled to Europe in 1958 before returning home to get engaged to Murray Christie. Murray and Lois were married at Westminster United Church in Winnipeg on June 27, 1959. True love reigned and they celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary this past June. Lois and Murray resided together with their children in both Winnipeg and Edmonton, living in Edmonton from 1982 to the present. As a very active volunteer, Lois devoted her time to Strathcona Place Senior Centre and with the Grandview Extended Care Hospital Auxiliary for over 25 years.

Lois will be greatly missed by her husband, Murray, and children Don (Jocelyn), Allan (Pam) and Colleen, her grandchildren Sasha (Laurence) and Benji (Liv) as well as great grandchildren Sophie and Gabriel. She is also survived by her sister Lyle (Ray) Byram. She was predeceased by her parents Jack and Isabella White, brother Doug and infant daughter Sharon.

A Celebration of Life has taken place on Tuesday, August 18, in Edmonton at Dayspring Presbyterian church with Brad Childs officiating. Cremation has taken place and a family graveside service has taken place at Riverside Cemetery Neepawa with Rita Friesen officiating.

Memorial donations in Lois' honour may be made directly to Dayspring Presbyterian Church, The Edmonton Food Bank, or Bissell Centre.

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Please apply by NOON, Friday, September 11, 2026.

Further information can be obtained by contacting the undersigned:

Shannon Bayes
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Freezerco Inc.

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30 Market Blvd., Steinbach MB Canada R5G 2X9

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Hog Receiving Barn Worker (NOC85100)

Why join our team?

Freezerco Inc. is currently hiring five (5) Hog Receiving Barn Workers to join our team at 623 Main St. E., Neepawa, MB. As a subsidiary of HyLife, a global leader in food processing, FreezerCo Inc. offers the opportunity to build a rewarding career in a safe, team-oriented environment while supporting one of Canada's leading pork production operations.

Starting wage: \$20.75/hour, with incremental increases up to \$22.05/hour based on tenure.

Quick Facts:

- Culturally diverse – employ people from all over the world
- Fully integrated facility –Feed Mills, Barns, Transportation, and Production Plant
- 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
- Company events
- And more!!!!

Job duties include:

- 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. Knowledge of animal behavior is an asset.
- Capable of working in diverse environments, including exposure to varying temperatures, humidity, and odors
- 1 to 7 months of experience working with livestock.
- Fit and capable of working in a physically demanding role. Capable of bending, lifting, and crawling
- Completion of Secondary school or equivalent experience
- Capable of repetitive manual tasks
- Able to effectively communicate in English
- At least 18 years old to meet the minimum age requirement

FreezerCo Inc. is committed to providing equal employment opportunities to all applicants, including Indigenous Peoples, newcomers to Canada, youth, older workers, veterans, and members of visible minority groups.

Ways to apply:

Online at <http://hylife.com/careers/> or mail to PO Box 10,000, 106 Mill St., Neepawa, MB R0J 1H0.

Fax to: 204.476.3791 | Email to: jobs@hylife.com | In Person at 623 Main St. E, Neepawa, MB R0J 1H0

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Business Address: Freezerco Inc. 106 Mill St. East, Neepawa, MB R0J 1H0

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FOODS

Technical Sales Specialist – Exports (Japan Market) (NOC 62100)

Location (On-Site): 623 Main St E, Neepawa, MB R0J 1H0

Number of Position(s): 1

Why join our team?

HyLife Foods LP is a global leader in food processing with a vision to be the best premium pork company in the world. Our mission is to take care of our employees, customers, animals, communities, and our company.

We are seeking a highly skilled Technical Sales Specialist – Exports (Japan Market) to support and expand our business relationships within Japan. This role is primarily responsible for managing customer relationships, developing export sales opportunities, and ensuring alignment between customer requirements and product offerings for the Japanese market. The successful candidate will serve as the key commercial contact for customers and distribution partners.

What we can offer you:

- Competitive annual salary of \$95,000.00
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- Comprehensive benefits package – dental, vision, extended health, and more
- Permanent full-time employment
- Employee Referral program – Minimum of \$500!
- Free Parking
- Company events
- And more!

Your days will include:

- Preparing quotations and sales documentation, including pricing, contract terms, delivery requirements, and sales agreements.
- Promoting sales to existing Japanese clients while identifying and developing new business opportunities within Japanese distribution channels.
- Assessing customer needs and recommending appropriate products and solutions based on customer requirements and market conditions.
- Developing reports, proposals, presentations, and supporting materials to communicate product benefits and sales opportunities.
- Representing HyLife in export sales activities and maintaining strong relationships with customers, distributors, and business partners in Japan.
- Conducting sales transactions, negotiating commercial agreements, and providing input into product specifications to ensure customer requirements are achieved.
- Providing ongoing customer support, resolving product and service-related issues, and supporting customer complaint investigations and corrective actions.
- Reviewing market conditions, competitor activity, product innovations, and emerging industry trends to support business growth and sales strategies.
- Advising customers on export requirements and regulatory considerations while ensuring compliance with customer and market expectations.
- Monitoring quality and production levels to ensure customer specifications are met, including supervising product fabrication and supporting meat quality improvement initiatives.
- Facilitating training on product specifications and requirements, supporting new product introductions, and working closely with Operations, Production, and Quality Assurance teams to ensure successful execution.
- Maintaining quality dashboards, conducting compliance audits, identifying opportunities for operational and sales improvements, and reporting on sales performance and business initiatives.
- Performing other related duties assigned.

To succeed in this role, you must possess:

- Bachelor's degree or equivalent experience in business/commerce, marketing, agriculture, agricultural operations and related sciences, or international and intercultural communication.
- 3–5 years of experience in Japanese export sales within the pork industry, customer relationship management, and quality assurance and control.
- Fluency in both English and Japanese is required.
- Experience working with Japanese clients or distribution channels
- Strong understanding of export sales processes and product specifications
- Knowledge of quality management systems and operational processes
- Strong analytical, reporting, and problem-solving skills
- Excellent communication, negotiation, and relationship-building abilities
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office and data tracking systems
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively in a fast-paced environment

Quick Facts:

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NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS

Municipality of WestLake-Gladstone

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the following days:

Wednesday, September 16, 2026, Thursday, September 17, 2026, Friday, September 18, 2026, Monday, September 21, 2026 and Tuesday, September 22, 2026

between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the following location:

Municipality of WestLake-Gladstone office,
14 Dennis St E, Gladstone MB.

I (or my designee) will receive nominations for the offices of:

Mayor and
6 Councillors at Large

of the aforesaid Local Authority.

The nomination deadline is Tuesday, September 22, 2026 at 4:30 p.m. **Nominations cannot be accepted after this day.**

All nominations shall be made in writing and shall be signed by at least twenty-five voters, or NOT less than 1% of the voters (whichever is the lesser) of the authority or ward (as the case may be), but in all cases by at least two voters. Each nomination shall also be accompanied by the candidate's declaration of qualification.

Nominations may be filed in person at the above location, on the date and hours specified, by an agent, or by email. To obtain a nomination paper, and / or candidate's declaration of qualification, contact the SEO at the telephone number listed below.

Nomination papers not accompanied by the required documents and not properly filed shall be rejected.

Eileen Peters
Senior Election Official
Municipality of WestLake-Gladstone
Phone 204-385-2233
seo@westlake-gladstone.ca
Dated at Gladstone, MB on August 27, 2026.

PUBLIC NOTICE

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ROSEDALE

BOARD OF REVISION

Public notice is hereby given that the 2027 preliminary Assessment Roll of the Rural Municipality of Rosedale has been delivered to the Municipal Office at 282 Hamilton Street, Neepawa, MB, and will be open for inspection during regular business hours. Applications for revision may be in accordance with sections 42 and 43 of the Municipal Assessment Act

APPLICATION FOR REVISION:

42(1) A person in whose name property has been assessed, a mortgagee in possession of property under subsection 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, the authorized agent of the person, mortgagee or occupier, or the assessor may make application for the revision of an assessment roll with respect to the following matters:

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

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

43(1) An application for revision must

- (a) be made in writing;
- (b) set out the roll number and legal description of the assessable property for which a revision is sought;
- (c) set out which of the matters referred to in subsection 42(1) are at issue, and the grounds for each of those matters; and
- (d) be filed by
 - (i) delivering it or causing it to be delivered to the office indicated in the public notice given under subsection 41(2), or
 - (ii) 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 **Friday, October 9, 2026 at 10:30 am** in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Rosedale to hear applications.

Applications for revision must be received by the Secretary of the Board by 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 23rd, 2026.

Dated this 18th day of August 2026

Jordan Willner, Secretary
Board of Revision, RM of Rosedale
Box 100 Neepawa, Manitoba R0J 1H0

PUBLIC NOTICE

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MINTO-ODANAH

BOARD OF REVISION

Public Notice is hereby given that the 2027 Assessment Roll for the Rural Municipality of Minto-Odanah has been delivered to the Municipal Office at 49 Main Street, Minnedosa, MB. and is open for inspection during regular business hours. Applications for revision may be made in accordance with sections 42 & 43 of the Municipal 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, the authorized agent of the person, mortgagee or occupier, or the assessor may make application for the revision of an assessment roll with respect to the following matters:

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- d) be filed by
 - i) delivering it or causing it to be delivered to the office indicated in the public notice given under subsection 41(2), or
 - ii) 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 October 8, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. in the council chambers of the Rural Municipality of Minto-Odanah to hear applications.

Application for revision or complaints must be received by **4:30 p.m., Tuesday, September 22, 2026**, delivered or mailed to:

Rural Municipality of Minto-Odanah
49 Main Street
Box 1197
Minnedosa, Manitoba
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Aaren Robertson – Secretary

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NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ALONSA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the following days:

SEPTEMBER 16, 2026, to SEPTEMBER 22, 2026

Between the hours of 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. at the following location:

Alonsa Municipal Office - #20 Railway Avenue, Alonsa, MB R0H 0A0

I will receive nominations for the offices of:

Reeve
Ward 1 Councillor
Ward 2 Councillor
Ward 3 Councillor
Ward 4 Councillor
Ward 5 Councillor
Ward 6 Councillor
Local Urban District of Alonsa – 3 Committee Members
Local Urban District of Amaranth – 3 Committee Members

The Nomination Deadline is: Tuesday, September 22nd, 2026, at 4:30 P.M. Nominations cannot be accepted after this day.

All nominations shall be made in writing and shall be signed by at least twenty-five voters, or NOT less than 1% of the voters (whichever is the lesser) of the authority or ward (as the case may be), but in all cases by at least two voters. Each nomination shall also be accompanied by the candidate's declaration of qualification.

Nominations may be filed in person at the above location, on the date and hours specified, by an agent, or by email. To obtain a nomination paper, and / or candidate's declaration of qualification, contact the SEO at the telephone number listed below.

Nomination papers not accompanied by the required documents and not properly filed shall be rejected.

Leslie Campbell
(204) 767-2054
(204) 767-2044
info@rmofalonsa.com

DATED at the Rural Municipality of Alonsa Municipal Office on August 26, 2026.

Leslie Campbell
Rural Municipality of Alonsa
Senior Election Official (SEO)
Name of Local Authority

Notice

NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS
RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF
MINTO-ODANAH

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the following days:
September 16th, 17th, 18th, 21st & 22nd, 2026
between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., at the
following location:

Rural Municipality of Minto-Odanah,
49 Main Street S, Minnedosa, Manitoba,
I will receive nominations for the offices of:

REEVE
and
FOUR COUNCILLORS

of the aforesaid Local Authority.

The nomination deadline is Tuesday, September 22nd,
2026 at 4:30 p.m.. Nominations cannot be accepted after
this day.

All nominations shall be made in writing and shall be
signed by at least twenty-five voters, or NOT less than 1%
of the voters (whichever is the lesser) of the authority or
ward (as the case may be), but in all cases by at least two
voters. Each nomination shall also be accompanied by the
candidate's declaration of qualification.

Nominations must be filed in person, at the above location,
on the date and hours specified. To obtain a nomination
paper, and candidate's declaration of qualification, contact
the S.E.O. at the above address or the telephone number
listed below.

Nomination papers not accompanied by the required
documents and not properly filed shall be rejected.

Aaren Robertson, S.E.O.
Phone: (204) 867-3282

Dated at Minnedosa in the Province of Manitoba, this 28th
day of August, 2026.

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



NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS
RURAL MUNICIPALITY
OF ROSEDALE &
LUD OF KELWOOD

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the following days:
September 16th, 17th, 18th, 21st and 22nd, 2026 between
the hours of 8:30 am to 4:30 pm at the following location:

Rural Municipality of Rosedale Office
282 Hamilton Street, Neepawa, Manitoba

I will receive nominations for the offices of:

Reeve
Councillor - Ward 1
Councillor - Ward 2
Councillor - Ward 3
Councillor - Ward 4
Councillor - Ward 5
Councillor - Ward 6
LUD of Kelwood Committee - Three Members
of the aforesaid Local Authority.

The nomination deadline is Tuesday, September 22nd,
2026 at 4:30 pm. Nominations cannot be accepted after
this day.

All nominations shall be made in writing and shall be
signed by at least 25 voters, or NOT less than 1% of the
voters (whichever is the lesser) of the authority or ward (as
the case may be), but in all cases by at least two voters.
Each nomination shall be accompanied by the candidate's
declaration of qualification.

Nominations may be filed in person at the above location,
on the date and hours specified, by an official agent, or
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Jordan Willner
Senior Election Official
Rural Municipality of Rosedale
Admin@RMRosedale.com
Telephone Number: 204-476-5414
Fax Number: 204-476-5431

Dated at the Town of Neepawa in the Province of
Manitoba, this 20th day of August, 2026

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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, 2026, 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 (the "Arrears")
109700	AT CLANWILLIAM AND BEING: LOTS 9 AND 10 BLOCK 4 PLAN 391 NLTO EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL MINES AND MINERALS VESTED IN THE CROWN (MANITOBA) BY THE REAL PROPERTY ACT IN SE 1/4 13-16-18 AND SW 1/4 18-16- 17 WPM - 9/10-4-391, CLANWILLIAM	L -\$1,300 B -\$2,800	\$19,772.47

The tax sale is subject to the following terms and conditions with respect to each property:
• The Municipality may exercise its right to set a reserve bid in the amount of the arrears and costs for any property.
• The Municipality makes no representations or warranties whatsoever concerning the properties being sold.
• If the purchaser intends to bid by proxy, a letter of authorization must be provided prior to the start of the auction.
• The successful purchaser must bring to the auction and pay to the Rural Municipality of Minto-Odanah a non-refundable
deposit (the "Deposit") in cash, certified cheque or bank draft in the amount of:
i) The Arrears for the property PLUS
ii) If the property is non-residential property, GST (5% of the Arrears) or, if the purchaser is a GST registrant, provide a
GST Declaration PLUS
iii) A fee of \$504.00 for preparation of the transfer of title documents.
• The successful bid + GST + \$504 is the "Purchase Price".
• If the Purchase Price is greater than the Deposit, the balance must be paid within 20 days of the sale.
• If the Purchase Price is less than the Deposit, the excess will be refunded to the purchaser within 5 days of the sale.
• In addition to the Purchase Price, any property taxes issued, but not yet due, and any unpaid municipal utilities must be
paid by the purchaser within 20 days of the sale.
• The purchaser will be responsible for registering the transfer of title documents in the land titles office, including the
registration costs and land transfer tax, if any.
• The risk for the property lies with the purchaser immediately following the auction.
• The purchaser is responsible for obtaining vacant possession.

Dated this 14th day of August, 2026.

Managed by:



Aaren Robertson
Chief Administrative Officer
Rural Municipality of Minto-Odanah
Phone: (204) 867-3282
Fax: (204) 867-1937

NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS
TOWN OF NEEPAWA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the
following days:
SEPTEMBER 16, 17, 18 and 21 & 22, 2026
Between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
at the Town of Neepawa Civic Admin.
Office, 275 Hamilton St, Neepawa, MB,
I will receive nominations for the offices of
MAYOR and COUNCILLORS of the
aforesaid Local Authority.

The nomination deadline is Tuesday,
September 22, 2026 at 4:00 p.m.
Nominations cannot be accepted after this day.

All nominations shall be made in writing and
shall be signed by at least twenty-five voters
of the local authority. Each nomination shall
also be accompanied by the candidate's
declaration of qualification.

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the above location, on the date and hours
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Colleen Synchishyn
Senior Election Official
Town of Neepawa Ph: (204) 476-7603
E-Mail: cao@neepawa.ca



Dated at the Town of Neepawa on August 26, 2026

Returning to the rinks around the MJHL

By Derek Holtom
SUBMITTED

Training camps have opened in several locations around the Manitoba Junior Hockey League (MJHL), with two preseason games scheduled for Aug. 31 - Swan Valley at Waywayseecappo and the Northern Manitoba Blizzard at the Dauphin Kings.

It's going to be very interesting to see how the MJHL comes out of the gates this year. On one hand the MJHL is riding high thanks to the Niverville Nighthawks winning not only their first-ever league championship, but also becoming national champions by winning the Centennial Cup last May. They earned that honour by defeating the host Summerside Western Capitals in their own rink in Prince Edward Island. In fact the Nighthawks are now currently an exhibit in the Hockey Hall of Fame in Toronto for anyone who plans to visit this year (a tourist

destination I highly recommend).

On the other hand, people continue to pick up the pieces from the devastating floods which pounded Western Manitoba this spring and summer. Swan River and Dauphin were among the teams hit especially hard this year. Dauphin's hospital remains unusable from the flood, while Swan River roadways and many homes were destroyed by the water.

The work to repair those communities continues and the hope is there they can also continue to support their junior hockey teams. Time will tell the tale on that point.

• There's always lots of off-ice news to report on from the off season, and this year is no different. One interesting move saw the Dauphin Kings bring back a familiar face to join new Head Coach and General Manager Bryan Kromm, who most recently coached

the Trail Smoke Eaters in the BCHL.

Joining him on the bench is former Dauphin King Kirklan Lycar. The Elma, Man., product had a few stops in the MJHL, including with the Portage Terriers and the Virden Oil Capitals. But back in 2014-15 he made the all-rookie team in the MJHL thanks to his 19 goals and 26 points with the Kings. The next season he had 24 goals and 54 points for the Kings.

The 29-year-old spent last season as an assistant coach with the Manitoba AAA U18 Hockey League's Eastman Selects, and rejoins the Kings to take his coaching career to the next level.

• In Waywayseecappo, the team rewarded Head Coach and General Manager Landyn Cochrane with a multi-year extension.

Cochrane made history last year by becoming the first-ever coach in Waywayseecappo to

lead his team to victory in a best-of-seven series. And frankly the Wolverines were the only team to give the Niverville Nighthawks a scare in the playoffs last year.

"The Wolverines are thrilled to have extended the leadership of Coach/GM Landyn Cochrane," says Governor Morley Watson in a press release. "Landyn is one of the brightest young minds in the MJHL, and his vision, dedication, and leadership will continue to guide the Wolverines as an annual contender."

Cochrane says the play is to keep building on the success of last year and build a winner.

"I'm beyond excited and grateful to be extending my contract with the Wolverines organization and the Waywayseecappo Community," says Cochrane on the team website. "Coming back home and helping build something special here in Wayway has always been a dream of mine. Over the past two seasons, we've taken import-

ant steps forward, and I'm excited to continue building toward our ultimate goal of bringing a championship back to the Waywayseecappo Community."

The Wolverines lost a lot of veteran talent last year, but Cochrane has a history of finding talent. It will be interesting to see how they fare this year.



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NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS
BEAUTIFUL PLAINS SCHOOL DIVISION

Notice is hereby given that on September 16, 17, 18, 21 & 22, 2026 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Beautiful Plains School Division Office; 213 Mountain Avenue, Neepawa, MB

I will receive nominations for:

SEVEN SCHOOL TRUSTEES (Residents of Beautiful Plains)
Representing

WARD 1 – CARBERRY & AREA

All the residents in Beautiful Plains
(Includes Wards 1, 2, 3 & 4 of the RM of North Cypress-Langford)

WARD 2 – NEEPAWA & AREA

All the residents in Beautiful Plains
(Includes Wards 5 & 6 of the RM of North Cypress-Langford)

THREE (3) TRUSTEES TO BE ELECTED

FOUR (4) TRUSTEES TO BE ELECTED

of the aforesaid Local Authority.

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Nomination papers and candidate's declaration of qualification may be obtained upon request from the Division Office; 213 Mountain Avenue, Neepawa (Phone: 476-2387) (Fax: 476-3606)

DATED at Neepawa in the Province of Manitoba, this 17th day of August 2026.

Shannon Bayes
Senior Election Officer
Beautiful Plains School Division

NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS
Municipality of Glenella - Lansdowne

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the following days:

• September 16, 17, 18, 21 and 22, 2026

between the hours of 9:00 am-12:00 noon, 1:00pm to 4:00pm at the Municipality of Glenella – Lansdowne Municipal Office, 50 Main Street North, Glenella, Manitoba, I will receive nominations for the office of Reeve and Councillors, Wards 1 to 6

The nomination deadline is Tuesday, September 22nd, 2026 at 4:00 p.m.

Nominations cannot be accepted after this day.

All nomination papers shall be in writing and shall be signed by at least twenty-five voters, or NOT less than 1 percent of the voters (whichever is the lesser) of the authority or ward (as the case may be), but in all cases by at least two voters. Each nomination shall also be accompanied by the candidate's declaration of qualification.

Nomination papers may be filed in person at the above location, on the date and hours specified, by the candidate or an agent, or by email. To obtain a nomination paper, and/or candidate's declaration of qualification, contact the S.E.O. at the telephone number listed below.

Nomination papers not accompanied by the required documents and not properly filed shall be rejected.

Wendy Wutzke, Senior Election Official
Municipality of Glenella-Lansdowne
Telephone: (204)-352-4281
Email: rmofglen@glenella.ca

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NOTICE OF VOTERS LIST /
PERSONAL SECURITY PROTECTION
BEAUTIFUL PLAINS SCHOOL DIVISION

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

Beautiful Plains School Division Admin Office; 213 Mountain Avenue, NEEPAWA on September 4, 2026, between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.

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

- adding the names of electors 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 corrections of errors to the list as required.

VOTER ELIGIBILITY:

A person is eligible to have their name added to the Voters List if they are:

- 1) a Canadian citizen and at least 18 years of age on election day; and
- 2) a resident of the local authority for at least six months prior to election day

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 22, 2026, to have their 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 by fax and must include your name, address and include proof of identity.

All changes to the voter's list must be completed on or before September 22, 2026.

Dated at the Town of Neepawa in the Province of Manitoba, on August 24th, 2026.

Shannon Bayes
Senior Election Official (S.E.O.)
Beautiful Plains School Division
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Blue Heron pops by to visit



PHOTOGRAPH BY DIANE WARNER

This tall fellow, a Blue Heron, made a pitstop to visit Neepawa Banner & Press staff member Diane Warner in the Municipality of Glenella-Lansdown recently. After having stuck around for a couple days, the large bird came to be fondly referred to as "Kevin". Thanks for stopping by, Kevin!

Neepawa's Zac Plett signs with Victoria Collegiate Cats



PHOTO COURTESY OF TRIPLE CROWN SPORTS

Congratulations to Zac Plett of Neepawa on the latest advancement in his baseball career. The right handed pitching prospect has committed to Victoria Collegiate for next season and will play for the Collegiate Cats of the Canadian College Baseball Conference. The CCBC is a developmental baseball league, based in British Columbia and Alberta.

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