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Mosaic Esterhazy finishes second overall in International Mine Rescue Competition

Mosaic Esterhazy finished second overall out of 22 teams from around the world in the International Mine Rescue Competition, and finished first in Technician and second in First Aid. As well, the Diamonds in the Rough all-female Mine Rescue Team, including Kirstin Hanson of Nutrien Rocanville and Justine Fuchs of Mosaic Esterhazy, took second in Rope Rescue and Third in Theory and Technician. In back from left are Greg Sweet, Colleen Parkin-Kempton, Jared Cook, Skyler Hladun, and Jamie Smart-Sondergaard. In front are Clint Hollingshead, Aaron Polvi, Jeremy Lundgren, and Dylan Bachtold.

Moosomin Tim Hortons sets record for Smile Cookie sales:

Smile Cookie campaign raised \$29,249

BY SIERRA D'SOUZA BUTTS

LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

For this year's Smile Cookie campaign, Moosomin's Tim Hortons sold the most Smile Cookie campaign week, bringing in \$29,249 during the Smile Cookie campaign week.

Almost doubling from last year's sales, Moosomin Tim Hortons raised \$15,934 in Smile Cookies in 2021, and was the second most of all Tim Hortons locations in Saskatch-

ewan for Smile Cookie sales.

All funds from this year's Smile Cookie sales in Moosomin will be going to the equipment fund at the Southeast Integrated Care Centre (SEICC), where it will support future equipment purchases, including a possible future CT Scanner.

"We're really excited about how much we raised. It's

great for our team, but we couldn't do it without the community," said Greg Crisanti, owner of Moosomin Tim Hortons.

"That's really what it comes down to is the support. We had some amazing community partners help us out this year and lots of volunteers."

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Chase the Ace in Moosomin has started

BY SIERRA D'SOUZA BUTTS
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Moosomin Kinettes have brought back their biggest fundraiser for the third year in the row—Chase the Ace.

"We started on Sept. 10, so far it's going really well. We're really hoping to see more people come out, hopefully when the Sportsplex is back up and running, and there's food available," said Kaila McDonald co-chair for Kinettes Chase the Ace.

Last year, Moosomin Kinettes Chase the Ace raised \$52,000 from the fundraiser.

McDonald explained how the fundraiser works.

"Chase the Ace is sort of a card game, you send in your money or you buy tickets," McDonald said.

"Your ticket goes into the barrel, if your name gets drawn then you get to come up and pick one of the cards off of the table. If you pick the ace of spades then you win the pot of cash."

Chase the Ace began on September 10 and will run every Saturday at the Sportsplex in Moosomin, until the month of April.

"This is our third year doing it, last year we raised about \$52,000 in the area," said McDonald.

"People should come out because it's not only a good chance to get out and socialize, the club also uses it as a way for us to take part in fellowship together.

"That's one thing that is very important, in the name Kinettes 'kin' means family. We want to take part and socialize with each other. As a club it's a chance to hang out with people who you may not normally hang out with.

"On a community level it supports the Sportsplex, which does so much for the community. In the first year from the fundraiser, we were able to give out \$18,000 to the community, and last year, we were able to give out \$52,000 to the community, which we will be handing out shortly.

"The amount of money that we were able to spread around to things that might not have the manpower to have a fundraiser, is huge. It was so much fun sitting down at a meeting and being like here's \$2,000, here's \$2,000. It's just a great way to support the community."

McDonald said it feels great being part of an initiative



Chase the Ace on a Saturday night at the Moosomin Sportsplex.

that helps the community.

"It feels awesome knowing that our club is successful enough that we can give back a huge amount, that's enough to indicate that we should keep going," she said.

"Being able to give money to the daycare, being able to

support the Sportsplex by getting people in the door, it's great."

Chase the Ace happens every Saturday at Sportsplex

McDonald said the club's goal for this year is to almost double the amount that they raised last year.

"This year the most we can give away is \$102,000. If we sell out that's how much our club would bring in," she said.

"Our goal would be to sell out by April and hopefully be able to give out \$100,000 next year."

McDonald said the fundraiser will happen on a weekly basis.

"Chase the Ace will be happening every Saturday at the Sportsplex in Moosomin," she said.

"There's a few Saturdays that we won't be meeting, like we're taking a two-week break over Christmas and New Years, but other than that, it's every week."

She said anyone is welcomed to come out, even kids.

"Everyone should come out, it is a family friendly event. There's lots of space for little kids to run around," said McDonald.

"My kids love coming and having mozzarella sticks, that's a big draw for them because sometimes it is tough to find a babysitter. Plus it's a great place to socialize, to have a drink, to have a pop, have an appetizer, or have supper."

McDonald was asked if the Kinettes plan on doing anything different this year compared to last year's fundraiser.

"I know Shelly's going to be doing supper specials this year and she's such a good cook. That should be a draw for people alone, Shelly's cooking," she said.

"We're going to be trying supper specials again which is different than last year. We're also hoping to do some theme nights or happy hour, something like that.

"We're definitely going to try and partner more with the Sportsplex this year."

McDonald said if anyone has questions they can contact her, or co-chair Teshia Nosterud.

More information can also be found on the group's Facebook page: Moosomin Kinettes Chase the Ace.

Moosomin Tim Hortons sets record for Smile Cookie sales:

Smile Cookie campaign raised \$29,249

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The total amount raised in Moosomin includes the donations that were made from local businesses, who matched Smile Cookie sales for a day during that week.

"With those kind of numbers you really can't keep up making those many Smile Cookies, keeping up with the daily baking and cooking, the support definitely helps," said Crisanti.

"Of course we had the cookies available when someone wanted it as people came in, we were ordering them for the schools, for people's business, for their home, we had them ready.

"It was just fantastic and we're pretty happy to say the least with the results that we were able to bring in for our hospital. It's amazing.

"We had volunteers for all eight days of the event, it was extended one day due to the federal holiday that popped up on the Monday for the queen's passing.

"Throughout the whole day we probably had four or five volunteers at a time decorating cookies out front for us, and who also helped with packaging cookies up for our crazy big orders."

Crisanti was asked if they were expecting to sell that many cookies.

"You never know, but we got those pre-sale forms out ahead of time which helps a lot," he said.

"We had an idea of what we needed to order and what we were expecting.

"Of course there's always some friendly competition between our own stores where we try to beat each other, as well as last year's sales. We go in it with a couple goals.

"Again, I give credit back to our teams who pushed hard all week from the time we opened to the time we closed.

"Everyone's asked if they want a cookie, but ultimately it comes down to

everyone who's purchasing them or sponsoring a day to make it possible. We wouldn't have those numbers without them."

Wendy Lynd of the Moosomin and District Health Care Foundation said she was amazed by the community support.

"I was hoping around \$10,000 so I'm very happy with the results and the support we got from everyone," Lynd said.

"Equipment and purchases for SEICC is always an ongoing need, I think with any funds that we receive helps any department. The proceeds will go to all equipment needs in the future. It was great support from Tim Hortons and their staff. They cooked non-stop and they put icing on the cookies at night. Our 75 volunteers did a great job keeping up and it was great, with everyone purchasing cookies, it all helped. Thank you to the whole community."

Esterhazy and Virden proud of their Smile Cookie sales

Esterhazy Tim Hortons also said that they were happy with how well they did for this year. Last year, they sold about 1,500 Smile Cookies.

"All of our donations this year is going to the PJ Gillen School hot meal program,"

said Kim Frederickson, manager of Esterhazy Tim Hortons.

"We felt that it was time to look after the kids, to put the kids first. The focus in that program is to make sure that at least once a month, all the kids get fed a hot meal."

Virden Tim Hortons said they were proud for selling 14,059 Smile Cookies during this week's Smile Cookie campaign.

"For Smile Cookies this year we sold 14,059 cookies," said Lily Bowen, manager of Virden Tim Hortons.

"We do a lot of hot sales, people get annoyed, but we push as much as we can. We had quite a few volunteers for this year."

Compared to last year, Virden sold 11,268 in Smile Cookie sales. This year all of their proceeds from Smile Cookie week will be going to the Virden Area Foundation.

Correction

There was an error in a story on page B4 of the September 26 issue of Ag News—"Klippenstein says it's a 'fairly decent' harvest." With respect to ergot in wheat, the tolerance for milling wheat is .04% not .4%. We apologize for the error.

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School Community Council talks about Gift Card Fundraiser at Chamber of Commerce meeting

BY SIERRA D'SOUZA BUTTS

LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER
At the Moosomin Chamber of Commerce meeting on Sept. 27, the School Community Council (SCC) of MacLeod Elementary School spoke about their ongoing Shop Local Gift Card Fundraiser.

The fundraiser focuses on selling pre-paid gift cards and certificates from local participating businesses in Moosomin and nearby communities.

In return, local businesses can choose anywhere between two to 20 per cent of their sales to be donated back to SCC.

"For anyone who knows of the SCC, we focus on connecting the school and community together," said Leona Gerard, SCC Chair.

"We do activities like swimming, family engagement events, hot lunches, athletics, stuff like that. It costs a lot of money and we felt like we were always knocking on businesses' doors asking for donations. Through this fundraiser we thought it was something that can help you (businesses) and also help us."

Gerard explained how the fundraiser works.

"We sell your gift cards for whatever the dollar amount you offer for and then that business would give us a percentage back on each gift card."

Last year, the local gift card fundraiser raised a total of \$46,000.

Gerard said SCC's target goal this year is to be in the \$50,000 range.

"That's one of Leona's dreams and wishes as SCC Chair is to really strengthen the community connections with SCC," said Tammy Cole, principal of MacLeod Elementary School.

Based on the feedback from last year, Cole said they planned to extend the fundraiser for a longer period of time this year.

"Last year it was a little bit short, there were some families who said they wished it went for a little bit longer," said Cole.

"This time we made sure to start it a bit earlier."

The fundraiser started Sept. 6 and is going until November 6 so that students have a longer time to sell gift cards.

"I think it's a fantastic fundraiser and it's a tremendous amount of money that stays locally," said Tyler Thorn of Celebration Ford.

"We bought a bunch last year and used those gift cards as part of our staff's Christmas gifts. I would encourage the chamber members to buy some gift cards and use them for staff bonuses."

"This year we'll do it again, but we'll probably give those gift cards out early instead of waiting for Christmas so staff can use them for Christmas shopping."

New Ukrainian family in Moosomin

Roman Chernykh told chamber mem-



Principal Tammy Cole and Leona Gerard, School Community Council Chair of MacLeod Elementary School, informed chamber members about their Shop Local Gift Card Fundraiser at last week's Chamber of Commerce Meeting.

bers on Tuesday that a couple from Ukraine has recently moved into town.

"A new couple just arrived last week in Moosomin. The lady works at the day care as a cook and the gentleman is working at Goodman Steel in Rocanville," said Chernykh.

"They already have jobs and have a place to stay, and everything is already accommodated."

"We're expecting more families. They are just on their way. One more family should be here some time in October with their two little kids, and we pretty much have everything ready for them as well."

He said donations for furniture have been great and will reach out to the community if anything else is needed.

Spookarama on Oct. 31

The Moosomin Spookarama Committee is planning on holding a Halloween Dance on Monday, Oct. 31.

Night Dumo will be the entertainer for the night.

"Spookarama went on for many years until it was interrupted by Covid for 2020 and 2021 so we have sort of started from scratch this year," said Kevin Weedmark of the Moosomin Chamber of Commerce.

"The Chamber has been very involved in the past, as well as businesses who have been great with donating prizes for the draws at Spookarama."

The event is intended to give students something to do on the night of Halloween to prevent vandalism around town.

Prizes donated by local businesses are drawn in the evening of the event, to help keep the students at the dance.

Along with the Chamber, McNaughton High School and the RCMP gave a presentation on the event.

"Thank you for having us here today,

our community."

Two students from McNaughton also attended the meeting.

They stated that because they are too old for trick or treating, an event like this allows students to look forward to celebrating Halloween.

"We would really like to see it start up again in the community, it builds positive relationships with the youth in our community, and the businesses," said Trina Brace, the Moosomin Detachment of the RCMP.

"We didn't have any big issues over the couple of years that it wasn't going on, but no one was really supposed to be out. Now that everyone is able to go out, we really want to get those kids back to doing Spookarama, and they really enjoy it."

Brace said donations and chaperones are needed for the event. Donations will help cover the cost for the DJ needed for the dance.

Prize donations can be dropped off at 628 Main Street, and cheques can be made to Moosomin Spookarama.

Individuals who are interested in chaperoning can contact Samantha McGonigal at (306) 435-4685.

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Moosomin RCMP Report

BY CST. ISABELLA POMEROY

Pomeroy's rant:

There are more and more complaints about people driving ATVs on public roads everyday. It's toward the end of the season now, but I just want to give everyone a reminder that it is an offence under the All Terrain Vehicles Act to operate an ATV on any portion of a highway. Keep in mind winter is coming and snowmobiles carry the same rules as ATVs.

Sec.7(1) ATV Act: Operate an all terrain vehicle on the travelled portion of a highway without authorization = \$150 fine.

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Traffic services in town

Traffic services were heavily around Moosomin last week, writing tickets and ensuring all motorists were travelling safe. This week in traffic action there were a whopping 58 citations written in the Moosomin Detachment area. The highest ticket this week went to a person travelling 175 km/h on Highway 1. That person was issued a ticket for \$966. Second place went to a person travelling 135 km/h in the 80 km/h zone on Highway 1. That person was issued a ticket for \$854.

Going more than 50 km/h over the posted speed limit comes with a hefty fine and a vehicle impoundment. There is no reason to be travelling 50 km/h over the speed limit and there are no excuses.

Mental health help lines

Mental health seems to be more important than ever these days. Moosomin RCMP responded to several mental health calls this week. We want encourage everyone to reach out for help and talk to someone if they can.

No matter how bad things may seem, remember that they will always get better. Life can be very difficult to say the least.

Please reach out and check in with friends, co-workers, and family see how they are doing. It's a perfectly normal question to ask people how they are doing. Don't let people suffer in silence.

If you see someone that you believe needs some help, but won't accept help from you, please let the police or their family know. Help is also available 24 hours a day at Canada's Suicide Prevention Service at 1-833-456-4566.

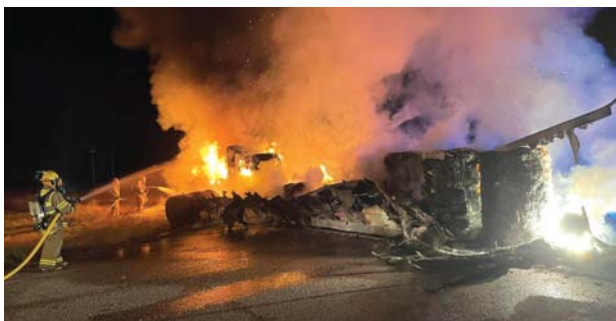
Vehicle with damage

On September 23, members responded to a complaint of a suspicious vehicle near Rocanville. Members noticed damage to the vehicle and that there were no occupants near it. Members had the vehicle towed as it was on someone's property.

Shooting a BB gun

On September 23, members received a complaint of people shooting BB gun pellets at a house window. Members are still investigating the matter.

Remember that any property damage, big or small, is mischief and can result in a criminal charge.



Firefighters dousing down a semi that was stolen and then started on fire while the drivers ran from police in the early morning hours on Thursday west of Wapella. Two suspects were taken into custody and charged with a long list of charges, including robbery, kidnapping, assault, and flight from police. The semi was carrying newsprint.

Suspicious person

On September 26, members responded to a suspicious person at a business in Moosomin. Members arrived and made patrols in the area in an attempt to locate the subjects of the complaint, but were unsuccessful.

Theft in Moosomin

On September 26, members received a call regarding the theft of a couple of catalytic converters from a business in Moosomin. Members are still investigating the matter. RCMP is requesting anyone with information about this incident to contact the Moosomin RCMP by calling 306-435-3361. Information can be submitted anonymously through CrimeStoppers by calling 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or submitting a tip online at www.saskcrimestoppers.com

Suspicious vehicle

On September 26, members received a complaint about a suspicious vehicle at a business in Moosomin. The vehicle had been parked at the business overnight and they were not certain who it belonged to. Members determined the vehicle was not stolen and the registered owner was going to pick it up.

Possible impaired driver

On September 27, members received a complaint of a possible impaired driver. Members made patrols in and attempt to locate the vehicle but were unsuccessful.

Stolen semi on fire: Multiple charges laid including kidnapping, theft, robbery, assault

On September 29, members received a call from Manitoba RCMP requesting their assistance with a stolen vehicle. The two suspects had stolen a vehicle from Manitoba and were crossing into Saskatchewan. Moosomin members were ready to intercept the vehicle but the suspects had left their original vehicle and had stolen a semi truck before members could reach them.

Moosomin members, as well as Virden RCMP and Broadview RCMP, stopped the semi truck west of Wapella on Highway 1 after it became engulfed in flames. Both suspects were taken into custody safely and were remanded to appear in court, they were charged with the following:

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- Dangerous Operation of a Conveyance- Sec.320.13 of the Criminal Code
- Mischief over \$5,000- Sec.430(3) of the Criminal Code x2
- Flight from Police- Sec.320.17 of the Criminal Code
- Uttering Threats- Sec.264.1(1)(a) of the Criminal Code
- Assault with a Weapon- Sec.267(a) of the Criminal Code
- Obstruct a Peace Officer- Sec.129(a) of the Criminal Code

Unable to locate driver

On September 29, members received a complaint about a possible impaired driver. Patrols were made but were unable to locate the vehicle.

Alarm from residence

On September 30, members received an alarm activation call at a residence in Moosomin. Members confirmed there was no emergency and everyone was okay.

That's all I have for you this week—stay tuned for next week's updates.

As always, your friendly neighbourhood RCMP. Have a great week!

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Update on Southeast Medical Residency Program at Chamber of Commerce meeting in Moosomin

BY SIERRA D'SOUZA BUTTS

LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

At the Moosomin Chamber of Commerce meeting on Sept. 27, there was a presentation on how the Southeast Medical Residency Program is doing.

"I'm new to town, I came in early July to start residency training under Dr. Foy and the Moosomin Family Practice," said Dr. Cara Fallis.

"So far the residency program has been really well thought out, planned, and established. I've been really fortunate to have an excellent group of mentors. I know many of you in the community have experience with them yourself.

"The benefit of the residency program is that when doctors come into town and in town, it offers some level of certainty as a physician recruitment strategy, that they might stick around and serve the community, and get involved.

"I also believe that with a steady flow of residents coming in, we buy ourselves a bit of an insurance policy against long wait times at the clinic. It's one extra doctor who can help out in the emergency room.

"The University of Saskatchewan has been really pleased so far with the way the program has been run, and the expectation for next year is that we will be getting one more resident to fill the spot. That year there will be a first year and second year family medicine resident.

"It's not yet decided, but it is very much on the table that there might even be two residents starting in the program next year, which can potentially grow the physician workforce in the community."

Coming from Ontario, Fallis said she developed an interest for rural medicine. She spoke about why she chose to come to Moosomin to do her residency.

"I came to the realization that living both in Toronto and partly in rural areas in Ontario, that living rurally can be a social determinant of health," she said.

"It can really affect people's access to



Moosomin Kinettes (left) Alyssa Jeannot and Samantha McGonigal spoke about the group's plans for Santa Day and Santa parade, at last week's Chamber of Commerce Meeting.

health care. There's a different sub-set of skills required of doctors to understand and serve a community well in a rural area.

"Practicing in a rural community allows us to be much more hands on, it let's us know people more in the community as friends, colleagues, fellow parents at the school, and you don't connect with your community that way when you're practicing in a metro site."

Fallis said she and her family are enjoying the community and look forward to living in town.

Christmas decorating contest for local businesses in Moosomin

Dana Crosson of West Wind Florist and Greenhouse proposed her idea for having a Christmas decorating contest in town, at last week's Moosomin Chamber of Commerce meeting.

"I have this idea for doing a Christmas decorating contest for all of the businesses in town," Crosson said.

"Businesses can decorate based on whatever they want to do, and then maybe on Moonlight Madness we would go around and judge to pick a winner for the year.

"We don't have many details right now, but would any businesses be interested in participating in that?"

Crosson said if any local businesses in town are interested in planning out the details for the contest, to reach out to her.

"If we have it set so everything is decorated in time for Moonlight Madness it would really bring the hype for that as well," she said.

Members at the meeting supported the idea.

Moonlight Madness on Dec. 1 and Santa parade that weekend

At Tuesday's meeting, Kevin Weedmark of the Chamber of Commerce informed members that the group decided on a date for this year's Moonlight Madness.

"We have the day set for Thursday

Dec. 1. We had done it on Wednesday's for several years and switched back to Thursday where we seemed to have a really great response from last year," Weedmark said.

"Moonlight Madness was exceptional," said Darcy Rambold, owner of Pharmasave Moosomin.

Moonlight Madness is a kick-off to Christmas shopping in town. People have the chance to shop locally and participate in a draw for a chance to win prizes in Moosomin Bucks.

"It helps too when all the businesses are putting on great promotions together, the night seems to really do well," said Weedmark.

Alyssa Jeannot of Moosomin Kinettes added that the Kinettes will be looking to host Santa Day and the Santa parade during the same weekend.

"We're looking at Saturday Dec. 3 to host Santa Day. We usually do that in conjunction with the Santa parade, but we're still deciding," Jeannot said.

"As a club we're also looking at resurrecting our comedy night, so we may do the Santa parade on the Friday night."

Moosomin Kinettes are hoping to link the two events with the Chamber. Jeannot said the group is still deciding on the dates.

October 25 next Chamber meeting

Saskatchewan Highways Minister Jeremy Cockrill will join the Moosomin Chamber of Commerce for the October 25 meeting.

Also at the October meeting there will be a presentation on the partnership between the Community Builders Alliance, the Town of Moosomin and the RM of Moosomin, who are working together on economic development and are jointly funding a government relations strategist.

The Moosomin Chamber of Commerce meeting will be at the Canalta Hotel meeting room, starting at 11:45 am. Lunch will be provided.

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Music By Alan Menken Lyrics By Howard Ashman & Tim Rice Book By Linda Woolverton
Originally directed by Robert Jess Roth Originally produced by Disney Theatrical Productions

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A photo of Wawota's Haunted Hotel from a few years ago. The event was huge, people from all over Saskatchewan came to the community to check it out. Photo by Sydney Blaire Photography.

Wawota Haunted Hotel presents 'Carnevil' on Oct. 28-29

BY SIERRA D'SOUZA BUTTS
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

The community of Wawota is bringing back their annual Haunted Hotel for this year's Halloween weekend, Oct. 28 to 29 at Wawota Hotel and Bar.

There will be a Kids Haunt from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. on both days. Child tickets are \$10, and adult tickets are \$5 or are free with a regular admission band.

The Carnevil haunted showtimes will be from 7 p.m. to midnight. Tickets are \$15. Children 14 and under must be accompanied by an adult to enter.

"This will be the haunted hotel's fifth year running," said Kayla McMullen of Wawota.

"Wawota Haunted Hotel started out the first year as a Movember fundraiser and after that year we decided because it was so successful, that we wanted to have a more community focus.

"Every year after that we have chosen a community group to donate the funds to. This year we'll be splitting the proceeds with the Wawota Rink, Wawota Curling Rink, and Daycare.

"We'll also be doing a progressive 50/50 in the weeks leading up to the Haunted Hotel to raise even more funds for their groups."

There are about 30 people from the community who volunteer to help prepare for the haunted house.

"The event is put on by just a group of community members who have a love for Halloween and for supporting the community," said McMullen.

"It consists of about 30 people with a board that now runs the organizing of the show.

"We feel that our event is a little different than most haunted houses as every year we have a different theme. This year the theme is Carnevil and it's not only a haunted house, but more of an interactive play as well.

"The theme is carried out throughout the whole haunted hotel and tells a story as you go through it. We really focus on all of the person's senses going through it—touch, sight, smell—we really try to bring out multiple emotions, not just fear.

"What else is really neat about our

haunted hotel is that it runs in the upstairs of the Wawota Bar, so, before and after you go through the haunted house you get to stay and enjoy a night out with entertainment as well. It's a full package deal."

People can go through the haunted hotel as many times as they would like to.

"We have many people who will come for the whole evening and go through the haunted house multiple times. I think our record is one person going through nine times which was the last time the event happened, pre-Covid," she said.

"This event is definitely geared towards adults, it can be quite graphic and scary. We have a 15 and under must be accompanied by an adult policy.

"We take a lot of pride in a lot of people saying it's one of the scariest haunted houses they've ever been to with a lot of people comparing it to Al Benesocky's Shock House in Regina and Yorkton. Considering it's just a bunch of unpaid volunteers doing all the set work, preparation for costumes, and make-up, we feel we do a really great job."

McMullen said she is excited to have Wawota's haunted hotel up and running again this year.

"After not being able to run the haunted house for two years due to Covid, we are extremely excited to run it this year," she said.

"We feel that this year has had even more thought and effort put into it than any other year. As we've been working on this particular theme for three years now, the ideas just keep growing and growing over that time.

"It is our goal always, but now more than ever to create a really unique experience in a small rural community to show people they don't have to go to the cities to experience something really cool.

"We love that it brings in so much fundraising money for our local groups that really need it, especially after having a few hard years during Covid."

People are encouraged to pre-order their tickets in order to guarantee a spot during the showtimes.

The group's Facebook page—Wawota Haunted Hotel—continues to post updates leading up to the event.

2022 Mike Schwan Arena Wall of Fame Inductees

Philip Fath



Philip Fath - Notre Dame Hounds SJHL

I played minor hockey in Moosomin until I was in Pee wee. Then I went and played AA Pee wee and Bantam in Melville.

From there I moved to Notre Dame where I played Midget AA in my first season and then Midget AAA for the following two seasons with the Argos and Hounds. Following Midget, I played with the Junior A Hounds of the SJHL.

My accomplishments are being a Pee wee league and provincial champion as well as being the most dedicated Midget AA Hounds and Midget AAA Argos Assistant Captain for the AAA Argos and Hounds.

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Two Jingle Dress Dancers, (left) Sadie Moose and Kennedy Playford visited MacLeod Elementary School in Moosomin last Tuesday.

Jingle Dress Dancers visit MacLeod

On Sept. 27, two Jingle Dress Dancers from Brandon, Manitoba came to MacLeod School in Moosomin to perform and teach students about Jingle Dress Dancing.

Students from each grade level had the chance to ask the performers questions about the meaning of Jingle Dress Dancing and learn one of the dances.

The performance tied in with the school's Orange Shirt Day and, Truth and Reconciliation activities for the week.



Students had the chance to touch the designs and ask the performers questions about their Jingle Dresses. One of the dancers, (right) Kennedy Playford said the hand prints on her shoulders symbolize the movement of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women.



MacLeod's Grade 5 class formed a circle to follow along with the Jingle Dress Dancers.



Students also learned about Sweetgrass, one of the sacred medicines Indigenous communities use to symbolize healing and peace.

THE LEGACY OF RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS

KNOWLEDGE-SHARING WITH SPEAKER

TONY STEVENSON

Background image: Photo of Tony Stevenson, speaker, at the Qu'Appelle Indian Residential School in Lebreton, Sask. (Photo: Tony Stevenson)

The Rocanville Public Library and Rocanville School are honoured and excited to host Tony Stevenson, and his wife, Marcie McArthur Stevenson, for their *Legacy of Residential Schools* Tour!

This is a free program, in which they will be sharing their knowledge on the impact of residential schools on the lives of Indigenous children and families, and the legacy of these schools in Canada, as well as feature a screening of the film *We Were Children*. (Film deals with mature subject matter)

When: October 14 at 8:45-10:45 a.m.

Where: Rocanville School

Tony is an Anishinaabe First Nation from Treaty 4 land. He attended the Qu'Appelle Indian Residential School at Lebreton, Saskatchewan from Grade 5 to 12. Tony's experiences both professional and personal have given him the ability to be an advocate for residential school survivors. He wishes to educate communities on the history and truth of the residential school system in Canada. His goal is to expand the Legacy of Residential Schools Tour from Saskatchewan to reach across Canada.

A quote from Tony Stevenson, "With these presentations I hope to appeal to the genuine humanity of the hearts of the Canadians that want to learn and more importantly, understand, so that we can change the future by way of actions and not just words. I believe if you want to be called a Canadian, learning and owning the real history of the past is a mandatory requirement so it is never repeated!"



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In our opinion:

Canadians getting desperate about higher food prices

Almost 24 per cent now cutting back on food purchases, almost 70 per cent of whom are women

While inflation is showing signs of dissipating, food inflation appears to be on a totally different path. Food inflation has outpaced our general inflation rate for over 12 months now.

Statistics Canada just announced that the food inflation rate for retail was 10.8 per cent and 7.4 per cent in food service. Canada ranks third amongst the G7 countries, after Japan at 4.7 per cent and France at 7.7 per cent.

Canada's rate remains below that of Italy (10.6 per cent), the United States (11.8 per cent), the United Kingdom (13.1 per cent) and Germany (16.6 per cent). Still, food inflation is hurting Canadian consumers, and the nightmare won't end any time soon.

Canadians have been trying to cope with higher food and menu prices in many ways.

The Agri-Food Analytics Lab, in partnership with Caddle, investigated what Canadian consumers have been doing to deal with higher food prices in the last year and are releasing the results of the study.

Some have opted to grow their own food. A total of 15.5 per cent of Canadians have started growing their own food just in the last year. Ontario is where the highest percentage of people started to grow their own food, at 17.4 per cent, followed by British Columbia at 16.2 per cent.

The Atlantic (15.2 per cent), Quebec (13.7 per cent), and the Prairies (13.1 per cent) were next. While a total of 6.2 per cent of Canadians use hydroponics at home to grow food, 4.5 per cent claim they have live-stock at home now, and didn't 12 months ago.

Others are just trying to navigate through by using new options. The most popular grocery shopping habit change we measured was that many Canadians have used loyalty program points.

A total of 33.7 per cent have been using loyalty program points to pay for groceries in the last 12 months.

The second option is weekly flyers (32.1 per cent), followed by coupons, at 23.9 per cent.

While 19.1 per cent of Canadians have visited discount stores in the last 12 months, 11.5 per cent of Canadians have visited dollar stores more often to purchase food.

A total of 8.0 per cent are visiting farmers' markets more often, and 7.1 per cent of consumers visited roadside stands to buy directly from farmers in the last year.

Interestingly, 40.6 per cent of Canadians are trying to waste less food now, a much higher rate than 12 months ago.

Going for privately labelled food products is also getting more popular.

A total of 21.0 per cent of Canadians are opting for store labels, which are less expensive most of the time.

The Atlantic region is where the highest percentage of consumers are now opting for privately labelled products, at 27.8 per cent, followed by Quebec at 22.5 per cent.

Also, 19.7 per cent of Canadians are buying more food that is about to expire. The Atlantic has the highest percentage of consumers buying food that is about to expire at 29.1 per cent, followed by the Prairies at 19.5 per cent.

The hidden darker side of food inflation is worrisome. Almost 24 per cent of Canadians are now cutting back on the amount of food they purchase due to higher food inflation, and almost 70 per cent of them are women.

Dietary changes have been made by 8.2 per cent just to save money.

While 7.1 per cent are skipping meals now, 6.6 per cent of Canadians are paying for their groceries with a credit card without knowing when they will be able to pay it back.

Coping with food inflation is not a simple matter of finding new strategies. For many, higher food prices have pushed them toward desperation.

Many Canadians are really battling it out there. In Europe, where food inflation in some regions is even higher than here, grocers are guaranteeing some prices for certain staples for a month or two to help low-income families get through this.

They are freezing prices on a limited number of essential staples. These campaigns are all initiated by industry, not government.

Perhaps it's time for Canadian grocers to sympathize with struggling consumers in meaningful ways.

Maybe, just maybe, if they took steps to support consumers, the baseless accusations of "greedflation" would go away, if only for a while.

Dr. Sylvain Charlebois is senior director of the agri-food analytics lab and a professor in food distribution and policy at Dalhousie University.



138 years, and we haven't run out of things to write about yet

Not everyone pays close attention to those numbers across the top of the front page every week.

If you are one of the few who do, you will have notice that they changed from Volume 138, Number 52 to Volume 139, Number 1.

That means we have completed our 138th year and have started our 139th year since we started publishing on October 2, 1884.

Just to put it in perspective, the World-Spectator was around for 21 years before Saskatchewan became a province in 1905.

The World-Spectator had been around for 28 years when the Saskatchewan Legislature opened.

The World-Spectator was around for 29 years before Henry Ford started mass producing vehicles.

The World-Spectator had been published every week for 55 years before the Second World War broke out.

When I first came to Moosomin in 1988, I was moving from the city and I was worried that in a small community I might start to run out of things to write about after a few weeks.

34 years later, and 138 years after this publication was founded, we haven't run out of things to write about yet.

As a matter of fact, every story we do seems to lead to two more story ideas, and the list just keeps getting longer.

I love all the types of stories we cover. The article we did a couple of weeks back on Merle Malin donating his hydraulic lift to Levi Jamieson after seeing Levi in the paper was heartwarming. The article last week on Scott Williamson, originally from Rocanville, leading the Queen's Funeral Procession, was inspiring. Look at the stories we have in this week's newspaper—an Esterhazy mine rescue team is second best in the world at an international competition. An all-women mine rescue team that also did very well at that international competition included one woman from the Rocanville mine and one from the Esterhazy mine. I wish I could write three pages about all of them, because it's fascinating hearing about what goes into a mine rescue competition. What else do we have in this week's paper? The news that the community of Moosomin is so supportive that Moosomin Tim Hortons sold more Smile Cookies than ever before, more than \$29,000 worth—and more than any other Tim Hortons location in Saskatchewan. We also have an interview



Kevin Weedmark

with Jeremy Harrison, the province's Minister of Trade and Export development, about the fact that Saskatchewan just recorded its biggest quarterly population growth since those statistics started being collected in 1971. Stories like that, and the stories of development coming to our area, and the stories of local people achieving great things, makes me want to say that it's an exciting time to be running a newspaper in our little corner of the world, but I have been saying that for the last 34 years! It's always exciting telling those stories.

That same community support that you see with the Smile Cookie campaign is why our little newspaper, after 138 years, continues to grow. With the support of our community, our advertisers, and our readers, and the hard work of our employees, we continue to grow each year.

It's incredibly busy running a newspaper, especially when we have so many great stories to tell.

Last week we put out a 64 page paper, including our September Ag News. This week we have a 64 page paper including our Get Involved section. Next week will be our Women in Business section along with the regular paper, the next week will be our Small Business Week section, then it will be our fall Mining Energy and Manufacturing section and then we begin our \$15,000 Christmas giveaway.

I believe there is a bright future for journalism as long as people are willing to put in the work (and journalism is a lot of work when it's done right) and as long as those people doing the work truly care.

I believe there is a hunger for real, honest journalism. People want to know what's going on in their communities.

People care about local journalism. So, while the World-Spectator is 138 years old, I am sure it has a very bright future!

We're here because we care about covering and connecting our communities. Let us know what we're doing well, and what we can improve on, let us know what you would like to see in the paper, and we look forward to serving you for another 138 years!

Better times ahead for Senators

Is the hockey world ready for the Ottawa Senators to become a powerhouse? No? Would you settle for contender?

General manager Pierre Dorion may not have been No. 1 as far as winning the NHL off-season goes, but he wasn't far off. And on close inspection of the Senators' depth chart, it's apparent the Canadian capital team is poised to snap a streak of five straight seasons of missing the playoffs.

To start with, Ottawa coach D.J. Smith guided an improving team last year, when they finished ahead of six other NHL teams with 73 points, good for seventh place (of eight) in the Atlantic Division. But the Senators showed promise with its strong base of young offensive stars Brady Tkachuk, Tim Stutzle, Josh Norris and Drake Batherson. But wow!, what an off-season the Senators had.

For starters, Alex DeBrincat, just 24 years old, arrived in a trade for draft picks from the tanking Chicago Blackhawks, who seem intent on being so bad that their chances of winning Connor Bedard in next year's draft are greatly enhanced.

All DeBrincat has done in his five-year career is score 140 goals, including 41 last season with the Hawks.

Arriving as a free agent in July was grizzled veteran Claude Giroux, a longtime Philadelphia Flyer, who is only 73 points away from 1,000 for his career. Giroux will provide leadership to the Senators youth along with tremendous offensive skill, especially on the powerplay.

One of two first-round draft picks the team had in 2020, Ridley Greig, was one of the stalwarts on Canada's world junior hockey team this year and could crack the Senators' roster this fall.

Defensively, the Sens have high hopes for their other 2020 first-round pick, Jake Sanderson, who missed most of last year with an injury.

He joins blue-line stalwarts Thomas Chabot, Artem Zub and young Erik Brannstrom, who was acquired in the



Bruce Penton

Mark Stone deal with Vegas a couple of years ago.

Dorion then bolstered the team's goaltending by picking up veteran Cam Talbot, who will compete with Anton Forsberg for minutes between the pipes.

Columbus Blue Jackets (adding Johnny Gaudreau), Carolina Hurricanes (Max Pacioretty and Brent Burns) and Detroit Red Wings (Andrew Copp, David Perron and Dominik Kubalik) also had productive, roster-improving off-seasons, but the Senators may have done the most to improve their chances at playoff or Stanley Cup contention.

Ottawa puts its new-look squad on display Oct. 13 in Buffalo and then plays in Toronto Oct. 15 before settling in at home for five consecutive games. A 7-0 start would certainly open a few eyes around the NHL and maybe even spark some celebratory horn-honking on the streets of Ottawa.

Comedy writer Alex Kaseberg, via Twitter, on stationary-bicycle maker Peleton company being in financial trouble: "For some reason the company is just spinning its wheels and not going anywhere."

European pro golfer Eddie Pepperill, no fan of the LIV golf tour, on Twitter: "LIV airlines. Though it may look like it seats 150 people, it in fact seats only 48 due to the size of their egos."

Producer Soph, on Twitter: "Can I make a suggestion?"

Team Homan/Fleury = Team Heury. Heury hard."

Former NFL quarterback Sage Rosenfels, on Twitter, in a back-handed reference to former team-mate Brett Favre, currently embroiled in a controversy over misuse of public funds in Mississippi: "Since retirement, I have been lucky to avoid stealing millions of dollars from the poorest people in my state."

Columnist Norman Chad, on Twitter: "QB Tom Brady added to Tampa Bay Buccaneers' injury report Friday with injury to his right ring finger after Gisele reportedly attempted to remove his wedding band."

Super sarcasm from comedy guy Brad Dickson of Omaha, referencing the Nebraska Cornhuskers' coaching job: "Folks who don't want to hire Urban Meyer are misguided types who put character, ethics and morality above wins and losses. I feel sorry for them."

Headline at theonion.com: "Aaron Rodgers Downplays Rough Start As Normal Ups And Downs Of Massive Global Conspiracy"

Scott Ostler of the San Francisco Chronicle: "If MLB hitters have walk-up songs, they should also be required to have slink-back songs for when they strike out, songs to be chosen by the opposing team's pitching staff. Some possibilities: 'Smoke Gets In Your Eyes,' 'I'm Missing You,' 'Heat of the Moment,' 'Walk Away, Renee' and 'Blue Bayou' (blew by you)."

RJ Currie of sportsdeke.com, after archaeologists in Georgia found a 1.8 million-year-old human tooth: "They believe this cements the region as home to Europe's earliest prehistoric hockey team."

Bob Molinaro of pilotonline.com (Hampton Va.) on the Aaron Judge vs. Shohei Ohtani MVP argument: "For what it's worth, Babe Ruth didn't win the 1927 MVP after hitting 60 home runs. His teammate Lou Gehrig did."

Care to comment? Email brucepenton2003@yahoo.ca

Schwean hoping for grant for tipi at Bradley Park

BY KEVIN WEEDMARK

Recreation Director Mike Schwean spoke about a proposal to put up a hard-sided tipi at Bradley Park at the Moosomin Town Council meeting Wednesday.

He has been in discussions about a potential grant. "We have a meeting Monday to discuss it. We would like to put a structure out around the play park. One of the benefits for us is we have had some requests for some sort of shaded rest area by the pump track and the play park, which we don't have right now. There would be room next to the playground. It would be about 26 feet circumference. It would be beautiful and would give us our rest area for pickle ball, tennis, the play park and pump track."

Schwean said the work would have to be done by the end of March under the grant he is looking at.

Councillor Greg Nosterud said he would like to see a Red River cart added at the same time. "Years ago we had a Red River cart on the Trans-Canada Highway. That's something that's important to the Métis people and it would be good to have a Red River cart next to the tipi," Nosterud said.

"All our walking paths intersect in that area, so it would be a learning opportunity along the walking paths as well," Schwean told council. "I think the Métis association is interested in making use of it, the school might be able to make use of it. It wouldn't be canvas, it would be a hard-sided tipi. It would be a great addition to Bradley Park."

Council looks

at new Christmas decorations

Dana Crosson of West Wind Greenhouse attended Wednesday's council meeting to discuss Christmas decorations.

"One idea is stringing lights between the light posts downtown," she said.

"We can do the fresh greenery wreaths,



Dana Crosson has proposed new Christmas decorations for the town of Moosomin, including both live greenery wreaths, and planters. The Chamber of Commerce is asking members to donate toward the cost of the new decorations.

and I had the idea of putting planters with greenery at the base of the light posts. I wondered about putting wreaths on the town sign by the highway and using two of the big boulevard planters on Broadway, the ones closest to the intersection," Crosson told town council.

"It would be a bit of an initial investment with the strings of lights. The initial cost for everything would be between \$5,000 and \$6,000, not including the lights."

"I think that would really spruce up the downtown district. I think it would look really good," said Councillor Murray Gray.

The Chamber of Commerce has shared the cost of live greenery wreaths with the town for the last several years and will seek sponsorships for the expanded decorating program.

Saskatchewan Highways will study turning lanes

Saskatchewan Highways will conduct a study on acceleration and deceleration

lanes along the TransCanada Highway on the suggestion of the town of Moosomin.

At the previous meeting, town council agreed to send a letter to Saskatchewan Highways to request the study, and at last week's meeting, council members heard that the department will look into the town's concerns.

"Thank you for your September 20, 2022, letter regarding your request to install and extend acceleration/deceleration lanes at the entrance to Moosomin. I appreciate the opportunity to respond," Tom Lees, Assistant Deputy Minister of Highways wrote to the town.

"Safety is top priority at the Ministry of Highways and something we keep in mind as we design, build and maintain our provincial transportation system. The ministry currently maintains approximately 26,000 km of highway throughout the province, and has been working hard to improve the infrastructure in Saskatchewan, but we know there is more work to do."

"All requests for intersection treatments are evaluated based on criteria such as traffic volume, collision data, sight distance, roadway geometrics and operational considerations. If the minimum criteria are met, then the treatment is entered into the ministry's Safety Improvement Program and prioritized for construction against other safety projects throughout the province. Ministry officials will conduct a safety review at both junctions of Highway 1 and Highway 8 and will contact you with the results."

Covid delayed Highway 8 bypass engineering study

Councillor Greg Nosterud, who serves on the Southeast Transportation Planning Committee, said that the study on the Highway 8 bypass that Saskatchewan Highways had agreed with the town and RM of Moosomin to undertake would begin again in October after being put off because of Covid.



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Moosomin Rec Report

Mike Schwan, Recreation Director

Riders vs. Ticats on the

massive screen at Nutrien Sportsplex

Well there are not enough words to explain how the Riders have played the last two months... but we still have a lot of talent and we are now in "Any Given Sunday" territory.

So, there is no question that the biggest game of the season will be on Friday, October 7, when the Riders travel to Steeltown for a 5:30 pm gametime.

With regards to the playoffs we are pretty much down to "win and they're in"... lose and we miss the playoffs in a Grey Cup hosting year... ugg!!

So, we are getting geared up to have the game live on our monster air screen. If weather allows we will run the game on the patio and if not, we will move indoors at the Sportsplex. Following the game we will hold our first Friday Night Fantasy indoor golf of the season! Should be a blast!

REC FEST at the Nutrien Sportsplex!!

We are busy planning our 2022/2023 season and first on our agenda is REC FEST 2022. This is the event where we offer "early bird" pricing on our winter programs. In addition, we try to bring in various groups who use our facility to enable citizens to inquire and sign up for. These include groups like our Seniors' Club, various exercise classes and so forth. Finally Parks and Rec set up to inform residents of our programs such as our walking challenges, golf nights, bowling leagues etc.

This year REC FEST is scheduled for Thursday, October 6th from 4 pm to 7 pm at the Sportsplex).

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For further details please contact Casey or Mike at the Rec office at 435-3622.

REC FEST Booths

If any community groups/organizations would like to use REC FEST as a registration night, you are more than welcome. Just give the Recreation Office number a call at 435-3622 and we will set you up with a table for the night.

Witching Hour on Wright Road—Part III

Moosomin Senior Rangers Alumni Committee along with Moosomin Minor Hockey Association are excited to be teaming up for their first co-project and it will be a blast!

We will be holding a Halloween Masquerade on Saturday, October 29, at the Conexus Convention Centre. Not only have we booked the top DJ company in Saskatchewan (Elite DJs from Saskatoon) but we booked the boss herself to come out and do the show!!

Tables of eight are just \$160 with tons of special events going on including:

- Pre-event Sportsplex Specials
- 6:30 pm doors open
- 7:45 pm Costume Judging
- Top Table entered in the "Name that tune" game for great prizes
- Green room picture booth where you can get amazing group pictures on worldwide
- Backdrops at no extra cost
- Amazing DJ Music from 9 am to 2 am!

Dig out your old costumes and make some new ones... get your friends together and enjoy one of the best events of the year all the while supporting the Moosomin Senior Rangers and Moosomin Minor Hockey!

Also note that you can book your tables and we can collect at "will call" at the door, so it is that easy!!

For tickets contact 435-3622 or email msmn.rec.brd@sasktel.net

Chase the Ace returns for the winter!

Kinnetes Chase the Ace has returned to the Sportsplex on Saturdays. Make sure to check out their Facebook page and get a ticket. Proceeds always go to wonderful community projects!

Skating Club

The Skating Club are busy making plans for a busy, busy season as well. They have a couple new events they will host in 2022/2023 as well as extending ice bookings

to the end of March 2023.

Initial plans for 2022/2023 include:

Wednesday, Nov. 2	Season starts
Sunday, October 23	Training Seminar
Sunday, January 15	Funfest Skating Seminar
Sunday, March 19	2023 Carnival
Friday, March 30	Last booking for the season

Moosomin Senior Rangers

This group has been busy behind the scenes as well preparing for another fantastic year of Big Six hockey. Lots of talk with potential players as the Rangers look to build on what really was an amazing first year back in the Big Six!

If you are new to town and interested in playing senior hockey this season we would love to hear from you. Give me a call at 435-7578 and I will pass your name along to the coaching staff!

Minor Hockey Tournament Dates

These are not yet set in stone however we do have a draft schedule of tournament dates. Here is a look at the projected schedule for Minor Hockey Tournaments:

U18 Rangers	October 30
U15 Boys	November 5, 6
U11 Badgers	November 19, 20
U11 Rangers	November 26, 27
U13 Rangers	December 3, 4
U13 Provincial Team	December 17, 18
U7 Rangers	January 7, 8
U9 Rangers	February 4, 5
U11 Carded	February 18, 19
U15 Female Rangers	March 11, 12
U13 Female Rangers	March 25, 26

On Ice Officials Clinic

Officials are reminded the Sask Hockey Officials course is again online in 2022/2023. However, for younger or new officials there will be an online training opportunity scheduled for Sunday, October 9 from 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm. To register please go online to Sask Hockey's webpage.

Recreation Hockey Tournaments

We can pass along a few Recreation Hockey Tournament dates at this time as well, along with contacts for the events.

- Moosomin Leafs Tournament: Saturday, October 29 Contact Dale at 435-7212
- Iron Man 2023: March 30 – April 1 Contact Mike at 435-3622

Thursday Night Indoor Golf League

We are getting geared up for our Thursday night indoor golf season at the Sportsplex. League is for both guys and gals and runs Thursday night with a 4 pm and 6:15 pm tee time.

We send out emails on a bi-weekly basis. If you would like to be included on the list please email me at msmn.rec.brd@sasktel.net and I will get you on the list. It is non-committal in that you can play a week and miss a week(s), or play every week, whatever suits your schedule.

Friday Night Fantasy Golf League

We are also getting ready for our Friday Night Fantasy Golf League. This league is a little more casual as it is always a non-competitive scramble where players bet with play money. You can register as a team, a couple or an individual.

We try to start up in September and run for a few weeks, then shut down during the Christmas party season and then start back up in January and run to the end of April.

Again, this is non-committal in that you can play a week and miss a week(s), or play every week, whatever suits your schedule.

If you would like to be included on the list please email me at msmn.rec.brd@sasktel.net and I will get you on the list.

Snowbirds Indoor Golf

Those of you with some time on your hands who enjoy golf, this is for you! Wednesday and Fridays at 1 pm we have a group get-together at the Sportsplex and enjoy a round of indoor golf on one of our many world wide courses. Open to both men and ladies! For info email us at msmn.rec.brd@sasktel.net.

Royal LePage

Thursday Night King Pin Bowling

We will once again be looking to host a Thursday night community bowling league. Great opportunity to enter a team as a business, family or just a group of friends.

If you are interested please email the Rec Office at msmn.rec.brd@sasktel.net and I will pass your name along.

Walking Track

The walking track at the Nutrien Sportsplex is available for use. The track is a 360-foot indoor rubber walking track. For information, please contact Casey at 435-3622.

Walking Track Challenges

To make your walking more engaging, we have multiple walking challenges for you to test your distance over the winter. You do your walking and write down your laps, and we move you along the map to your destination.

- Trans Canada Walk – Across Saskatchewan
- Pacific Plunge – From Moosomin to the Pacific Ocean
- March to Mexico – From Moosomin to Mexico City

We are working on our fourth challenge, as amazingly, we have multiple walkers who have now completed all three challenges!

2022/2023 Curling Season

Moosomin Curling Club is also busy getting ready for another wonderful curling season. Curlers can expect the ice to be in around November 1 for the 2022/23 season.

If you have a team to register, please contact the Rec Office at msmn.rec.brd@sasktel.net.

2022/2023 Curling Bonspiels and Special Events

Moosomin Curling Club Executive will be announcing their 2022/2023 Bonspiel lineup in the coming weeks.

Having said that we do have one provincial curling event already on the schedule.

- STS Provincial Curling November 14-16

National Firefighters Bonspiels

This event is so exciting as Moosomin will host the Canadian Firefighters Bonspiel. The mega event is planned for March of 2024.

We are now looking for volunteers for the event and we will require lots. If you would be willing to help in some capacity please email either: Mike Schwan at msmn.rec.brd@sasktel.net or Dale Nixon at d.nixon@sasktel.net

Grow Community Curling

Moosomin Curling Club is joining up with CurlSask and Viterra to offer these exciting programs. The three CurlSask programs are designed to grow our curling community. The goal of the program is to assist our club to increase youth, adult and family participation in curling within our community.

The three programs include:

- The Curling Experience

Open to any age of the participants for those trying the sport for the first time.

- Viterra Youth Clinics

Open to Youth Curlers between the ages of 5 and 18 with a minimum of one year of experience.

- Viterra Blizzard Program

Is an eight-week Learn to Curl Program for those ages 6 to 12.

Watch for details and registration opportunities in the coming weeks.

Gymnastics Program

at the Conexus Convention Centre

Jodie returns to the Convention Centre with the gymnastics program Thursday, September 29. Pre-Christmas the program runs on Thursdays from 3:30 pm to 8:30 pm. For information please email Jodie at rossgymandhit@gmail.com

Pickle Ball

Pickle Ball continues at the Conexus Convention Centre. The club has dedicated times which includes:

Monday	1 pm
Wednesday	7 pm
Thursday	1 pm

If you are interested in playing you can just show up (equipment will be waiting) or if you like more information Bill Thorn is the club captain. You can contact Bill at billt@sasktel.net

Moosomin Seniors Club

If you are new to town and looking for some Senior Programming our local Senior Club meet at the Nutrien Sportsplex multiple times a week:

Mondays	9 am to 12 noon
Tuesdays	1 pm to 5 pm
Thursdays	9 am to 12 noon

If you would like further information contact Yvonne at 306-646-7554.

What's up at the

Conexus Convention Centre this week

With fall on our door step things are getting busy at the Conexus Convention Centre. Here is a snap shot of what is going on this week:

Monday	Pickleball	1 to 3 pm
	Cadets	6 to 10 pm
	SGI	All day
Tuesday	SGI	8 am to 3 pm
Wednesday	Pickleball	7 to 9 pm
	Pickleball	1-3 pm
Thursday	Gymnastics	3:30-8:30 pm
Weekend	Wedding Social	

Esterhazy Town Council

Borys meets with town, offers to gift some of his land

BY KARA KINNA

At their meeting last week, Esterhazy Town Council met with Darcy Borys of Brylee Developments, a subdivision just south of Esterhazy in the RM of Fertile Belt consisting of acreage lots for sale.

When the subdivision was built, town water and sewer was put in by the developer, and the town has a service agreement with Brylee Developments to maintain that infrastructure after it was put in. However after a cold winter resulted in one of the water lines freezing in the development, the town requested that Brylee Developments bury that line deeper. That work was done by Brylee Developments, the issue was resolved, and the town has agreed that the service agreement can stay in place.

Borys asked for a delegation with council on Wednesday to talk about moving forward and about being proactive in his relationship with not only with town council, but with the town as a whole.

"I appreciate finding a resolution to that water issue and I would like to put that behind us and look at some positive things with Brylee Developments, as I have a large investment in that development," says Borys.

"If there is any type of growth and planning, I wondered if Brylee can be involved with any of those meetings or ideas moving forward.

"Also for planning and development, who do I talk to to get involved more? I would like to be a bit more proactive."

"We don't have anything coming down the pipe but if we do, we can remind ourselves that we have a subdivision south of us and keep that in mind," said Mayor Grant Forster.

Councillor Randy Bot also suggested that Borys contact their Planning and Economic Development Director Tammy MacDonald to see about becoming involved with the town's economic development committee.

Borys said he has always been interested in not just promoting his development, but the town of Esterhazy, and said if there was any way to bring new people to town, he'd be interested in being a part of that.

Borys also told council that there is just over 60 acres of land between the Brylee Developments subdivision and the town, and said if there was some way the town could make use of that land, he would be interested in gifting part of that land for a new hospital, or other town project if the town thought there could be a good use for that land.

Esterhazy has the funding in place for a new hospital, and is hoping to build a new hospital as soon as it receives approval from the provincial government. Part of the process of moving forward is finding a location for the new hospital.

Council was surprised by Borys' offer to gift part of his land, and after the meeting, Mayor Grant Forster said knowing that land is available would mean the town would be taking that into consideration as a possible location for a hospital, or other projects down the road.

"It's quality land for the purpose that he's suggesting we could use it for, and it was a bit of a surprise," says Forster.

"It caught us by surprise that this was even an option. We'll need to spend some time to review it. Generally speaking that's a pretty decent offer on his part to say this is something we could potentially use for the hospital.

"It's something we will have to look at now and decide if there is any value in it. If someone wants to give you land there is always value in that, it's just a matter of what you want to put out there."

Request for barrier free unit denied

Council passed a motion to deny a request from RCM Condos for their four-unit multi-plex on 320 James Street to be exempted from the national building code requir-

ing one barrier-free room in the unit.

The property owner owns another eight-unit multi-plex which includes a barrier free room, however the four-unit building does not.

The company said they were making the request because the unit was built before the building code required apartment buildings to have at least one room that was wheelchair accessible.

Council spent some time looking into the plans for the units and found that barrier free access was required in both units on the original plans. They also noted that towns do not have town hall authority over what needs to be done as per the national building code.

"We can't change the national building code, that's higher legislation that we are here," noted councillor Randy Bot.

A motion was made to deny the request for an exception to the requirement for a barrier free unit on the grounds the town can't make that decision as the units do not meet the national building code.

Fire department fundraiser a major success

Councillor Earl Nickel reported to council that the fire department's annual barbecue and fundraising raffle on September 20 went well.

Nickel said there were over 400 people at the barbecue and the fundraiser made \$10,500.

The town is hoping to build a new fire hall that will double as a training facility for other fire departments in the area, and Nickel also reported that during a tour of Carlyle's fire hall to get ideas, the fire chief there said he'd be willing to send their firefighters for training in Esterhazy if that plan moves forward.

Pump prices out at \$150,000

The town has been looking into getting a specific kind of pump for one of their lift stations so that water continues to flow during power outages. The town already has one such pump, but is looking at getting a second one.

However Director of Operations Joel Friesen reported to council on Wednesday that the same pump that cost \$60,000 previously is now \$150,000. He said he'd continue looking for alternative suppliers of the pump.

ER closures could be coming to an end

The Esterhazy hospital's ER has been on and off of bypass due to staffing shortages over the last year. Councillor Marty Pfeifer told council that at a hospital foundation meeting, it was noted that those bypasses should likely come to an end in November, as there are candidates in place for X-Ray and Lab Tech jobs.

He said part of the problem was that some of those jobs were offered as part-time positions before, but can now be offered as full-time positions, which is more attractive to employees.

Highway maintenance agreement in place until 2033

The town passed a motion to sign a maintenance agreement with the Ministry of Highways for part of Highway 22 that runs through Esterhazy from Short Street to James Street. As the town clears snow along the highway, and does other necessary maintenance within town limits, the ministry will pay the town \$18,459.84 a year to help cover the costs of maintaining the 1.61 kilometre stretch of road. The agreement is good until March of 2033.

Mayor enjoyed serving pancake breakfast at PJ Gillen School

Mayor Grant Forster reported to council that he was asked to attend the pancake breakfast at PJ Gillen School

to help serve food to the students. "It was fun and I enjoyed it," he said.

He also mentioned to council that having a youth councillor might be an idea the town look at, and council seemed to think it was a good idea.

Town proclaims Multicultural Week

The town was asked by the Multicultural Council of Saskatchewan if they would proclaim November 19-27 as Multicultural Week in Esterhazy. Council passed a motion to do so and decided to pass that information on to the town's rec director in case he would like to plan something for that week.

Esterhazy will be host community for Diabetes Canada donation bins

The town is planning to be a host community for donation bins for Diabetes Canada at two to three locations in Esterhazy, so that people have somewhere to drop off used clothing and other household items, with the sale of those items going to a good cause.

CAO Mike Thorley noted that Esterhazy does not have a thrift store, and that people often ask where they can donate gently used clothing. He said it also might stop some of that clothing from going out to the landfill.

Diabetes Canada collects unwanted gently used clothing and textiles, using them to raise funds for Diabetes Canada. There are over 5,000 of their pickup bins in communities across Canada.

Council discussed having the bins in convenient, high traffic locations such as by the community hall and arena. The town of Esterhazy will also be listed on the Diabetes Canada website as a dropoff location.

Some of the things that can left in the bins include accessories and bags, clothing, curtains, household textiles such as towels, blankets and sheets, shoes and boots, and sleeping bags.

Steep drop-off a concern

Council discussed a concern by an Esterhazy Regional Park member about an area on the east side of Esterhazy on the walking trails that has a steep drop-off that is approximately 30 feet due to erosion of a hillside in that area.

Council agreed that the area was a safety issue and decided to have their Director of Operations Joel Friesen look at the area. They noted they would likely need to get an engineer involved at some point to find a way to fix the issue.

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South East Cornerstone School Division

Public board members debate Lord's Prayer question

BY NORM PARK

In the past, South East Cornerstone Public School Division board members have given rapid approval to individual schools that have requested use of the Lord's Prayer during special events or assemblies.

This year's request by three of the 37 schools in the division again received board permission to use this prayer, but this time it didn't come without some discussion regarding a number of social implications.

Eventually the board approved the motion to grant the right to recite the prayer to Gladmar Regional School, MacLeod Elementary School in Moosomin, and Carievale School. Gladmar's request noted they would use the prayer, probably on a monthly basis to open certain activities while MacLeod would use it daily in assemblies and

Carievale on a weekly assembly basis.

The motion to grant permission passed by a 5-2 margin with two trustees—Jim Vermeersch and Carol Flynn—being unable to be present at the meeting and with one vacancy being noted for the City of Weyburn.

Sub-division 4 trustee Tami Scott said the issue had been discussed earlier and her perspective was to encourage administration and counsellors to go back to the student population to see if some of them did not wish to participate and to get their feelings about possibly feeling excluded from the student body if they did not wish to participate.

Estevan trustee Eric McCrimmon said he objected to the motion since it only related to the Lord's Prayer or a Bible passage and he wondered why the motion would only involve the Christian holy book. He said he had to vote

against the motion because it eliminated other religions.

Weyburn trustee Norma Hewitt-Lendrum said she believed there should be separation of church and state and that there were other spiritual books, but she would still vote in favour of the motion at this juncture "but this needs to be looked at again," she said.

Estevan trustee Kevin Keating weighed in by forwarding the motion, saying he felt the school community councils have a handle on the wishes of their community.

Jennifer Wilkinson, Sub-division 6, joined others in suggesting the various communities do a double check on this question. "Times are changing," she said.

With the acknowledgments that there are new realities in place on this issue within the province, the board voted in favour of accepting the requests from the three schools.

Sask NDP disinherits Singh to convention

The Saskatchewan NDP has cancelled plans to invite federal leader Jagmeet Singh to its convention following what some sources described as a heated debate over whether the federal party is hurting the provincial party's electoral success.

In a narrow vote during the NDP's provincial council meeting on Sept. 18, members voted to not invite Singh to their convention in October and instead will ask he supply a video message, according to multiple sources with direct knowledge of the meeting.

There had been plans to invite Singh, as is customary with all federal leaders, though some speculated the invite had already been sent.

Party president Sheila Whelan declined to comment on the vote, saying such meetings are confidential.

The decision left some members "annoyed," arguing it would move the NDP more to the right on the political spectrum, even though they respect the new leadership under Carla Beck.

One source said people were taken aback. Another said it plays into the Saskatchewan Party's hands by letting them control the narrative, noting it shouldn't matter if Singh is invited.

The Leader-Post agreed to not identify the sources because of possible repercussions.

Singh is currently in a deal with the federal Liberal government, which will see the NDP support budget and confidence matters in exchange for NDP asks, like

dental care.

Another source, however, said it matters how the relationship is perceived between the provincial and federal NDP.

Before members were asked to vote on inviting Singh, a member connected to Beck's leadership campaign raised concerns about the federal party, citing the 2020 autopsy report that analyzed the Saskatchewan NDP's loss during the last provincial election. The report urged the provincial NDP to be harder on the federal party when Saskatchewan's interests are at stake, noting that leader Jagmeet Singh's position on resource development and pipelines have hurt the brand.

They said there are constituents who would vote for the Saskatchewan NDP but don't like how the federal NDP has propped up the Trudeau government.

The vote came in two rounds. During the first round, members were asked to vote on one of three options: invite Singh, disinvite but get a video message, and disinvite entirely with no video.

The third option, disinvite with no video, failed with roughly 13 votes. Following that, members were then asked to vote again: invite Singh or disinvite him but get a video message.

The option to disinvite but get a video won 30-28. One source said "a few people" walked out after the vote because they were upset.

Someone had challenged the chair, sources said, and

asked for an emergency motion, which they say didn't pass.

The Leader-Post was unable to confirm how some caucus members voted, including Beck, given there were many people in the room. Votes are typically confidential.

During the meeting, one person had noted it would look bad if Singh was not invited because he is a person of colour. Sources said this person proposed the video option as a compromise.

The last time Singh actually attended a Saskatchewan NDP convention was in 2017.

The vote over his invitation comes after some have reported divisions within the Saskatchewan NDP.

Following Ryan Meili's departure as leader, a vice-president had resigned because they felt Meili was undermined.

Earlier this year, another member on a committee resigned because they believed the new leadership's stance on climate change was not as progressive.

Meili has been emphatic his decision to step down was his. During the party's leadership convention earlier this summer, he had asked members to unite behind the new leader.

Following her leadership win, Beck said she would stand up for "Saskatchewan's interests," no matter who is leading the federal NDP, government or Conservatives.

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Rocanville Rec Report

Andrea Logan, Recreation Director

Rocanville Skating Rink
Rink Kitchen Workers—The Rocanville Skating Rink is looking for kitchen workers. If you are interested, please contact the Rec Office (645-2164).

Pickleball
Tuesday evenings 7 pm – 9 pm
Afternoon Pickleball: Text or call Sandra at 306-434-7284.
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Jujitsu
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Rocanville Recreation Office
Walking club hours: Monday-Friday 9 am-3 pm

Rocanville Pumpkin Festival
on October 29, 2022
at the Rocanville Curling Rink

from 10 am-4 pm
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Friday 1:30- 5:30 pm

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at Hope Church
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Big Dream Child Care Inc.
Will not be hosting our annual Halloween Dance this year. However, we are excited to announce we are currently planning our **Magical Family Christmas Ball** in December. Stay tuned for details.

Rocanville Library
Various Makerspace Kits: In the spirit of Saskatchewan
Library Week from October 16-22, we will have a variety of makerspace kits in

the library, such as Light Therapy Lamps, Quidditch, Games, and LEGO!

• **Turkey Take 'n' Makes:** Come to the library to get the supplies needed to make a fun craft for Thanksgiving for the month of October (while supplies last).

• **Story Time:** Bring your kiddos out for a story or two and a craft to follow. Feel free to bring a water bottle and snacks. Registration is required. To register for this program, contact the library at 306-645-2088 or rocavilleatsoutheastlibrary.ca. Dates are: October 5, 12, 19, 26 at 10:30-11:30 am

• **Employment Assistance Presentation:** Independent Futures Inc. will be at the library once a month for anyone who may be looking for one-on-one help to enter or re-enter the work force. Many great topics will be covered in these sessions. Dates are: October 13 at 3-4 pm

• **Residential Schools Tour:** The library is partnering with Rocanville School to host the Residential Schools Tour. This presentation will give a great insight about our history in Canada. It is a free presentation, open to the public on October 14 at 8:45-10:45 am at Rocanville School.

• **Stitch and Chat Night:** Come on out for an evening of knitting, crocheting, drawing, embroidery, or any project you would like to bring to work on October 13 at 7 pm.

• **Creative Writing Club:** The library is starting a new club for those who enjoy writing. This club will meet once a month at the library to share and discuss various pieces of writing, based on different monthly prompts. On October 20 at 3:30 pm.

• **Ghost Story Afternoon:** Come on out to listen to and/or share ghost stories! On October 27 at 3-4 pm!

2022 Library Card Challenge! Each time you come to the library, present your library card, and have your name entered into a draw for a prize near the end of each month! Winners will be announced on Facebook and in the Community Cal-

endar! For the month of September, congratulations to Shonda Wushke!

The library has many new books on our Popular Picks shelf! Be sure to check out these books while they are still on the Popular Picks shelf!

Rocanville Seniors' Centre
We are open for rentals!
Phone Mel Strong at 306-645-4412 or Linda Bock at 306-645-4287 for rental bookings.

The Centre is open for cards on Thursdays from 1 to 3:30 every week.

Memberships are now due and can be paid to Penny Yung, chairperson of the membership committee.

Rocanville Food Share
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- Pastor Paul Bunz 434-5375
- Roseanne Kelly 306-434-9484
- Faith Buchanan
- Jean Howie
- Barbara Wilkins
- Jane Fahlman

Rocanville Community Thrift Store
We are open Monday, Wednesday, Friday 1-4 pm, Thursday 6-8 pm.

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ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO AMEND TOWN OF KIPLING ZONING BYLAW NO. 9-2013

Pursuant to Section 29 of The Planning and Development Act, 2007 the Council of the Town of Kipling hereby gives notice, of its intention to amend Zoning Bylaw 9-2013.

The proposed amendments are more particularly referred to below.

INTENT:

The intent of the proposed bylaw is to add or update regulations for the following:

- Maximum height of accessory buildings in all residential districts
- New development in proximity to railway operations
- Accessible building design
- Allowing mobile storage containers (sea and rail containers) in the Highway Commercial (C2) District
- Fences
- Outdoor storage in the Light Industrial (M1) District

REASON:

The reason for the amendment is to update the zoning bylaw and bring the regulations into alignment with Council's vision and objectives for land use and development within the Town of Kipling.

PUBLIC INSPECTION:

Any person may inspect the bylaw at the Kipling Town Office Monday to Friday between 9:00 am to noon and 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm excluding statutory holidays. Copies are available at cost at the Town Office.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Council will hold a public hearing to receive submissions on the proposed bylaw on October 11, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Kipling Community Centre, 301 6th Avenue, Meeting Room #2.

Council will also consider written submissions received at the hearing or delivered to the undersigned at the municipal office before the hearing. For further information, please contact the Town Office at 306-736-2515.

Issued at the Town of Kipling this 26th day of September, 2022.

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Moosomin's McNaughton High School playing against Kipling.



The Kipling Magyars during a huddle on day two of the tournament.



The Estherazy Warriors playing against Montmartre at the Girls Volleyball Tournament in Kipling on Sept. 24.

Kipling wins Senior Girls' Susan F Long Magyars Classic Volleyball Tournament

The Kipling Magyars were the champions at the Kipling Senior Girls Susan F. Long Magyars Classic Volleyball Tournament hosted at Kipling School on Friday, September 23 and Saturday, September 24.

It was a big tournament with 12 teams competing in two different pools—the Kipling Magyars, Grenfell Raiders, Carlyle Cougars, Montmartre Eagles, Moosomin Marquis, Estherazy Warriors, Indian Head Broncos, Sacred Heart Saints (Yorkton), Lampman Grizzlies, Whitewood/Broadview Tiger Bandits, Langenburg Screamin' Eagles, and Regina Harvest City Reapers.

Kipling defeated Carlyle in the gold medal final 20-25, 25-13 and 15-12. In the bronze medal match Lampman defeated Estherazy 2 games to 0.

The tournament results were as follows:

Pool A: Kipling (5-0); Carlyle (4-1); Estherazy (3-2); Moosomin (2-3); Grenfell (1-4); Montmartre (0-5)

Pool B: Lampman (4-1); Yorkton Sacred Heart (4-1); Indian Head (3-2); Regina Harvest City (3-2); Langenburg (1-4); Whitewood (0-5).

Tournament All Stars were as follows:


Setter #9 Carlyle Cougars: Halle Schutz
Right Side #7 Kipling Magyars: Olivia De Decker
Power Hitter #12 Kipling Magyars: Ava Ruthven
Middle Blocker #5 Lampman Grizzlies: Sarah Morris
Libero #2 Yorkton Sacred Heart Saints: Susanna Reed
Tournament MVP #12 Kipling Magyars: Ava Ruthven



The Yorkton Sacred Heart Saints playing against the Langenburg Screamin' Eagles.



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Taylor Beltz's elementary class at Plainview Colony School. A new school has been built on the colony.

Plainview Colony opens new school building

BY SIERRA D'SOUZA BUTTS

LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

After almost five years of construction, Plainview Colony officially opened the school's new building in March of this year.

Principal Pam Jamieson said students and staff are excited to be learning in a new and bigger environment.

"I think this school gives us a chance to provide the students with more opportunities because we have the space to do so," said Jamieson.

"We have the ability to do more projects with the kids, even if we are such a multi-grade school because we have to be, we now have more access to resources.

"We have the space now with our gym for presentations. We hope to have people come in and speak with the kids about different goals in our division, like numeracy and literacy, education for sustainable development, mental health, integrating Indigenous cultures into our curriculum, those types of things."

Taylor Beltz, one of the teachers at the school, added that the new building makes a huge difference for the kids.

"I can honestly say it's life changing for these kids because now they have this space," Beltz said.

"They have a gym which is huge. Before if the weather was minus 30 we would have to go outside for physical activity. It's been life changing for the teachers too, because now we have all this space and more technology, and the kids have lots of opportunities."

Jamieson was asked what the difference is from a school in a colony compared to schools in the city.

"You feel that you're right immersed in the community here," Jamieson said.

"It's also cool because in our lives we feel that we're kind of a minority. We step into this culture every day and you have to be respectful of something that's different than ours."

The students at the school have their lessons in English and end the day with

schooling in German.

"Another cool thing about our kids here is that they speak fluently in German," she said.

"I think that's why it's so important for them to have German school here, to teach that language so it never gets lost."

About 80 per cent of the school was built and designed by people from Plainview Colony.

Jamieson said students are very appreciative of the school's new building.

"We went for a walk the other day with the kids and they said the old school was old, but that they had great memories there," she said.

"The kids are really excited, I think they take pride in the school. We don't have a custodian here, the kids do the chores and on the weekend, the ladies will come to do a thorough clean."

Jamie Martin, who has been a teacher and librarian at Plainview Colony for 27 years, said working on the colony brings a sense of community.

"I love it here, it's like one big family. Everyone gets along, the parents are good here," Martin said.

"They're very nice people, you're not going to find nicer people than the Hutterites. I've waited so long for this school, my mom was principal here for 30 years as well."

The building for the school prior to this one had about four classrooms. Martin said having this new building benefits the community tremendously.

"The big thing is hopefully they respect this building, that they look after it and keep it clean because it is beautiful," said Martin.

"People also come use the building for other stuff. They had a funeral here in the gym last week. As far as our library too, we likely have the biggest library of any other Hutterite colony."

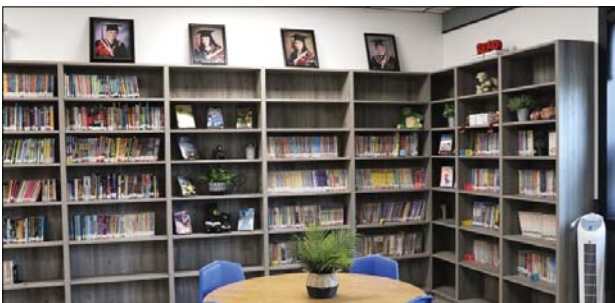
Jamieson said Plainview Colony plans on having an opening with the community to celebrate the new building in the near future.



Outside of Plainview Colony School.



The staff at Plainview Colony School. From left are Taylor Beltz, Shelley Warnica, principal Pam Jamieson, Jamie Martin, Crystal Chisholm, and Carly Hayward. Missing is Dana Poole.



In the school's library, there are photos of all the students who have graduated from Plainview Colony over the years.



The school's library is filled with books for students and the community to enjoy.



It has been a beautiful, warm fall, with the trees flaming into vibrant color around the prairies. Shown here is an aerial view of the fall colors in Moosomin on Friday morning, as well as some exceptionally colorful trees.

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Be advised that the Council of the Town of Moosomin does have the following bylaw in effect, since January 21st, 2015:
Bylaw No. 2015-01

"A Bylaw to Provide for Sump Pit and Surface Discharge"

This bylaw sets out the following:

The owner of every newly constructed structure with a subsurface drainage system shall install a sump pit, sump pump and a dual discharge system such as to allow discharge to the surface, and into the sanitary sewer service.

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- (a) Discharging to the surface:
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 - ii. Discharge shall not be directed onto a porous ground surface within 4 meters (13.12 feet) of any building.
 - iii. Discharge shall be directed to a drain point on your property that will not cause flooding to others.
 - iv. Discharge shall be directed to avoid excessive ponding or icing on public or private property.
- (b) Discharging into the sanitary sewer service:
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The Sump Pit and Surface Discharge System shall be installed by a Journeyman Plumber in such a way, as to comply with all Town bylaws/policies and other applicable regulatory authorities.

The costs associated with installing a Sump Pit and Surface Discharge System will be the sole responsibility of the owner.

Note that the entire Bylaw can be viewed online at www.moosomin.com

As the Town continues to experience domestic sewer backups during significant rainfall events, the Town requests everyone to be aware of the requirements of this bylaw, and if your home or business still has storm water being pumped from sump pump pits into the domestic sewer, that you as a property owner are in contravention of the bylaw.

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The Grade 10 achievement award winners. From left are Walker Murphy, Brodi Fidelak, Charlton Rivamonte, Andrei Ayala, Nicole Rodriguez, Molly Martens, Reagan McConnell, Zoie Ferguson, and Rylee MacPherson.



The Grade 11 achievement award winners. **Back row:** Abby Machniak, Sarah Lonsdale, and Cesca Santos. **Middle row:** Delaney Frape, Ashley Bochek, MacKenzie Jordan, and Ciara Fuchs. **Front row:** Kyra Kessler, Sven Nosterud, and Shelby Piper. Missing is Brynn Easton.



Jack Robinson receiving the top junior boy athlete award from Jake Weidenhamer.



Madison Sebree receiving the top junior girl athlete award from Jake Weidenhamer.



Blake Young receiving the top participant award from Margie Gibson.

McNaughton High School Grade 10-11 Awards

McNaughton High School held their Grade 10 and Grade 11 awards ceremony on September 20.

General proficiency awards for the highest overall average went to Zoie Ferguson (gold), Andrei Ayala & Molly Martens (silver) and Brodi Fidelak (bronze) in Grade 10, and to Kyra Kessler (gold), Sven Nosterud (silver) and Shelby Piper (bronze) in Grade 11.

Following is the full list of awards results.

ELA A10

Andrei Ayala (1)
Brodi Fidelak (1)
Rylee MacPherson (1)
Molly Martens (2)
Zoie Ferguson (3)

ELA B10

Zoie Ferguson (1)
Andrei Ayala (2)
Molly Martens (3)

ELA 20

Kyra Kessler (1)
Shelby Piper (1)
Ashley Bochek (2)
Sarah Lonsdale (2)
Abby Machniak (2)
Izac Mactal (2)
Belicia Peters (2)
Brynn Easton (3)

History 10

Zoie Ferguson (1)
Brodi Fidelak (1)
Andrei Ayala (2)
Molly Martens (3)
Reaghan McConnell (3)

History 20

Sarah Lonsdale (1)
Shelby Piper (1)
Mackenzie Jordan (2)
Cassia Gagnon (3)

Foundations & Pre-Cal 10

Zoie Ferguson (1)
Molly Martens (2)
Andrei Ayala (3)

Workplace & Apprenticeship 10

Caylor Fawcett (1)
Hayden Tilley (1)
Sumer Balogh (2)
Eric Jacobi (2)
Yaroslav Bereznyi (3)
Savhanna Boardman (3)
Austin Norgan (3)

Foundations 20

Zoie Ferguson (1)
Molly Martens (1)
Andrei Ayala (2)
Walker Murphy (3)

Pre-Calculus 20

Sven Nosterud (1)
Kyra Kessler (2)
Mackenzie Jordan (3)

Workplace & Apprenticeship 20

Caylor Fawcett (1)
Austin Norgan (2)

Foundations 30

Rider Brace (1)
Sven Nosterud (2)
Kyra Kessler (3)

Science 10

Zoie Ferguson (1)
Andrei Ayala (2)
Molly Martens (2)
Brodi Fidelak (3)

Environmental Science 20

Andrei Ayala (1)
Reaghan McConnell (2)
Savhanna Boardman (3)

Health Science 20

Cesca Santos (1)
Sarah Lonsdale (2)
Delaney Frape (3)
Shelby Piper (3)

Physical Science 20

Shelby Piper (1)
Kyra Kessler (2)
Sven Nosterud (3)

Computer Science 20

Gurtaran Samra (1)
Emily Lustic (2)

Computer Science 30

Cesca Santos (1)
Cael Offet (3)

Biology 30

Sven Nosterud (1)
Shelby Piper (2)

Wellness 10

Andrei Ayala (1)
Brodi Fidelak (1)
Reaghan McConnell (2)
Molly Martens (3)

Communication Media 10

Charlton Rivamonte (1)

Communication Media 20

Belicia Peters (1)
Mackenzie Jordan (2)
Shelby Piper (2)
Izac Mactal (3)

Photography 10

Andrei Ayala (1)
Charlton Rivamonte (1)
Molly Martens (2)
Sadie Hollingshead (3)

Photography 20

Shelby Piper (1)
Mackenzie Jordan (2)
Belicia Peters (3)

Visual Arts 10

Angel Maglanque (1)
Zoie Ferguson (2)
Claudia Griffin (3)

Commercial Cooking 10

Reaghan McConnell (1)
Andrei Ayala (2)
Molly Martens (2)
Charlton Rivamonte (3)

Nicole Rodriguez (3)

Commercial Cooking 20

Angel Maglanque (1)
Delaney Frape (2)

Home Economics 10

Delaney Frape (1)
Sarah Lonsdale (1)
Abby Boutin (2)
Molly Martens (2)
Alainna Brown (3)
Zoie Ferguson (3)

Home Economics 20

Kyra Kessler (2)
Angel Maglanque (2)
Melissa Boardman (3)

Home Economics 30

Carly Bleau (3)

Industrial Arts 10

Kale Holmstrom (1)
Brodi Fidelak (2)
TJ Schenn (2)
Eric Jacobi (3)
Walker Murphy (3)

Industrial Arts 20

Sven Nosterud (1)
Electronics/Robotics 10
Kale Holmstrom (1)
Rider Brace (2)
Sven Nosterud (3)

Career & Work Exploration 10

Cassia Gagnon (1)
Conor Fath (3)

Career & Work Exploration 20

Nathan Barnard (2)
Cael Offet (2)

Outdoor Education 20

Sven Nosterud (1)
Delaney Frape (2)
Hailey Gibson (2)
Kyra Kessler (2)

Media Studies 20

Zoie Ferguson (1)

Reaghan McConnell (3)
Chloe Szafron (3)

Law 30

Mackenzie Jordan (2)
Delaney Frape (3)

Psychology 30

Kyra Kessler (1)
Melissa Boardman (2)
Shelby Piper (2)
Abby Machniak (3)

Agriculture 30

Ethan Taylor

Grade 10 - 85% plus Achievement

Andrei Ayala
Zoie Ferguson
Brodi Fidelak
Rylee MacPherson
Molly Martens
Reaghan McConnell
Walker Murphy
Charlton Rivamonte
Nicole Rodriguez

Grade 10 General Proficiency

GOLD: Zoie Ferguson
SILVER: Andrei Ayala & Molly Martens
BRONZE: Brodi Fidelak

Grade 11 - 85% plus Achievement

Ashley Bochek
Brynn Easton
Delaney Frape
Ciara Fuchs
Mackenzie Jordan
Kyra Kessler
Sarah Lonsdale
Abby Machniak
Sven Nosterud
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Grade 11 General Proficiency

GOLD: Kyra Kessler
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A view of the vendors set up at the Moosomin Communiplex.



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Moosomin Family Resource Centre Strokes and Stitches Craft Fair

The Strokes and Stitches Craft Fair was held on Saturday, September 24 at the Moosomin Communiplex and Mike Schwan Arena. This annual craft fair is a fundraiser for the Moosomin Family Resource Centre. There were lots of vendors on hand this year, and a good turnout of shoppers for the craft fair.



Michael and Dorothy Pearce selling artwork and coloring books.



A table full of knitted pumpkins for fall decorating.



There was a whole stand dedicated to flowers and Halloween decorations.



A table of homemade kitchen mats, towels and beautiful festive aprons.

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MacLeod students support Terry Fox day

On Sept. 28, students and staff from MacLeod Elementary School in Moosomin walked around the town in support of Terry Fox Day. The whole school started their walk on Gordon Road, then made their way to Moosomin's Water Tower, past Wright Road and Main Street, then walked back to the school. Parents and people from the community were cheering students on throughout their walk. After the walk, the school enjoyed some lemonade outside at the school's track and field area.



Above: Students from MacLeod's Grade 1 class were happy to walk around town in support of Terry Fox day. **Below:** Michelle Senicar's Grade 1 class helped lead the school's Terry Fox walk.



Kin-Ability Centre participants were cheering on students from MacLeod Elementary School during their Terry Fox walk last Wednesday.

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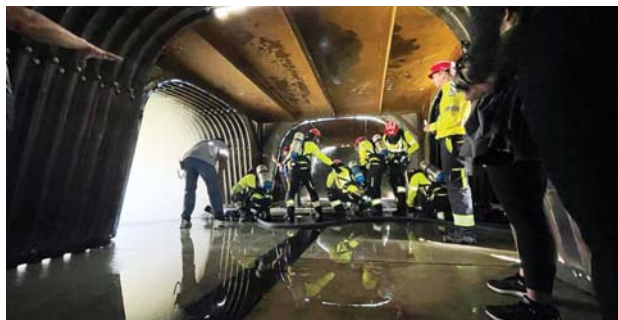
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The Mosaic Esterhazy team competing at the international mine rescue competition in Beckley, West Virginia.



Mosaic Esterhazy in the tunnels for the firefighting event.

Mosaic Esterhazy second overall in international mine rescue competition

From September 11 to 16, members from the Esterhazy mine rescue team competed at the International Mine Rescue Competition that was held in Beckley, West Virginia.

Esterhazy finished second overall of the 22 teams at the competition. They competed against teams from Australia, Canada, Columbia, India, Poland, United States, Zambia, Finland and India.

A few days prior to the competition, the teams trained at MSHA (Mine Health and Safety Academy), where the competition was being held.

They competed in multiple events throughout the competition which included Mine Rescue Simulation and Skills, First Aid, Firefighting, Theory Exam, Rope Rescue and the Technician Event.

Mosaic Esterhazy had a very strong competition, placing second place in First Aid, and Clint Hollingshead won first place in the Technician event.

Following is an interview with Greg Sweet, one of the local team members:

How did Mosaic Esterhazy win the right to compete at the international competition?

It all started in 2019. This team won the Saskatchewan Provincial Competition in 2019. That gave them an entry into the competition in Fernie, the National Western Region Mine Rescue Competition in 2019 and they won that one. With winning both of those competitions it gave them a place in the international competition that was supposed to happen in 2020. But it was postponed until this September.

This was the same team that won in 2019 but we were able to add a couple more people because of the way that they do their competitions—you can have a maximum number of 10 people at this competition. Our Saskatchewan group limit is seven.

Do the same 10 people compete in the different events or are there different folks for the different events?

Yes, we moved them around. For each event we picked who we thought was most comfortable and experienced for that part and that way we were really able to utilize the skills of everyone in the group.

Walk me through the different events in a mine rescue competition and what happens in each of them.

This one is a little bit different than what we see in a Saskatchewan event or the Fernie competition. They had a two-level mock mine setup where we had to go in and deal with different scenarios. They had a fire set up, and they had to go in and fight that. Then they were simulating high gas ratings so they weren't able to breathe without a breathing apparatus, so it was unsafe conditions to move anybody around. They had to go in and find a couple of miners, and once they found those people they had to ventilate the mine. Once they did that they got the all-clear that the air was good. They would check their exits to the mine to make sure that all of the air was good enough to bring the workers out of the mine. So they did that and then they go back to get the people and get them out.

Once they did that, they had to crawl up a ramp into the second level where they had it filled with fake smoke. The whole area was filled with smoke so they had to do a search and rescue looking for more people and more objects—in this case there was another worker staged up there and they had to find that person in the smoke and get him out into the fresh air. They were able to do that with a different kind of breathing apparatus.

In all of these events it's always the safety of the team first, then safety of the workers and then you deal with what's on hand, like is it a fire or bad air.

We had 75 minutes to do this one and sometimes you're under the clock—you have to be out of the mine before the time runs out—but in this case we were just able to run the clock out if we needed.

Are you judged by how quickly you can get the people out or how safe you were? How do they judge something like that?

All of the above. There are a lot of points and demerits for safety—making sure that you're always checking your surroundings, you're not putting yourself in danger of any kind, there's a lot of communication with your



Mosaic Esterhazy in the tunnels for the firefighting event.

team members, and that you're not rushing through the mine, running or anything like that. They want to see you move at a good steady pace. They judge you on safety, how you deal with the situations in the mine, how you fight the fire, deal with the bad air, deal with bad ground and those different scenarios. Then there are points for first aid on the casualties like whether you're rough-handling or packaging them with care and always reassuring them. There are lots of points too for what we call an emergency centre. We have that team that is underground or in the mine but we also have a group of people that is in a command centre on surface or what we call a fresh air base, and those are the people giving the directives and getting information from the team and relaying that to make good, safe decisions on how we're going to deal with the situation.

What is the rope rescue event?

We went to the Beckley Fire Department, where they just built a brand-new fire hall in 2020. They had a three-storey tower setup and they simulated that a person had fallen down a few storeys.

We had to set up a rope rescue situation where we had to lower one of our members down through the opening, which was about two or three feet square roughly. So we lowered them down to the casualty and he would reassure them and do basic first aid. Then we had to lower a basket down for him to put that casualty into, get him strapped into the basket, and then we would haul him back up to the third floor from the first. Then we would haul our member back up to the third floor also.

What happens in the First Aid event and the firefighting event?

This one was different because they actually had mannequins there that were computerized which were really cool. We've never seen them before. One of them would track how you do your compressions for CPR. The other one could blink, it had a pulse and you could track its breathing. You had to get actual pulses and breathing rates. Then they had one other casualty there too that had something stuck in their eye, so you had to do first aid on that person too.

The fire part was also different for us because we're used to using fire extinguishers, but in this one they had to set up two hose lines and do an obstacle course. It was a different way than just using fire extinguishers for our competition.

What's the technician event?

The technician event is for one individual and they take our breathing apparatuses, and the committee will throw little bugs in it and little defects into the machine and then that person has to go in and find them. They also have to write a written test too. Clint was part of the overall team and he was our competitor in the technician event, which he won.

You came second in first aid and then Clint placed first in the technician event, and you came in second overall. How do you feel with that showing at an international competition?

It certainly is impressive, and I definitely knew that we had a great day, but you never know that end result until you finally see those scoresheets come out.

At any competition you love to hear your names being called and awards being handed out. It was good, we got our names called a couple of times there at the event, and once we got the overall results yesterday I was joking with the guys that I had to e-mail the committee back to make sure that I was reading it correctly. There are definitely a lot of congratulations going around and we were pretty excited yesterday when we saw that we were second overall out of 22 teams from around the world.

Has Mosaic Esterhazy ever placed this high in an international competition before?

No, this is the first time that Esterhazy has ever gone to this competition. The Colonsay mine did, I believe it was in 2008 that they went, when it was held in Reno. But this is the first time Esterhazy has ever had a team at the international competition.

Were you thinking that you might end up with such a strong showing?

No, we had no idea. The competition events, with 22 teams, were spread over three days. We were pretty happy with how we did each day, and we were thinking that if we get in the top ten, that's great. You never know what you're coming up against, but we learned lots and met lots of great people from all across the world. We got some new colleagues and some new peers during the whole thing. But we never thought that we'd be second overall by any means.

Is Mine Rescue an ongoing thing—are you pretty much always training?

In Esterhazy, we train from September to April. We have about 40 members in mine rescue and all based on different crews, made up from different crews. Each team trains once a month, so four times a month there's training going on.

We train up until April and then we do what's called an in-house competition. We make up teams amongst ourselves and whoever wins that, we use as our team that goes to the Saskatchewan Provincial Competition during Mining Week. The competition was in Saskatoon this year and will be again next year.

So what did you do to celebrate when you found out that you were second overall?

Well we haven't really done too much yet—if we would've found out that night we would've had to change some plane tickets that we had booked for the next day! It definitely would've changed the outcome of that night, for sure, if we had those results.

You must be pretty proud of your team members.

That's exactly it. It takes everyone. We've got about 40-plus members in mine rescue plus retirees and management groups and it takes everybody to pull this together. Everybody is pretty passionate about it, and we're all pretty confident that you're going to make the right decisions and be able to address the situations that we've got at hand when we are called in the event of emergency.

So what do you think is the difference? There must be something different about your team if you came in second in the world? What do you think it is?

I think we're all just pretty passionate about mine rescue in Esterhazy, and we've always had that. I've been in mine rescue since 2010. I've kind of taken over the lead for it and we've just got a great core of people. We still talk about the big fire they had in 2006. That's a long time ago but it's still very fresh in a lot of people's minds on how that went and the situations that came out of that. We do all we can to prevent incidents like that, but sometimes that stuff happens. We find that everyone is passionate about it and I think the competitions help drive that too. We all like to win, we have a drive for that and to be able to learn the skills and show them off at competitions definitely helps. We just have great support staff too with our management groups and the spouses—everybody. It takes a great team to get it all done.

All-female mine rescue team: Diamonds in the Rough do well at IMRC

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Justine Fuchs, from Mosaic Esterhazy Mine Rescue, and Kirstin Hanson of the Nutrien Rocanville Mine Rescue, attended the International Mine rescue Competition as members of the Diamonds in the Rough mine rescue team.

This is an all-female team that is made up of women from all across Canada, from various mines.

Diamonds in the Rough received second place in Rope Rescue and third place in Theory, fourth in Firefighting and sixth overall out of 22 teams from around the world.

Hanson said the Diamonds in the Rough are a very different Mine Rescue Team than most, which come from a single mine.

"Most mine rescue teams compete together quite often and they practice for say 3-4 weeks prior to a competition so they're in sync going into it. As for the Diamonds, we all met a week prior to competition. We had some Ontario women, a woman from New Brunswick, a woman from B.C., a Manitoban, myself, and Justine. We had to meld quite quickly and we were lucky actually the whole group of us got along amazingly. It was hard leaving because you become so close that short time you are living together, practicing together."

Members of the Diamonds in the Rough team come from a wide variety of mining backgrounds.

"I am with Rocanville, Nutrien and Justine is with Mosaic. The other girls, there were two of the girls on the same team in Ontario, and the rest were all from different mines. We had girls from nickel, gold, potash, and diamond mines."

Members of Diamonds in the Rough have different levels of experience.

"A couple of girls on the team had never actually competed before, but we all had the same base of training," says Hamilton. "Ontario had some slight differences, but generally it's all fairly similar. Our captain had quite a few competitions she had taken in. Our vice had taken part in a couple, but the rest of us only had one or two and then a couple didn't have any."

Hanson said it feels great to have done so well at the international competition.

"Oh, it's amazing. We got second in rope rescue, third in theory, fourth in firefighting, and sixth overall out of the 22 teams competing. It is an amazing feeling. You go in and you're not sure what to expect because you are competing against the world's best."

"These are male dominated teams we were competing against. A couple of the teams had some women on them, but they were mostly men and we were an all female team that had just met. You're very intimidated going into it. We practiced hard and we felt confident, but it all depends on your opponents as well."

"It was amazing, I can't even describe the feeling of how well we did. After every event we were just excited. We know we executed it as best as we could. It was an amazing team."

She said there are many different events the teams compete in.

"You have a mine rescue problem which imitates usually a fire or a lost employee. There's always lost employees where you have to go find where they are. There could be a fire, there could



Diamonds in the Rough is an all-female team that is made up of women from all across Canada, from various mines. Below, Justine Fuchs of Mosaic Esterhazy and Kirstin Hanson of Nutrien Rocanville compete as part of the team.



be smoke, there could be dangerous gases.

"For this particular event, there were a couple employees in a refuge station on one level with gases. We had to ventilate the mine so we could clear it out and walk these individuals out. On the second level there was actually smoke and they had a smoke machine so you couldn't see anything and then there was another person up there so we had to vent it out and rescue that employee. It's a really great simulation for real life events."

She said there is serious competition at the event, and the organizers put a lot of effort into making the mine problems as realistic as possible.

"There is a lot of money put into it. A lot of time, different groups and organizations put a lot of time organizing it and putting it on. It was amazing just how real each event was. There were people watching everywhere. People on the teams would also go and watch each event. It was throughout three or four days of competition. You only did a couple of the problems per day."

She said the competition was demanding.

"It is hard work. You're exhausted when you are done because it is very physically demanding, you are wearing your air packs, you have a 40 pound backpack on supplying you with your oxygen. You are very active, but I love it. I feel that is probably the general consensus. Absolutely everyone loves it, and it's very important, and that's why we are all there."

One part of the competition that was new for Hanson was the

Rope Rescue event.

"Rope rescue is for example an employee has fallen down the shaft. We actually send another employee down there in harness gear. During the event it was a person that fell three storeys so we had to send a lady to that level through a hole. Send the stretcher down to her and she was able to load the dummy onto the stretcher, tie the person onto the stretcher and then we had to hoist this person up three levels to where we were. So you hoist them up to our level, unhook that stretcher, send both of our ropes back down to her and bring her up. It was my first time doing any rope rescuing so I didn't go down in the hole. We had some ladies who had been experienced with it, but it was really awesome learning. That was a brand new skill for myself and now I have that confidence if something were to happen and we had to do something like that at work, I can get in there and know exactly what to do."

What does Hanson enjoy about competing in Mine Rescue?

"I enjoy the physical labour of it, but I enjoy the knowledge. Everything you learn in Mine Rescue is great to take outside to the rest of your life."

"It teaches you to keep control of your mind, to keep calm, to work through problems and be prepared for anything coming your way. You also learn your first-aid and it's really good hands on training, and it really builds your confidence. You feel great when you're done—like you really made a difference."

She hopes to stay on the team for next year's competition.

"Usually a person can compete

on the Diamonds for two years and then Kari, the director, will rotate it and more women will have the opportunity. Our team is fairly new so it's possible we could all be competing with each other on the next event, but that is all depending on everyone's careers, their lives. We probably have one more year together, I hope. It was definitely a great team and I miss everybody already."

Hanson said that, while mining has traditionally been a male-dominated industry, that is changing.

"It is definitely a male dominated industry, but there are a lot more women coming into the mining industry. I noticed Nutrien just posted something about one job site that has a 60 per cent women crew. Diamonds in the Rough is kind of breaking down those barriers, showing it doesn't matter whether you are man or woman you can still do the job and still save lives."

She said she is grateful to have taken part in the mine rescue competition.

"It was an unreal experience and I personally feel now in the event of an emergency, I feel I am dialed in and able to just go in to do the job and make sure everyone gets home safe."

Justine Fuchs, from Mosaic Esterhazy Mine Rescue, explained how she became part of the all-female mine rescue team.

"I competed against Diamonds in the Rough at Saskatchewan Mining Association (SMA) in June," Fuchs said.

"Kari was there, she was a judge. It was brought to my attention that they were looking for new members. A friend of mine

who was actually on the Mosaic team down in West Virginia said I should apply for the team.

"With what was going on in life I thought that I was too swamped and didn't really have time to fully dedicate myself. Then some time passed and Greg Sweet, our mine rescue manager at Mosaic, brought it to my attention again and then my fellow rescue members also said I have this opportunity to represent Mosaic in Diamonds in the Rough."

"I think it was in that moment where I thought that I need to take this opportunity for what it is and embrace it, and I'm really glad I did."

With the limited amount of time the group of women had to get to know each other and prepare for the competition, Fuchs said she is proud of how well the team did.

"We melded so well, which was awesome. We had everyone with different skill sets, we had women who haven't competed ever, many of us actually have under three years of experience with mine rescue," she said.

"We all had our specialties, we just brought together what we could and we just executed with the knowledge that we previously had and that was brought from our own jurisdictions."

Participating in the competition and working closely with other women across Canada made Fuchs learn things about herself as a mine rescue worker.

"This (competition) did show me that from what I do know and what I've been taught from my fellow mine rescue members, that I can do this, even though I may not feel prepared, I am," she said.

"With the tools and knowledge that I've already been taught, I just needed to have more faith in myself, which was actually a great eye opener because everyone was telling me to go for the experience and bring home some hardware. It was sort of funny in that regard."

She explained how she first got into mine rescue.

"I think there was one other woman that was involved (in the mine rescue team), and I didn't know if it was something I would be interested in," Fuchs said.

"Then a few years ago Mosaic hosted this (event) where women could go and see what it was all about. Everything was set up at the Churchbridge rink (where local mine rescue competitions are held in a mock mine) and I just thought I would give it a try."

"From that point forward it's been amazing. I've learned so much at Mosaic. There's a couple other women, but generally speaking the guys are phenomenal. They have so much patience, they taught me everything and it turned out to be something I absolutely love."

"There have been more women working at the mine, I feel it's constantly increasing over the last few years which is really good to see."

"We do have a few women in mine rescue, but I do think that from these experiences, more people will definitely see the potential they have to get involved, and that it's something they can do too."

She said it was great working with other women in the field.

"We're all just normal women, but especially the fact that we were from all different types of mines and from all over, we got to learn about so many different ways for doing things. It really opens up your perspective to what can be done."



General Proficiency Award Recipients

Back, from left: Mia Drader, Brayden Walker, Ian Michasiw Diaz, and Aidan Duff
Front, from left: Mallory Lomenda, Cori Unchulenko, and Taryn Godwin



Winter Olesen received the Art Award.

Esterhazy High School Awards

Esterhazy High School celebrated the academic awards of the 2021-2022 school year. To start the awards program, students were asked to consider the quote "Life is too short not to celebrate the moments" and so EHS celebrated the final moments of the 2021-2022 school year. Students from last year's classes of Grade 6 through 11 received awards for Honor Roll, Principal's List, subject awards and General Proficiency.



Sydney Thompson received the Cooking Award.



Carson Banga received the PAA Award.



Math and Science Award Recipients

Back row, from left: Mia Drader, Ian Michasiw Diaz, Tom Drader, and Aidan Duff. Front row, from left: Laynie Helmecki, Makayla Hungle, and Zen Kuzub



Grade 6 Honor Roll: Hunter Banga, Alex Barber, Matthew Bittner, Samreen Brar, Jovi Dutka, Makin Giroux, Laynie Helmecki, Demi Jepson, Waylenn Kada, Jorah Knezaeck, Payton Lamb, Mallory Lomenda, Abigail Matus, Tristan McLeod, Emilano Morales Granados, Blake Ostick, Sophia Paidel, Xavia Roussin, Avery Shaw, Mikayla Silversides, Brooklyn Stewart, Mack Unchulenko, Elia Williams



Grade 7 Honour Roll: Noah Bell, Kaleo Chretien, Eric Currie, Brock Dancsok, Slater Dancsok, Makayla Hungle, Drew Jepson, Brielle Kada, Cooper Leech, Ava Lomenda, Santanna Madge, Sophia-Ann Monaghan, Niel Nel, Augusto Oliveira Zinn, Georgia Oxtoby, Callie Raiwet, Levi Reid, Rachelle Romanchook, Harriett Sespere, Tayva Simon, Annabella Smith, Aristo Swanevelde, Cori Unchulenko, Kacey Verner, Cash Yurkiw



Humanities Award Recipients

Back row, from left: Brayden Walker, Mitch Newton, Ian Michasiw Diaz, and Taryn Rushinko
Front row, from left: Mallory Lomenda, Payton Lamb, Lakayla Hungle, and Taryn Godwin



Grade 8 Honor Roll: Helaina Anderson, Paisley Beck, Zakk Bernath, Baylee Bittner, Karsten Bondoc, Eli Chomos, Cash Duchek, Jules Fraser, Olivia Florell, Taryn Godwin, Kyle Ituralde, Dylan Kishalovich, Connor Klein, Tyson Kriewaldt, Zen Kuzub, Joe Lewki, Treishe Lingon, Josh Lussier, Ava Madge, Britney Matchett, Madelyn McLeod, Ishaan Negi, Rory Rushinko, Stefaniya Senyk, Taylor Silversides, Treston Stewart, Brandon Weiss

Shayna Zubko photos

Esterhazy High School Awards



Grade 9 Honor Roll: Madelynn Bernath, Josh Blair, Noor Brar, Ethan Currie, Fox Dignard, Presley Dignard, Mia Drader, Paisley Duchek, Tucker Duff, Peighton Ens, Jhaira Equiza, Aiden Farmer, Erin Jones, Zoe Kan, Harmonie Madayag, Mitch Newton, Abbey Norek, David Olson, Taylor Patterson, Walker Rickards, Raouf Saha, Bree Unchulenko, Rory Verner, Brayden Walker



Grade 10 Honor Roll: Felicity Appl, Jirah Carandang, Bryton Desormeaux, Alanis Dutka, Keiran Ebel, Owen Farmer, Kiana Fortin, Kain Gareau, Brody Giroux, Tessa Helmeczi, Evan Knezacek, Donovan Kunkel, Mya Lemieux, Emily Lomenda, Ian Michasiw Diaz, Madison Muric, Winter Olesen, Eryk Peterson, Aimee Plamondon, Coen Rink, Andy Romanchook, Farren Romanchook, Dawson Sapara, Brooklyn Smith, Ashalee Talbot, Sydney Thompson, Danylo Vershynin, Nathan Weiss, Mackenzie Zazula



Grade 11 Honor Roll: Enerel Bayarmaa, Jolene Chopping, Derian Cooley, Tom Drader, Aidan Duff, Bailey Godwin, Ryder Helmeczi, Connor Hollingshead, Saimon Lapuz, Sydney Lussier, Darien Mickle, Claire Norek, Kiana Petracek, Chloe Rickards, Taryn Rushinko, Dylan Schlamp, Conner Wolfe, Madison Zazula



Grade 9 Principal's List: Ethan Currie, Fox Dignard, Presley Dignard, Mia Drader, Tucker Duff, Peighton Ens, Jhaira Equiza, Zoe Kan, Harmonie Madayag, Mitch Newton, Abbey Norek, Raouf Saha, Bree Unchulenko, Rory Verner, Brayden Walker



Grade 11 Principal's List (above): Enerel Bayarmaa, Derian Cooley, Tom Drader, Aidan Duff, Bailey Godwin, Ryder Helmeczi, Connor Hollingshead, Darien Mickle, Claire Norek, Taryn Rushinko, Madison Zazula



Grade 6 Principal's List: Laynie Helmeczi, Demi Jepson, Jorah Knezacek, Payton Lamb, Mallory Lomenda, Abygayle Matus, Emilano Morales Granados, Blake Osicki



Grade 7 Principal's List: Kaleo Chretien, Makayla Hungle, Niel Nel, Levi Reid, Harriett Sespere, Annabella Smith, Aristo Swanevelde, Cori Unchulenko, Kacey Verner, Cash Yurkiw



Grade 8 Principal's List: Paisley Beck, Helaina Anderson, Jules Fraser, Taryn Godwin, Zenovia Kuzub, Josh Lussier, Ava Madge, Madelyn McLeod



Grade 10 Principal's List (left): Jirah Carandang, Alanis Dutka, Keiran Ebel, Owen Farmer, Kiana Fortin, Kain Gareau, Brody Giroux, Tessa Helmeczi, Evan Knezacek, Emily Lomenda, Ian Michasiw Diaz, Winter Olesen, Aimee Plamondon, Andy Romanchook, Dawson Sapara, Brooklyn Smith, Ashalee Talbot, Mackenzie Zazula

Sask has record quarterly population growth

BY SIERRA D'SOUZA BUTTS
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Saskatchewan's population grew by 6,465 people in the second quarter, bringing the total population to 1,194,000.

"It's very good news to have over the course of the last quarter nearly 6,500 new folks call Saskatchewan home," said Jeremy Harrison, Minister of Trade and Export Development.

"That's the highest population growth that we've ever had in a single three-month period since statistics started being kept, going back over 50 years.

"It's really quite a historic day, quite a historic number, and something that reflects a broader trend which is the fact that the economy is creating jobs and opportunities for people to make that decision to relocate and move to Saskatchewan."

Harrison said one of the main reasons for Saskatchewan's growth in population is the number of job opportunities the province has to offer.

"The thing that has really driven it (the increase), and partly it's been international and migration, but really the catalyst for all of that is the fact there are jobs to be had here in this province," he said.

"The biggest challenge we probably have in the economy right now, there are a number, but the biggest that I've been hearing is around labor shortages. These are real challenges to have, but these are good challenges considering the biggest challenge in Saskatchewan in the past was everyone having to leave to find opportunities and find jobs.

"The fact that we have created 20,000 jobs over the course of the last year, the fact that we have those opportunities for young people here in this province, but also for those who are seeking to relocate from other parts of the country or other parts of the world, really speaks to the fact that we are a growing economy.

"We've been leading Canada in almost every economic category for many months now. Exports are up nearly 68 per cent over the course of the last year, just an amazing number. Wholesale trade is up 72 per cent over the last year, manufacturing sales up 27 per cent over the course of the last year.

"Those statistics that speak to the entrepreneurial spirit of this province and to those who are taking risks in creating jobs."

Harrison was asked if there are certain areas in the province where population has increased more than others.

"We're seeing a relatively diffuse growth, which is a good thing," he said.

"We are seeing growth right across the province. I can speak for my own community which is northwest of Saskatchewan, Meadow Lake, where we've seen significant population growth, particularly, over the course of the last few years.

"All of these things are reflective in the overall numbers. Our population is just under 1.2 million now, nearly 50 to 60 years ago the population was entirely stagnant at a million or a bit under, or a bit above. Since 2007, we've seen that population go from nearly a million to 1.2 million in a pretty sustained way and that is really a reflection of a growing economy and a government that's focused on growth."

Sask. Growth Plan for 2030

Part of Saskatchewan's Growth Plan is to grow the province to 1.4 million people and add 100,000 more jobs.

"We laid out a very detailed plan for growth to 2030. Our plan is to grow the population to 1.4 million," Harrison said.

"We think that is absolutely possible, and we're working very hard to make that a reality. To get to just under 1.2 million is a real milestone there and we're hopeful we're going to cross that 1.2 million mark in the near future."

Harrison said the government remains focused on growth.

"We're going to continue to work really hard to make sure that the conditions exist for investment and job creation to happen," he said.



Minister of Trade and Export Development and Minister of Immigration and Career Training Jeremy Harrison.

"That really is what governments can do, in a positive way. Governments don't create jobs, governments can create the conditions for those jobs to be created. That is really a focus we've had through the economic ministries in this government for the last 15 years. That's reflected with the fact that we have seen record investment into the province far in excess in anything that we've seen before, and that's going to continue to be a focus.

"Also on the immigration front, we have been very clear in demanding that the federal government provides Saskatchewan the same control of immigration that Quebec has, which is not an unreasonable ask. The fact that Quebec has control over their economic immigration stream entirely is something that we need here in this province as well. We know our labour market here better than the federal government does.

"The other thing that we have demanded is a proportionate allocation of immigration spots, which we do not have in Saskatchewan. If we did, instead of having about 6,000 spots in our provincial nominee program, we would have over 12,000 spots. We have demanded equal treatment with other provinces in confederation, and we're going to keep pushing away on that whether it's this federal government, or another federal government. We're going to keep pushing on that because it makes sense for this province."

Harrison added that housing and the cost of living in Saskatchewan is more affordable than other provinces in the country.

"We've seen the private sector really responding as far as building residential construction," he said.

"Housing starts are up 36 per cent over the course of the last year. One of our real selling points in Saskatchewan is affordability with living here, versus Toronto or Vancouver.

"Those who are making decisions about where to locate to, that's one of the real advantages that we have. We are one of the most affordable places in Canada to live. Those conditions all add up to the fact that we've seen the highest population growth that we've ever had."

Harrison said different industries are driving growth in different parts of the province, but all seem to be booming.

"The province is such a large place that you have a pretty wide diversity of industries in different parts of the province," said Harrison.

"Up in my area, it's really forestry, oil and agriculture, which are the drivers of the economy. The forestry sector has been doing very well performing, probably, as strongly as it has performed in decades, which has driven some of the growth in northwest Saskatchewan and along the forest fringe more generally.

"In the southeast, where the energy sector is vitality important, having healthy energy prices has really revitalized the energy industry in a very real way. Companies are making investments again, rigs are moving again, people are back at work.

"Mining in your area, and manufacturing on the east side of the province, you have significant growth. There are labour market challenges for sure, but almost all of the sectors that have driven our economy are doing very well right now, which means that you're seeing growth right across the province."

Government's plan for recruiting people into the province

Harrison said the word is getting out about opportunities in Saskatchewan.

"That awareness has manifested itself in a huge amount of interest for those who are seeking to come to Canada and making that choice to come to Saskatchewan," said Harrison.

"We have thousands more applications to come through our provincial nominee program that we can actually accommodate. There's a long lineup of folks who want to come to Saskatchewan and that's not necessarily the case all over the country.

"The word really does get out there, we tell our story internationally and globally. We have officials right now who are in India, we just had officials in Europe. It's not always the elected officials who are communicating that message, but the government has really worked hard to make sure that message is getting out in this country, but around the world as well.

"We opened 10 international offices in the last couple of years. All of these things are significant in the immigration realm, but also in growing our economy and growing our exports in the world, and that's why we have really focused on it."

One of Saskatchewan's main drivers for its economy in the future will be the mining sector, said Harrison.

"We've seen significant growth in mining, BHP's announcement is huge," he said.

"Obviously there's been a tremendous investment put into Esterhazy. We have well over \$15 billion that has been committed just in the last year and a half or so, for the new private sector investment.

"That's in the mining sector, that's in the energy sector, we're seeing re-investment which is really positive given the reality, which is that the federal government is doing all it can to prevent the energy sector from being successful. To see there being a growth in that sector despite that is very encouraging.

"As a provincial government, we have done all we can to create conditions for that growth to continue. We've seen growth in agriculture, where really great strides that have been made over the course of the last number of years as well. It's the food, fuel, and fertilizer, the three parts of the economy that have driven a lot of things."

Manufacturing is also driving growth, Harrison said.

"We've seen real growth in manufacturing as well. I think that's one of the untold stories of economic growth in Saskatchewan, both the investment into the manufacturing sector, and the success of our manufacturers in exporting our products around the world.

"There's real growth in the tech sector as well, which has been a focus of the Government of Saskatchewan through innovation."

Harrison said a growing population for Saskatchewan will ultimately help improve the province's economy and fill labor gaps.

"We have a lot of employers out there who are really short staffed, and that is the number one thing we're hearing from employers, is that they just can't find the number of people to staff their operations," he said.

"Whether that's in agriculture operations, manufacturing operations, whether that's in construction, whether that's in service industry.

"The more opportunity and the larger the labour market that we have, the more opportunity our employers have to actually access the labour that they need in order to continue to grow their businesses. That really is where you see that impact."

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Green Party of Canada: Why I'm not giving up on it

Dear Editor:

I'm writing this letter on the heels of yet again another Green Party of Canada drama played out on national news platforms and splashed around on social media. As a Green Party member and candidate for the Yorkton-Melville riding I'd like to take this time to respond with my perspective.

The Green Party is much more than a Political Party with politicians who fight to get elected. The Green Party of Canada is similar to still waters in a river, the roots run deeper than you think.

Greens are grassroots organizers.

Greens are collaborative.

Greens are honest.

Greens are committed to transparency.

Greens believe top-down power structures are backwards.

Greens are committed to achieving proportionally representative governments.

"Greens" are individuals around the world and throughout this country who are deeply aware of and concerned about the health of the planet. Greens are working towards policies and laws that will make life worth living for every individual, wherever they may live and work.

Green Parties around the world share the same core values of sustainability, social justice, ecological wisdom, participatory democracy, non-violence, and respect for diversity. These values are meant to be considered together when making decisions. These are good values to fight for.

Elected Greens are servants to their constituents, not their party leader. Greens do not believe in whipping votes; Greens believe that power should lie with the voters. Green MPs should listen carefully to their constituents after being elected and lead with purpose and determination to fulfill their constituent's wishes and repre-

sent them to the best of their ability.

Greens believe in honesty and transparency. This is part of the problem you are seeing smeared across social and mainstream media right now. Internal party disagreements have been shared openly with the public. Don't be fooled, other political parties have similar disagreements, they just have much stricter muzzling rules of their members and their elected representatives. Which tactic is better? At least as a voter, you see who you are electing with a Green candidate, there are no scripts created to tow the party line. What you see is what you get, and you as the voter can make an informed decision.

The Green Party does not believe in top-down power structures, and think the power of the Prime Minister's office should be drastically diminished. This is a big paradigm shift for voters. Voters in Canada tend to vote for the leader of a party instead of their local candidates. Until voters see the power that would be generated in their local communities with a bottom-up power structure, we will be stuck in a back-and-forth type of political swing (left to right) every election. This is not beneficial for anyone. Representatives from across the political spectrum need to work together instead of being adversaries.

Proportional representation would drastically change this. Voters would see their vote count and would be much more motivated to vote for the candidate that would make the best representative, instead of voting against a party to "get them out of power."

Therefore, I'm not giving up on the Green Party and I believe you shouldn't either.

Valerie Brooks,
Yorkton-Melville GPC Candidate
valerie.brooks@greenparty.ca

Moosomin Minor Hockey Report

It's a favorite time of year coming up—the start of hockey season, and Moosomin Minor Hockey has a lot of exciting things ahead for the 2022-23 season.

Our registration numbers continue to be strong.

We should have three hockey teams for U9 and U7 age groups. In U11, we are looking at three house teams plus our AA Ice Badgers team.

We are very excited to be adding Female Hockey in Moosomin this season, with the addition of two brand new U13 and U15 all-female teams. We are currently accepting registrations for both teams, so contact us for more information!

Once again, we had a very successful corn fundraiser. A huge thank-you to all the parents, kids and community members who purchased the corn. Because of the support from this fundraiser, we are able to keep our ice fees fair for all Moosomin kids and allow so many kids to join in this wonderful game.

To start our year, Moosomin Minor Hockey is pleased to once again partner

with Edge2Edge for a power skating and hockey skills refresh, which is provided for every registrant.

This program runs for the first three weeks of the season, and this year will see the addition of coach mentoring.

As the Edge2Edge camp wraps up, we will go right into our busy season. The kids love to have fan support, so please come on down to the rink and cheer our kids on.

For a schedule of games and practices, please visit our website at <http://moosominminorhockey.com>.

MMHA would like to thank our players, coaches, volunteers, referees, and of course our supportive community. Without all of you, we would not have the continued successful season after season that we do.

Our board is always happy to hear feedback, not only on how we are doing, but on things you would like to see or have happen at our rink. To reach us, please feel free to email us at secretary@moosominrangers.com. See you at the rink!

OBITUARIES



Kenneth Ray Swallow
June 2, 1960 -
September 11, 2022

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Kenneth 'Ray' Swallow on September 11, 2022, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Ray was born June 2, 1960 and was the youngest son of William and June Swallow of Maryfield.

He grew up on the family farm south of Maryfield and moved to Rocky Mountain House, Alberta, shortly after he graduated from high school.

He was a welder by trade, owning his own welding business for many years.

In 2014 he became a QA/QC Supervisor for Challand Pipeline Ltd., working for Challand until his passing.

Ray met and married the love of his life, Annette Pitre, of Rocky Mountain House in 1986.

Ray loved animals, the outdoors, and sports: fastball, hockey, dirt biking, snowmobiling, hunting and drag racing, to name a few.

He and Annette enjoyed many adventures, vacations and camping trips.

Having grown up on the family farm, he had farming in his blood and loved to spend time custom discing in the Rocky area.

Ray is predeceased by his mother, June Swallow, father-in-law, Levis 'Pete' Pitre and brother-in-law, Allan Van Eaton.

He leaves to mourn, his wife, Annette; father, Bill; brother, Bryan (Barb) and sister, Cindy (David); mother-in-law Lina; and sisters-in-law, Alice (Scott) and Theresa (Carl); nephews: Nathan (Melanie), Levi (Lindsay), Virgil (Tangana), Emilio; nieces: Amanda (Adam), Kelsey

(Dustin), Marlee, Olivia; great-nephews: Cassidy, Tucker, Forrest, Ernest; great-nieces: Blakely, Isabelle; numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. He will be missed by his pets: horses Banner, Mingo; dog Rio, cat Vinny.

A funeral service celebrating Ray's life was held Monday, September 19, 2022, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Rocky Mountain House.

Burial followed at the Pine Grove Cemetery.

For those who wish to do so, memorial donations may be made in Ray's name to the ROAR Society or the Canadian Cancer Society.

Ray's family would like to thank everyone for their kindness following his death.

Thank you for the phone calls, texts, emails, visits, and the gifts of food.

Special thanks to those who sent flowers and to all those who attended the funeral whether in-person or virtually.

It's always difficult to say good-bye; the support of family and friends is so important at this difficult time. Thank you!

Moosomin Multi 4-H Club

by: Ella Billings

On Sunday, September 11, 2022, Moosomin Multi 4-H Club held their first meeting of 2022-23 at St. Mary's Catholic Church.

They chose their new leaders. Kale Holmstrom was elected President; Walker Murphy, Vice President; Jolene Vodon, Secretary; Brayden Billings, Treasurer; Ella Billings, Club Reporter; May Swanson, General Leader; Trudy Holm-

strom, Assistant Leader #1; Nick Billings, Assistant Leader #2; Tess Nagy, District 5 Rep (Member); Ella Bock, District 5 Rep (Member); Tara Billings, District 5 Rep (Adult); Kelsi Nagy, District 5 Rep (Adult).

Our next meeting is on Sunday, November 20, 2022 at 2 pm at St. Mary's Catholic Church.

Enjoy your week!!

Looking Back

Ten years ago, 2012: The Moosomin Bargain Shop reopened as the Red Apple store and held its grand opening on September 28, 2021. The changes that were made to the store included an entire candy department, an expanded clothing department and new clothing lines. Councillor Larry Tomlinson who was to be sworn in a mayor following the municipal election was the ribbon cutter. Staff member Kathy Sweet, assistant manager Lisa Charney and store manager Samantha Stonehouse were also there to celebrate.

Fifteen years ago, 2007: The Moosomin SARCAN recycling centre would donate proceeds from milk jugs and cartons returned for recycling over the next three months to the Moosomin Food Bank and to the Integrated Facility Building Fund. Moosomin SARCAN manager Chris Frape said many people were unaware the milk jugs or cartons could even be recycled.

Twenty years ago, 2002: The RCMP Musical Ride was in Moosomin on September 22, 2002. A photo was shared of an RCMP members on horses in a line ready to show off defence moves with their lances. There were 32 horses and riders. Some of the horses were being housed at the Turpie Farms south of Moosomin before the show.

Thirty years ago, 1992: The Moosomin and District Seniors' Drop-In had come up with a project for their 10th anniversary celebrations, a bowling alley. The committee would start fundraising October 22, 1992. They hadn't decided whether the project would require a new building or an existing building but estimated the project would need about \$300,000.

Forty years ago, 1982: A wheelchair lift was installed at McNaughton High, making the second floor accessible to all students. The electric wheelchair lift cost \$24,447. The two students that were using the lift each had their own key which was used to start the lift. The lift also would stop if anyone or anything was in the way.

Fifty years ago, 1972: The area was hit by the first snowfall of the season on September 22, 1972. About three to four inches fell, bringing harvest operations, already late, to a standstill.

The town was using traps to help combat a local skunk problem. Councillor Ralph Tanner said he observed 15 of them at 4 am on Main Street on morning.

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Homicide ruled out in motel deaths
Police looking for information on men's last days

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Understanding Orange Shirt Day a step forward

It's really too bad Truth and Reconciliation Day has been caught up a lot of things distracting us from what this day should really be about.

Of course, one gets why people get hot and bothered over whether Friday, September 30 should have been a federal statutory holiday. (It wasn't, anywhere except in Ontario.)

What's important to people is what most immediate affects them. Whether it's as an employee wanting a badly needed day off with pay or an employer having to shell out a day's salary, one gets why this becomes an issue.

And then there are some who are self-employed or are farmers still out in the fields trying to get their crops off. They likely roll their eyes at this debate of a statutory day off.

But what's unfortunate is that such debates overshadow why we need to commemorate Truth and Reconciliation Day—or Orange Shirt Day, as it's also known as.

Taking stock in our historic relationship with First Nations people is undoubtedly the first step in better understanding why we have the problems we have today.

Again, that's not top of mind for most of us on most days of the years.

Even on this one specific day, there's an interesting argument whether we'd be better off by simply taking the cost of a statutory day off and putting it towards addressing the real issues of Indigenous people.

Still others question why anyone today should feel re-



Murray Mandryk

sponsible for wrong-headed policy decisions of the past like Indian residential schools that they had no part of.

And others stubbornly continue to argue that residential schools were not as bad as claimed, although a deepening understanding today of what really went on in the church and government is thankfully making those arguments fewer and farther between.

Perhaps Cowessess First Nation Chief Cadmus Delorme put it best:

"We all inherited this," Delorme said in 2021 when potential gravesites of residential school students were revealed on his reserve.

"Nobody today created residential schools. Nobody today created the Indian Act. Nobody today created the Sixties Scoop, but we all inherited it and we just have to acknowledge that people are healing and people are hurting. Let's do something about it."

These are wise words to which we all should be able to relate. It's what we do as human beings.

If we see anyone in our society behaving badly or struggling, our general reaction is to seek out and discover why.

This doesn't mean we should justify inappropriate behaviour. But as happens in our everyday interactions with people or as the courts do during sentencing hearings, we do delve into the background of people to better understand why they do the things they do.

Orange Shirt Day started in 2013 as recognition of the struggles of one residential school survivor—homage to the story of what happened to a B.C. woman 40 years earlier.

In 1973, Phyllis Webstad of the Northern Secwepemc (Shuswap) band was six years old when her grandmother bought her a bright orange shirt for her first day of school.

She proudly wore that shirt that first day, but when she arrived at school teachers made her take it off. She said she never saw that shirt again.

"I didn't understand why they wouldn't give it back to me, it was mine," Webstad said, according to the Canadian Encyclopedia. "The colour orange has always reminded me of that and how my feelings didn't matter, how no one cared and how I felt like I was worth nothing. All of us little children were crying, and no one cared."

This isn't the most egregious residential school story. But it's a moving story that offers insight into how people were affected.

Understanding that, might help us better understand the problems of today.

Welwyn News

Phyllis Harper
306-733-2155

Sympathy to Dean Stewart, Jodi Hart, Amber and Tyler on the passing of Jodi's dad, Harold Hart of Hamiota. Would you believe that Harold delivered milk to Harper's store many years ago!

Laurealee Stewart of Sherwood Park, Alberta is visiting her mother, Toots Stewart, for a couple of weeks and taking her for appointments in Brandon and Regina.

Shirley, Doug and Barb Cuthill, Sheila Marsh, Amy Ewen, Orville and Phyllis Harper attended the funeral for their Aunt Lena Lewis at McAuley last Friday. There was a lot of reminiscing, visiting and laughter at lunch—cousins who hadn't been together for some time!

Get well wishes to Donald Karras fol-

lowing his surgery in Regina last Friday.

Murray and Dean Lewis and Judy Rookes were Regina visitors on Thursday and Friday for medical appointments.

Joe and Pat Santer visited in Balgonie on Thursday and Friday with family and attended medical appointments in the city.

Orville and Phyllis Harper attended a delicious potluck supper at the Rocanville Seniors' Club on Monday night. This was a farewell party for Blaine and Irene Norton who are moving to Regina. Presentations on behalf of the Thrift Store and seniors were made by Pam Botterill and Dennis Norrie with replies from Irene and Blaine.

Get well wishes to Bill James following surgery in Regina last week.

Maryfield Sunrise Villa News

Betty Walker • 306-646-9338

Tuesday we were treated to an evening of scriptures and song from Kola EMC group. The music was wonderful!

First we had a trio of voices that sang several selections, then more scripture and prayers and two sisters played some music together on the piano. Thank you for taking the time to come for an enjoyable evening.

Wednesday night with Mary and her guitar, we had such a nice gathering and good singing. Thank you Mary for com-

ing weekly and brightening up our days!

Thursday afternoon we had Roy from the United Church come for a service of scripture and singing.

Curling is on again and it's hard to follow the new teams on both men and women.

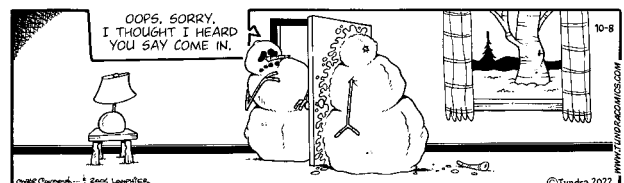
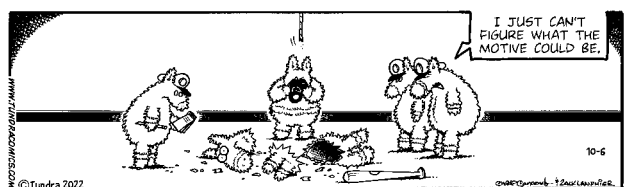
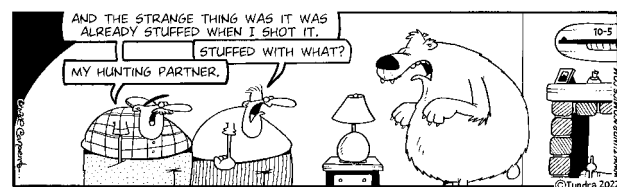
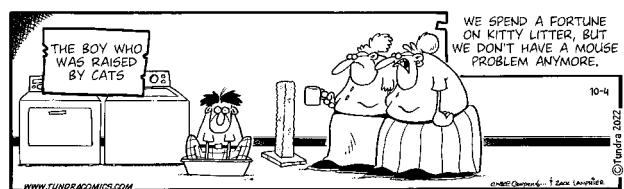
This week has ended up with cool and cloudy weather and some frost in places.

We had some rain and the leaves are changing and we have to face that fall is here.

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between the Town of Moo-
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Shown here is a smudging ceremony and an honor song by the drummers before the group started out from the museum to the cemetery at the site of the former Elkhorn residential school.



As is the tradition, the young people serve food to the others at the remembrance ceremony at the cemetery, in memory of those children who did not come home.

Group holds memory walk to Elkhorn residential school grave site

BY ED JAMES

In 1951 the former Elkhorn Residential Industrial Training School, west of the village, was torn down. All that remains today is the foundation of the original building, the large animal barn and a small graveyard.

The graveyard is a special site that is enclosed with a fence and gate. There are neat rows of white crosses and the grass and grounds are well-kept and clean.

At the front of the small cemetery is a large, white cross with an engraved plaque that honors and recognizes the Indigenous children who died while they were there.

Located in another part of the village is an older community cemetery where some other residential school children are included.

On September 28 some of the leadership of Sioux Valley First Nation made arrangements with the village of Elkhorn and the owners of the private property surrounding the cemetery to hold a special event there, to honor the children who did not come home, as part of The National Day of Truth and Reconciliation week events.

The grounds of the Elkhorn Auto Museum saw a steady arrival of vehicles and trucks with horse trailers over the morning, as they prepared for the walk and horse ride out to the site.

Some Elkhorn volunteers were on hand to serve treats to the crowd. The group that morning was made up of all ages with a few of the people being residential school survivors.

Before the group headed out, their drum group played some honor songs and there were prayers and a smudging ceremony. During these events the horse riders circled

the group several times as custom dictated.

Then the parade moved out onto the service road in front of the museum and along the route to the cemetery. Most of the way to the cemetery the horse riders followed in the ditch alongside the road.

The distance from the Elkhorn Auto museum to the cemetery is about three miles along paved and unpaved roads. The Every Child Matters Banner led the walkers while the horses travelled along in the grassy ditches. The roadside gets very dusty when a grain truck slows down to pass them, but they continue on with strong determinations from the words and message given to them by event organizer, Travis Mazawsicuna of the Sioux Valley First Nation. At the gate to the cemetery, they wait until everyone is caught up. The horses are left in their trailers on the road side, the runners and walkers walk into the pasture, towards the grave site enclosure that is surrounded by a chain link fence, and inside the fence is a hedge to break the wind. A number of vehicles enter the grounds up to the fence. In these vehicles are mainly elderly members of Sioux Valley and other local First Nations. Some of the older people are survivors of the residential school system. Travis had spoken about earlier at the museum.

Everyone sits or stands around the edge of the grave sites that are marked with large white crosses in straight rows. On many of the crosses hang traditional medicine bags. Travis speaks again about the graves here that are the children that did not come home. That their spirit is still here and we come today to honor their spirit in song, prayers and a feast. "It is a good day to honor their spirit after 50 years!" he said.

A former residential school survivor got up to tell and share his personal story of his time at the school and the many difficulties he had in life with substance abuse. He went on to add that he had to go on a spiritual quest by himself away from family and friends to find his god. Since then, he has turned his life around and helps others in need of physical and spiritual guidance. He was an older man and you could see in his face the lines of struggle and hurt.

Soon it was time for a band elder to address the spirit of the ones who never came home and why we must remember their spirits. His words were both in English and his native language, to those there and to the spirits of the site. There was another smudging ceremony of the people and the food for the feast, and honor songs by the drum group. Before the food was passed out an elder and a chosen youth came up to the food and prepared a special basket of the food and gifts that included some toys, and put aside for the spirit of those who did not come home.

Now the children in the group begin to distribute the food. There was a traditional soup and fresh-made bannock, along with drinks and other food. But as custom dictates, the food is passed out around the circle until it is all given away.

After the meal Travis thanked everyone who came out, for the permission to cross and use private land for the ceremony, and thanked the runners, walkers and horse riders, and those who prepared the food.

"Today we remember the spirit of those residential students that did not come home and I hope we can do this again in the future," he said. "It's a good day."



Left: Shown here is Sheyanne Noel, from Sioux Valley, on her horse with a beaded shawl collar, before the ride.

Above: The Every Child Matters flag leading the walkers to the cemetery.

Right: Lorna Bunn, an elder from The Sioux Valley First Nation, preparing her horse for the memory walk and ceremony.



Left: Sioux Valley members taking part in a smudging ceremony before the memory walk.

Right: Shown here are some of the riders and walkers on the main street of Elkhorn.





Pre-Kindergarten students enjoying the outdoor chalkboard (left) and mud kitchen (right) in the new MacLeod Elementary play area called Whitecap Corner.



Cotton-Eyed-Joe, the pre-kindergarten's bunny, has been enjoying the outdoor area.

Whitecap Corner providing lessons in nature to Pre-Kindergarten Program

The pre-kindergarten program at MacLeod Elementary School has been blessed with a safe outdoor space to call their own.

It all started last summer when pre-kindergarten teacher, Lana McCormac, approached Whitecap Resources' Saskatchewan Superintendent Jim Larter with a dream that she had.

McCormac explained that access to a safe space for her students to experience the outdoors has always been something she has wanted for her students.

"Kids learn so much through experiences in the outdoors. The ability to learn by exploring nature is such a benefit to children," says McCormac.

McCormac's husband Derek works for Whitecap Resources. "I wrote a letter to Mr. Larter explaining what our program is and why I was requesting funds for an outdoor area."

"Mr. Larter called me, and I was able to talk directly with him to outline my dream and the importance of having a safe space for my students to play, learn and explore," says McCormac.

She outlined her plans for a fence to keep the kids safely contained, a shed for storage of toys and other materials, a sandbox as well as crushed rock.

"I was hoping for a donation to begin our fundraising efforts and was absolutely blown away when I learned that Whitecap was donating \$5,000 so that we could have everything that I had outlined in my proposal," McCormac says.

After receiving permission from the school division to install the fence and



Derek McCormac from Whitecap Resources Inc. presented a cheque for \$5,000 to Pre-Kindergarten teacher, Lana McCormac, from MacLeod Elementary.

finding a company to install it, the outdoor area was begun early last November.

Unfortunately, within weeks of the fence installation, most of the fence was destroyed by an impaired driver.

"That was a huge disappointment for me, my educational assistants and the kids, but we just knew that the area would be delayed, not cancelled," said McCormac.

Due to the wet spring, they couldn't get the fence reinstalled until the end of June, so McCormac and other volunteers including her father, Larry Miskiman, have been working on creating items for the area such as a mud kitchen, pallet planters, digging in weeping tile for drainage and putting the shed together.

"The kids and I have been planning the other things that will be added like a

large sandbox area, planter boxes for spring planting, an area with crushed rock that has a slide and play structure, a marble/water run with PVC pipe and tubing donated by Devin Nosterud, a sound wall made from old cake pans, wooden spoons and other metal items, more natural items such as stumps, rocks and sticks, as well as a table and chairs made from wire spools donated by Dale Nixon of Nixon Electric," says McCormac.

"In addition to all those things, educational assistant Dani Powell has painted some amazing little rocks with pictures of food on them for the mud kitchen."

"School division maintenance man, Tim, installed an outdoor chalkboard on the school wall in Whitecap Corner. People are so generous and giving of their time, talents, and materials."

"Everyone is hopeful that the weather co-operates, and they can get the area finished for the kids to enjoy this fall."

The pre-kindergarten kids have started to enjoy the area a little bit this fall and look forward to many more mornings spent outside.

Cotton-Eyed-Joe, the pre-kindergarten's bunny, has been enjoying the outdoor area since the beginning of September.

"Joe's hutch and fence are in Whitecap Corner. The kids love going outside to talk to Joe and show him the things that they are creating in the area," says McCormac.

It is safe to say that Whitecap Corner will be a place of learning, exploration, and discovery for pre-kindergarten students at MacLeod for years and years to come.

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The whole school of MacLeod Elementary formed a circle around Moosomin Labyrinth.



Students painted rocks orange and wore orange shirts in support of the day.



MacLeod honors Truth and Reconciliation Day by walking to Moosomin Labyrinth

About 300 students and teachers of MacLeod Elementary School walked to Moosomin Labyrinth on Sept. 29 in honor of National Day for Truth and Reconciliation 2022.

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Broadview RCMP Report

BY SGT DALLYN HOLMSTROM

Holmstrom's Rant

Come on drivers we need to be better. I'm sorry, but actually not sorry at all if this offends anyone, because someone is going to get hurt. It's plain and simple, when a school bus is stopped and has its stop sign out, you don't pass. **YOU DO NOT PASS!**

When a school bus is stopped and has its stop sign out, it doesn't mean slow down, it doesn't mean proceed with caution, it also doesn't mean stop and then go. Quite simply it means stop and wait until the stop sign is no longer out.

School has only been in session a month and already we have had over a dozen complaints about vehicles (usually parents dropping or picking kids up at school) passing or ignoring stopped school buses with their stop sign out.

If you pass a school bus that has its stop arm activated I really hope someone gets your licence plate number because I promise you a Broadview RCMP officer will be showing up at your door with a \$360 fine. This fine also carries six points off your SGI safety rating.

It's really simple, no matter how much of a hurry you're in, and no matter how wide the street or how safe you think you're being, if you see a school bus with its stop arm activated you need to stop and wait.



31 tickets this week

There were 31 traffic tickets in the Broadview Detachment area. Several tickets were issued for distracted driving this week which carried a \$580 fine. The law states you can not use or hold electronic communications equipment while driving and the fines are as follows:

- 1st offence - \$580 - 4 demerit points
- 2nd offence in 12 months - \$1,400 - 4 demerit points - 7 day vehicle seizure.
- 3rd offence in 12 months - \$2,100 - 4 demerit points - 7 day vehicle seizure.



Spray painting 'Rust in Peace' on the Grenfell school

On September 20, RCMP received a call from the Grenfell High School that the school had been spray painted the previous night. "Rust In Peace" had been spray painted on the side of the school. RCMP do currently have a suspect student that may be responsible. RCMP is requesting anyone with information about this incident to contact the Broadview RCMP by calling 306-696-5200. Please help us identify the person responsible. Information can be submitted anonymously through CrimeStop-

pers by calling 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or submitting a tip online at www.saskcrimestoppers.com.

Dine and dash in Whitewood

On September 19, RCMP responded to a dine and dash at Archibald's Diner in Whitewood. It was reported that someone had come into the diner and left before paying their \$41 bill. A 37-year-old female has been identified as the subject responsible and RCMP are in the process of tracking her down in order to lay the appropriate charges.

Intoxicated and causing problems

On September 22, RCMP responded to a residence on Kahkewistahaw First Nations where a 50-year-old female was intoxicated and causing problems. RCMP attended and placed the female under arrest for breaching the peace. The female was rewarded with a free night stay at the RCMP Bed and Breakfast and was released the following morning once she was sober.

Cow made a big moostake

I know that I have been tough on "the cows" over the past few weeks, but they made a huge moostake this week when tragedy struck on September 23 in the form of a collision with a 2008 GMC Sierra on a grid road near Ochapowace First Nation. Luckily no one was hurt and we would like to offer our condolences to the owner of the cow as accidents like this do affect people's livelihoods. I won't butcher this by trying to make a joke as I'm sure no one would be amused.



Leading a Terry Fox Run

On September 23, RCMP took part in the annual Terry Fox run for Cancer with Grenfell schools. Cst. Brad O'Keefe, Cst. Lyons, and Cst. Pierre-Luc Pelletier all took part in the event as the run was actually led by the RCMP vehicle.



Yellow Chevrolet connected to vehicle part thefts in area

RCMP received several reports of a yellow Chevrolet truck on Ochapowace First Nations and surrounding communities. The truck was reported to be looking to steal and cut parts of abandoned vehicles. It has since been reported that this vehicle is responsible for several thefts of vehicle parts in the area. The owner of the truck is known to RCMP and RCMP are still investigating the reports of theft. That being said, please be aware that this vehicle may be in the area and could still be trying to steal parts.

Theft of 2022 Jeep Cherokee

On September 24, RCMP were dispatched to the theft of a stolen 2022 Jeep Cherokee. RCMP located the suspect vehicle in Broadview and arrested a 28-year-old female driving. The female was also intoxicated while driving. The female has been charged with theft of a vehicle, operation of a vehicle while impaired by alcohol as well as operating a vehicle while disqualified as she had already lost her driving licence from previous incidents.

Shot in the face with a BB gun

On September 25, RCMP responded to a 16-year-old that had been shot in the face with a BB gun. This incident is still under investigation. I can update the public that the 16-year-old was taken to hospital and will make a full recovery. However, I hope I can use this terrible incident as a teaching moment for everyone reading. Please talk about firearm safety with your kids and anyone that might have access to firearms in your household. Everyone is very thankful that this incident didn't end far worse.

Man arrested for assault

On September 25, RCMP attended a disturbance between a male and a female on Ochapowace First Nation. RCMP attended the residence and arrested one male for assault. The male was then transported to the Broadview Bed and Breakfast until the next morning when he was released to attend court.

Mental health calls and check-in information

Broadview RCMP responded to several mental health calls this week. The mental health calls varied from people with dementia, people suffering from drug and alcohol psychosis, to people suffering from depression.

We want to encourage everyone to reach out for help and talk to someone if they can. No matter how bad things may seem remember that they will always get better. Life can be very difficult to say the least.

Please reach out and check in with friends, co-workers, and family to see how they are doing. It's a perfectly normal question to ask people how they are doing. Don't let people suffer in silence.

If you see someone that you believe needs some help but won't accept help from you, please let the police or their family know.

Help is also available 24 hours a day at Canada's Suicide Prevention Service at 1-833-456-4566.

Scam of the week

In this week scam we are going to talk about easy and fast money-making scams.

What it is: We'd all like to make easy money quickly, and cybercriminals use that to prey on unsuspecting users.

These scam websites, which often say you can make a week's worth of salary in just a few hours, lure you in with false promises. They then get you to hand over personal and financial information, often sensitive by nature.

How to spot it: A little bit of common sense goes a long way. While we all dream of being paid large sums of money in exchange for doing nearly nothing, the chances of that being real are slim.

If you're considering a make money easy and fast scam, be on the lookout for advertisements that say it takes little to no skill to get involved, that you can set your own hours or that you need to pay to get started. Trust me there is no get rich quick scheme out there that requires no special education or knowledge. If it sounds too good to be true it is. Trust your instincts.

Police joke

Knock, knock
Who's there?
Dishes.
Dishes Who?
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Have a great week and Stay Safe!

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