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Off to the races

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Sophie came to watch the first barrel racing event with her goat Piper on Tuesday, July 7 at the Carman fair grounds. See story pg. 3.

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Ashern woman running Islendingadagurinn's 5K race during a fight for her life

By Patricia Barrett

Talk about a difficult year. Angel Johnson from Ashern is dealing with thoughts of her own mortality after having been diagnosed with stage 3 breast cancer, driving hundreds of kilometres across the Interlake for chemotherapy treatments and anticipating a mastectomy and multiple rounds of radiation. Throw the COVID-19 pandemic on top of all that.

But Johnson, who spends a lot of time in Gimli where her boyfriend lives and where she receives chemotherapy at the Gimli hospital, said she's determined to stay strong for her children and not let cancer and COVID completely disrupt her life.

That's why she's decided to take on the challenge of the Icelandic Festival's 5-kilometre race, the first time she's participated in the popular running event.

"I have to laugh a little bit. I'm deal-

ing with two teenagers. I'm a single parent. I have cancer and the world has COVID," said Johnson. "Which one's the best today?"

Cancer doesn't discriminate between people who've led a healthy lifestyle and those who are more sedentary, she said. She's led a healthy lifestyle and has always been an active person with a love for running and intense workout programs such as Tony Horton's P90X. She was "floored" when she got the cancer diagnosis.

"It shook me and my family to the core. But being hit with cancer doesn't mean I should lay in bed. I don't know what my future is going to hold and we're praying it's going to be a success story," said Johnson, who is 47. "But I'm not going to lay around and

wait to find out. I'm trying to make the best of everything and every day we have."

Throughout her chemotherapy treatments, she said she's been keeping up

"WHEN I LOOK BACK ON THIS, I WANT TO SAY I BEAT CANCER, I MADE IT THROUGH COVID AND I RAN A RACE ALL IN THE YEAR 2020."



Angel Johnson shaved her head before she started her chemotherapy.



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Johnson is training for the Icelandic Festival's virtual 5K race.

with her running and workouts despite not having as much stamina as she used to have. Being of Icelandic descent, she was excited to see the Icelandic Festival moving ahead with "virtual" runs to get around COVID-imposed public gatherings. Participants will be able to complete a race on their own time using a timing app.

Johnson said she's aiming to complete the 5K run in Gimli next week, a few days before taking her fifth of six chemotherapy treatments, and with a small cheering squad (she has to avoid mingling with people because chemotherapy has compromised her immune system).

Johnson said she detected the lump herself and within about 12 weeks, it grew from the size of a pea to eight and a half centimetres when the surgeon cut it out. She also had five lymph nodes removed, four of which contained cancer.

She appreciates having the opportunity to take her chemotherapy treatments at the Gimli hospital, she said. After that she'll have to undergo a mastectomy and reconstructive surgery then have at least 25 rounds of radiation. Following that, she'll have

to take medication for a year to suppress a hormone that accelerates the growth of cancer cells, then other hormones for an additional 5-10 years.

It wasn't easy hearing the diagnosis, she said. She cried for about a month then turned things around after receiving "amazing support" from the community, family, her boyfriend, her two teenagers (13 and 17 years old) and friends, who supplied her with music scores so that she could continue to play guitar. She also drew on her own faith-based beliefs for strength.

"I had decided I was going to shave my head before I lost my hair to the chemo. We watch all those movies where it falls out and it's terrifying. I didn't think I could handle that very well. So my daughter, who's 13, gave me multiple different hair cuts," said Johnson, who became emotional. "I can't imagine how they felt when they heard the news that I have cancer."

During chemotherapy, she said she actually gained some weight because she didn't experience the really terrible side effects such as nausea, vomiting and diarrhea although she did develop bad mouth sores, numbness, fatigue and muscle and joint pain. But she's been fortunate she's been able to stay active.

"I didn't think I'd be able to do anything so I'm super excited that I can do this virtual race," said Johnson. "When I look back on this, I want to say I beat cancer, I made it through COVID and I ran a race all in the year 2020."

The Icelandic Festival's virtual races open on July 19. Runners have until August 2 to submit their time. Winners will be announced Aug. 3 on the Icelandic Festival website.



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Not even COVID-19 can stop local barrel racers from competing

By Becca Myskiw

Cancelled rodeos and horse shows across the country inspired Sierra and Carlene Reimer to start barrel racing Tuesdays.

The first night was Tuesday, July 7 at the Carman fair grounds. Over 40 riders came out to have their chance in the ring that evening.

Sierra Reimer said the ideas to host their own barrel races came quickly after rodeos started shutting down due to COVID-19. She said her and Carlene Reimer held onto the thought for a bit until recently when they put their plan in motion.

"With the seasons shutting down after COVID, it kind of forced us to pick up the slack," said Sierra Reimer.

The pair said there aren't many, if any, opportunities to barrel race near Carman. Starting up Grit + Grace Barrel Racing is also an opportunity for locals to get in on the sport without driving over an hour.

The Tuesday night races are called 3D barrel races. That means those in the 1D category have the fastest times — on Tuesday, those riders were in the 17-second range. Those placing in the 2D category are a second slower than the 1D, and the 3D placers are a second slower than those in 2D.

The fastest time in the open category (those aged 17 and up) was Tori Colosimo on Mr. Whiskers with 17.507. She won \$125 in the 1D category.



JJ Gates rode 270 with a time of 39.284.

The fastest time in the youth category (those aged 11 to 16) was Jessica Voth on Jetta with 19.530. She was awarded \$60.

In the peewee category (those aged 10 and under) was Chloe McElroy on Brandi with 26.554. She received \$20.

The town came together to allow for the night to flow smoothly. Homestead Co-op donated cold drinks and freezies for competitors, Corduroy Plains donated their time to get the event running, Kehler Farms Ltd.



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Hayley Friesen rode Harley and won first place in 3D.

supplied the timers, and the Dufferin Agricultural Society donated the fair grounds for use.

To participate in the Tuesday night races, riders just have to show up and sign up with an entry fee of \$25. That entry fee then goes into the pool and gets paid out to the winners. Winnings amount is different each week as it depends on how many people are racing.

Before July 7, Sierra and Carlene Reimer were hoping to get close to 30 riders on their first night. After having over 40, they're hopeful they can continue Grit + Grace Barrel Racing throughout the summer and in the years to come.

Everyone welcome. Call Sierra Reimer to register or for more information. 204-750-2421.



Jessica Voth rode Jetta and came in first overall in the youth with a time of 19.530.



Carlene Reimer, one of the organizers, won second place in 1D.

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Manitoba down to one active COVID-19 case Monday

By Lorne Stelmach

Manitoba made it two weeks into July without a single case of COVID-19, according to the public health update on Monday. With the last reported case having been June 30, the province remained at 325 lab-confirmed positive and probable positive cases this week.

The province started the week with just one active case and 317 recoveries. The death toll remains at seven people. An additional 798 laboratory tests were performed Friday, 1,149 Saturday, and 573 Sunday, bringing the total number of tests performed since early February to 71,559.

Noting some reports of larger gatherings and people not following guidelines on distancing, chief provincial public health officer Dr. Brent Roussin continued to caution Manitobans that we're not out of the woods yet.

"As we loosen things up, it's a tendency to try to revert back to normal, but we certainly are not back to nor-

mal at this point," he said. "We need to adhere to the principles that got us here ... we need to get back to the basics that got us here."

Meanwhile, as the province continues to keep COVID-19 under control in the present, health officials are busy planning ahead for what may come with a potential second wave converging with the annual flu season.

Lanette Siragusa, chief nursing officer with Shared Health, said they have a respiratory virus steering committee in place with representatives from public health, occupational health, infection prevention and control as well as regional health authorities.

"We're not just planning for COVID. We're actually planning for influenza and COVID coming together," she explained.

"One of the priorities that we are considering is the vaccine strategy that we will be initiating, so we'll give more detail on that, but we are looking to increase the uptake on vaccines

this year.

"We're also looking at how do we shift resources," she continued. "This gives us an opportunity to look at where our resources, where do we need to shift some of the work and prepare for the future."

"One of the other things with this steering committee is really looking at the robust testing, keeping up with the testing volumes," said Siragusa, noting they have recently been averaging 700 a day but have a capacity of around 2,000.

She also repeated Roussin's message for Manitobans to remain vigilant.

"We have to get used to seeing COVID numbers in the community, and that's fine as long as we can stay on top of it and manage it," she said. "Overall, we are feeling like we are in a stable situation. We continue to monitor very closely how we are doing on the indicators, and we will continue to plan for higher volumes, more activity and surge capacity in the coming months."

Education savings redirected to Manitoba classrooms

Millions of dollars in management and other savings to be put into classroom learning

Submitted by Manitoba government

Manitoba school divisions will have almost \$48 million to cover unanticipated costs of the COVID-19 pandemic and to reopen classrooms in September after the suspension of classroom learning during the past school year, Education Minister Kelvin Goertzen announced last Tuesday.

"Our government's goal is to focus school funding on classrooms to ensure Manitoba students can thrive and excel," said Goertzen. "This is even more important as our province gradually emerges from the grip of

COVID-19, and as we continue our plans to return to in-class teaching and learning this fall."

School divisions, along with Manitoba's entire summary government, took steps to limit non-essential spending during the early days of the pandemic. Some of the funds saved were used to cover new costs for improvements to technology for remote learning and the remaining savings will go toward adapting to reopening classrooms in September as well as for public health measures that may be in place.

In addition, once fully implemented, more than \$4 million per year will be redirected to classrooms after Manitoba school divisions identified this sum in annual savings as part of an executive management streamlining initiative across multiple public-sector organizations, Goertzen noted.

The fiscal sustainability measures

have involved executive compensation, management streamlining and staff efficiencies. School divisions were directed to reduce their executive and senior management complements by 15 per cent by Sept. 1.

"This is good news for students and parents as it will mean more spent on improving classroom learning," said Goertzen. "The government measures ensure fiscal sustainability will make a positive impact on Manitoba schools and the education of students across the province."

Medium-sized and large school divisions with more than four executive or senior management positions were expected to reduce their numbers of positions by 15 per cent, the minister said. Smaller school divisions, with fewer executive or senior management positions, were directed to reduce managerial salaries and operating costs by 15 per cent, he added.

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The year that Carman's Boyne River ran dry....

In the July 25th issue I asked for reader's memories of their pool days whether it be in the river or Kin Pool. Although this is not to do with swimming directly, it was too good not share.

By Jesse Heaman

Our farm was on the south-east quarter of Section 19-Township 6-Range 5, five miles west of the town of Carman. It was at this point that the Boyne River made a turn to the south and ran through the southern part of our farm. This farm in my early years was always called 'The Nisbet Farm'.

Following a number of dry years during the later part of the 30's, I remember the river going dry. There was a large beaver dam just down river to the east of our farm yard and this held back enough water to supply water for the farm animals most years. In the fall of 1938 there was no rise in the river water because of an extremely dry year and by the winter of 38/39 there was no more water at this point in the river. Earlier there had been a deep well dug up near our house, fortunately this supplied enough water for household use but

not enough to also water the livestock.

Our neighbor Mr. Rodgers who lived on the land to the north of us had found a spring fed spot in the bottom of the river bed on his land and offered the use of this source of water to my dad. Mr. Rodgers watered his livestock in the morning and by evening the spring had filled enough water into the hole that we could water our livestock. What a blessing this was to us and our farm operation as this was during the 'dirty 30's and we had a number of milking cows and the cream cheques and egg cheques were depended upon to buy groceries each week. Upon finding this source of water, the horses when let out of the barn went right to it as I understand horses can smell water. For the cattle it was another matter and they had to be driven to where the water was. I remember helping my Dad herd the cattle across the north field and through the bush. It seemed like a long way to trek for my little five year old legs. This was like a cattle drive the first time, but the second time when the cows knew they were headed for

water they went very quickly. Fortunately rains came with the spring thaw and the river water started running again.

Prior to this dry period in the '30's there had been two recorded years when the river had experienced great flooding during spring run-off, these years being 1893 and 1923. This is the same river that often ran over with water, flooding roads and settlements during several of the earlier years.

Stephenfield Dam

Studies started with government resources for a plan to contain these early spring waters for later use through the year. In 1963 a large dam was constructed which would hold back 460 acres of water at a depth of 23 feet, with the water being made available for the communities downstream.

The Boyne River meanders through the heart of Carman and in the spring of the years 1970, 1974 and 1979 the river rose quickly, flooding the town. The 1979 flood being the most extreme, resulting in the closure of #13 highway, evacuating the hospital and senior homes and damaging over 400

businesses and homes.

Carman Diversion

In 1988, governments signed an agreement to construct a diversion channel around the town of Carman to minimize the threat of flooding by this Boyne River. Construction began on an 8 mile channel around the north side of the town ensuring that the town of Carman would be safe from such damaging floods in the future. In October 1992, attended by a big crowd of relieved local officials and Carman residents, the diversion channel was officially opened. This fall, 2019, as I was walking the beautiful pathway on the west side of Carman, I could hear the construction where they are enlarging the Boyne Lodge Care Home. As I stopped atop the walking bridge that crossed the river at that point I looked down at the water, the water level was very low and the fall leaves floating on the river were barely moving. It made me think back to earlier years and thinking the cycle of weather and seasons are ongoing, something we and future generations will need to learn to live with.

Announcing the finalists of the 2020 RBC \$10,000 emerging filmmaker pitch competition

Submitted by GFF

On Screen Manitoba, RBC and the Gimli Film Festival are pleased to announce the finalists for the 9th Annual RBC \$10,000 Emerging Filmmaker Pitch Competition. This year the competition saw 24 submissions from emerging Manitoba filmmakers. An independent pre-selection jury chose 5 projects to move on to the live pitch competition, which takes place during the Gimli Film Festival.

This year the competition will be broadcast via GFF Live Stream on Saturday, July 25 at noon CDT.

2020 Finalists:

Blake Vermette – Standing Still
Chelsey Mark – The Callback

Joanne Roberts - Anak

Quan Luong and Erin Hembrador - Roadie

Riva Billows and Ryan Steel – Summer, 2017

The RBC \$10,000 Emerging Filmmaker Pitch Competition will open with the premiere screening of the short film First Session by the 2019 competition winner Matthew van Ginkel.

Each finalist has three minutes to pitch their short film idea to a jury of industry professionals and an online live audience followed by five minutes of questions from the jury. The jury will select one filmmaker who will receive \$10,000 in production funds

from RBC, a mentorship with Elise Swerhone of the National Screen Institute, a one-year membership with On Screen Manitoba, a \$5,000 Equipment Rental Grant Certificate from William F. White International and the premiere screening of their film at the 2021 Gimli Film Festival.

"In this challenging time, where we have all had to make adjustments in our work and personal lives, the RBC \$10,000 Emerging Filmmaker Competition at the Gimli Film Festival plays an important role in opening the door for emerging talent in Manitoba," said Nicole Matiation, Executive Director of On Screen Manitoba. "With the

media production industry starting up again, there is real opportunity in Manitoba for people interested in a media production career. Our industry offers employment in many areas from accounting, to wardrobe, to carpentry, to design and much more -- On Screen Manitoba looks forward to connecting with experienced and emerging professionals interested in exploring new career opportunities."

"It's more important this year than ever to get money into the hands of artists and that's what we accomplish through the RBC \$10,000 Emerging

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Mother Nature allows for hours of summer fun



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Left photo, Ready, set, jump! Nixon Nakonechny on the diving board; middle photo, Jensen Nakonechny on the slide with his brother Oaklen and mother Sheena in pool and right photo, Safety officer Monica Halbesma on duty on a hot sunny day last week.

Elm Creek sisters win prestigious 4-H awards

By Becca Myskiw

A pair of siblings from Elm Creek have won very prestigious 4-H awards this year, something Lisa Carlson said is unheard of.

Carlson is co-head leader with her husband of the Elm Creek 4-H Beef Club and vice president of the Red River Area 4-H Council. Her daughter Harleigh Carlson, 15, won the Gold Watch Award and her older daughter, Taylor Carlson, 17, won the \$350 bursary.

"It's unheard of that two siblings would win in the same year," said Lisa Carlson. "So that's very cool."

The Gold Watch Award, Lisa Carlson said, has gone back for decades. It's handed out to a deserving member in each 4-H area who is an excellent role model, active in 4-H, active in the community, is respectful, and "is a model 4-H member."

To apply, members have to have completed a minimum of five years in 4-H or they should be 16 years old and have a minimum of two years in the program completed.

As her parents have been involved with the local 4-H club since before she was born, Harleigh Carlson has been a member since the earliest she could — six years old.

She had to apply in a written format and submit a resume. From there, she was interviewed by a three-person panel that included a former 4-H leader, a current 4-H leader, and a Manitoba agriculture employee.

Lisa Carlson said she's usually on the panel, but she jumped off when her daughter was applying.

Then, Harleigh Carlson won and got to choose her own watch of \$150 value from Appelt's Diamonds in Morden, something her dad made happen ten years prior.

"We thought it was really important that they have a watch they like," said Lisa Carlson. "They go through all this trouble to win this prestigious award. It should



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Elm Creek 4-H Club treasurer Barb Orchard, left, presented Taylor Carlson, middle, and Harleigh Carlson their awards.

be something they'll wear for the rest of their life."

To receive the \$350 bursary, Taylor Carlson had to go through a similar process as her younger sister. Any 4-H member in Grade 11 or Grade 12 could apply, and the money is to be used to for post-secondary school. Carlson will be using the money this coming fall when she goes to Lake-

land College in Alberta.

Taylor Carlson was a Gold Watch Award recipient when she was in Grade 8. Members can only win that award once.

The awards would have been handed out in March at the club's curling rally, but due to COVID-19, the sisters received their awards in their backyard.

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Carin' for Karen's golf tournament raises \$20,000



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Bridgwater said the doctors think she has cervical cancer but they aren't sure because it's everywhere.

By Becca Myskiw

Over \$20,000 was raised at a golf tournament on June 27 for Karen Bridgwater and her battle with cancer.

Bridgwater was diagnosed with the disease almost seven months ago. She said after feeling unwell, she took a sudden trip to the Selkirk hospital and from there she was sent to St. Boniface.

The doctors told Bridgwater she had a bowel obstruction, which she later found out was caused by her cancer.

"Well that was the least of my worries," said the 57-year-old.

During her surgery for the obstruction, the doctors found that Bridgwater's tumors are wrapped around her organs and a vital artery near the gall bladder. In other words, her cancer is inoperable.

So, Bridgwater went for three months of chemotherapy — but her body didn't accept it at all. Her tumors grew by another third of their size in

those three months.

Then Bridgwater started doing naturopathic treatments to boost what the chemotherapy does. According to the Canadian Cancer Society, naturopathic medicine "is a system of healing that focuses on supporting and stimulating the body's ability to heal itself."

For Bridgwater, it's done just that.

In the last three months, her tumors haven't grown at all. They also haven't decreased in size. But she said she's feeling healthy otherwise and is able to carry on gardening, mowing the lawn, and doing the things she likes to do.

"I'm very lucky with my quality of life," she said. "Everyone's body reacts differently to treatment."

The naturopathic treatments, however, are very costly and Bridgwater has to pay out of pocket for them.

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Supporting the children



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Guardians of the Children's Al Doty (Preacher), left, and Robert Pankratz (Cowboy) were out on their annual Children's Empowerment Ride last weekend. Guardians of the Children is a licensed not for profit Canadian corporation that is anti-bullying and anti-child abuse. One of the main things they do is attend court with children who are victims of sexual abuse — the 10 group members stand in a circle, hug a teddy bear, and give it to the child to take into the courtroom with them. They say the bear is full of hugs so when the child needs a hug to hug the bear.

> RBC PITCH FINALISTS, FROM PG. 5

Filmmaker Competition. Gimli Film Festival is proud to be part of a competition that fosters emerging filmmakers' talents and connects them to Manitoba's film community in relevant and lasting ways," says Aaron Zeghers, Gimli Film Festival Director. "Congratulations to all our 2020 pitch finalists, we can't wait to see where you take us."

"While this year may look a little different than others, what remains unstoppable is the thrilling pace of creative ideas and artistic expression of Manitoba's filmmakers. The RBC \$10,000 Emerging Filmmaker Competition at Gimli Film Festival spotlights and rewards storytelling at its best. Within a couple captivating minutes, you are left inspired by the filmmak-

ers' passion and moved by the stories they tell," shared Aaron Martyniuk, RBC Vice President Commercial Financial Services. "RBC is deeply committed to supporting Manitoba's thriving film industry. We recognize that right now, more than ever, we all need to rally around our storytellers. That is what Gimli Film Festival has been doing for 20 remarkable years. Thanks to On Screen Manitoba and Gimli Film Festival for their tremendous partnership year after year

and for providing local filmmakers a platform to inspire and move us once again."

On Screen Manitoba, RBC and the Gimli Film Festival would like to thank the National Screen Institute - Canada and William F. White International for the generous prizes they provide for this competition. Manitoba's screen-based media community values their support and looks forward to continued partnership.

Carman dance studio moving along amid COVID

By Becca Myskiw

KiDDance Physical Arts' online registration for the 2020-2021 season is now open.

Studio owner Michelle Carrillo said they have created a plan for the next season and are ready for whatever comes their way.

The season at KiDDance Physical Arts runs from September to May. Their 2019-2020 season had a wrench thrown into their plans as COVID-19 shut down everything in March.

However, Carrillo didn't let the pandemic stop her students from dancing. By April, all of their dance classes moved online and for the next two months, the dancers learned virtually online.

"It was a bit of a challenge but overall it went pretty good," said Carrillo. "And we were able to just in time plan an outdoor recital."

By the beginning of June, the studio was able to open again and get dancers ready for their end-of-year recital. They practiced on Carman Collegiate's green field to get ready for the big day.

On a usual year, Carrillo said the recital happens in Carman Collegiate's theatre, but this year they had it under the sun in Ryall Park on June 13.

Dancers in the seven years old and



va Nykoliation, left, and Amelia Wytinck before their performance at Ryall park.

up classes performed for their parents only in staggered groups so as to adhere to social distancing guidelines. They wore full costumes with makeup and Carrillo said they even had photos taken during the recital.

"It was pretty much like a regular recital," she said. "Just a bit different. But we were able to give dancers an opportunity to perform for their parents."

Each dance season brings over 100 dancers to KiDDance Physical Arts — the only dance studio in Carman. Carrillo said that number is getting higher each year, and to keep it that



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The junior lyrical class from KiDDance Physical Arts performs at Ryall Park.

way, they've created a plan in case another shutdown is in the near future.

People can register for dance classes (ages three to 17) online only for now. Carrillo said they're filling up fast and she doesn't want anyone to hesitate because of the uncertain fall ahead.

"If they don't want to register because they think it's too risky, we have a plan in place," she said.

KiDDance Physical Arts has been

open since 2015. They offer a variety of dance styles, including pre-dance classes for those under six years old, along with ballet, tap, jazz, hip hop, lyrical, and contemporary for those seven and older.

To register for KiDDance Physical Arts for the 2020-2021 season, go to kiddancephysicalarts.com. Registration is open until Sept. 4 and back to normal classes begin Sept. 14.

> CARIN' FOR KAREN, FROM PG. 8

That's why Colette Banks and a few of her friends organized the Carin' for Karen golf tournament at Inwood Golf & Country Club.

Banks said the idea came from the group of friends feeling helpless and wanting to do something for Bridgewater.

"We were never dreaming it would raise this much money," she said. "It's just a testament to how loved she is in this community."

Banks said they didn't publicly advertise the tournament, but the sup-

port was crazy. They had 134 golfers (all of whom adhered to social distancing guidelines) along with many silent auction donations.

In less than a month, the tournament raised \$20,162 — every cent will go to Bridgewater, who plans to use it for the naturopathic treatments.

Those treatments make living with cancer easier for Bridgewater.

"It gives me a little bit of hope," she said. "It just made me realize that you need hope and that's what all these people gave me."



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Bridgewater and Cindy Buchanan share time together at the tournament.

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20/20 Vision art exhibit on display at GPAC

By Becca Myskiw

A new exhibit is on at Golden Prairie Arts Council (GPAC), and despite its fitting name, it has nothing to do with the year 2020.

The 20/20 Vision Exhibit is celebrating Fibre Art Network's (FAN) 20th anniversary from 2018. All pieces on display were created two years ago and have only just made their way to Carman.

FAN is a network of artist from across Western Canada who all work with fibers to create their pieces. There are currently 113 artists with FAN.

Manitou artist Rosalind Sims has been a part of FAN since 2014. Her piece in the exhibit is titled, "Focus on Fiber." She said to celebrate the group's 20th anniversary, she also wanted to celebrate their medium.

"I'm a strong believer in promoting the kind of work I do and we all do," said Sims.

She said fiber art uses all types of fabric to create the finished piece. In Sims' case, she uses any textile that fits into her piece. Some of the fabrics she uses are store bought, while others she's dyed herself.

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Sims' piece in the 20/20 Vision Exhibit is made with wool and silk. The centre of this piece is an eyeball, and for the pupil, Sims added embroidery work. This piece, like almost all of her others, took over a week, she said.

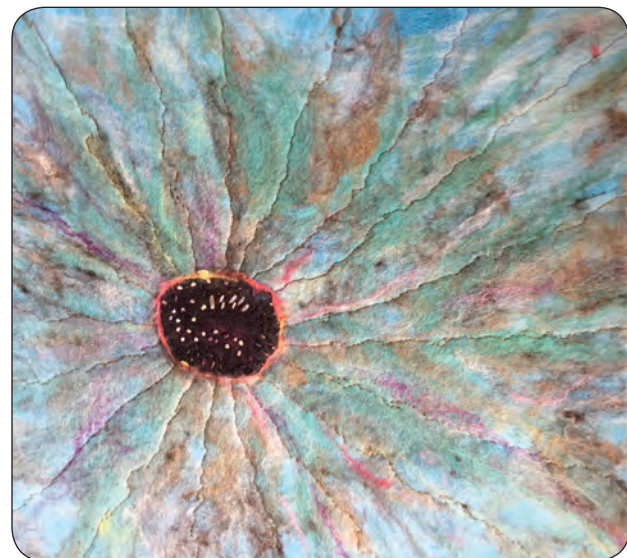
A lot of the pieces Sims does are just practice or her playing around.

"You don't just keep creating without learning more," said Sims. "One thing leads to another and it's like a wheel — just keeps going round and round."

The idea for the current exhibit came from one of FAN's annual retreats, she said. Members take turns organizing challenges and this one was to celebrate 20 years of fiber artists based in Western Canada.

To each artist that meant something different. One created a piece of people walking in a green forest and another wove together a bunch of glasses. There are around 50 pieces included in this exhibit.

The 20/20 Vision Exhibit is up now at GPAC and runs until mid-August. The pieces are also online



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SIMS: The piece Sims created for the 20/20 exhibit is an eyeball, with an embroidered pupil in the middle.

at fiberartnetwork.com, but Sims said nothing looks as good on the website as it does in person.

Communities in Bloom fundraising begins

Submitted by CIB

Carman and Dufferin's new Communities In Bloom (CIB) group now has charitable status and is able to accept donations to support future projects.

Councillor Bernie Townsend, who is the Town of Carman's representative on the CIB committee, informed the committee last month it had been granted status as a non-profit organization.

This means all donations to CIB are now tax deductible and anyone giving cash to the organization will receive a charitable donation receipt. Anyone wishing to make a donation can write a cheque payable to the Town of Carman with 'Communities In Bloom' noted on the cheque.

The group will need financial support not only to participate in next summer's province-wide competition, but to get started on their many ideas for beautification.

Donations also create opportunities to bring in more outside revenues,

because grant programs often require a percentage of matching funds be fundraised first.

As a non-profit group the CIB serves as an umbrella organization for several community groups to work together to beautify the community.

"Whether it be trees, flowers, pathways, the Boyne River, dedicated volunteers on these committees have wonderful ideas and plans for beautifying our community," said CIB co-chair Judy McGregor.

"Your donated money will be used to make a positive difference we can be proud of, and for all ages to enjoy."

If any group or gathering would like to hear more about those ideas and plans, McGregor and co-chair Susan Mooney are happy to make a presentation. The Garden Club and the Carman Community Senior Resource Council have already heard about CIB, and CIB is hoping to make presentations to the Chamber of Commerce and the town council later this year. Meanwhile, the flowers bloom-



STANDARD PHOTO BY BEV MCLEAN

The streets of Carman are 'Bloomin' Great' in 2020 with colourful flower-filled baskets.

ing this summer on the streets of Carman show just how much beauty a horticultural touch adds to the town.

"We are so fortunate to have Vanderveens' Greenhouses here in Carman," she said. "Every year, they design, plant and donate the beautiful hanging baskets that we all enjoy in

Carman. The Communities In Bloom committee thanks Vanderveens for all they do to help us look "Bloomin' Great."

"Bloomin' Great" is the community brand strategy created by Town of Carman/RM of Dufferin director of economic development Tyler King.

RCMP looking for youth to join the National Advisory Committee

Submitted by RCMP

Canadian residents ages 13 to 21 can now apply to become a part of the RCMP's National Youth Advisory Committee (NYAC)! Applications must be received by September 11, 2020. Those who apply by July 31 will be a part of the first selection round and get a bet-

ter chance of being selected. This is an online opportunity for youth to connect, have their say and make a difference. NYAC members interact with participants from all over the country and discuss important issues they face in their respective communities. They share their thoughts about

youth crime and victimization topics, and help shape RCMP programs and initiatives. NYAC members can also receive reference letters and volunteer hours. Youth voices matter. For all the details regarding this opportunity, visit the RCMP website.

Quick facts

- Youth are a priority for the RCMP. The NYAC helps the RCMP create relevant youth programs and strategies.

- The deadline to apply for the 2020-21 NYAC is September 11, 2020.

- To request an application form, send an email to RCMP.Youth-Jeunesse.GRC@rcmp-grc.gc.ca.

McEachern nominated for Volunteer of the Year award

By Becca Myskiw

Carman Kinettes president Mayghan McEachern has been nominated for Central Manitoba Tourism's Volunteer of the Year.

In a Facebook post on May 23, Central Manitoba Tourism announced McEachern's nomination, saying her involvement goes "well beyond her title with the Kinettes Club."

McEachern started volunteering when she was in high school. After graduating, she said she still wanted to be a part of the community and volunteering her time was the best way to do that.

Before joining the Carman Kinettes, McEachern was helping with school events, her children's sports teams, and building with Habitat for Humanity.

She said volunteering is just something she likes to do and it's almost always a team effort.

She became a member of the Carman Kinettes in 2016 after her children started becoming independent. She's been club president for three years and said her favourite part about being a Kinettes is doing things together.

"I wouldn't say I personally do it myself," said McEachern. "We do it all together and we have sup-

port from each other."

A few of the events the club helps out with during the year are the Boyne Fit Fun Run, Golden Prairie Arts Council (GPAC) events, blood donor clinics, Mall in the Hall, and running the food booth at the Carman Country Fair.

McEachern's favourite event is the food booth at the Carman Country Fair. She said it's a different way to see the fair and she always has time to catch up with locals, something that's extremely meaningful to her.

Volunteering is a way for McEachern to give back to her community. She was really surprised to have been nominated for Central Manitoba Tourism's Volunteer of the Year, but said the nomination is nice.

"For me, it's just a little bit of recognition for the hard work that I've put out there I guess," she said. "I just go out there and I do it and I enjoy it."

McEachern plans to continue volunteering with the Carman Kinettes. She's also a GPAC board member and is an active director of the Carman and Community Chamber of Commerce as she owns Peace Lily Therapeutics.

"I JUST GO OUT THERE AND I DO IT AND I ENJOY IT."



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Mayghan McEachern has been an active volunteer since she was in high school.

Does your canola need protection from sclerotinia stem rot?

Submitted by Clint Jurke

Should I spray for sclerotinia stem rot? Canola growers in Western Canada are often challenged to find a satisfactory answer to this annual question. In reality, we don't need very much infection to justify a fungicide application. When considering the total cost, a fungicide would only have to preserve around three bu./ac. of yield to break even. This economic threshold should be easily achieved in a high-yield canola crop growing in an area with a history of sclerotinia stem rot. The general rule is that yield loss is roughly half of the "incidence rate," which is the percentage of plants infected in a field.

If 10 per cent of plants are infected, yield loss will be five per cent. For a 50 bu./ac. canola crop, the three bu./ac. threshold would be a six per cent loss—so that means around 12 per cent of plants would have to be infected. With moderate amounts of moisture before, during and after flowering, this 12 per cent incidence rate could be fairly common in any canola growing area of Western Canada.

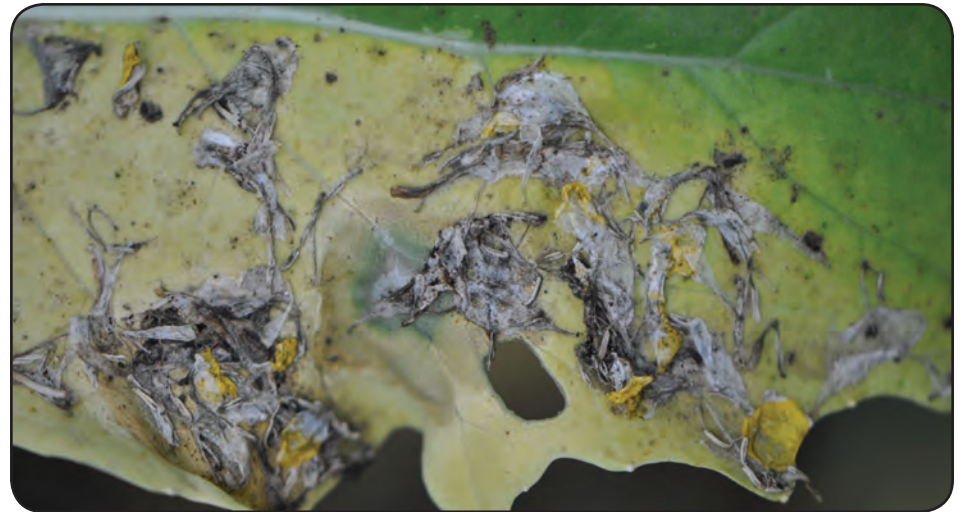
What is a moderate amount of moisture? Kelly Turkington, plant pathologist with Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, provides this rough guide: Rainfall amounts of least 5-10mm more than two days a week and daily

minimum relative humidity (RH) over 80 per cent is enough for the sclerotinia stem rot infection cycle.

Basically, if topsoil underneath the canola canopy has moisture for most or all of the day, this promotes germination of sclerotia and production of apothecia, the tiny mushrooms that release sclerotinia spores. Continued humid conditions in the canopy will provide the moisture needed for infection.

The decision to apply a fungicide to prevent sclerotinia stem rot may be generalized by answering these four questions:

- Have environmental conditions prior to flowering been moist enough for apothecia development and survival? (A few rains and humidity commonly above 80 per cent in June is usually enough.)
- Is the canola crop canopy dense and yield potential high? (If your pants get wet when scouting canola mid-day, the canopy is probably sufficiently dense and humid for disease.)
- Does the weather forecast predict precipitation and/or humidity during the flowering period?
- Is the pathogen present in sufficient quantities? (With moisture and a history of sclerotinia stem rot in the area, you can assume the answer is yes. To find out for sure, Spornado from 20/20



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Spore-infested petals landing on leaves and stems provide the entry point for sclerotinia stem rot. Fungicides on petals and leaves prevent this infection.

Seed Labs or DNA-based petal testing kits from Quantum Genetix and Discovery Seed Labs can identify the presence of spores.)

If the answer is "yes" to all four questions above, then spraying is generally recommended. If the answer to some of the questions is "no" or uncertain, then the decision is more difficult. Perhaps an easier approach is to identify the situations where risk is limited.

Factors that decrease risk:

- Dry conditions through the flowering period will decrease the risk of economic yield loss from sclerotinia stem rot.
- A poor canola canopy that allows for a lot of air flow will reduce canopy

humidity, and it also signals lower yield potential.

- Below or well-above average temperatures (less than 10°C or greater than 25-30°C) and limited rainfall. Risk is limited when current conditions are dry, max daily temps are 30°C or more, and forecast to continue for seven to 14 days.

Farmers and agronomists often ask whether heavy rains or continuous rains will reduce the risk. Continuous rain events can wash off of petals from plants, remove spores from the air and trap spores in water droplets that form on the tops of the apothecia. But rain events that actually reduce

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This week in review over the past.... 100 years

(This feature will inform readers of a condensed version of events that were in print in the Dufferin Leaders of 1920, 1945 and 1970)

July 15, 1920 edition

J.G. McGowan and Co. Store are having a clearance sale of Canvas footwear 20% off. White canvas women's oxfords--\$3.50 now \$2.80; Men's white oxfords--\$3.25 now \$2.60.

Banks in the area were: Union Bank at Carman, Elm Creek, Sperling, Roland, Lowe Farm, Morris, Morden, Altamont, Somerset, Sanford, Graysville, Sub agencies at Home-wood and Roseisle.

Bank of Hamilton at Carman and Elm Creek.

According to W. McKnight of the Provincial Licence Department, there are over 30,000 automobiles operated in Manitoba. There are 3997 Chauffeurs—43 of whom are returned soldiers; 772 motorcycles and 423 auto dealers or firms in Manitoba.

Tenders were advertised for the moving of the Stephenfield School and outbuildings from its present site on SW ¼ 19-6-6 to Stephenfield app. 2 miles. The School building is to be

placed on a cement basement (also tendered)

C. Goldstein sold his store business at Stephenfield to Mr. G.R. Clements.

July 19, 1945 edition

On July 12, 1945 the 255th Anniversary of the Battle of the Boyne was held at Carman under the auspices of the Dufferin County Loyal Orange Lodge. Early in the afternoon the Orangemen paraded from the Masonic Hall to Carman Park where a good program of speaking, baseball, children's races, etc. was enjoyed by all. A.E. Shewfelt, past County Master was chairman. Six teams competing in the baseball tournament were from Roland, Carman, Elm Creek, Miami, Graysville and Baldur with Miami and Baldur in the final game. This game was suddenly halted by pouring rain in the 3rd inning so the prize money was divided between them. A desire was expressed to hold a provincial celebration next July 12 at Carman if transportation conditions were favourable.

A lot of soldiers are returning home from WWII. Welcoming parties are being held weekly.

Carman Hardware AD: Presto Pressure Cookers—2 ½ quart (Imperial size) Aluminum with wooden handles for \$17.75. Cook peas in 1 minute, cabbage and carrots in 2 ½ minutes, potatoes—in 7 minutes, and tough meat made tender in 35 minutes.

Self-propelled combines are available from Massy Harris Co. Anyone who can drive a car can learn to operate a self-propelled combine. It can harvest 60 acres or more a day.

July 16, 1970 edition

Carman Dufferin Centennial Year Events July 14-December 31, 1970

July 14-23 22nd Annual National Soaring and Gliding championships at Friendship Airfield, officially opened by Prince Phillip on July 14.

July 21- August 3 National Junior Baseball Championships. Carman to enter a team.

August 1 and 2 Festival of Arts. National Film Board will do a showing at the Midland Collegiate, "of many people" filmed in Manitoba. Free evening shows.

Aug. 8 - 2nd Red River Tractor Pull at Carman

Aug. 14 - Centennial Caravan, Carman Park from 10 am to 10 pm

August 14 and 15 - Carman Horticultural Society Centennial Show at the Elementary School Auditorium.

Aug. 15 and 16 - National Appaloosa Show

Sept. 19 and 20 - Western Canadian Quarter Horse Show

Oct. 15 Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

November - Citizen of Centennial Year Award

Dec. 31 - Year closing program---- sealing of the time capsule

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"The California Cuties" novelty softball team versus "Carman Sod Busters" on July 22, 1970 at the Pan-Am Diamond, Carman at 8 pm. (Can anyone tell us a story about this game? — please send it to the paper).

> SCLEROTINIA STEM ROT, FROM PG. 12

sclerotinia stem rot risk would be unusual.

If conditions are right for disease and farmers decide to spray, the spray window for most fungicides is 20 to 50 per cent flower. Many products also allow for two applications, which can provide a return on investment in high-risk situations with good moisture, high yield po-

tential and an extended flowering period.

For lots more on this topic, including videos and helpful links, please read "Factors in the sclerotinia spray decision" at canolawatch.org.

—Clint Jurke is agronomy director for the Canola Council of Canada. Reach him at jurkec@canolacouncil.org

Updating our archives



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In the June 18 edition of the Carman Dufferin Standard, we ran a very popular article regarding Larry Stout's reminiscing of Dorfman's Store in Carman. After it was published Stout and Dennis Young received many compliments and revived many memories in our readers. This recently discovered picture gives a much better idea of the store's location between the CN station (GPAC now) and the Carman Hotel.

A very dear scene



STANDARD PHOTO BY DEBBIE FROST

A mother white-tailed deer was spotted with her triplet fawns recently having an afternoon snack in Debbie Frost's backyard in Carman.

sports & recreation

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Cardinals slug their way to pair of wins

Submitted by From Pres. Jack Pethybridge

The Carman Cardinals' bats came alive this past weekend with two big wins.

On Friday, the Cardinals defeated the Altona Bisons 13-3 under the lights in Altona. Kevin Dunn pitched a stellar six innings, allowing only three Altona hits. Tim Dunn pitched the seventh to secure the victory. Carman outhit Altona 11-3.

The Cardinals played their first home game of the season on Sunday, hosting the Baldur Regals. A combi-

nation of great pitching, hot bats and great defence gave the Cardinals a second-straight victory - a 10-3 win over the Regals.

Brent Aldie was the starting pitcher for the Cardinals, followed by Jon Rempel, Sam Bryson and Brent Dunn. The combination allowed only three hits versus Carman's six.

Carman's next game is in Winkler on July 21. The Cardinals return home for three straight games, beginning July 26 against the Cartwright Twins at 6 p.m.

See you at the ballpark.



STANDARD PHOTO BY DENNIS YOUNG

The Cardinal's Sam Bryson gets the out on second base ending the inning on Sunday in Carman. The Cardinals defeated Baldur 10-3.

Local baseball legend a Manitoba Hall of Famer

By Ty Dilello

Glennis Scott's hometown of McConnell in southwestern Manitoba is nearly a ghost town today. So much so, that if you drive through it today, you might not even realize you're driving through a once-thriving town.

McConnell suffered the same fate as many small towns of its era in that when they took the railroad out, the town went with it.

"I grew up on a family farm in a big family with four sisters and a brother," recalled Scott. "Everyone played baseball, including my dad. I would give my dad the most credit in my baseball career. He was the catcher and coached the McConnell team, having a reputation for developing good pitchers at that time."

In 1952, a young Scott pitched the Cardale Midget AAA squad to a provincial championship. A few years later, he helped Hamiota claim provincial junior titles. Among other great catchers, Scott pitched to Hamiota's Dallas Smith, who went on to play with the Boston Bruins as Bobby Orr's defence partner when they won the Stanley Cup in 1970 and 1972.

Scott was a potential big leagues prospect, but in 1958, he was left with a difficult decision on his hands. He had signed a teaching contract in Miami (MB) around the same time he was offered the opportunity to attend

a St. Louis Cardinals training camp in Albany, Georgia.

"These training camps started in the middle of February, and that's not a good time to get away while you're teaching! So I made the decision to stay with my teaching career."

"The general manager of the Winnipeg Goldeyes, Terry Hinds, was a pretty good friend, and he gave me some advice that I might have the ability to make AAA, but he doubted that I could make the majors. That was good enough for me to stick with teaching, and it's something I never regretted because I got to play in a lot of big amateur tournaments over the years."

Playing as an amateur instead of professional, Scott got to have some neat experiences playing for Team Canada in two Pan American Games, Winnipeg and Cali, Colombia, as well as three World Tournaments in Nicaragua, Colombia and Italy.

"The highlight of my career was the game in Carman during the 1967 Pan American Games when we played Cuba and won. It was a good night for me, both pitching and at the plate. I was 4 for 4 with two singles and two doubles."

It was Cuba's first international loss in twelve years.

After his playing days were over, Scott later served as a talent scout in



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Glennis Scott and members of the Cuba National Baseball Team after their game in the 1967 Pan American Games. Scott is second from left.

Western Canada for the Toronto Blue Jays during a six-year period around the time they won the World Series in 1992 and 1993.

Scott was inducted into the Manitoba Sports Hall of Fame in 1986 and the Manitoba Baseball Hall of Fame in 1998. In 2017, the Minnedosa Ball Park was renamed "Glennis Scott Field" for his involvement in the community.

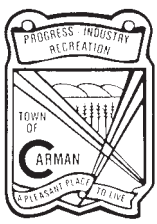
As the Manitoba Sports Hall of Fame website states, "Scott might have been

Manitoba's first major league pitcher since Brandon's Russ Ford in the early 1900s, but this province is very fortunate that he chose not to be."

"I can't overemphasize the part that my dad played in my baseball beginning. He was an excellent catcher, and perhaps at my young age, I maybe didn't appreciate it as much then as I look back on it now. But I was pretty darn lucky having him in my life."

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- Annual report of the Board & Management to the membership
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- Appointment of auditors
- Election of Directors (3)
- BYLAW AMENDMENT Bylaw Change Proposal— 3.19 Remuneration

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OBITUARY

Jake Reimer

1959 - 2020

Jake Reimer passed away on Wednesday, July 1, 2020 at the age of 60 surrounded by his family at his home.

He was born to Jacob and Agatha Reimer on November 20, 1959 in Altona, MB. He grew up in the Morden then Stephenfield area. He not so willingly attended school until his earliest opportunity to enter the working world. He met our Mom, Helen and won her over with his hot dog roasting skills and smooth words. They married on July 3, 1983 in Chortitz, MB. They spent the next 31 ½ years walking side by side through the many mountains and valleys life brought them. They taught their children that true love never gives up, never doubts, and always perseveres. He spent the last five years being as optimistic and full of life as he could, but it was

always evident he was missing a very key part of his life.

He was one of the hardest workers we know and had a genuinely full of hope and optimistic demeanour. He taught us the value of a job well done, of a hard day's work ending with family around the supper table, how to pray, and how to always think of the needs of others. Until his last days, he always felt there were others in life who were in need of far more help than he.

He was predeceased by his wife, Helen; his parents, Jacob and Agatha Reimer. He is survived by his daughter, Barb, son-in-law, Keith their children, Hannah and Emma, his son, David, wife, Robyn and their son, Landon, his daughter, Kristine, her fiancé, Matt; his siblings, Kathy and Cornie, Margaret, Agatha and Fred, Helen and Dwayne, Abe and Helen; his mother and father-in-law, Ernie and Sarah Bueckert and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral service was held on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at the Winkler Sommerfeld Mennonite Church with interment at the Roseisle Cemetery.

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OBITUARY

Ernest "Ernie" Wilhelm Sierpinski

Peacefully on Sunday, July 5, 2020 at the Boyne Lodge in Carman, Ernie passed away.

Ernie was born in Spiritwood, SK on December 22, 1936. He later moved to the Graysville area on a farm with his parents and sisters in 1942.

He leaves to mourn his loving partner of 39 years, Frances Major and her sons Larry and Tony.

Ernie was predeceased by his father Wilhelm, mother Elsie and three sisters, Lucy, Irma and Ruth.

He attended school in Graysville and helped his parents on the farm during his years of education. Later as his parents aged, he ran the farm. It was his life and enjoyment to work the land and have pride in what he reaped. Ernie also devoted his time to the Carman Lutheran Church teaching Sunday School for 15 years. He

enjoyed dancing, playing cards, playing golf, entertaining visitors and offering meals to anyone who dropped in. His door was always open to anyone.

Graveside service was held on Friday, July 10, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at Greenwood Cemetery, Carman.

Memorial donations may be made to the Boyne Lodge, Box 1644, Carman, MB, R0G 0J0.

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