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Adalyn Bergen and her horse from the Graysville 4-H Light Horse & Pony Club spent three days at the Carman Fair Grounds last week learning everything she could about horses.

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McTavish recognized for over 25 years municipal work

By Becca Myskiw

Walter McTavish received his 25 years of service pin from the rural municipality (RM) of Thompson.

He became a councillor of Ward 1 for the RM in March 1994, making him a 27-year employee. At the last council meeting on July 13, he received his pin for 25 years of service. McTavish didn't initially come into the job on his own accord, though. The previous councillor for the ward had left, leaving a vacant spot in need of a councillor.

So, Reeve Brian Douglas Schwartz at the time came to McTavish and asked him if he'd consider taking on the role. This wasn't the first offer — McTavish had been asked the same thing 10 years prior and declined due to being busy raising a family, tending to his livestock, and driving the school bus.

This time, however, he accepted, and he hasn't looked back since.

"There seemed to be a need for a rural councillor in this area to take an interest in what the farmers want," he said.

In 1994 when McTavish became a councillor with the municipality, the main concerns were the ever-growing

farming industry and drainage problems. There were also no rural water lines at the time, but over his 27 years, the council has managed to get those in, something he said is a big achievement for the whole community.

The RM of Thompson has also bought its own semi, requiring them to hire less gravel trucks, and their own excavator, making a lot of physical work more efficient. McTavish has also been a part of adding an environmentally friendly waste disposal site in the community, and he said it employs at least two people at a time.

McTavish said he'll stay as councillor for one more year — until the next election. Then, he's ready to pass the torch onto someone else and let them be a part of all the changes to come.

"You see how the valley operates," he said. "You do your share to help it proceed, and hopefully, it's all for the better. We don't always get the answers right, but we try."

Until then, he'll be pushing for the municipality to add natural gas, something he's been trying to get for a long time. The energy source is cheaper and cleaner, he said, and would be an asset to the RM of Thompson.



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Walter McTavish, left, received his 25 year service pin from RM of Thompson Reeve Brian Callum.

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Johnson & Johnson recalls aerosol sunscreens; Health Canada issues alert



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Neutrogena Ultra Sheer aerosol sunscreen is among five sunscreens consumers shouldn't use because of benzene, a carcinogen.

By Patricia Barrett

Johnson & Johnson Inc. voluntarily recalled two brands of its sunscreen with various SPFs after detecting benzene, which can cause cancer with repeated exposure.

The American pharmaceutical and consumer health company pulled all

its Neutrogena and Aveeno aerosol sunscreen lines and has asked consumers to stop using them as benzene is classified as a human carcinogen.

"While benzene is not an ingredient in any of our sunscreen products, it was detected in some samples of the impacted aerosol sunscreen finished products," states J & J in a news release issued July 14. "We are investigating the cause of this issue, which is limited to certain aerosol sunscreen products."

The affected products are Neutrogena Beach Defense aerosol sunscreen, Neutrogena Cool Dry Sport aerosol sunscreen, Neutrogena Invisible Daily defense aerosol sunscreen, Neutrogena Ultra Sheer aerosol sunscreen, and Aveeno Protect + Refresh aerosol sunscreen.

J & J said the public could call its consumer care line or contact their healthcare provider if they have concerns related to the affected products.

The company makes other well-known brand-name products such as Tylenol, Motrin, Lubriderm, Listerine, Nicorette, Reactine and Polysporin. It also makes a one-shot COVID-19 vaccine.

Benzene is an industrial chemical found in petroleum and is produced naturally by forest fires. It's used to make detergents, dyes, pesticides, plastics, synthetic fibres and drugs. According to the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, it can be found in gasoline, glue, cleaning products and paint stripper, and be absorbed through the skin.

Benzene is on the Government of Canada's toxic substances list, and Health Canada issued an alert asking Canadians not to use J&J's affected aerosol sunscreens.

"While there is no safe level of benzene," states the health agency's July 17 alert, "long-term (over a year or more) and repeated exposure to elevated levels of benzene may lead to serious health effects, including various forms of cancer such as leukemia, anemia (low red blood cells), and bone marrow failure."

Home away from home: Farm north of Arborg welcomes visitors

By Nicole Brownlee

A proposed "vacation farm" hopes to foster relationships and act as a city getaway.

Owning over three hectares of land tucked away from bustling traffic, Alvina and Tim Reimer plan to create a place for travellers and tourists to stop, enjoy a home-cooked meal and good company.

The Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton approved the Reimer's project on May 13, but the two had been mulling over the decision for years.

"It has evolved over the years," said Alvina Reimer.

"We have all kinds of dreams," said Tim Reimer. "But we're starting

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STANDARD PHOTO SUBMITTED Alvina and Tim Reimer plan to create a space for travellers to stay on the property while exploring the community.

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Graysville 4-H Light Horse & Pony Club hosts second annual three-day lessons

By Becca Myskiw

Approximately 20 riders from the Graysville 4-H Light Horse & Pony Club spent three days at the Carman Fair Grounds last week learning everything they could about horses.

It was the second year in a row the club hosted the lessons in lieu of their annual events, which were approved by 4-H Manitoba. Normally, the club has meetings every other week, hosts fundraisers and six weeks of riding lessons, along with two or four weekends away with clinicians. They also have a chapter to work on in their workbooks every second week.

For the past two seasons, however, the group hasn't been able to meet. The last time the members met was in October, and they've only been meeting in their age groups virtually since then. But on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday 19 members of the Graysville 4-H Light Horse & Pony Club came out and spent their time learning together.

Over the three days, the club members learned horse first aid, made their own fly spray and halters, learned stable management practices and worked on different riding techniques. It ended with a showcase and achievement on Wednesday where each rider shared their favourite thing they learned throughout the lessons.

Laura Kehler, a parent with the group, said being on their horses in



Kiera Johnston is in the oldest age group in the club.

a new place, surrounded by other horses and riders is good for the riders and their animals. On Tuesday morning, one of the pens had younger riders learning to control their horse around obstacles.

"It's really good for their mind," she said. "It's really good for the horse's mind to be patient and wait. It's surprisingly mental for the kids. It's almost like they learn by osmosis because they're together with their horses and seeing how other people handle their horses and they do to



Paisley Kehler is turning 10 this year. She got her horse, Time, last fall.

prepare for the day."

They were also learning what Kehler called soft skills — having a respectful, calm horse that wouldn't spook others or be a hazard to their rider and the others.

Along with riding and stable cleaning, the riders had to learn to tend to their horses in an unfamiliar place. Kehler said travelling with a horse is a different ballgame. They had to get up early and work with their horse because it had been in a pen for 12 or so hours and they had to ensure they

had packed everything they would need for it ahead of time.

The three-day lessons didn't cost anything extra to the families. It came from the \$75 registration fee and fundraising the group has done.



Natanael Schmitt learning to calm his pony in an obstacle course.



Jill Goff practices trotting with her horse.

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Wee Care playground construction underway

By Becca Myskiw

Wee Care Child Center's preschoolers are getting a brand-new play space.

The first shovel hit the ground on Monday, officially starting the demolition of the current playground at the center. The natural theme with rocks, logs, and a bike path is soon a much more modern space with a play structure as the main piece.

Currently, the preschool side of Wee Care Child Center has a natural playground, but it can't grow grass. Erin Dunn, board chair, said they've tried to plant sod a few times, but due to

the children's traffic mixed with the never-ending shade, it just won't grow.

A few years ago, the board realized the preschoolers needed something to play on, said Dunn. They need more than the current mud kitchen (which is staying) and the small hill to climb, so the play structure will have room for 50 of them to play on at a time. It has three slides and climbers, according to Dunn.

"Right now, there's nothing for them to climb on and use their muscles and engage in that play factor," she said. "Which is something that we feel is

important and hopefully, this structure will allow them to get out there and climb."

They looked at filling the ground with pea gravel or wood chips but ultimately decided on a rubberized surface, which requires zero maintenance and solves the no grass issue. Along with the play structure and the rubber, the new playground will have a bike path, a hill, a sandbox, painted hopscotch lines, and fun activities and spaces to do them.

The total cost of the playground is just under \$150,000. Though the center has been fundraising for this project

for the past few years, Dunn said they still have around \$20,000 left to go, and she's optimistic they'll get it by the final deadline.

They do have fundraisers planned, but donations are always welcome, and the center does have a charitable tax number as they're a non-profit. To donate to Wee Care Child Center, contact them at wccc@mymts.net.

This week is the demolition of the current playground and next week is the play structure installation. Then, on Aug. 9, the rubberized surface is slated to go on, and after that, it'll be ready for the preschoolers.

Lakeside MLA hits the ground running as ag minister

By Jennifer McFee

Longtime Lakeside MLA Ralph Eichler recently returned to his role as Manitoba's agriculture minister and has already begun to sow some seeds of assistance for local farmers.

On Wednesday, July 15, Eichler was once again sworn in as ag minister, a role he previously held from 2016 to 2019 before being named as the minister of economic development and jobs. Representing the Conservative Party, Eichler has served as the local MLA for nearly two decades, since he was first elected to the role in 2003.

He replaces Midland MLA Blaine Pedersen as ag minister, and Waverley MLA Jon Reyes will take over the economic development portfolio.

"My whole life has revolved around agriculture, so I'm glad to be back," said Eichler, a former cattle producer who grew up on a mixed farm.

"It's a tough time in ag. It's also been a tough time in economic development trying to keep everybody afloat during COVID."

The day after he resumed his role, Eichler contacted his colleague Marie-Claude Bibeau, federal minister of agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, and asked her to visit Manitoba's parched farmland.

He also called an emergency meeting with agriculture sector representatives to get their feedback in an effort to develop an ag recovery program.

On Thursday, July 22, Bibeau honoured Eichler's request and flew to Manitoba for a firsthand look at the drought's devastating impacts.

"It's not about politics; it's about looking after our producers. To me, it's all about building relationships," he said.

"We have to work together, no matter who's in power — us, the NDP, the Liberals, the Green Party. All of them have a role to play, and we have to work together for the betterment of our communities."

Later that day, farmers learned about several joint initiatives aimed to offer some relief from the unrelenting drought.

To start, Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation's hay disaster benefit will offer insured forage producers an extra \$44 per tonne for every tonne below coverage to offset additional costs for replacement feed and transportation. During a drought in 2019, this benefit brought in nearly 1,200 claims and more than \$5 million in payouts.



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MLA Ralph Eichler has replaced Blaine Pedersen as the ag minister.

Usually, benefit payments wouldn't be determined until January after production data is processed, but the timeline has been sped up to provide immediate assistance to producers.

"We instituted a system to advance some money to them right away so they can buy some hay. We increased the per-tonne average to current-day pricing. That's substantial. They normally had to wait until January after the year ends. We're going to put an upfront cash advance onto that," Eichler explained.

"We're also trying to work with the Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation (MASC), and we're trying to work with farmers and mixed producers so they can cash their crop in and not be penalized for acreages and their yields being down. They can take that crop off and actually feed it to their cattle or their sheep or whatever it is."

According to the provincial government, MASC will also apply a quality adjustment factor to appraisals on crops that are being put to alternate use under the AgriInsurance program. This program

will bring a 60 per cent adjustment factor to in-field appraisals for small grain cereal crops, including all varieties of wheat, oats, fall rye, barley and triticale.

This reduction in claims appraisal reflects the expected reduction in quality due to the drought, and it will be applied retroactively for producers who have already used their cereal crop for an alternative use this year. The full yield appraisal will be used to calculate future coverage.

Bibeau flew back home to Quebec on Friday, July 23, and Eichler planned to resume talks with her this week to discuss more ideas to assist local farmers.

"She's very open to having those conversations. We'll revamp and see what programs we come up with federally and provincially," Eichler said.

"We've got some programs in place, but there's a lot more work to do. We need to have something to try to maintain as much of the herd as we possibly can. We have to make sure we look after everybody, not just certain parts of the province."

Time is of the essence for Eichler — and for drought-stricken farmers, many of whom are considering selling off a portion of their herds to survive this dry season.

"There's rumours that there's going to be a federal election, and this speculation brings fear among producers so I've got to react very quickly. In this heat, crops are turning every day. With the grasshoppers, they just move so fast across a hayfield or a cereal crop. They can wipe out a crop so fast we don't even know it's there," he said.

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Taking steps to a post-pandemic Manitoba

By Lorne Stelmach

Provincial officials remain encouraged by the continuing positive trend with COVID-19 case counts, but they also still stress the need remains for more Manitobans to be vaccinated.

"This is continuing our path to a post-pandemic Manitoba," chief provincial public health officer Dr. Brent Roussin said during his daily update on Monday.

"We know COVID-19 is still going to be with us," he noted. "In that post-pandemic Manitoba, this is going to be a Manitoba with public health guidelines rather than public health restrictions.

"We know we have some Manitobans that still are hesitant ... the more Manitobans that become vaccinated, the sooner we'll be to that post-pandemic Manitoba."

Roussin touched on what further measures might be considered in terms of tighter or looser restrictions depending on vaccination rates,

which remain notably lower in the RM of Stanley and City of Winkler.

"When we see low rates, especially clustering geographically, it does put us at risk for that fourth wave," he said. "We have had in the past local restrictions, and so nothing is off the table.

"We really recognize that vaccine is our way through this pandemic ... we really want to encourage Manitobans to hit those targets," Roussin stressed. The province is hoping to see at least 80 per cent of all Manitobans aged 12 and over with a first dose of the vaccine and over 75 per cent with a second dose by Labour Day. At press time, 78.7 per cent of eligible Manitobans had had their first shot and 66.5 per cent their second.

Also on Monday, Roussin announced 103 new cases of the virus were identified over the weekend, including 62 on Saturday, 30 on Sunday, and 11 on Monday.

Of the 11 cases reported Monday, five were in the Southern Health-

Santé Sud health region.

Active case counts are on a downward trend in the Pembina Valley this week, with Morden reporting five cases on Monday, Winkler four, Lorne/Louise/Pembina, MacDonald, and Red River South three each, Stanley and the Altona area two each, and Carman just one case.

Provincially, there were two new deaths in people with COVID-19 reported from the weekend, including a male in his 50s from Southern Health-Santé Sud linked to an unspecified variant of concern. The total number of COVID-19 deaths in Manitoba is 1,172.

The current five-day COVID-19 test positivity rate was at three per cent provincially and 1.8 per cent in Winnipeg.

There were 528 active cases overall and 55,756 recoveries. A total of 110 Manitobans were hospitalized with COVID-19 at the start of the work week, including 26 in intensive care.

Province opens applications for the Healthy Hire Manitoba program

Submitted by Manitoba government

The province is now accepting applications for the Healthy Hire Manitoba Program, a wage support program designed to help private-sector employers reopen and encourage employees to get fully vaccinated, Economic Development and Jobs Minister Ralph Eichler announced last week.

"Our government remains focused on getting all eligible Manitobans vaccinated as quickly and safely as possible, and the Healthy Hire Manitoba Program helps support that goal and complements our '4-3-2-One Great Summer' Reopening Path that rewards Manitobans with fewer restrictions as more and more Manitobans get fully vaccinated," said Eichler. "The goals of this program benefit employers, employees and Manitobans alike as it encourages vaccination and helps to safely restart our economy as it increases staffing levels and brings more employees back to work to provide Manitobans with the goods and

services they depend on."

Under the Healthy Hire Manitoba Program, local employers can apply for up to \$50,000 in provincial support to help cover the wages of new employees who can attest they have been vaccinated, intend to be vaccinated or are unable to be vaccinated. Eligible employers will receive a grant equivalent to 50 per cent of wages for a maximum of 10 employees, with a maximum of \$5,000 per employee. The wage support covers full pay periods for employees hired on or after June 10 with the last pay period ending Oct. 15.

Eichler noted the Healthy Hire Manitoba Program will be amalgamated with the previously announced Manitoba Youth Jobs Program for a total of \$45 million available to support employers as they bring employees of all ages safely into the workplace. New applications will no longer be accepted under the previous Manitoba Youth Jobs Program and employers

that have already applied will be notified regarding next steps.

Employers are encouraged to view the guidelines and resources online to support them in the application process. A larger list of eligibility requirements is also now available online. Along with confirming employee attestation that they have been vaccinated, will be vaccinated or are unable to be vaccinated, eligible employers must declare they have supported public health protocols in the workplace including providing new hires with public health vaccine information.

Key dates, full eligibility criteria, and more information on the new Healthy Hire Manitoba Program can be found online at www.gov.mb.ca/covid19/programs/healthy-hire-mb.html. Questions about the Healthy Hire Manitoba Program can be directed to a new email address at HealthyHire@gov.mb.ca.

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COVID testing now available at Winnipeg international airport

Submitted By Manitoba Government

Testing for COVID-19 is now available at the Winnipeg James Armstrong Richardson International Airport, which provides a convenient option for people travelling to Manitoba who need a COVID-19 test, Central Services Minister Reg Helwer and Economic Development and Jobs Minister Jon Reyes announced Monday.

"As international travel reopens in the weeks ahead, we are making sure

individuals arriving in Manitoba are able to get a COVID-19 test quickly and conveniently," said Helwer. "By offering this service in advance of an increased number of visitors entering the province, we are ensuring we keep Manitobans safe and healthy."

With the recent announcement of international flights returning to Winnipeg James Armstrong Richardson International Airport, the Manitoba government will be implementing all safety measures necessary to wel-

come international passengers.

"As we continue to hit our vaccination milestones, more people are able to travel and support the economic recovery of the province," said Reyes. "Offering this conveniently located testing option for in-bound travellers is just one more way to help keep Manitoba moving forward."

The new testing site is located on the arrivals level of the main terminal. Testing is available for inbound travellers Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 4

p.m., starting July 19. Results from this testing site will be available securely online at <https://sharedhealthmb.ca/covid19/test-results/>.

If someone does not have a Manitoba health card or is not a resident of Manitoba, they can call Health Links-Info Santé at 204-788-8200 or toll-free at 1-888-315-9257 to access their test results.

For more information on COVID-19 in Manitoba, visit <https://manitoba.ca/covid19/index.html>.

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

(This feature will inform readers of a condensed version of events that were in print in the Dufferin Leader from 1921, 1946 and 1971).

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July 27, 1971

July 25 was the Official opening of the Ryall Hotel under new management. Mayor Jenzen cut the ribbon. The new owners are Mr. & Mrs. Bill

Morrison and Mr. & Mrs. Alexander (Sandy) Beattie. Musical entertainment that evening was supplied by members of the Shriners Pipe Band.

A lifelong ambition has been accomplished with a rare collection of antique cars on display at Heamans Antique Autorama, just east of Carman. There are 32 vintage cars on display in a spotlessly clean, well-lighted steel building that was built in 1966 and officially opened in 1967. The collecting of the cars, the restoration and lay out was all done by Mr. & Mrs. Bill Heaman and son George.

Southern Health, the first region in Canada, to Use Blood Wisely

By Becca Myskiw

Southern Health-Santé Sud is the first health region in Canada to receive Using Blood Wisely designation.

Using Blood Wisely is a movement, as described by Dr. Denis Fortier. The designation signifies each transferring facility in Southern Health-Santé Sud meets the national benchmark of blood use.

Fortier said medical professionals, himself included, typically order two units of blood for a patient who requires a transfusion when one unit is often all they need. He said the habit comes from medical school and being in rural Manitoba and ordering more than less to save time in the future.

"Sometimes when you do that you end up wasting blood," he said. "And we don't want to do that cause it's a precious commodity."

Ordering excess blood not only costs money and wastes a high-demand product, but it also wastes human resources. There's nursing time, lab time, transfusion time, transport time, and more for each unit.

Shared Health brought the evidence

that a single unit of blood is just as good to Southern Health's board over a year ago. They had been doing the pilot project in a few hospitals and wanted to add a few in the region, but Southern Health decided to do it in all their hospitals rather than just a few. Now, a year later, the pilot project is over, and Fortier said they found that ordering less blood saves the same number of lives and it saves resources, so they're continuing with it.

"We have policies and procedures created; we're not going to change them," he said. "We'll continue business as usual, and this is our new business as usual."

According to Shared Health, across the region, single-unit transfusions meet the national benchmarks after 90 per cent of the transfusions in June of last year used a single unit of blood. In addition, at Bethesda Hospital between December 2020 and June 2021, the practice resulted in a 40 per cent reduction of blood waste.

Using a single unit of blood instead of two does not change the patient's outcome, said Fortier, as this is prac-



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Southern Health-Santé Sud has been using blood wisely for over a year now, which means they order less instead of more.

tice in non-emergent cases. Instead, shared Health maximizes patient benefits and minimizes transfusion,

reducing the risk of adverse events from it, plus it utilizes the blood supply.

Give them credit...it's been 60 years for local financial institution

By Dennis Young

In search of financial freedom, people came together and changed the way we bank. They pooled their savings and offered loans at reasonable rates to people in their communities. Credit unions were started by people who wanted to help other people achieve a better standard of living, prosper in business, and get their crops in the field.

The first credit union in Manitoba was organized in 1937 by a priest, Father Arthur Benoit, in the French farming community of St. Malo. Like most farmers at the time of the Great Depression, they were suffering. Father Benoit brought them together to help each other financially. The first loan financed the purchase of a cream separator.

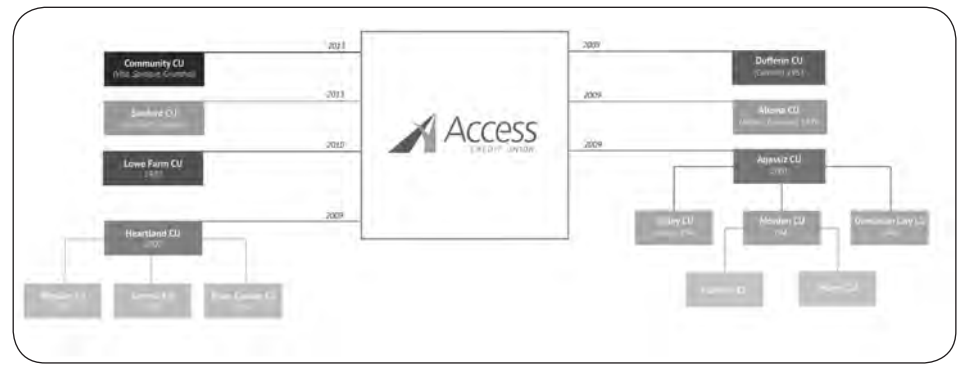
Granted a charter in 1961 and amalgamating in 1964 with the Graysville Credit Union, the Dufferin Credit Union (DCU) opened in a house but showed assets totalling \$186,000 and a membership of 520. Money lodged with them could be placed either into a share capital or on deposit at mem-

ber request. A personal loan and a chequing service were provided as well. Control was vested in a board and loan committee plus a staff of two.

From those humble beginnings, Dufferin Credit Union/Access Credit Union owes its success today to the pioneers who had the foresight to establish a financial institution that shares profits with its members. As well the dedication of those members, past and present, who supported along the way and gave the purpose for existing.

Obviously the branch grew significantly over the next 60 years overcoming many changes and challenges during those times successfully. In 1970 they established themselves downtown in a new building on 1st Avenue (former B.C. Café now Re-Ab Sole to Soul) and assets ballooned to \$1 million. By 1978 with assets accumulated to \$10 million, they relocated across the street (former Marshall Wells property) with another new building.

"In order to keep memberships satisfied, we made sure to be on top of



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Crosstown Civic Credit Union merges with Access Credit Union in 2021.

technological advancements as they became available" offered former teller and General Manager Richard Dyck. "When I started there, I recall huge lineups to cash and deposit cheques. Then by the mid '80s, we did almost everything by computer. Members could see their bank accounts instantly." Offerings we take for granted now, such as using debit cards, direct deposits, ATMs and On-Line Banking, were phased in by DCU.

Richard added "Then in 2001 we bought the Bank of Montreal branch which was a game changer for staff, members and the community. We doubled in size overnight (plus added 4 staff) which allowed us to be much more competitive with our fees and interest rates. This in turn helped us to grow more and our staff expertise grew as well!" Soon more merger talks were just around the corner in 2009.

Joining ACU had its pros and cons. The interest rates had dropped drastically by late 2000s and the margins were very tight. Conversation on amalgamation had already started with three other Credit Unions when DCU was approached.

"It meant losing our autonomy but the new products and services for the members were costly and we could afford them as a part of a larger group. History has proven that it was a great decision!" Richard informed me.

With the closure of the TD Bank next door, ACU decided to purchase the building in 2020.

A test site between Winkler and Morden proved that 91 per cent of transactions are completed through electronics and the remaining nine

per cent are those done in person at the branch.

CEO Larry Davey stated, "As a result we've re-jigged what a branch looks like going into the future. We're just very excited that Carman is going to be the site for our first new type of financial institution. It will look totally different and simply because of the way people bank now is totally different."

Crosstown Civic Credit Union and ACU board of directors announced the approval of their merger on June 25, 2020 following the online and in-branch member vote. The resolution was passed with 77 per cent of the ACU members voting in favour of the amalgamation.

"Based on unaudited financial results as of Dec. 31, 2020, the estimated numbers for the new ACU were over \$5.877 billion in balance sheet assets, 26 branches in Manitoba, more than 89,000 members and more than 400 employees."

ACU believes there's no better place to invest than the communities they serve. That's why every year a portion of profits are used to fund charitable initiatives, sponsorships, scholarships, and other things that help make our neighbourhoods great places to live.

Not only offering funds for the needs of the community but also volunteering and participating in community events. "We had lots of fun with the parades, the Cancer walk, baseball, golf, pancake breakfasts fundraisers etc." former branch manager Tim Doerksen proudly confessed. "Great times with great staff."

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Manitobans break their own recycling rate records

Submitted by Recycle Everywhere

Recycle Everywhere recently completed its annual recovery rate audit and is pleased to announce that in 2020, 71 per cent of all empty beverage containers and 79 per cent of all PET plastic beverage containers sold in the province were recovered.

“Congratulations go out to Manitobans and Recycle Everywhere as we reach this new recycling milestone,” said Sarah Guillemard, Minister of Conservation and Climate. “We are now only four percentage points away from achieving the government-mandated goal of recovering 75 per cent of all empty beverage containers sold in Manitoba. Every container counts. I encourage all Manitobans to ‘help close the loop’ by recycling even more.”

In 2019, the recovery rate for all empty beverage containers and PET plastic beverage containers was 68 per cent and 77 per cent respectively. Year over year, Manitoba’s PET recovery rate is consistently among the highest in Canada.

“Manitobans should be proud of achieving one of the highest PET recovery rates in Canada,” says Ken Friesen, Executive Director of Canadian Beverage Container Recycling Association (CBCRA) and the organization that runs Recycle Everywhere. “By

putting your empty beverage containers into blue bins you are not only diverting waste, but also extending their lifecycle by enabling the materials to come back as new containers or other products.”

Recycle Everywhere has introduced new initiatives to help move the needle as recycling efforts inch closer to the government mandate. An incentive program and mobile app were recently launched in an effort to give back to Manitobans. The program encourages good recycling habits and offers cash and prizes of up to \$25,000. To that end, recently Cynthia Beck received \$25,000, the semi-annual grand prize, for recycling her empty beverage container at a Recycle Everywhere bin in Winnipeg.

The organization also launched a campaign that asks Manitobans to Help Close the Loop – a concept inspired by looking at how recycling plastic fits into the circular economy.

“When it comes to PET plastic bottles, we are focused on seeing the bottles recycled many times, over and over again,” Friesen adds. “That’s the circular economy, which is central to our philosophy and what we need to do in Manitoba to get to 75 per cent.”

The Canadian Beverage Container Recycling Association (CBCRA) is a not-for-profit, industry-funded orga-



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Cynthia Beck received \$25,000, the semi-annual grand prize, for recycling her empty beverage container at a Recycle Everywhere bin.

nization whose membership includes beverage brand owners and distributors. CBCRA implemented and operates the Recycle Everywhere program. Recycle Everywhere strives to educate Manitobans on beverage container recycling and ensure that it is convenient to recycle empty beverage con-

tainers no matter where citizens live, work or play. CBCRA is committed to reaching the government-mandated target of recovering 75% of beverage containers sold in Manitoba. Learn more at recycleeverywhere.ca and cbcra-acrcb.org.

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pretty small.”

They always thought about opening something in the realm of hospitality, said Alvina.

“It’s not just for having a place to sleep, it’s not just about having food, it’s about, you know, relationships,” said Alvina.

The couple plan to extend their deck to create more space for visitors to eat outside, and build a two-car garage with a bathroom facility and shower. They also want to construct a Bunkie, which is a small log cabin with a base of 100 sq. ft. that has a seating area and loft with space for a king-sized bed.

“It’s really meant to be time away, getting away from noise and concrete,” said Alvina.

After working as an independent caterer for 25 years, Alvina has become a Manitoba Country Vacation’s Association member, which allows her to cook meals commercially without an industrial kitchen. One of her dreams is to have people visit their property, walk through the garden and pick out the vegetables they want to include in their dinner, said Alvina.

“I know that when I just cook food

and just make food for people to eat, it’s a good thing,” said Alvina. “But it is not

complete without having also done more than that, more than just the food.”

“They wouldn’t just show up for the food,” said Tim. “It would be for a family, friendly place.”

Allowing visitors to create a connection with the community and the Reimer’s home has been an increasingly important motivation for the project throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, said Alvina.

“Family is really really important to me,” said Alvina, who works part-time with Child and Family Services. “COVID has really brought it out, but we need connection. We need to connect with each other.”

“Nothing replaces that.”

With four children and six grandchildren spread across the continent, the Reimer’s are familiar with having rotating visitors at their home.

“Having four to ten vehicles on our yard and people coming for extended meals or supper evenings is a normal day pre-COVID,” said Tim.

The couple hopes to complete their renovations within a year.

YOU GET TO CHOOSE

In the 1920s, a missionary travelled the remote paths of Northern Saskatchewan on foot to call on homes rarely seeing visitors. This cold November day turned into a white-out snowstorm and the missionary, Percy Wills, found himself lost. With temperatures dropping to -35C, he knew he was at God’s mercy. Collapsing against a log, he cried out to God for help. Within the next few moments, he heard what sounded like horses and a wagon. He called into the night. The wagon stopped, and off jumped my great grandfather, Malcolm Burley, who loaded Percy and took him back to his sawmill. Malcolm invited him into his work shack, shared a meal, and Percy told my grandfather the wonderful story of God’s love and Salvation. That night my great grandfather trusted Jesus as his personal Saviour. This life-changing news was too good to keep quiet about, and so he asked Percy to travel 15 miles to where my great grandmother Carolyn was staying with her parents. Percy trudged off in the morning, and there was joy that evening when the three heard God’s call and decided to trust Christ as their Saviour. Malcolm and Carolyn’s eight children were, by this time, older teens or newly married. While they all heard the gospel message, only Joe received God’s Salvation. One of Joe’s brothers was Fred, my grandfather. Fred provided a loving and caring home for my Dad and his three brothers. Still, it was without prayer or regular Bible reading, but God wasn’t finished with this family. My father, at the age of 21, was given a gospel tract by a workmate, and for the first time in his life he was told he could have his sins forgiven and eternity in Heaven. It wasn’t long before he chose to follow Christ as his Saviour. And so, God’s calling continues, onto me and my siblings, onto my children who have heard the Gospel message and now my grandchildren. They get to choose if they will receive it or not. God forces no one to accept it. The Bible tells us that “many are called but few are chosen.” More simply stated, the “chosen” are those who come when they have been called. God is not willing that any should perish. Have you ever heard God calling? To many, it comes through a happy or tragic life event. It may come through a radio program, a Bible opened in the hotel room, a gospel text hanging from a wall. Maybe it came through Christian parents or a Sunday School teacher that are still praying for you. God is not short of ways to display the message of His saving grace. God also fulfills his promise of Jeremiah 29:13, where He says, “And ye shall seek me, and find me when you search for me with all your heart.” One of the best ways to hear God speaking to us is through the Bible – His Living Word to man. Take your Bible and read the first five chapters of The Gospel of John. Do it more than once. Before you read, pray, “God, if you have something to say to me, I’d like to hear it.” In these chapters, you will discover who God is and the Salvation He offers to all.

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COVID variants shown to pose a challenge to Moderna's vaccine

By Patricia Barrett

The ability of COVID-19 variants to partially escape natural and vaccine-induced immunity is a growing concern around the world, and Moderna is looking at ways to modify and strengthen its vaccine.

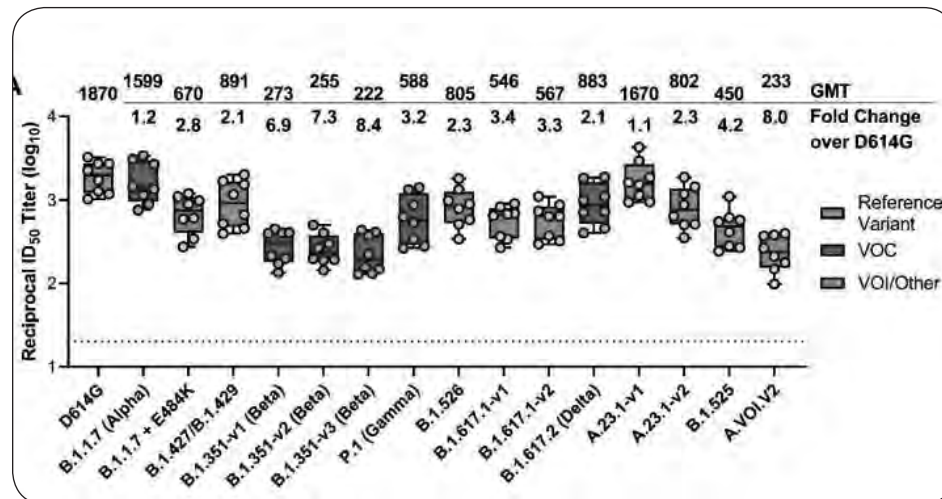
The virus's variants are known to be several times more contagious than the original COVID strain and have more severe health outcomes, including death. They, like the original strain, can be transmitted by people who have no symptoms.

A study carried out by Moderna researchers shows certain variants of concern (VOCs), which are well-established around the world, and variants of interest (VOIs), which have emerged in worrying clusters, are able to get around immune defences induced by the company's mRNA vaccine. That said, the variants studied were still found to be "susceptible" to the vaccine, meaning the vaccine provides protection against serious illness.

The study titled "Serum Neutralizing Activity of mRNA-1273 against SARS-CoV-2 Variants" was published June 28 as an online preprint and has yet to be peer-reviewed for scientific accuracy.

Researchers used the vaccine's known effectiveness against the original strain (also referred to as D614G or the "ancestral" strain or the "wild type" strain) as a comparator when assessing its strength against several VOCs and VOIs. The vaccine is about 95 per cent effective against D614G but was found to be less potent (expressed as an X-fold reduction) against variants in terms of decreased neutralizing antibodies produced by the body.

Using sera (the liquid component of blood) from the same participants the company had enrolled in its Phase 1 clinical trial, Moderna's researchers



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Data from a Moderna-led study show COVID variants' resistance to the company's vaccine. The resistance is expressed as an X-fold reduction compared to the vaccine's effectiveness (95 per cent) against the original COVID strain, which is called D614G. For example, the delta variant (B16172) shows a 2.1-fold reduction compared to D614G. The beta variant (B1351 v.3) shows an 8.4-fold reduction.

measured neutralizing antibodies against the variants a week after the second dose of the two-shot vaccine was administered.

Variants of Concern were found to have a range of resistance to the vaccine. Alpha (B117) showed a 1.2-fold reduction compared to the original strain while delta (B16172) showed a 2.1-fold reduction. The three beta variants (1351 v.1, v.2 and v.3) were even more resistant, showing 6.9-, 7.3- and 8.4-fold reductions respectively. Gamma (P1) showed a 3.2-fold reduction.

Variants of Interest also demonstrated a range of resistance to the vaccine. The kappa variant (B16171) showed a 3.3-3.4-fold reduction compared to the original strain, eta (B1525) showed a 4.2-fold reduction, and iota (B1526) showed a 2.3-fold reduction. The A.VOI.V2 variant (which has multiple spike mutations) showed an 8.0-fold

reduction.

The Manitoba government is tracking and reporting – through its online variant dashboard – cases of the alpha (B117), beta (B1351), gamma (P1) and delta (B16172) variants that are circulating in the province. It also reports case numbers under a variant category called "unspecified."

Moderna's study underscores how important it is for researchers to fine-tune COVID vaccines in order to target existing variants and attempt to prevent new ones from emerging.

"These data emphasize the need to continually assess the ability of mRNA-1273 [the Moderna vaccine] to confer protection against prevalent and emergent VOIs/VOCs," wrote the researchers. "Such data are crucial to inform necessary modifications to COVID-19 mRNA vaccines going forward, which may help to mitigate the ongoing spread of SARS-CoV-2 and

the emergence of new variants."

In a company news release dated June 29, Moderna confirmed that it's pursuing a "clinical development strategy" against COVID as the virus continues to evolve. That strategy includes the development of a multivalent booster.

A multivalent vaccine would have the ability to protect against more than one COVID strain.

Worldwide, over 187 million people have been infected with COVID or its variants and more than 4 million have died (World Health Organization data, July 14). Lately, in the U.K. and Africa, cases and deaths are surging. Spain is imposing curfews in some regions to try to stem a rise in infections.

Because of the virus's ability to kill people and disable economies, several countries, including Canada and Spain, have approved administering different vaccine types (for first and subsequent doses) despite limited scientific data on the safety and efficacy of doing so. That rush to mix vaccines resulted in a warning last week from the World Health Organization's chief scientist Soumya Swaminathan, who called it a "dangerous trend" and a "data-free zone." She later walked back her comments, saying public health authorities should decide on a course of action.

A few preliminary studies on administering a combination of AstraZeneca (viral vector vaccine) and Pfizer-BioNTech (mRNA vaccine) have found no safety concerns. There are no studies as yet on administering a combination of different types of mRNA vaccines such as Pfizer and Moderna, which have the same medicinal ingredient (i.e., mRNA) but different non-medicinal ingredients. Studies on other vaccine brand combinations have yet to be undertaken and/or published.

Easing restrictions could lead to rising accidents: MPI

By Voice staff

With pandemic restrictions easing, more people are back out on Manitoba roadways—and accidents are expected to rise accordingly.

Manitoba Public Insurance reports that the number of fatalities and serious injuries in motor vehicle collisions spiked last summer when public health orders were scaled back between the first and second waves of the pandemic.

As we head into another period of loosened restrictions, they're urging drivers to take extra care.

"While we are all looking forward to getting back to regular summer activities with friends and family, we can't forget about road safety," stressed Sattvir Jatana, MPI's chief customer officer. "The increases in deaths and serious injuries we saw last summer can be avoided if we all commit to making better choices behind the wheel."

In 2020, 29 people were killed on public roadways in August and September—a 79 per cent increase compared to the previous five-year average of 16 fatalities during these two months.

Furthermore, the number of people killed in collisions where distracted driving was a factor (20) quadrupled in those months, while the number of people killed when not wearing a seatbelt (eight) more than doubled.

In 2020, instances of speeding also significantly increased, according to MPI data. Last year, over 500 speed related Serious Offence Notices (issued when someone goes 50 km/h or more over the speed limit) were forwarded to MPI from law enforcement, a 60 per cent increase from the previous year.

"MPI has shared this data with po-

lice agencies throughout our province and they indicated they are prepared to address this potential increase in high-risk driving behavior in a proactive manner," Jatana noted. "But all road users have a role to play in ensuring our highways and streets are safe."

"We encourage all Manitobans to focus on road safety this summer, which means not driving while impaired by drugs or alcohol, keeping speeds within the posted limits, and putting down our phones so our attention is on the road at all times."

RM of Thompson receives \$1.2 million for Miami Active Living Centre

By Becca Myskiw

The Rural Municipality (RM) of Thompson received over \$900,000 from the government to put towards a new Miami Active Living Centre.

Canada and Manitoba are teaming up to invest over \$23 million in 15 infrastructure projects across the province's rural and northern communities. One of those communities is the RM of Thompson, receiving \$492,215 from the federal government and \$410,139 from the provincial government.

Reeve Brian Callum said the project started when former Miami resident Blair Sharpe donated \$328,185, saying he wanted to see the town build something new for the people. In total, they now have \$1,230,539 for the new centre.

The current Miami Active Living Centre, said Callum, is an older building with not-so-easy access. The new one will be built just south of Main Street along the grass strip close to the memory garden. With the increased cost of lumber and building materials, he doesn't know the total cost.

"We just felt that the seniors needed a new spot to go," said Callum. "After a discussion with the community, we decided a new active living centre is what the money would go to."

It will be more than a senior's centre, though. The new building will be a friendship centre, a multi-purpose facility, and a workout gym, something Miami has never had.

"This will give people an opportunity to work out locally," he said. "We're really excited about it."

The new 5,600 square-foot facility has the possibility of opening job opportunities, gives people a new place to host activities and events, and a place to stay active even in the winter months. Callum said they've been working behind the scenes, drawing up the plans for it, and they're hoping to go to the tender within the next month and get building this fall.

He said the whole project is because of Sharpe, and they're very grateful to him for getting it going a few years ago with his donation.

"Anytime you can add a new building or a new service to the town, it's



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Miami residents will have a new active living centre this fall if organizers plans stay on schedule.

good for your town," said Callum. "It gives more options for residents and improves things. We're excited about it for our small community. There are a lot of amenities in Miami, and this adds to it."

Pastry chef enjoying culinary farming adventures on East Coast

By Patricia Barrett

An Arborg pastry chef got a plum job in Prince Edward Island where she works for one of Canada's top chefs and is learning about culinary farming on both land and sea.

Lexi Orbanski, who is well known in the Interlake for stunning cakes that look more like works of art than something you'd want to dismantle with a fork, has been working as a pastry chef at Chef Michael Smith's Inn at Bay Fortune where fresh food from the hotel's farm is the order of the day.

"Almost everything we use in the kitchen is grown on the inn's farm,"

said Orbanski by phone last week. "Every chef working here spends an hour on the farm gathering food for the meals. That's where the freshness and flavour come from."

An advocate for sustainable cooking, Smith is a judge on Chopped Canada and host of Chef Michael's Kitchen, Chef at Home and Chef Abroad on the Food Network Canada. His inn is located in Souris on the northeastern tip of PEI.

While the seaside town may be associated with fish, its name is French for mouse, a nod to centuries past when mice were so plentiful their bodies

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Obanski spent eight hours on the ocean lobster fishing.

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Graham Tkachyk Memorial Golf Tournament raises over \$14,000 for addiction recovery

By Becca Myskiw

The 1st Annual Graham Tkachyk Memorial Golf Tournament raised over \$15,000 for the Bruce Oake Recovery Centre.

Last Friday, over 140 golfers hit the greens at Scotswood Links in memory of Graham and in support of the centre.

Graham struggled with addictions from a young age until he died from an overdose at 36 on Sept. 14, 2020. His sister Tessa Tkachyk organized the golf tournament. She said he was her best friend, and his death was the worst loss she's ever experienced.

About three years ago, Graham went a year sober. He had tried using various clinics and resources to battle his addiction, but they're expensive, inaccessible, and some just don't work. Tessa said she believes the Bruce Oake Recovery Centre would have helped her brother, but he died before it opened.

The Bruce Oake Recovery Centre is a non-profit treatment program in Winnipeg. They offer long-term live-in care with community-based services for anyone seeking recovery.

Damian Morissette, one of Graham's friends, is currently at the centre working on his recovery. He got a day pass to attend the golf tournament in memory of Graham.

The message at Bruce Oake Recovery Centre, he said, is that once you're



Tessa Tkachyk, left, and Damian Morissette who's currently at Bruce Oake Recovery Centre.

done you work with others and pass it on.

"It keeps you healthy," said Morissette. "You're helping somebody else, and it keeps you sober."

He's part of the first group of people to be in the facility. He started on July 5 and is there full-time, working on the 12 steps of sobriety. Currently, he's between steps three and four. He'll be there for a minimum of four months — the longer the stay, the better the chance of long-term recovery, he said.

Morissette said Graham had the biggest heart and would do anything for anybody.



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Graham Tkachyk died of an overdose last September.

"We're just two guys with a problem with very big hearts," he said. "It's too bad he didn't get the help."

Monica Wiebe, Graham's aunt, was also golfing at the tournament with her daughter, Madelyn Melnic, her husband, and her daughter's husband.

"He was such a family guy," said Madelyn Melnic. "He was such a good dad, brother and son, cousin, and nephew. He was all about his family."

Monica Wiebe said they're beyond grateful for the big turnout at Friday's event. She's glad they can give

so much money to such a great cause.

The tournament raised just over \$15,000 for the centre. Tessa is overwhelmed and glad more people will be able to get the help Graham didn't

"Nobody should be ashamed of it," she said.



Tessa Tkachyk organized the 1st Annual Graham Tkachyk Memorial Golf Tournament.



Madelyn Melnic, Graham's cousin, said he was the biggest sweetie.



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Vintage Landscaping celebrating twenty-five years and still growing

By Becca Myskiw

Vintage Landscaping is celebrating 25 years of non-stop action.

Owner Rick Aubin started the business in 1996 after landscaping with Aubin Nurseries came to an end. He wanted a change, so he started working for the Carman Golf and Curling Club, then for a landscaper in Win-

nipeg. Soon enough, he decided to go off on his own and become his boss at Vintage Landscaping.

When Aubin first started the business, plastic edging was huge. It's that black roll of plastic people would often use to separate rocks from grass in their outdoor spaces. Now, Aubin said you don't hear of

anyone wanting the product.

Diamond-shaped patio squares were also all the rage when he started landscaping. Unfortunately, they were big and clunky and didn't keep the weeds or bugs from sprouting up in between them. Today, the common patio stones are a lot smaller, and Aubin covers them with polymeric

sand, which goes into the cracks and keeps out ants, weeds, and frost.

"Patios nowadays withstand a lot better," said Aubin.

He said the town sidewalks that were recently ripped up were in the shape they were because polymeric sand wasn't available when they were put in.

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But patios aren't all Vintage Landscaping does — and there's more to the business than levelling out the ground. Aubin does soil, sod, grass seed, fertilization, aeration, flower bed installation, tree planting, spring and fall cleanup, garden grading, bubble rock, waterfalls, streams and ponds, irrigation, retaining walls, brick edging, and much more.

His favourite part about the job is seeing the transformation he created after a long day's work. He's turned bare yards into a serene outdoor space, added sidewalks around houses, and gave homes a pop of

colour by adding flower beds.

"It's very satisfying," he said. "It makes me very proud."

The only thing that can dampen his mood or get in his way is the weather, but Aubin said he doesn't let the rain bother him these days because he knows it's needed.

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Where are they now? Catching up with Buddy Voth

By Dennis Young

This feature will attempt to renew some acquaintances with those who called Carman and surrounding towns home at one time or another. I have randomly selected people to answer questions of their past and present so the readers can be brought up to speed on their lives.

Firstly, let's get familiar with you again. When did you live in Carman?

Our family moved to Carman when I was about three years old in 1968.

Did you attend school here?

After grade 1, we moved to Roland where Dad was the Principal and Mom taught. After 2 years in Roland, we moved back to Carman for Elementary and Carman Collegiate where I graduated in 1983.

What did you do for jobs as a student?

My first job was a paperboy then at Aubin's I spent nine hours in the middle of a field hoeing rows and rows of trees. I think the last job I had was with the Carman Kinsmen and the Recreation Department helping get the fairgrounds and Kin booth ready for the fair.

What activities did you participate in as a student?

In fall sports included soccer, volleyball and running cross-country. In winter it was hockey, basketball, and badminton. Then in the spring my focus was on running track and playing baseball.

What were some of the highlights individually and team-wise of your High School sports experience?

My grade 12 year was the best year when we swept Winkler in Zone 4 hockey and won it in our home barn. On an individual note, I broke all the



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Buddy Voth and his wife Rebekah.

Collegiate, Zone 4, and Provincial B track records in both the 800m and 1,500m. And then went on to win both events at Provincial A's and qualified for the Canadian Junior Nationals in Montreal. Later that

summer I was selected to represent Manitoba at the Western Canada Summer Games in Calgary.

Does your family still live here? Who and what did they do for a living?

My parents Hermann and Mary Voth still live there. Dad taught high school and had a short two year stint as an elementary school principal in Roland but his real interest lay in business. He made a career change in the mid-70's to become a life insurance agent and investment planner. Mom on the other hand says she's retired from teaching but I think she still substitutes. As for my siblings, Sandra lives in Lethbridge, Donna in Edmonton and my brother Jo lives in Abbotsford.

What was your chosen career after high school?

Because of the success I had running track, I ended up taking a scholarship offer from University of Manitoba. I graduated with a Bachelor's of Physical Education (1987) and an Education degree (1990). In 1990-91 I got hired to teach phys-ed in Lorette and then retired from teaching all in the same year.

What else have you done career wise, where and how long?

I finished 4th at the 1988 Olympic trials in the 3000-meter steeplechase. To gain some international experience for the 1992 trials, I competed in Eastern Europe for a month but missed making that team. I was accepted into the National Coaching Institute on a one-year diploma program and after graduating, the University of Victoria hired me on

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Unite 150 announces artist lineup for free live-streamed event

By Jennifer McFee

Unite 150 plans to bring together an impressive lineup of Manitoba talent for a free live-streamed event next month.

On Saturday, Aug. 28, the Manitoba 150 event will be live streamed through CTV Winnipeg.

The event was originally planned as a free all-day live concert on the Manitoba legislature grounds, but the pandemic pushed those plans back to the drawing board.

Instead, the long-anticipated concert will be moved to Shaw Park in Winnipeg, where limited admission will be available to fully vaccinated audience members. This venue will allow for contact tracing and adherence to current health and safety regulations.

In an effort to increase the live audience capacity, Unite 150 will feature two separate shows, with one scheduled for the afternoon and the other for the evening. The venue will be cleaned during intermission.

A limited number of tickets will be available for those interested in attending the live taping at a cost of \$4.99 each. Funds will be donated to the Manitoba



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Bachman Turner and Burton Cummings will be together again live in concert celebrating the music of the Guess Who on Aug. 28.

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The capacity is still being determined, but organizers expect that it will be capped at about 6,000 attendees per show.

The afternoon show will start at noon, hosted by Tom Jackson and Jocelyne Baribeau. Chantal Kreviazuk with the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra will headline the concert. Other performers include William Prince, Fred Penner, Tal Bachman, Andrina Turenne, Rainbow Stage's MA-BUHAY!, Red Moon Road, Jocelyn Gould and Indian City.

The evening show will start at 6:30 p.m., hosted by Ace Burpee and Laura Lussier. Bachman Cummings will headline the concert, which will also feature Tom Cochrane, Begonia, Doc Walker featuring Sierra Noble, Tom Jackson, The Lytics, Sebastian Gaskin, Kelly Bado and The Manitoba Youth Chorus.

A series of short videos on Manitoba and its history will be interspersed throughout the performances.

Tickets will become available at Ticketmaster.ca on Aug. 10 at 10 a.m. The live stream of the Unite 150 concert, which is presented by Bell MTS with support from the provincial and federal governments, will be available to view through CTV Winnipeg at manitoba150.com.

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as an assistant track coach.

In 1994 I got a call from my good friend and NHL'er Ed Belfour. He needed someone in Chicago as his office manager/agent, sports marketer, personal assistant and training partner. Together we ran Eagle Enterprises until 2002 when I transitioned out.

What do you do now? (2002 to present)

I have my own business as a real estate investor. I use a variety of strategies as an investor, including fixing and flipping, but mostly I buy and hold (rent) properties for monthly cash flow. I focus on single family residential property, within a 1-hour radius of downtown Dallas.

What passes your leisure time? Hobbies? Sports?

I play golf and I used to play in a Dallas men's hockey league. I get out and walk our dogs at least an hour every morning. And my wife and I have a couple of mountain bikes that we use to trail ride.

Where did you meet your spouse?

I met my wife Rebekah in Dallas but she grew up in a small town in Oklahoma. She's an entrepreneur at heart, having a passion for building and designing homes.

Did you raise any children there or where?

I don't have any kids of my own but two step sons both of which are in their mid-twenties living in Little Rock, AR.

What are some of your fondest memories of your Carman days?

We had a community with parents

and teachers that gave of themselves and their time to coach us, drive us to and from activities and invest in us as people. Plus for those of you who don't recognize my name, I am that guy who raced the horse during the 1989 Carman Fair. "Man vs. Horse" captured a lot of people's attention

and the old wooden grand stands were packed.

Do you ever return to Carman?

I try to get back and visit once or twice a year. A white Christmas "Carman-style" has been a staple for me. I usually get back sometime in the summer to play some golf with family and friends.

Any last words for our readers?

I can't think of a better community to grow up in a town just big enough that we had all the great recreational facilities a kid could want. It was safe as you could ride your bike around town - care free.

If you would like to reach out to Buddy, email denjohnyoung@gmail.com and I will share your contact.

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were said to fill the harbour. Now it's tourists in steady supply.

The upscale inn has an eight-acre organic farm, which produces over 200 fruits, vegetables, herbs and edible flowers for its restaurant. Freshly caught seafood is also on the menu.

"Farm-to-table is definitely becoming more of a trend, but [the Smiths] have been doing this at the inn since Day 1 with their farm," said Orbanski, who graduated with honours from a pastry arts program in Toronto and continued to operate Lexi Lynn Cakes, a business she started in high school.

Not only has she been able to learn about the role of organic farmer in PEI, but she also got to try her hand at lobster fishing, discovering she has sea legs.

"We got to go out on a lobster fishing boat with the lobsterman who supplies the inn," said Orbanski. "I spent eight hours on the ocean. We pulled up lobster traps, put elastic bands on their claws and helped sort them. It was a really cool experience and super interesting."

In addition to fruits and vegetables, the inn raises chickens for eggs and pigs which will be "on the menu next year," said Orbanski. Anything it can't grow is purchased from local farms.

Orbanski said she saw Smith's job posting and applied. Although she landed the post in 2020, COVID-19 outbreaks across the country kept her in Arborg until this spring.

"I drove to PEI in April," said Orbanski. "It's about 3,600 kilometres from Arborg. It was a pretty long drive. I did a two-week quarantine here, and now I've been here for almost three months."

Orbanski said although she's new to fine-dining, plated desserts, she has been given "lots of creative freedom" to build on ideas (usually based on what's in season) the head pastry chef comes up with, and collaborates with the pastry team. One of the inn's desserts is the aptly named Quarantine Tart, featuring blueberries and lemon cheese cake. Currently, it's strawberry season so the inn is offering a dessert based on that. Hascap berries [blue honeysuckle] will be next.

The inn provides living quarters for its chefs and encourages them to explore on days off, she said.

"It feels like home here, I guess because I'm in a small town and everyone is so friendly," said Orbanski. "And it's so beautiful. The farmland looks like Manitoba, but turn around and you've got the ocean. It hasn't



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Arborg's Orbanski landed a job working alongside Chopped Canada and host of Chef Michael's Kitchen Chef at Home and Chef Abroad on the Food Network Canada at the Inn at Bay Fortune in PEI.



been hard getting used to living out here."



Lexi Orbanski spends an hour on the farm gathering food for the meals daily.

Because the inn is open only between May and October's end, Orbanski said she'll have to find a new situation for six months. But she wants to return next spring and learn more about the business.

Orbanski's pastry adventures can be found on her Instagram page or Lexi Lynn Cakes on Facebook.

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Valley Fiber Limited is a locally owned and operated technology firm based out of Winkler, MB. The ever-growing need for fast and reliable telecommunications has spurred innovation. To continue this innovation, Valley Fiber in partnership with the RM of Grey, is proposing to construct a 58m tower in Fannystelle. The Tower will support communication equipment and all Transport Canada required lighting. The tower will require a small 3.6m x 4.2m ancillary building at the base of the tower. Based on a review by Valley Fiber, there were no available existing location or facilities that would suit the project requirements. Valley Fiber is inviting the public to comment on the proposed tower location prior to **August 28, 2021**.

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MJHL hosts U18/U16 Prospects Camp

Staff

The MJHL #ProtectMB U18/U16 Prospect Development Camp wrapped up at the Seven Oaks Sportsplex in Winnipeg.

U16 groups, made up of elite Manitoba players born in 2006 who are eligible for the 2022 MJHL Draft, checked-in last Wednesday with daily on and off-ice activities taking place until Saturday.

U18 groups, made up of elite MJHL Prospects from Manitoba born in 2004

and/or 2005, checked-in on Thursday with daily on and off-ice activities taking place until Sunday.

The main goal of the camp was to help prepare players on and off the ice for the upcoming season, what it takes to be successful in the MJHL and what it takes to get to the next level (NCAA, WHL, USports, NHL).

Camp activities emphasized the elements these players need to focus on to transition successfully from elite minor hockey to elite Junior "A"

hockey. The camp also provided players with an important opportunity to return to organized hockey activities in a professional, safe, and fun environment.

Players received both on and off-ice skill development led by experienced professionals and high-level hockey players. The on-ice program consisted of practice and skill development group sessions, and the off-ice portion covered elements related to athleticism and mental skills, as well

as the technical and tactical skills required to play in the Manitoba Junior Hockey League.

Interlake Lightning players invited to the U18 camp included goaltender Dawson Cowan, defenceman Austin Lourenco, and forward Hayden Wheddon.

Invited to the U16 camp were Interlake goaltender Alex Myers and forward Brandon Burak.

Program of Excellence Summer Camps to take place Aug. 13-15

From Hockey Manitoba's website

Hockey Manitoba is pleased to announce that the Program of Excellence (POE) Summer Camps for the Female U18 and Male U16 programs are scheduled to take place from Aug. 13-15 at the Bell MTS Iceplex.

The 2021 Program of Excellence will be invitation only. Invited players will be notified via email with full details on registration and cost. On-ice activities will be dependent on public health orders at that time.

The summer camps will be the first step in the evaluation process for the 2021 POE. Players that are ultimately selected to represent Team Manitoba will compete at the 2021 National Women's U18 Championship and the 2021 Western Hockey League (WHL) U16 Cup.

Male U16 POE Eligibility/Selection

Athletes are selected utilizing a network of scouts (WHL/MJHL) designated by Hockey Manitoba.

Athletes for the 2021 U16 Program of Excellence must be male and must be born between Jan 1, 2006 and Dec 31, 2006.

For an athlete to be eligible for selection into POE they must be a permanent resident of Manitoba and be registered with a sanctioned program within Hockey Manitoba (AAA, AA, A or Sport School) or Hockey Canada/USA Hockey sanctioned programs.

Female U18 POE Eligibility/Selection

Athletes are selected by Hockey Manitoba utilizing scouting information from Hockey Canada, Hockey Manitoba scouting staff and club team coaching staffs.

Athletes for the 2021 Female Pro-

gram of Excellence must have been born between Jan 1, 2004 and Dec 31, 2005. For an athlete to be eligible for selection into POE they must be registered with a sanctioned program within Hockey Manitoba (AAA, AA, A or Sport School) or Hockey Canada/USA Hockey sanction programs.

Athletes that participate in the WWHSHL are ineligible for the Female Program of Excellence unless they are also registered to a sanctioned minor hockey program.

While there have been positive changes within the Manitoba Public Health orders in recent days, the 2021 Program of Excellence will be significantly different than the usual program format. Hockey Manitoba realizes that athletes have had limited, or in some cases, no access to ice time for the better part of the past 15 months.

As a result, the circumstances surrounding the 2021 Program of Excellence are not ideal when it comes to the selection of athletes. Despite these difficult circumstances, Hockey Manitoba is committed to doing its due diligence when it comes to all decisions related to player selection and evaluation.

Hockey Manitoba is pleased to recognize CCM Hockey and the Western Hockey League as official partners of the Program of Excellence, along with Gatorade as the Official Sport Drink of Hockey Manitoba. The POE is Hockey Manitoba's high-performance program that offers developing athletes who are on track to be elite with the opportunity to represent their province while providing a solid development path to the national and international stages.

Carman Cardinals defeat the Mud Hens

By Jack Pethybridge

After a tough 7-0 loss in Altona on July 20, the Cardinals returned home to host the league-leading Morden Mud Hens last Friday.

After scoring four runs in the first inning, the Cardinals were on their way to an 8-6 victory. Kevin Dunn pitched the first six innings followed by Brent Dunn in the seventh to secure the win.

The Cardinals belted out 16 hits in the contest.

Carman will begin a three-game homestand starting next Tuesday versus Morden. The Cardinals will host Altona on Aug. 6. The Baldur Regals will then visit the Cardinals at 2 p.m. on Aug. 8.

The Tuesday and Friday games are at 7 p.m. You can not only enjoy great baseball but also have a chance to win the 50/50 plus additional prizes.

Hope to see everyone at the ballpark.

Carman's Sullivan places second at St. Boniface

Staff

The Maple Leaf Junior Tour's Manitoba Series at the St. Boniface Golf Club last week needed a playoff to decide a winner.

Jordon McDonald of Winnipeg needed the playoff to beat Samuel Sullivan of Carman to win the Junior Boys' division. Both golfers finished 36 holes of play at 150.

Hayden Delaloye of Neepawa and Austin Boge of Winnipeg also ended up at 150 in the Juvenile Boys' divi-

sion. Delaloye prevailed in the playoff.

Brayden Boge of Winnipeg also needed a playoff to edge out Terence Rafferty in the Bantam Boys' division after both players finished at 158.

Hudson Hunnie of Winnipeg won the PeeWee Boys' division by 20 strokes over Mason Chubey, also of Winnipeg.

Elle Wood is the 15-19 Girls champion following an eight-stroke victory over Annika Russel, both of Winnipeg.

Elm Creek hockey player invited to Hockey Canada summer camp

By Becca Myskiw

What started as the “Canadian way” has led Corinne Schroeder to be invited to Hockey Canada’s National Women’s Development Team Summer Camp.

Schroeder laced up her first pair of skates when she was three years old. From there, her parents put a hockey stick in her hand, and it was love at first sight. She said she tried other sports while growing up but didn’t like any sport as much as hockey — so she stuck with it.

While playing in her hometown of Elm Creek at around eight years old, Schroeder started taking her turn playing in net. By the time she was 12, she had made it a full-time position.

“I think I was pretty good at it,” she said. “When people are like, ‘you did really well,’ it’s a good confidence booster.”

Soon enough, she was playing for the female team in Carman, then the AAA Pembina Valley Hawks, and the Carman Cougars. Then, when Schroeder was in Grade 11, she went to Balmoral Hall and played for their prep team, which she said gave her good exposure throughout Canada and the USA.

Following her high school graduation, she was recruited by Boston University and had been goaltending for their hockey team for the past four years. Unfortunately, the COVID-19 pandemic hit and slowed down her previous season, but because of that, the National College Athletic Association (NCAA) has given everyone an extra

year of eligibility.

Schroeder graduated this year from Boston University with a dual degree in psychology and health sciences and a minor in human physiology, so she’s spending her last year in post-secondary at Quinnipiac University, doing a Master of Business Administration in one year rather than two. She’ll also be playing for their hockey team.

Each year at Boston University, her save percentage was over 90 per cent. In the 2019-20 season, it was at its highest with .943. She was National Goaltender of the Month in October of 2019 and December of 2018, on the National Goaltender of the Year Award WATCH LIST in 2020-21, and has a few all-star titles to her name.

Along with her busy university career, Schroeder is now making time to go to Hockey Canada’s National Women’s Development Team Summer Camp. She started playing with Hockey Canada when she was 16 at the U18 camp. Until then, she said, she didn’t think going to the Olympics was a realistic goal.

“I think in the end I’ve always dreamed of going to the Olympics,” she said. “It’s a good dream to have, we’re women, we don’t play in the NHL, the odds of making money are pretty low. But it didn’t become an actual dream or reality until I was first invited to a camp and figured it’s possible.”

Schroeder hopes she’ll get to the Olympics one day, but she’s focused on her studies and playing college hockey for now.



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Corinne Schroeder from Elm Creek has been invited to Hockey Canada’s National Women’s Development Team Summer Camp.

Canad Inns Mixed Doubles Curling Trials to be played in Portage la Prairie

Curling Canada

Canada’s quest for back-to-back gold medals in Olympic mixed doubles curling will begin in Portage la Prairie. The announcement was made last week by Curling Canada.

The Canad Inns Canadian Mixed Doubles Curling Trials will be played Dec. 28 to Jan. 2 at Stride Place in Portage la Prairie, and will determine the pairing who will represent Canada in mixed doubles curling at the 2022 Winter Olympics in Beijing.

“Portage la Prairie did a superb job hosting the first Canad Inns Canadian Mixed Doubles Trials four years ago, so it was an easy decision to bring the event back to Stride Place,” said Amy Nixon, Chair of Curling Canada’s Board of Governors. “Portage la Prairie has proven repeatedly that it can put on top-calibre curling championships, and I’m positive the city will show its support for these Olympic hopefuls.”

Four years ago, at the inaugural Canad Inns Canadian Mixed Doubles Trials in Portage, Kaitlyn Lawes and John Morris prevailed, and then went on to claim gold at the 2018 Winter Olympics in Pyeongchang, South Korea, where mixed doubles curling made its debut as an Olympic medal sport.

“The City of Portage la Prairie is very excited to be hosting this world-class event at Stride Place. We look forward to welcoming curling fans and curlers from across Canada in December,” said Portage la Prairie Mayor Irvine Ferris.

Sixteen teams will be competing in Portage la Prairie, and six have already qualified, including the top two finishers at the 2021 Home Hardware Cana-

dian Mixed Doubles Championship, presented by Nature’s Bounty Vitamins — gold-medallists Kerri Einarson and Brad Gushue and silver-medallists Kadriana Sahaidak and Colton Lott.

Also in the field are the top four finishers (as of May 1, 2020) in the 2019-20 Canadian Mixed Doubles Rankings: Jocelyn Peterman and Brett Gallant, Jennifer Jones and Brent Laing, Nancy Martin and Tyrel Griffith, and Rachel Homan and John Morris.

“Canad Inns is a Manitoba Owned, Manitoba Grown and Manitoba Proud company. And what can be more Manitoban than curling,” said Dan Lussier, CEO for Canad Inns. “We are thrilled and honoured to be the Title Sponsor of the Mixed Doubles Curling Trials once again. The City of Portage la Prairie and its residents have a proven track record of hosting large sporting events and we know that they will put on a world-class event. In 2018, Manitoba’s own Kaitlyn Lawes and John Morris won the Trials and went on to win Olympic gold. We know whoever wins this year’s Trials, will be great ambassadors for Canada at the 2022 Olympics and we wish all teams a great bonspiel.”

A fourth-place finish by Einarson and Gushue at the 2021 World Mixed Doubles Championship last month in Aberdeen, Scotland, clinched Canada’s berth in the 10-team mixed doubles field in Beijing.

“I’m not sure Canadian curling fans realize just what an amazing accomplishment that was by Kerri and Brad in Aberdeen,” said Scott Pfeifer, national mixed doubles coach for Curling Canada. “They were both exhausted from spending so much time in the bubble in Calgary, away from friends and

family, and went to Scotland under an immense amount of pressure to secure our Olympic berth. It was a performance Canada should be proud of.”

The event will follow the 2021 Tim Hortons Canadian Curling Trials in Saskatoon, where Canada’s four-player men’s and women’s teams for Beijing will be decided. Members of Canada’s Olympic four-player teams won’t be eligible to compete in the Canad Inns Canadian Mixed Doubles Trials because of the rigours of the Olympic curling schedule.

“It seems that curling fans and volunteers in Manitoba step up every four years for events such as the 2013 Tim Hortons Roar of the Rings in Winnipeg and the 2018 Canad Inns Canadian Mixed Doubles Trials, and we all know what the winning teams did in both Sochi and Pyeongchang,” said Craig Baker, Executive Director of CurlManitoba. “We hope Manitoba continues to provide our Canadian team with a bit of luck heading into what is sure to be a thrilling curling season. We’re proud that our province will be part of the excitement.”

Stride Place, which opened in 2010, has 1,675 seats in its main arena, and is home to the Manitoba Junior Hockey League’s Portage Terriers.

“In 2018 our city became part of history as the first to host a Canadian mixed doubles trials event and we can’t wait to continue that legacy in 2022,” said host committee chair Rob Gemmell. “Our community is passionate about curling and we’ll be proud to once again say that Team Canada’s path to the mixed doubles curling podium begins in Portage la Prairie.”

The Manitoba 55+ Games have been extended through the rest of the summer

By Sydney Lockhart

The Manitoba 55+ Games is usually a three-day event. But this year, because of COVID restrictions, they have morphed into a virtual summer-long activity challenge for those wanting to participate and stay active throughout the warm season.

"That was pretty exciting basically we are about halfway through now," said Karyn Heidrick, the Manitoba 55+ Games coordinator, "We wanted to be able to give seniors at least something that they could look forward to and stay connected to the Games and to each other because a lot of them are friends and they see each other, year after year."

The Games usually gather approximately 800 to 1,000 participants in a Manitoba community. Communities bid to be the host of the Games, but due to the pandemic they have not been able to do that the past few years. As a result, the 2020 Games were outright cancelled with the risk of COVID-19 too high.

"We still want anyone who is interested to be able to sign up, because we still have a lot of summer to go in Manitoba, we kind of like to get every inch of summer out of that we can," said Heidrick.

By keeping track of activities as a registered participant, prizes can be awarded at the end of the Games, things such as walking poles, exercise bands, and gift certificates. All events are done virtually by participants tracking their own activity, preventing travel during the pandemic.

"It's really interesting to see the participants that have already signed up. What they've been doing is challenging their friends or their relatives or their neighbors to some friendly competition," she said.

Participants such as 82-year-old Ida Theodore from Swan River participate every year. Although Theodore has played golf in all but one 55+ Games since she became eligible to participate, she has been golfing almost every day this month to participate in the games.

The Games started in 1983 and have aimed to keep seniors healthy and active through sport and community. Some of the oldest participants are in their 90s. The Manitoba-wide competition includes walking, running, cycling, golfing, bocce ball, pickleball and many more.

Manitoba 55+ Games is asking that participants submit stories and photos of their virtual experience this year to



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Ida Theodore taking part in the Manitoba 55+ Games virtually this year.

share them within their community. found at <https://sirlibrary.com>. To sign up, visit activeagingmb.ca

Flyers add new goaltending coach, personnel director

Staff

The Winkler Flyers are still on the hunt for a new coach, but in the meantime they're rounding out their behind-the-scenes staff.

The junior team announced last week that Jesse Deckert is coming on board as goaltending coach and Riley Dudar is stepping into the role of director of player personnel.

Deckert is from Winnipeg and comes to the role with extensive experience in both the sport and the position of goalie.

"Jesse brings a wealth of knowledge in respect to all aspects of goaltending and we feel fortunate to have him come on board," says general manager Justin Falk.

Deckert played five years of WHL hockey for Regina, Tri-City, and Prince Albert, before playing four years with the University of Manitoba Bisons.

He has also attended two NHL training camps and finished his career with stints in the ECHL and AHL.

"I'm honoured to be a part of the Flyers organization and the community of Winkler," Deckert said. "Working with Justin and Riley, who I feel are two of the most passionate, brightest hockey minds in Manitoba, was a no-

brainer and I can't wait to get started."

Also hailing from Winnipeg, Dudar brings over 15 years of experience in development, mentorship, high-level training, and the promotion of athletes through many Hockey Canada Skills and Hockey Manitoba programs.

"We are thrilled to have Riley on board as we continue our goal of success and development of players within a winning junior program," said Falk. "Riley's knowledge and expertise in the identification of potential players and prospects that align with the Flyers criteria will prove to be a perfect fit for our organization."

After stints in the BCHL, SIJHL, and MHL Dudar went on play five years with the University of Manitoba. He followed that up by serving as assistant coach at the university while also playing with the Winkler Royals of the SEMHL.

Dudar is eager to get to work with the Flyers.

"I'm really looking forward to joining an organization that has so many fantastic people who will work together to build a championship caliber team in the Winkler community," he said.



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Joining the Flyers behind-the-scenes this season are Riley Dudar (left) and Jesse Deckert.

"The opportunity to work alongside a like-minded person in Justin is something that doesn't come around too often and I'm humbled and honored for the opportunity to identify and develop the next wave of talent for the Flyers."

Dudar's duties will consist of leading a scouting team in the drafting and recruitment of future players as well as the overall enhancement of the Flyers' 50 man list.

Twenty years of healing for Boundary Trails Health Centre

By Lorne Stelmach

Over the last two decades, the Boundary Trails Health Centre has continually evolved and grown further into the regional hospital it was first envisioned to be.

Even when the state-of-the-art facility opened in May 2001, though, many already could foresee the need for expansion that now faces the hospital in its 20th year.

"I think we have the ear of government, and I think they understand the need ... I do want to see it get done," Dr. Don Klassen said recently as a number of health care staff who go back to the days of the Morden and Winkler hospitals paused to reflect as BTHC hit the milestone.

"I believe it will enable us to bring even better service to our communities and those around us," said Sandi Funk, who works in diagnostics and who started in Winkler's Bethel Hospital back in 1992.

"I thought it would be bigger by now. I never had a standstill vision for Boundary," added RN Linda Buhr. "I thought in 20 years it would be twice the size. We do almost twice the work, but we're not twice the size."

Years of discussion and planning had to happen before the regional hospital was completed at a cost of about \$37 million, with the surrounding municipalities contributing about \$3 million. Built with 94 beds, however, the hospital opened with fewer beds than what had been proposed at first.

Klassen, who came to Winkler in 1978, recalled discussions back then about what it would be like to have a joint hospital for the two growing communities; it only became a reality 23 years later.

"We did have a long history of working quite well between the two hospitals. While we each worked in our own little corners, much of the time we would talk to each other," he recalled. "We planned out a new hospital together.

"We laid the groundwork for a long time. There came a point, with the two boards at each of the hospitals, when they began to see the wisdom of this, began to persuade the political leaders of the communities. They came to realize that as long as each advocated for their own expansion ... it was un-



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The Boundary Trails Health Centre has been serving the region for 20 years.

likely to happen."

Cindy Hunter, who started in the Morden hospital in 1981 and was at Winkler's for about 18 months before moving over to BTHC, recalled some of the challenges that were faced with the two facilities.

"It was frustrating and it was interesting. Morden had the emergency and Winkler had the surgical program, so patients from Winkler would come to Morden emergency, and if they needed to be admitted, we needed to get hold of a doctor in Winkler to send them back to Winkler to be admitted if they were a Winkler patient," she said.

Funk, who also started at Bethel in reception

before moving over to diagnostics, recalled another challenging task at the time.

"We started purging medical charts. We were not going to have enough room for all the patient charts with all the old ones from Morden and Winkler," she said.

"I was very excited to be in on all this; it was exciting that we were going to have a brand new building," Funk said. "Everybody was working towards that common goal ... and the transition all went very smoothly."

Fellow former Bethel Hospital worker Buhr remembered how well the staff pulled together with the opening of BTHC.

"They turned out to be an absolutely amazing team. It took a lot of hard work from everyone," she said. "There was so much orientation, and the public was so eager to see it. We conducted so many tours for weeks in a row.

"It was a very exciting time ... and the day that we actually moved, that day is really, really a strong memory ... Eileen [Vodden, director] made sure that all the patients from Morden were delivered safely to Boundary Trails, and I was responsible for Bethel.

"Everything was going very smoothly ... all of a sudden, I found myself to be the last person in Bethel Hospital ... I walked through, and all of the memories of that place just came over me, it makes me emotional even now when I think about it.

"Then here's this beautiful new building ... and within an hour of opening, we had a baby," Buhr recalled. "We were still transferring patients when that happened."

There were a lot of moving parts required to transition two hospitals into one.

"All of the ambulances that we could possibly recruit went to Morden and began delivering patients in the morning, and the Bethel patients came in the afternoon," said Klassen.

"Every patient that came over had a health care escort," added Hunter.

"The move was very well planned ... we closed it down ward by ward, and we had four of the community handivans from around the district. I was actually one of the handivan drivers because I was off that day."

Other challenges revolved around then having staff from two hospitals with different ways of doing things unite.

"Many people said to me, 'Isn't it nice that you have this nice new hospital?' And my thought was, 'Yes, it's wonderful, a great new building, but it's only a building, and it's so dependent on the people,'" Klassen said.

"Sometimes you would be on a ward ... you might hear staff who had been at Morden hospital say, 'We always

used to do it this way in Morden' or somebody else might say 'We always did it this way at Bethel' ... I interrupted that conversation and I said, 'Yeah, okay, but how are we going to do it at Boundary Trails?'

"I think the two teams came together wonderfully, not without some hitches and not without a lot of hard work."

"The one thing that always resonated in my mind was Winkler had a different start time than what we had [in Morden]," said Hunter. "But the nurses all said we're not going to decide because we're not going to pit Morden against Winkler. They wanted to amalgamate, and they wanted to get along. We were very short staffed in nursing in those days and we just wanted to get into a building where we had enough bodies."

CONTINUAL GROWTH

Over the past 20 years, the hospital has come a long way, especially in adding more vital services such as the MRI centre and more recently the helipad.

There's also been a fair bit of growing pains as the facility tries to keep up with the needs of a booming region.

Early on, there was one general and one orthopedic surgeon and perhaps 28 procedures done in a year. Today, BTHC has 13 surgeons and does about 500 procedures in orthopedics.

Likewise, the amount of baby deliveries has at least doubled to upwards of a thousand in the last few years.

Dr. Klassen noted that every department has expanded, including chemotherapy, which he suggested has perhaps tripled the number of visits. The emergency room alone sees

Health Centre more than ready for an expansion

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around 20,000 patients a year.

"We have three ORs that, except for the interruptions caused by COVID in the past year, are busy three days a week," he said.

Buhr also noted services like the MRI and ultrasound run long days and even late into the evening hours.

"People have really learned to appreciate the fact that there's so many services they don't have to travel to Winnipeg for anymore," she said. "Rural Manitoba has always gone to Winnipeg for everything, but suddenly you had all of this service ... it's really evolved."

"They do like the convenience of coming to Boundary Trails ... wherever they're coming from—some are

coming from quite far away," agreed Klassen.

"It's exciting to have all these services close to home," added Funk. "I would say the biggest change definitely has been the growth of the diagnostics department ... we started out with five or six of us, it was a very small department ... we're at more than 20 people now working in this department ... it's really grown."

"It's brought about different ways of doing things," she continued. "As our department grew, the jobs became more specialized ... we all know a few desks in the department so that we can cover for each other."

"But we've taken over spaces that weren't originally intended for di-

agnostics ... the shared waiting room with the ACC [ambulatory care clinic] department isn't big enough ... space is a huge issue," Funk noted. "With the growth of our department, we've been able to attract more radiologists ... that's a lot of radiologists for a hospital of our size."

"The demand for services has definitely increased tenfold," said Hunter. "When you think we opened the building with one surgeon ... a lot of the focus has gone from people being admitted for surgical procedures to them being converted to same day surgeries."

"We're on call seven days a week now compared to when we used to only be on call on weekends for same day surgeries."

"I always find it interesting to look at the demographic of where they're coming from ... we get a lot from word of mouth as well," said Hunter. "And the emergency department ... I know at one time they said our numbers were higher than Grace Hospital [in Winnipeg]."

Now, of course, while already being pressed to capacity, the past year has seen the pandemic pose another whole set of challenges, but staff have done their best and remained dedicated.

"That's been really tested in the last year and a half with COVID," said Hunter. "I have to say that COVID has been the biggest challenge in my nursing career ... it changed every day, and the dynamics of it changed every day. What bothers nurses the most during COVID has been the lack of ability to connect with their patients

because that's what nursing is really about."

"I found it very surreal in the beginning," reflected Funk. "Normally, it's a very busy place, but elective surgeries, diagnostic exams, anything elective was all cancelled."

"It was very quiet in the hospital. It was very strange," she continued. "The seating areas and the cafeteria and the waiting rooms had to be reduced, more than once ... I felt safe being able to go to work, then as more and more restrictions came into place, it became more stressful. It's been stressful ... I think we're seeing the end of the tunnel now."

LOOKING AHEAD

As the hospital continues to emerge from the pandemic, its staff hope that there can be renewed focus on moving ahead with expansion to meet the growing needs.

"One of the things I would have on my wish list too is a properly designated place for education ... there's really no formal learning space," noted Buhr.

"We've seen so many programs have expanded ... it takes away space from what you need for patients," said Hunter. "Expansion for more beds is probably the key to sustain what they want to accomplish at Boundary Trails because we've expanded so many regional programs."

"I only see the hospital becoming even busier," said Funk. "I think our reputation has patients travelling from other regions and even neighbouring provinces for services."



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BTHC and its staff are celebrating 20 years of care in 2020. Here, two health care professionals are geared up for a shift in the COVID ward.

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Vegetarian Stuffed Peppers

cooked white rice, for serving
Preheat oven to 400 F.
Rub bell peppers with 1 tablespoon oil then use grill, broiler or gas stovetop burner to cook peppers, turning occasionally, until well charred, 12-15 minutes. Transfer to bowl, cover and set aside until cool enough to handle, about 10 minutes.

In large skillet over medium heat, warm remaining oil. Add onion and cook, stirring occasionally, until starting to brown, 3-5 minutes. Add mushrooms, garlic salt and black pepper; cook, stirring occasionally, until mushrooms are browned and liquid is almost entirely evaporated, 7-10 minutes.

Rub charred skin from bell peppers. Slice off tops and remove seeds. Fill bell peppers with mushroom mixture, top with cheese and arrange in baking dish. Replace bell pepper tops and bake until cheese melts, 8-10 minutes. Serve with cooked rice.

Prep time: 25 minutes
Cook time: about 1 hour
Servings: 4
4 red bell peppers
1/2 cup, plus 1 tablespoon, vegetable oil, divided
1 cup white onion (about 1 medium), 1/4-inch diced
4 cups cremini or brown mushrooms (about 1 pound), 1/4-inch diced
1 teaspoon garlic salt
1 teaspoon black pepper
1 cup Real California Oaxaca cheese, shredded



California Queso Fresco Fish Tacos

1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
12 corn tortillas
6 ounces Real California Queso Fresco cheese, crumbled
2 medium ripe tomatoes, diced
1 cup shredded cabbage

To make avocado radish salsa: In small bowl, combine avocados, onion, radish, chile peppers, cilantro, garlic and lime juice. Add salt and pepper, to taste. Set aside.

Heat grill to medium heat.
Rinse fish and pat dry with paper towels. Rub oil on both sides to coat; season with salt and pepper, to taste. Grill fish 6-9 minutes until cooked through; cool slightly. Remove skin and bones; cut fish into 1 1/2-inch strips.

In medium bowl, toss fish with lime juice and cumin. Warm tortillas in microwave or at 275 F in oven.

Place equal amounts of fish, cheese, tomatoes, cabbage and salsa in center of each tortilla. Roll up tacos to serve.

Substitution: Use Real California Asadero or Monterey Jack cheese for Queso Fresco.

Servings: 6 (12 tacos)
Avocado Radish Salsa:
2 medium avocados, chopped
1/3 cup finely chopped onion
3/4 cup diced radish
5 serrano chile peppers, seeded and finely chopped
3 tablespoons cilantro, finely chopped
1 clove garlic, finely chopped
1 lime, juice only
salt, to taste
pepper, to taste
Tacos:
1 1/2 pounds swordfish, or other whitefish, steaks or fillets
vegetable oil
salt, to taste
pepper, to taste
1 tablespoon lime juice



Christine Ibbotson

You wrote a column a while ago about encouraging our adult kids to make it on their own financially. It seems to me that this new generation really can't afford to do that and I think they should stay at home as long as they can. Susan

Thank you, Susan for this comment – there is indeed a lot of parents who agree with you, however at some point your adult children have to eventually find their own way without the continued financial support from their parents. I will agree that it may be a little harder for the new X & Y generations who still want to do what others have done - buy a home, pay off school debt and eventually save for retirement. The Generation X are those born between 1965 to 1980, (aged 41 to 56), and the Generation Y are those born between 1981 to 1995, (aged 26 to 40).

Today, basic needs for this new group of spenders, is much higher and has now outpaced the average for inflation. The cost of purchasing a home in Canada has risen from approximately three times the disposable income in the 1990's to seven times the household income. House prices have skyrocketed more than anyone could have imagined due to COVID. The increase in the cost of living compared to past generations has dramatically challenged the ability of Generation X and Y to achieve their goals. They definitely need to be more creative when dealing with this new reality.

Let's look at the differences in the generations. Baby boomers tended to be extremely loyal and more of a team player when it came to their work environments. They were less adaptable to change and most would agree, are even now, not as tech-savvy as the newer generations. Generation X'ers are said to be very self-confident and quite demanding when wanting to have their opinions heard; while Generation Y are even more independent, confident and tend to be more obsessed with social media. Both these new generations have something in common. They both have felt the impact of a two-working parent family, the rise in divorce, and they have had much less stability with their employment opportunities.

Due to a higher cost of living and a low-rate environment that has fu-



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eled the propensity to reach for credit, these two groups, especially Generation X, is now finding themselves in more debt than ever before. As a whole, they have less access to company pensions even though they want to retire at an earlier age; have ongoing education expenses for themselves and their children; have increased costs for the basics like food and housing; and now may have the burden of the anticipated care for their parents. This of course changes the way they view the world and how they plan to make their way forward.

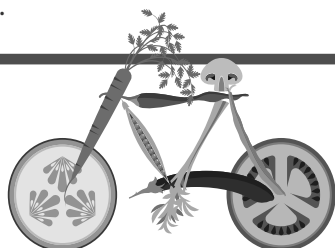
Expanded digital technology provides knowledge, transparency and clarity for these new generations who are more confident, optimistic and smarter than any generation before them. They will need to get into the habit of budgeting more, saving more, and most of all planning for their future. That being said, they are not afraid to get uncomfortable and to try new things which is an amazing advantage over past generations who would shy away from getting out of their comfort zone.

Saving for the future with regular monthly contributions is of the utmost importance for these two generations, utilizing TFSAs, RRSPs, company pension/savings plans, personal savings accounts, and participating life insurance. Planning, learning and talking to others who have been successful is the key to balancing current financial needs and meeting long-term goals. Yes, it will be a little harder for these two generations to retire debt-free and wealthy. They may have to work longer or be more creative when developing a wealth building strategy; but they will get there. It is said that when times are harder, more challenging and problematic; we become better, more resilient and actually discard our self-doubt to aspire to greatness. I am excited to see what these two generations do in the future.

Remember, winners will always find a way to triumph over adversity no matter what the odds. These two generations are more educated, more confident, more optimistic, and they CAN achieve more. The fact is, if you believe that you were born to just grow up and pay bills; well, that's all you'll do. But, if you believe that you can do more and become better than you are right now – then get started, be focused, and stick to your plan. You'll get there – I promise.

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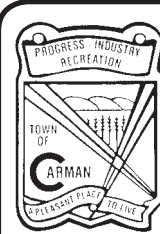
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- Minimum five years of experience in a legal support position, including advanced knowledge of corporate law, including but not limited to preparing incorporations, reorganizations, corporate transactions, and minute book maintenance
 - Post-secondary education from an accredited Legal Assistant/Paralegal program and/or equivalent experience
 - Familiarity with Canada Business Act and Provincial Business Corporations Acts
 - Proficient with computers, particularly Microsoft Office (Outlook, Word, Excel)
 - Experience with data sharing platforms
 - Respond to everyday tasks with little supervision and take ownership of the role
 - Excellent verbal and written communication skills
 - Excellent attention to detail
 - A strong team player; demonstration of a positive work ethic

Your cover letter and resume must clearly indicate how you meet the qualifications. Please apply to: hr@rewc.com



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2. NW ¼ OF SECTION 10-9-6 WPM
3. LOTS 22 AND 23 PLAN 1004 MLTO (C DIV) IN SW ¼ 22-8-6 WPM

CONDITIONS OF TENDER

1. Interested parties must rely on their own inspection and knowledge of the property.
2. Tenders may be placed and accepted on one or more of the above described parcels of land. Offers to subdivide will be considered.
3. Tenders must be received on or before 2:00 p.m. on August 3, 2021. A deposit cheque in the amount of \$10,000.00, payable to "AVS Law LLP Trust", must accompany each Tender. Deposit cheques accompanying unacceptable bids will be returned.

4. Highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE

1. The bidder whose tender is accepted will be required to complete an agreement covering terms and conditions of sale.
2. In addition to the deposit, the balance of the accepted tender must be paid on or before the date of closing, which shall be August 30, 2021 or evidence provided that the purchase funds will be available under conditions acceptable to the Vendor. If the balance of the accepted tender is not paid within the set time limit the deposit may be forfeited as liquidated damages and not as a penalty.
3. Possession is not authorized until acceptable arrangements for full payment are made following acceptance of tender.
4. Successful bidder will be responsible for real property taxes commencing January 1, 2022, and taxes shall be adjusted at possession.
5. The purchaser shall be responsible for payment of GST or shall self-assess for GST.

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The building and land known as 21 2nd Street SE, Carman, Manitoba, as described in Certificate of Title No. 1581914/4 and 1581912/4 will be sold at a public auction on Wednesday, August 18th, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the auction sale will be held by way of video conference or teleconference.

There will be no in-person attendees at this auction.

In Order to Participate you must pre-register at least 24 hours prior to the auction by contacting Meighen Haddad LLP at 204-727-8461 or emailing sasenkbeil@mhlaw.ca.

The vendor is informed that there is situate on the property a single-family three-bedroom, three bath bungalow of approximately 1885 square feet located on a lot of approximately 3.4 acres. The home has forced air gas furnace, electric water heater, built in vacuum, garage door opener, central air, fireplace, dishwasher, double attached garage. Yard has a gazebo and a deck on the back. The property is vacant and has been subject to substantial vandalism and no warranties are made regarding the condition of the property or the listed inclusions. The property is vacant.

TAXES AND PRIOR ENCUMBRANCES: Taxes are paid up to December 31, 2018.

The following are registered against Title No. 1581914/4:

- 91-5104/4 – Right of Way Declaration
- 93-8227/4 – Centra Gas Manitoba Inc.
- 1075242/4 – Mortgage by Royal Bank of Canada
- 1121711/4 – Caveat registered by Town of Carman

The following are registered against Title No. 1581912/4:

- 91-5104/4 – Right of Way Declaration
- 1121711/4 – Caveat registered by Town of Carman

RESERVE BID: The reserve bid will be announced at the commencement of the auction sale.

TERMS: The sum of \$50,000.00 cash or certified cheque payable to Meighen Haddad LLP and the balance according to conditions to be announced at the sale. If the successful bidder has attended the auction by videoconference or teleconference, the successful bidder shall have a period of 24 hours to provide the mortgagee with the deposit and sign the auction sale conditions. Should the successful bidder fail to do so, the auction shall be considered abortive.

Further information or to pre-register for the auction contact:

Meighen Haddad LLP
110-11th Street
Brandon, MB R7A 4J4
Attention: Blair Filyk/Stacy Senkbeil

Email: sasenkbeil@mhlaw.ca
Telephone: 204-727-8461

Those who have registered shall participate in the auction by way of either videoconferencing or teleconferencing, which shall be provided to the participants prior to the commencement of the auction.

The auction sale will be conducted pursuant to an Order for Sale issued by the District Registrar. Certain parties may be prohibited from purchasing the property, including but not limited to, parties who by virtue of their employment or relationship to a person involved in the sale process would have special knowledge of the circumstances pertaining to the sale. For more information and a list of prohibited purchasers please visit: www.teranetmanitoba.ca.



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- Willing to train the right candidate.

Service - Trailer Technician

- Experience with semi trailer repairs is considered an asset.
- Steel and/or aluminum welding experience preferred but not mandatory.
- Ability to read and understand drawings.
- Willing to train the right candidate.

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- Assist in day to day activities.
- Welding experience is an asset but not mandatory.
- Must be able to lift 50lbs and work outdoors when required.
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A Bridal Shower for Andrea Dyck (daughter of Terry and Betty) will be held in Winnipeg August 28th. If you would like to attend or if you can't go but would like to contribute to a gift please contact Sherryl Enns at sherryl.Enns@me.com or 204-745-0230.



OBITUARY

Edmund Wayne Collingridge

Edmund Wayne Collingridge, 78, of Roseisle, MB, passed away peacefully at home on July 23, 2021 surrounded by loved ones.

Wayne was born on November 22, 1942 to Ed and Ada Collingridge in Rosburn, MB. They completed their family with his younger sister Rowena (Larry) a few years later. Wayne was a loving husband to Leora, father to his daughter Darla (Roque), and sons Craig (Janelle) and Troy (Joellene), stepfather to Tara (Mike), Michael (Lana) and Angela (Glen) as well as a proud and loving grandfather to Chelsey, Brooke, Yasmin, Elena, Skyler, Austin, Anderson, Levi, Madison, Mackenzie, Ainsley, Nash, Lukas, Reece and Jakob. Wayne spent a great deal of time as a young lad on his family's farm with his cousin Tom, fondly known by Wayne as The Lad. In later years, Wayne developed a deep friendship with a fellow farmer in the area. He and Wendell gossiped daily. Wayne



was dearly loved by many cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

Wayne was a farmer at heart and an entrepreneur, dedicating most of his life to the purebred hog industry. Many of the heritage breeds owe their existence in Canada to Wayne's perseverance to establishing or maintaining this industry. Wayne and Leora ran semi-annual auction sales as well as marketing hogs worldwide for at least 50 years. They established a network marketing system with other farmers where the purebred Berkshire meat was exported to Japan.

Wayne had a well rounded personality that everyone enjoyed. He could make friends with anyone, anywhere. He loved the Iowa State fair, the Minnesota Twins and Nashville, Tennessee. He loved to help his family and his friends with anything they asked. Wayne was a great storyteller, all his stories were true, although perhaps slightly embellished. The loves of his life were his family, especially those 15 grandchildren.

Private funeral service was held and burial took place in Rosburn Cemetery.

Doyle's Funeral Home
in care of arrangements
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OBITUARY

Clarence Grant Major
June 27, 1934 – July 18, 2021

It is with great sadness that the family of Clarence Major announces his passing on Sunday, July 18, 2021 at the age of 87 years, after a long battle with cancer.

Clarence will be lovingly remembered by his sister, Lorraine; his children, Cliff, Pat (Kelly), Bonnie (Don), Brent (Lorraine), Candy (Rolly); and his grandchildren, Josh, Kris, Cody, Alex, Chase, Brock and Anthony. Clarence is also survived by step-granddaughter Brooke and great-granddaughters, Saige, Emma and Octavia. He was predeceased by his wife of 58 years, Kay; his parents, Clifford and Eva Major and his brother Arnold.

Funeral service will be held at the Greenwood Cemetery on Saturday, July 31, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

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