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# Horses and motorcycles for a child's wish

Annual ride at Woodlands farm Saturday, Aug. 26

By Emma McGill

The Peltier family moved to Woodlands in 1988 looking for a way to immerse themselves in the local community and get to know their neighbours. So came the idea to offer horse trail rides to the community. When they found out that the Children's Wish Foundation had branched out to Manitoba, they were happy to use the rides as a way to accept donations for the charity.

In the 33 years that their Wish Ride has been running, Gary and Silver Peltier have raised over \$1.6 million to help grant life-changing wishes to children with critical illnesses, starting off with only \$750 the first year they held the ride. The goal this time

around is to raise \$20,000.

This year's event will be held at the family's farm in Woodlands on Saturday, Aug. 26. The registration for the horse trail ride starts at 9 am at Gary and Silver's. Equestrians will leave in staggered groups, travel about 10 to 12 miles, and be back around 3 or 4 in the afternoon. Riders must bring their own horse.

At the same time, those registering for the motorcycle ride can meet at the Domo gas station on Highway 6 near Warren, where a pancake, sausage and bacon breakfast will be waiting for \$5. The motorcyclists usually travel about 250 kilometres, going around Teulon and Lundar and stopping in Inwood for lunch. This particular ride will also raise funds for the Hillside Memorial garden.

For folks not participating in the rides themselves, there will be plenty of entertainment for children starting at 3 p.m., a dinner at 5:30, and an auction and barn dance to end the eve-



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JR Charron will be playing in the evening after the Wish Auction and Nick Johnson will play at supper time.

ning.

There will be face painting, henna, a bouncy house and live entertainment later on. Nick Johnson will provide the music during supper while JR Charron and his band will provide the music for the barn dance. JR is a small-town boy with a big voice and continues to break down barriers by combining old and new school country influences with his powerfully gritty rock vocals.

JR's debut EP *Impression* (2020) made

waves with "Song for You," which landed in the Top 10 on the Canadian Indie Country Charts, followed by his second single "Broke," charting in the Top 50.

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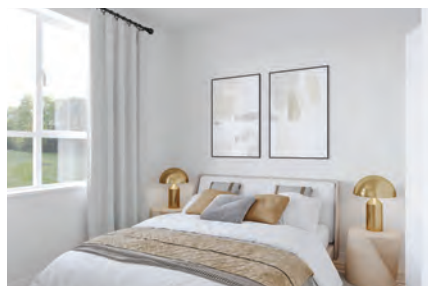
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Members of the Gimli Karate club and the Winnipeg-based Budokai Karate club demonstrated the art of defence at Folklorama's Japanese Pavilion last week. The two clubs joined forces for two performances at the cultural event.

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# Developer alleges Town of Winnipeg Beach stalled residential subdivision

By Patricia Barrett

An Interlake developer whose subdivision in the Town of Winnipeg Beach was approved by council in 2019 says the town delayed his development over the course of about four and a half years, leaving him with little option but to pursue legal action.

Vince Dery, who lives in the RM of Gimli and has a background in construction, said his 44-lot residential development on Lake Avenue, west of Highway 9, had been approved in early 2019.

“This [delay] is something I’ve kept quiet about for a long time because I was really trying to get this development going and because we got a lot of traction with people buying lots,” said Dery. “But the town was making it more and more difficult to let us go ahead.”

Council minutes from meetings on Jan. 23 and Feb. 27, 2019, show the subdivision having been approved with conditions such as entering into a development agreement, paying for a connection to the low-pressure sewer system and construction of a road.

Although the subdivision had been approved with “100 per cent support from the council and the mayor at the time,” the town didn’t move forward with the development agreement and issues started to surface after that, said Dery. Those issues included a high turnover of chief administrative officers — nine CAOs worked for the town of which Dery directly dealt with eight on his development — and the council at that time, current council and town staff seemingly out of their depth when it came to “how to do any part of a development.”

For instance, Dery said a developer traditionally doesn’t pay for hook-ups to the sewer — that’s the responsibility of buyers who build a home on the lots. A developer pays the cost of having the sewer lines installed. And quotes he obtained from a few local contractors for building the road were set aside by the town in favour of a Winnipeg-based contractor it chose and which wanted substantially more money — about \$220,000 more — than Dery’s two quotes for the same



PHOTO COURTESY OF DAVE HILL  
Lawyer Dave Hill won a lawsuit against the City of Winnipeg for stalling a housing development in the Parker Lands area of Winnipeg.

amount of material and specifications.

Dery said the town also revised his letter of credit about half a dozen times over the years, bumping it up by hundreds of thousands of dollars. When the subdivision was approved in 2019, the letter of credit was \$10,000. But at one point, the town increased it to \$1 million.

A letter of credit is a promissory note to pay a specified amount of money to a municipality to protect the municipality in the event a contractor fails to carry out some obligation.

“We’ve had a letter of credit for \$10,000. We’ve had one for \$309,000. We’ve had one for \$400,000, \$1 million and \$615,000,” said Dery. “They’ve been all over the place on this. When I was approved in 2019, it was a \$10,000 letter of credit. That’s what they have to honour. They decided not to do that and started moving the goalposts.”

Of the 44 lots, Dery said 27 have been sold, but other potential buyers pulled out because “it was taking forever” and they lost faith in Winnipeg Beach.

“The buyers can’t put a house on their lot because the only thing left [for me to do] is give the town a \$615,000 letter of



EXPRESS PHOTO COURTESY OF VINCE DERY

An aerial view of Vince Dery’s 44-lot residential subdivision on Lake Avenue in Winnipeg Beach, west of Highway 9.

credit,” he said.

Dery said he suspects — and agrees it’s just speculation — that the town may have stalled his development because of an alleged lack of capacity at the sewage lagoon. Should 44 new homes hook up to the low-pressure sewer system and experience problems, the town could potentially face a lawsuit.

“It’s highly suspected the town doesn’t want my development hooked up. Everybody knows the lagoon is hooped; that’s not a secret. There’s a big, big bill to fix the lagoon and the town has no money. The province has agreed to pay 50 per cent of the required construction to fix the lagoon. But the town doesn’t have the other 50 per cent,” said Dery. “So, to solve the problem of a 44-lot development that [previous] council approved is to make me go away. There could be a class-action lawsuit from several homeowners if something happens to the sewer system because

the lagoon is hooped.”

Because agreements expire within a set period of time, Dery said the town

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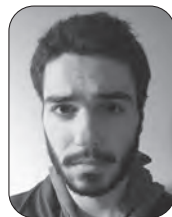
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## Agriculture – our rich uncle

By Cam Dahl, general manager of Manitoba Pork

Farmers face a growing number of challenges. The threat of drought and crop failure seem to be with us every year. Add to this protectionist policies that make it harder for Canadian farmers to trade, uncertain markets caused by political instability (e.g., war in Ukraine) and the potential for disease outbreaks that threaten productivity. It is not overly surprising that politicians and policy makers often look at agriculture as a series of problems that need to be solved. In fact, agriculture is not a policy problem child but has become our rich uncle that we need to cultivate.

There was a time, beginning in the 1970s and through the 1990s, when the outlook for agriculture was bleak. Subsidy wars between Europe and the U.S. had decimated international prices. Protectionist tariff barriers kept Canadian products out of prime markets. Interest rates in the high teens drove producers into bankruptcy. The question in rural Canada at the time was “why would my kids want to farm?” Thankfully, times have considerably changed.

Canada has negotiated more trade agreements than any other developed country. We are connected to Asia through the Comprehensive and Progressive Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP). We are connected to North America through the Canada-United States-Mexico Agreement (CUSMA), and to Europe through the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA). Canada has free trade agreements with over 40 countries, and agriculture is featured prominently in each of them. Are these

agreements perfect? Far from it; we have a lot of work to do to make them better. However, each of these agreements has opened the door to agricultural exports and helped make agriculture a driver of the Canadian economy.

Manitoba’s pork sector provides an example of how agriculture can transform the economy and communities. Because of investments in hog production and processing, rural areas like Steinbach, Roblin, Killarney and Notre Dame de Lourdes are being revitalized. Over 22,000 jobs in Manitoba are tied to hog production. These job numbers include thousands of people working in value-added processing in Brandon, Winkler, Neepawa and Winnipeg. Jobs and investments help communities deliver new amenities like hospitals, childcare facilities and recreation centres. The industry adds \$2.3 billion to the province’s GDP every year. Canola, oats, peas, cereal crops, beef, potatoes and many more commodities add to agriculture’s contribution to our province.

Agriculture can continue to drive our growth and development. But we need the right policies, legislation and regulations. We can’t forget that the difficult times of 30 and 40 years ago were caused by detrimental domestic and international policies.

What do we mean by good policies? Manitoba is at the beginning of an election campaign, and it is prime time to ask this question. First, we need our governments, both provincial and federal, to rigorously protect our ability to trade. We are seeing protectionism rise again, after 30-plus years of working to liberalize trade.



Cam Dahl, GM Manitoba Pork

Examples include non-science based regulatory hurdles that are blocking Canadian red meat producers from accessing the European market (despite CETA), proposed U.S. labelling regulations that will discriminate against Canadian meat, and activist-driven welfare requirements that are limiting our ability to access the California market. Manitoba needs every leader running to be premier to commit to actively fighting against these emerging trade barriers.

Second, Manitoba’s political leaders must commit to a rigorous science-based regulatory framework. There is a worrisome trend for regulations to be driven by activism and the latest social-media movement rather than science.

Third, policies aimed at sustainability goals and climate change mitigation must encourage innovation and not simply add unbearable costs.

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Fourth, farmers need ongoing support to mitigate some of the risks they face due to politically volatile markets. We do not want to see a return to the debilitating subsidy wars of the 1970s, but agriculture does need policies in place that will allow farmers to effectively plan for the future of their operations, get through natural disasters, and weather market contractions.

I want to end with a challenge to every farmer in Manitoba. Get out and meet your candidates. All of them, and not just the candidate you agree with. Let them know how important agriculture is to every community in Manitoba. Challenge them to support our trade, encourage innovation and set regulatory policies that are based on sound science. Political leadership in these areas will help agriculture continue to attract investment, increase our value-added industries and grow our economy and our communities.

> STALLED, FROM PG. 5

applied and paid for an extension from the province for a period of about a year (until April 4, 2023) in order to avoid potential costs associated with not honouring what it had approved. And Dery was put in a tough position the day before that extension was to expire: he'd have to either pay the \$615,000 letter of credit or potentially lose his development.

"It was going to expire on April 4. I was forced to sign it the day before under duress. If I didn't sign for that amount, I'd lose the development and I'd have to start from scratch — everything would start over, the public hearings, the council vote and so on," he said. "It would have been four and a half years down the drain."

At a time when there's such a shortage of housing in rural Manitoba, he said, a delay like this is inexplicable.

"You'd think they'd be jumping all over this to get people moving to Winnipeg Beach and get more taxes and capital coming in," he said. "Yet they've made it difficult for this development to go through."

Dery shared with the *Express* communications between him and the town, showing discussions about revisions to the letter of credit, discussions about costs and a lack of communication or confusion among town staff, council and others in administrative roles regarding the development.

Dery said he has retained the services of lawyer Dave Hill of Hill Sokalski Walsh LLP. Hill specializes in corporate and commercial litigation, among other areas of expertise, and recently won a lawsuit against the City of Winnipeg for delaying the Fulton Grove development in the Parker Lands area.

Hill told the *Express* his client in the Parker Lands case waited six years to get approval when it normally should take about 11 or 12 months.

He said he's expecting to get instructions from Dery to issue a statement of claim against the Town of Winnipeg Beach.

"If your development agreement was actually approved in 2019, that's the agreement. And the letter of credit value increased significantly; it certainly wasn't [over] \$600,000," said Hill.

Should Dery decide to proceed with the lawsuit, Hill said it would likely take two to three years to complete because of delays in the provincial court system.

The *Express* reached out to the Town of Winnipeg Beach for comment on Dery's allegations. The town's chief administrative officer Sharon Desiatnyk said the town is unable to respond to questions as this is a legal matter.

"Mr. Dery has retained legal counsel with respect to his development, as has the Town," she said by email. "Since this is a legal matter, the Town will not comment or reply to the questions posed."

# Gimli RCMP response to fatal two-vehicle collision

Staff

Gimli RCMP responded to a two-vehicle collision at the intersection of Roads 130N and 20E, in the RM of Bifrost-Riverton at 11:40 a.m. on Aug. 20.

A car, being driven by an 85-year-old male from Gimli, was travelling westbound on Road 20 E when it collided with a pickup truck, being driven by a 45-year-old male from Arnes,

travelling south on Road 130N.

The collision caused the pickup truck to roll multiple times before both vehicles came to a stop in the west ditch.

The driver of the car was pronounced deceased on scene. The driver of the pickup truck received minor physical injuries.

Gimli RCMP continue to investigate.

## letter to the editor

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### Immigrant story is a good read

*Them Days* — A coming of age novel by Glenn Booth about a young Ukrainian immigrant to the Gimli area.

I recently read a great little novel about a young Ukrainian immigrant growing up near Gimli in the early 1900s. Sofiya is the third daughter in a row born to an immigrant couple who settled near Berlo and the early

chapters of the book trace her life as the family experiences the hardships of pioneer life in the Interlake region when there were few roads, no electricity and no running water.

When she turns 13, like most of the young Ukrainian women of the day, Sofiya is shipped off to Winnipeg to be a maid to a rich "English" family. There she experiences the condescension of the English towards the "Bohunks," the xenophobia of WW1 (which results in her half-brother Frank being interned in two different prison camps), the Spanish Flu epidemic and the great Winnipeg

general strike of 1919.

While the background to the novel is meticulously researched and full of fascinating historical events, it is mainly a captivating story about a young girl's struggle to grow up in a really challenging environment. Although Sofiya is a fictional character, her life is loosely based on the author's grandmother and great-aunts who were the first three children born to his great-grandparents after arriving from Ukraine.

The book was of special interest to me as 50 years ago I had married one of the Koch brothers, a family who

were Ukrainian immigrants to the area. However, I am confident that anyone who enjoys good historical fiction and has an interest in the Ukrainian settlers in Manitoba will find it to be a great read.

*Them Days* is currently available for sale at Tergesen's General Store and the New Iceland Heritage Museum in Gimli, as well as outlets such as Amazon, and can also be borrowed from the Gimli Evergreen Regional Library.

- Anne Bars

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# Gimli council rejects request for encroachment on public reserve

By Patricia Barrett

Gimli council rejected a proposal that would see property owners putting a shed on public reserve land in a subdivision north of Gimli.

During its special meeting held Aug. 16, council voted against a proposal by residents in Bayshore Heights to encroach on a public reserve. Residents on Parkview Lane requested the use of municipally owned public reserve land onto which they want to relocate their shed.

They asked for permission to reduce the minimum required property line setback in the rear yard from 10 feet to zero feet with an encroachment onto the public reserve.

The Planning Act states the required rear yard setback, without a lane, is 10 feet for accessory buildings and other structures, but council can, at its discretion, allow the request.

In their application to council, the residents wrote that they want more back yard space.

"We want more back yard space and to have more distance between the shed and our septic field," they wrote. "Therefore, we are requesting a variance to move our existing 10' x 12' garden shed 10' [feet] back of our lot onto RM land."

Two feet of the shed would be stationed on their land, they added, and no neighbours would be affected.

Council received letters of support and opposition to the proposed encroachment.

Two residents on Parkview Lane said they have "no issue" with the proposed encroachment.

The Gimli Environmental Advisory Committee, which advises council on environmental issues, objected to the proposal, saying encroachment on public reserves would only encourage others to do the same.

"The shed encroaching the public reserve would set a precedent for other residents to encroach sheds/buildings in public reserves," wrote GEAC member Gail Mastin. "Public reserves were put into place to have areas of land for wildlife, insects (butterflies, dragonflies), protect natural grasses, native trees & shrubs, and to protect waterways."

The property owners should have "more than enough room" on their lot, which has an 80.7-foot rear yard, states GEAC.

"The shed will be too close to the creek [Sam's Creek] and may store hazardous materials that could leak into the creek," GEAC wrote. "If Hydro needs to go back of the lots the machines will have to go around the shed and come much closer to the creek and could cause erosion."

A municipal staff member said council approved zero feet to the rear yard and "no encroachment" on the public reserve.

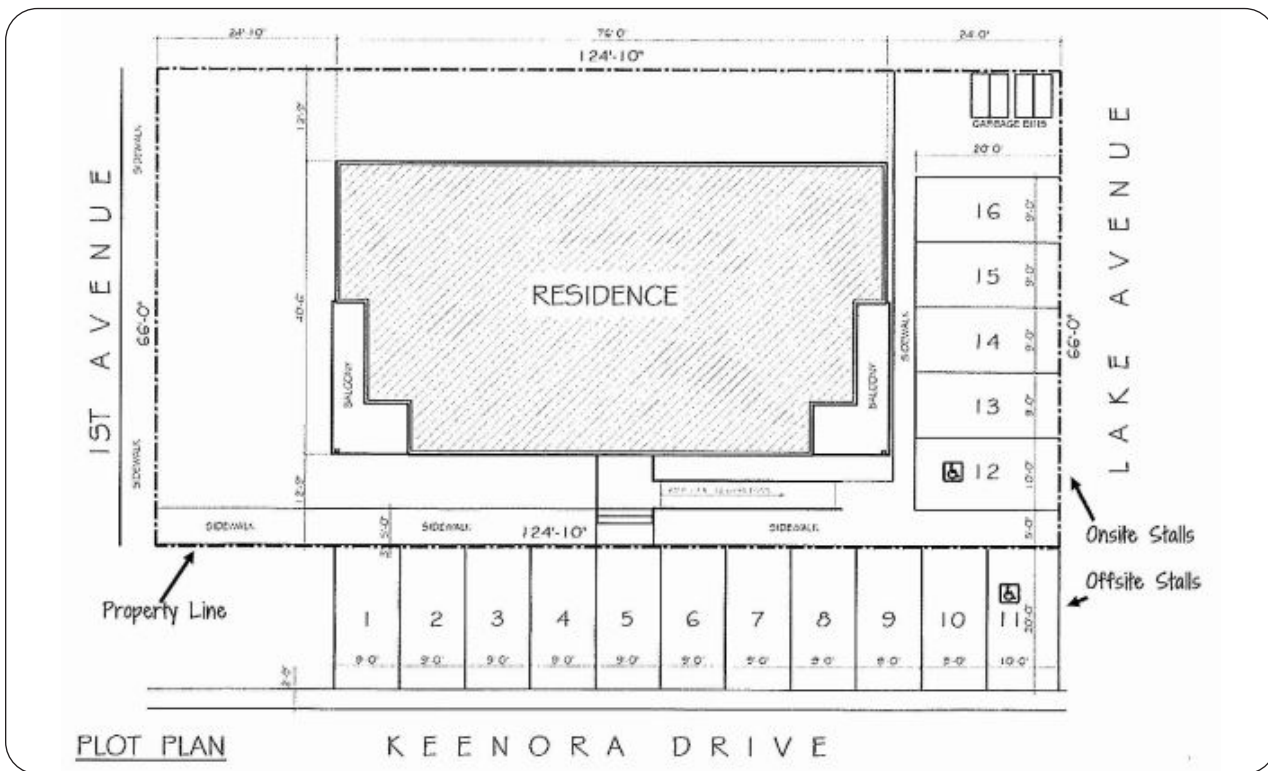


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## OTHER COUNCIL NEWS:

Developer Chris Peacock, who is in the process of completing exterior landscaping on his new four-storey life lease building at 47 First Ave. in Gimli, asked council for permission to reduce the number of onsite parking stalls from 11 to 5 and permit the balance of stalls to be situated on a municipal right of way.

"The new plan is proposing 5 onsite stalls and 11 off-site stalls," states planning district notes appended to council's agenda, "thus the variance request to reduce the required onsite stalls from 11 to 5."

The developer's request falls within "other uses" under parking requirements in the Planning Act and would be allowed by the discretion of council.

Prior to the development receiving a building permit, it was recommended that 12 stalls be created for the eight-unit building. In 2022 council determined that 11 onsite parking stalls would suffice, which the developer's original plan accommodated. The stalls are currently located on the west and east sides of the building.

But parking on the west side is difficult because of mature trees that Peacock said he wants to preserve.

"The stalls on the west are located between two mature trees. This creates navigation issues, with vehicles having difficulty turning around, and pose a risk of damage to the mature trees," states the re-

quest. "This proposal entails moving the parking on the west side to the south side, which is on municipal land."

Peacock added that council had approved a similar parking set-up for the Gimli Shores building, and that he would install a new sidewalk on his property for public access to the beach and will have "liability coverage for ourselves and the RM."

The RM received objections to the proposal.

A property owner on First wrote that the municipality needs all the parking it can get for tourism. If the variance is granted, it "sets a precedent" for future development. The developer could simply remove one tree to the south to solve the parking issue.

"I cannot imagine why the RM of Gimli would permit the loss of 11 public parking stalls on Keenora Street for the sake of one tree," he wrote. "The RM of Gimli has already stated that the town revitalization of the waterfront sector requires as much parking as possible."

Another resident who owns two properties on First also submitted a letter of objection, saying the developer already has permission to create 11 parking stalls on the east and west side of the building.

"By allowing the removal of these parking stalls, will only add to our difficulties on locating parking for my family and guest," he wrote.

Council deferred its decision to a Sept. 13 meeting, according to office staff.

# Reduced ER availability at Lakeshore Hospital in Ashern expected to improve

By Patricia Barrett

The emergency room of the Lakeshore General Hospital in Ashern is experiencing reduced availability for the latter half of August because of staffing challenges.

From the period Aug. 16 to Aug. 31, the ER is open 24-7 on only eight days.

A spokesperson for the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority

said the hospital experienced the "unexpected departure" of a doctor in March and currently has five physicians.

"Unforeseen physician illness and planned vacation are affecting physician availability this month," she said.

In September the ER is anticipated to have some gaps but the situation should improve later in the fall.

"October should bring greater improvement in physician availability in the emergency department," she said.

The Eriksdale hospital's ER is available only three days (24-7) from Aug. 16 to 31 while the Arborg hospital's ER is open only one half day. Emergency rooms at the Gimli and Selkirk hospitals are available on all 16 days of that period while Stonewall's ER

is available on only one full day and two half days.

The ER schedule, which the IER-HA posts on its website, is subject to change. People can also dial 1-866-267-5818 to hear an audio recording of emergency department status. In an emergency they should dial 911.





# 'It's a labour of love'

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Anyone who's driven south on Highway 32 near Hochfeld in recent weeks has been treated to a unique sight: a row of meticulously restored John Deere tractors stretching back nearly a century in age.

They're the handiwork of Willie Rempel, who pulls out his collection of 20 or so vintage tractors most long weekends through the summer.

"I've been collecting these for a few years, and if they just sit in the shed then no one ever sees them," says Rempel. "So I take them for a little ride here every year."

"Here" is a grassy field on the Rempel yard just off the highway. The family has farmed in the area for generations. Rempel himself has handed off farming duties to his grandson in recent years.

The tractor collection started, he explains, as a way to keep himself busy once the harvest was in.

"You need a bit of a pastime in the winter, so we started doing this. It was affordable, and it takes a lot of work. But we had the shop, so we got started."

He and a neighbour, Steve Klassen, together restored their first tractor

back in the early '90s.

In the decades since, other friends and family have lent a hand as well, sanding down rusted bodies, tinkering with touchy motors and loading up paint brushes with buckets and buckets of that distinctive John Deere green.

"We had many winters of good entertainment with this," Rempel says, noting its been very much a labour of love.

Finding old tractors hasn't ever been too much of a problem, though Rempel has certainly travelled far and wide to pick up certain models for his collection.

"When lots of people know that you have a few then they're calling you going, 'I saw one out there in the bush. Would you be interested? It looked green.' So you investigate and it's, oh, that looks pretty rough. But, you know, it's a challenge to see what you can do with them."

John Deere is the only tractor Rempel has much interest in working on; his brand loyalty runs deep.

"The 'putt-putt' was what we always grew up with," he says, John Deere cap firmly on his head. "John Deere makes a high quality machine."



Rempel's oldest tractor is a 1938 model whose wheels look like they'd be right at home on a horse-drawn wagon. His "newest" is from the mid-'70s.

The ones in his collection today are just a sliver of the total tractors he's had a hand in restoring — he figures he's worked on upwards of 85 or so vehicles, many of which are now

proudly on display at farms all over. "We did some custom work for people, and then we didn't have to spend so much money on our own tractors," Rempel says.

If you missed the display for August long weekend, Rempel is planning to have them out again for the Labour Day weekend as well.



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Willie Rempel with just a few of the 85 or so vintage John Deere tractors he's restored over the years. Rempel puts part of his collection on display on his yard south of Winkler for the summer long weekends.

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# Marketplace Players and Dark Horse Theatre bringing double bill to Gimli

By Patricia Barrett

Gimli theatre-goers are in for a double bill when Marketplace Players and Dark Horse Theatre community theatre groups from Winnipeg head north with their productions.

The two non-profit theatre groups are getting set to entertain the crowds with three shows at Gimli's A-Spire Theatre on the September long weekend.

The two companies have performed at the Winnipeg Fringe Festival and are no strangers to seeing the curtain rise in Gimli.

Evelyn Carruthers of Marketplace Players, which was formed in 2008 by Brett Buckingham and Denis Thornton, said the troupe has performed in Gimli at least a dozen times.

"I love the audiences in Gimli because they're so warm and welcoming. They're a very nice group who come out to the theatre," said

Carruthers, who is producing and directing the play with fellow thespian Carolyn Lutes. "I know we share that sentiment [about the audience] amongst some of the regular performers in our group."

Marketplace Players will be performing *Sunrise Over the Old Factory*, the last play that Thornton, their playwright, penned before he passed away in 2022.

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The play, which has seven characters, is sure to raise a little doubt in the audience's mind about its lead character. The plot centres on a mysterious man who pitches up at a dingy all-night diner in a rough neighbourhood after his car

gets a flat tire. He contends with more than he probably bargained for when another patron seems to know something about him.

"When the man's identity is questioned, things get a little crazy," said Carruthers. "Who is this man, really?"



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Marketplace Players actors Ron Robinson, Lori Rudolph-Crawford, Esther Seidel, Chantal Best, Sam Kowaluk, Evelyn Carruthers and Betty Winterhalt. The troupe will be performing at the A-Spire Theatre in Gimli on the September long weekend.

Carruthers said the COVID pandemic disrupted the troupe's performing schedule and some of the actors decided to step back even after restrictions were lifted. The company last performed in 2019, but they masked up and staged a reading of Thornton's final play in 2021 when some restrictions were lifted.

Dark Horse Theatre, a non-profit amateur theatre group that's fresh from the Fringe, will be entertaining Gimli theatre-goers with *The Gluttons for Punishment 20th Anniversary (Sort Of) Gala Extravaganza*, which features its six-member cast performing sketch comedy and improv and telling a few tales.

The troupe was founded by Mike Seccombe and Karl Eckstrand in 2009 to bring to the stage original works by local playwrights. It first performed at A-Spire theatre in 2015 as part of a double bill with Marketplace's troupe.

Marketplace Players and Dark Horse Theatre groups' productions will be presented on Sept. 1, 2 and 3 at the A-Spire Theatre on Second Avenue in Gimli. Each show is an hour with an admission between them.

Tickets can be purchased at HP Tergesen & Sons general store in Gimli or by calling the reservation line at 204-642-8079.

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**Submitted by Elections Manitoba**

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Targeted registration is used to improve the accuracy and completeness of the Manitoba voter registry, a permanent voters list.

Registration agents will visit newly constructed neighbourhoods as well as areas of high mobility — areas where people may move in and out more often such as apartment blocks and near post-secondary campuses.

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# Dunnottar celebrates 75th anniversary and 5th annual Family Day

By Patricia Barrett

The Village of Dunnottar celebrated its 75th anniversary and 5th annual Family Day last Saturday with hundreds of residents and visitors taking part in festivities in Whytefold Park.

The day offered games for the kids that included a scavenger hunt, axe-throwing and a water fight, as well as educational activities, a market and speeches by local politicians.

Linda Stevenson, who's a member of Peguis First Nation and works at Huddle Selkirk, an organization that provides a number of youth services in partnership with Peguis and other organizations, opened the formal program with a prayer blessing all attendees and later spoke about Truth and Reconciliation.

Dunnottar Mayor Rick Gamble, local historian Bruce Smith, Interlake-Gimli MLA Derek Johnson and Selkirk-Interlake-Eastman MP James Bezan spoke about the community and how far it has come over its 75 years.

Gamble said the three communities that make up Dunnottar — Ponemah, Whytefold and Matlock — were separated from the Municipality of St. Andrews in 1947, with Dunnottar's first council meeting in 1948.

He thanked past and present council members for their guidance over the years.

"The Village of Dunnottar has come a long way since 1947 with some residents' roots going back generations to the initial incorporation of the village," said Gamble. "We look forward to the next 75 years."

Resident Bruce Smith provided a fascinating history of the community, including the advent of the Canadian Pacific Railway, which opened up the west side of the lake, and the museum he founded with encouragement from Gamble and artifacts donated by



Wendy Buelow with her grandson Arthur. Buelow carried out a project with the village to plant milkweed gardens at Ponemah Beach Central and the artesian well.



Matlock firefighters filled the pool for the water fight.

residents.

"The railway was critical in the development of this village even though it was originally built for the CPR's profit in Winnipeg Beach with its amusement park," said Smith. "People used the train but in the 1950s, after the Second World War, people became better off and they started buying their own cars. In 1961



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Summer student Beth Friesen, who carries out administrative functions in the office, CFO Chelsey McColl, CAO Sarah Palson and Mayor Rick Gamble.



Krista Narfason (left) and Tristin Tergesen from the Westshore Community Foundation. Westshore provided three grants to Dunnottar, including one to create monarch butterfly habitat.



Lucy and her Dad enjoyed some colouring.

CPR cancelled the passenger service and the stations were sold off by 1964. It was a miracle we were able to get one of those stations back to become the museum for the village."

MLA Derek Johnson presented Gamble and his council with a plaque honouring the village's efforts to develop the community and spoke

about its "breathtaking beauty."

"This milestone is a momentous occasion, a testament to the enduring spirit, resilience and unity that has shaped this town to what it is today,"

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Dunnottar youth (from left) Vivian, Sadie, Brooks, Landon and Griffin decorated the pink whale.



On behalf of Canada's Parliament and his riding, Selkirk-Interlake-Eastman MP James Bezan (right) presented a plaque to Dunnottar Mayor Rick Gamble and his council.



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said Johnson. "From humble beginnings when it was a little settlement nestled along Lake Winnipeg, it has now grown into a thriving community that we see here before us today."

On behalf of Parliament and his riding, MP James Bezan presented Gamble and council with a plaque recognizing Dunnottar's 75 years.

"This is a special community, a place to call home, a place to call your getaway, a place to come and visit. And it's really about having great neighbours — this is what makes Dunnottar so strong, the good people that call it home," said Bezan.



Bruce Smith spoke about the history of Dunnottar.



Linda Stevenson of Peguis First Nation provided a prayer and spoke about Truth and Reconciliation.



Karen and her granddaughter Mya colouring a monarch butterfly.



Leo (left) and his cousin Jamie completed the scavenger hunt and dropped their ballot in the box.



Quinn got into the swing of axe-throwing.



From left: Avee and her cousins Kyson, Breygan, Chase and Ryder with their aunt. Kyson and Breygan, who are from St. Pierre-Jolys, started their own business called BK Customs. They make cutting boards. Chase and Ryder make fire starters with the shavings.



MP James Bezan and MLA and minister Derek Johnson with Dunnottar Mayor Rick Gamble, Dunnottar CAO Sarah Palson and Linda Stevenson of Peguis First Nation.



Interlake-Gimli MLA Derek Johnson (left) presented a plaque to Village of Dunnottar Mayor Rick Gamble and his council.

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# Lakeside Lions hold first annual Amazing Race Challenge

By Annaliese Meier

The clock was ticking as racing teams gathered at the Lakeside Lions Amazing Race Challenge last weekend. With only four hours on the clock, they had to strategize and plan their routes to complete as many challenges as possible. The pressure was on, but the thrill of the competition fuelled their determination.

The first annual Amazing Race Challenge was a huge success with 21 challenges at 19 challenges locations. Seventeen racing teams, consisting of 59 adults and 20 kids, eagerly took on the challenge. Armed with determination and a competitive spirit, they had just four hours to complete as many tasks as possible, gaining points for a chance to win the top prizes. Challenges were located from the Matlock area to Sandy Hook area and everywhere in between.

And it wasn't just about winning top prizes — families and friends came together to enjoy this action-

packed day. Whether they were racing or simply enjoying the variety of locations and challenges at their own pace, everyone found something exciting to engage with.

At the end of it all, three teams emerged victorious: The Sandy Hookers took first place, followed closely by The Hedgehogs in second place and Poplar Posse securing third place. A huge round of applause goes out to all the challenge hosts who made this event possible — their creativity and enthusiasm added an extra layer of excitement.

Racers voted for their top favourite challenges:

“What’s it like to be a fireman” hosted by the Matlock Fire Department;

“Todd has a dinner date grocery challenge” at the Matlock Village Junction;

“Eat a burger with no hands challenge” at Carlo’s Cucina;

“Feed your friend spaghetti challenge” at Shenanigan’s on the Beach.

Mark your calendars because the next Lakeside Lions Amazing Race challenge is scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 11, 2024.

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## Hickey continues to inspire after 23 years with MS Bike

By Joshua Frey-Sam

If you've ever participated in the MS Bike or driven past the group of charitable riders, chances are you've seen Ron Hickey.

Hickey, 81, will complete his 23rd MS (Multiple Sclerosis) Bike this weekend when he will ride from Gimli to Petersfield and back on Saturday and from Gimli to Matlock on Sunday, totalling 130.5 kilometres over the two-day fundraiser.

The annual bike ride has become as much of a mainstay on Hickey's calendar as his birthday or Christmas, but neither allows the lifelong Manitoban to make as great of an impact as the MS Bike.

This year, Hickey sent out his first request for donations to the MS Society of Canada on Aug. 11 with a goal of \$2,000. He surpassed that mark in 48 hours and had raised more than \$6,000 by the time the race began, bringing his lifetime sum to nearly \$40,000.

"It's a combination of two things," said Hickey of why he continues to do the MS Bike. "Physical exercise is a plus for myself. About six years ago I had open-heart surgery and my cardiologist said, 'Keep doing what you're doing.' But apart from that, I've just sort of devoted myself to raising the money for MS, for as long as I can, and so far so good."

Hickey does not struggle with MS himself, nor has he watched a blood relative suffer from the debilitating disease that attacks the nervous system. He was, however, introduced to MS in his early 20s, when he watched it slowly cripple a neighbour, whose husband left her and their two kids as her ailment worsened.

The woman died later, leaving her children to enter foster care.

"I didn't start off raising money for that right away but then that one impacted me as a young guy. When you're young enough, you're going to live forever, sort of idea. All of a sudden, people let you know that different things happen and this is one of the things that impacted my mind, Hickey said.

"I just devoted it to MS, I thought it was a worthwhile cause and it has some pretty severe impacts on people's lives, whether they survive it. Some live for a long time, some don't, but they need all the help they can get."

The impact of that neighbour's death was felt by Hickey's children. His daughter, Barb Lucas, who was old enough at the time to remember that neighbour, participated in the MS Bike 24 years ago with a friend. It was her participation that was the catalyst for Hickey's lifelong dedication to the ride.

"I liked cycling and I remember I saw an advertisement for it and I went, 'Oh.' It kind of struck me at that point," said Lucas.

"The same lady that my dad (talks) about that inspired him, I remember as a child going with my parents to visit her in the hospital. Her children were around the same age as me and it struck me that they were losing their mom and they were going to be put into foster (care). I had two parents, it wasn't even a thought in your head and it just kind



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Ron Hickey, who has been riding the same bike since 1983, will complete his 23rd MS Bike this weekend in Gimli and has raised north of \$40,000 for those with MS in his life.

of hit home."

Lucas has since become a registered nurse, spending a six-month term in the MS Clinic at Health Sciences Centre at one point before returning to the emergency department. Her dad's unwavering support to the cause has inspired her as much as anyone.

"My dad's amazing. He's a person (who) sees something and he just does it. There's no loud noises, he's not looking for any (attention), he just does things and I think that that's part of my personal ... I look up to him so much because he just quietly leads with his actions more than his words," she said.

"It's amazing that he's (81) and still doing this." Perhaps the only thing that has been as certain as

Hickey showing up every year is his bike.

Hickey has pedalled the same frame since 1987. He originally bought it for a 3,800-kilometre cross-continental trip with his son that saw the duo ride from Monterey, Mexico, to Stonewall.

"I was prepared to spend a fair dollar on a so-called 'good bike' and I think I canvased every bike shop in Winnipeg at the time," said Hickey.

Almost every shop Hickey visited tried to sell him on why he needed a bike that would run him thousands of dollars. Except one.

When Hickey explained his aspirations of riding from Mexico to Stonewall to one store in the city, the dealer suggested he buy a "standard, run-of-the-mill bike."

"He said if I were to break down, I could probably go into any bike shop and get a part for it. You get these exotic bikes ... you're going to be waiting for parts to be flowing in to get them," he said.

That led Hickey to a Canadian Tire, where he bought himself and his son each a new set of wheels. While his bike has required its fair share of maintenance and repairs, it's still as strong as its rider and has wheeled Hickey for more than 38,000 km.

Hickey's lone goal is to reach 40,075 km — the distance around the world at the equator — someday. If he continues on his yearly pace of 1,500 km, he should reach that mark by next fall.

With each kilometre has come new lessons and plenty of relationships for Hickey, and he doesn't plan on slowing down anytime soon.

"You do meet a lot of people, both on the canvassing for donations and the people that do the ride themselves," he said.

"You sort of realized how many people are out there that will do things to help others out."

The Gimli MS Bike will start and finish in Gimli on Aug. 26 and 27. The first rider will take off at 9 a.m. on Saturday from the Gimli Recreation Centre.

Since its inception 34 years ago, MS Bike – Gimli has evolved in its location and distance, significantly growing the number of cyclists along the way. What hasn't changed is the loyalty and dedication of the cyclists who pedal hard and fundraise harder through gorgeous cabin country along the shores of Lake Winnipeg.

For more information, contact Marielle Dacquel: marielle.dacquel@mssociety.ca or 431-815-4128.

## Impact defeats Argentinos F.C. 2-1

Staff

The Interlake Impact defeated Argentinos F.C. 2-1 in Manitoba Major Soccer League 4th Division action last Thursday at the Ralph Cantafio Soccer Complex.

Benny Wiens and Adrian Van Luik scored for

Interlake.

The Impact, now 4-7-2 and with 14 points, will take on Richmond United this Thursday at the Buhler Recreation Complex. Game time is 6:45 p.m.



# PeeWee Thunder begin season with a wild loss

By Brian Bowman

The Interlake Thunder PeeWee football team had an interesting start to their season.

Interlake got into a wild offensive shootout with the Eastside Eagles on Sunday, losing 70-48 in Stonewall.

The Thunder led 42-38 at halftime.

"It's one of the highest scoring games that I have ever been a part of," said Thunder head coach Jared Boville. "There were 80 points scored in the first half of football."

That's a lot of points. But it was a fun game to be a part of.

"It was a wild football game and we hope the kids always have fun," Boville said. "I hope all of the kids had fun. You might be disappointed to lose but you want to enjoy playing the game."

The Thunder had a tough test to start the season.

"The Eastman Eagles are going to be one of the best teams in the league, I would think," Boville predicted. "I've watched a few of the other teams play

and they might be the team to beat. The fact that we were up on them at the half and we stayed with them (was encouraging). Nobody was stopping anyone and then we had a bad bounce on a kickoff that they were able to recover and we had a couple of turnovers in the red zone. We had a fumble in the red zone and an interception in the end zone. We lost by three scores and those were the possessions that made the difference in the game."

Interlake's roster has 36 players, which is a great number. Players are coming out from all over the Interlake.

"That's one of the bigger rosters in the Manitoba Minor Football Association," Boville said. "I know since I've been involved with the Thunder for about five years now, this is very good numbers-wise."

Interlake's next game is Saturday when it visits the Charleswood Broncos. Kickoff is 3:30 p.m.



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Gimli's Ryan Bobrovich is taken down on the play while Bostyn Winters of Ashern looks on. The Eastside Eagles defeated the Thunder in PeeWee football action last Sunday in Stonewall.

# Gulay named Ice Dawgs' new head coach

By Brian Bowman

Derric Gulay knows a lot about the Arborg Ice Dawgs — and he should.

After spending six years with the Ice Dawgs as a player, Gulay is now the team's new head coach.

"I'm pumped. Being a player and being with the organization for six years and then having the opportunity to play in Iceland it's been good. I'm looking forward to the opportunity and hopefully I can give something back to the community."

Going from a player to a coach will be interesting. Gulay really enjoyed his time playing for the Ice Dawgs.

"I think the transition will be a challenge and I'm all for challenges," he said. "I was an assistant captain for a couple of years and the captain for the junior club. Having over 20 (players) on the team isn't going to be too much of a challenge. It's going to be about making sure that we're all on the same page and working towards the same goal."

Gulay will be leading a team that finished in third place in the six-team league last season. They expect to be very competitive in 2023-24 with plenty of local players.

"We'll have pretty much the same team as last year," Gulay said.



Derric Gulay is the new head coach of the CRJHL Arborg Ice Dawgs.

"There's only two guys, I believe, who aren't coming back and they're both from Gimli but we still have players from Gimli playing. We're going to have a strong team. The team is going to have a unique perspective this year with (assistant coach) Jack (Einarson) and we'll be bringing on an assistant coach."

Einarson returns as an assistant coach and brings a ton of hockey knowledge to the organization.



Jack Einarson is returning to the Arborg Ice Dawgs as an assistant coach.

"That's one of the reasons that I wanted to take on the position," Gulay said. "One of the first things that I told Jack was that I wanted him to have more of a voice than he did last year. (Using) his skill and mindset will only be a benefit to the team."

Gulay wanted to reach out and thank the community for all of the support that they have given the organization over the years.

"I was at a few games last year and



Lloyd Baryliski is the general manager.

the turnout was amazing," Gulay said. "We're really looking forward to that support again this year. That's a foundation to how successful we've been recently. We want to stay connected with the community and the locals and our fan base. It means a lot to us."

The Ice Dawgs' tryout camp begins Sept. 13. To register, individuals can contact Gulay via his cell phone at 204-641-3982.



# get inspired

> MEAL IDEAS



## Game Day Buffalo Chicken Dip

chips  
vegetable sticks  
Heat oven to 400 F.

In bowl, mix shredded chicken, cream cheese, sour cream, 1 1/2 cups shredded cheese, onion powder, garlic powder and dried dill until combined. Add hot sauce; mix until combined.

Transfer mixture from bowl to oven-safe dish. Top with additional shredded cheese, to taste.

Bake until cheese is melted, approximately 15 minutes.

Top with blue cheese crumbles and chopped green onion.

Serve warm with chips and vegetable sticks.

Servings: 3-4  
2 cups shredded chicken  
8 ounces cream cheese  
1/2 cup sour cream  
1 1/2 cups sharp cheddar cheese, plus additional for topping, divided  
1/2 teaspoon onion powder  
1/2 teaspoon garlic powder  
1 heavy pinch dried dill  
1/2 cup hot sauce  
2 green onions, chopped  
blue cheese crumbles



## Game Day Taco Dip

cheese  
1 cup tomatoes, chopped  
1 can (2 1/4 ounces) sliced black olives, drained

1 package (14 ounces) tortilla chips  
In skillet over medium-high heat, cook beef 5 minutes, or until no longer pink. Sprinkle with taco seasoning; mix well. Add water; cook 2 minutes, or until water is absorbed. Transfer to bowl; cool to room temperature. Add cilantro; mix well.

In 9-inch pie plate, evenly spread refried beans; top with seasoned ground beef and salsa. Add spoonfuls of guacamole across top of salsa then carefully spread to smooth.

Place sour cream in small resealable bag; cut off corner. Pipe sour cream to create football shape on guacamole.

Put pie plate in center of 15-by-18-inch tray. Arrange salad blend around pie plate. Top with cheddar cheese, tomatoes and olives. Serve with tortilla chips.

Prep time: 25 minutes  
Cook time: 5 minutes  
Servings: 12  
1 pound ground beef  
1 package (1 ounce) taco seasoning  
1/4 cup water  
2 tablespoons minced cilantro  
1 can (16 ounces) refried beans, zesty salsa flavor  
1 jar (16 ounces) thick and chunky salsa, medium or hot  
2 cups guacamole  
1/2 cup sour cream  
3 packages (5 ounces each) Fresh Express Butter Supreme  
1 1/2 cups shredded sharp cheddar



## Game Day Chicken Wings

fresh parsley (optional)  
Preheat oven to 425 F.  
Line baking sheet with foil. Arrange butter cubes on foil.

In medium bowl, combine flour, paprika, garlic powder, salt and pepper.

Coat both sides of wings in flour mixture then evenly space among butter cubes on baking sheet.

Bake wings 30 minutes.  
Turn wings over and bake 15 minutes, or until crispy and fully cooked.

Serve with dipping sauces and sprinkle with fresh parsley, if desired.

Total time: 50 minutes  
Servings: 4  
1/2 cup butter, cubed  
1/3 cup flour  
2 teaspoons paprika  
1 teaspoon garlic powder  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon black pepper  
10 chicken wingettes, thawed  
dipping sauces (optional)

# Children as scapegoats



By Gwen Randall

An insidious problem that sometimes arises in families occurs when issues between the parents are not dealt with directly, and instead become acted out with the children.

An example might be a man who feels his wife is too controlling, perhaps even bossy, and so when he hears her disciplining a child, tells her to get off the child's back. Or the woman who feels her husband is too strict with the children, and so undermines his rules when he is not around.

There is the case where a father feels his wife is babying their son, and so he's extra tough with him so he'll "learn to be a man." (Yes, this still happens.) Or the woman who is jealous of the closeness between her husband and their daughter, and so (often unconsciously) punishes the daughter by being very hard on her. And then on the simplest level is misdirected anger: you're angry at your spouse, so you yell at the kids.

These behaviours all arise either because we are unconscious about what we are really doing, or we are not taking responsibility for dealing with the issues in our lives. It is much easier,

and less scary to act out our frustrations, than to confront and deal with what's really going on.

It is also much more damaging. It is really insecure and misdirected thinking that leads to the conclusion that it's better to carry on a kind of emotional guerrilla warfare than to go and get some help to change your process. Often these negative processes are so well entrenched that the couple feels hopeless about it ever changing. This is because what they often really want is for the other person to change. It's easy to get locked into this dead-end perspective, and that is why having a third party who can point out the blind spots can help you to move beyond them.

We all have limitations and need to grow, and sometimes children are the catalysts who set this growth in motion. So if there is a lot of conflict at your house over how the children are to be treated or disciplined, then you need to honestly look at what is going on between you and your spouse.

Children must not be made into scapegoats. If this is happening, staying together for the sake of the kids is ludicrous, because the child is being emotionally damaged. If you see this pattern in your family, talk it over with your partner, and vow to change it. If you need help, then get help. Do this... for the sake of the kids.

*Gwen Randall-Young is an author and award-winning psychologist. For permission to reprint this article, or to obtain books, CDs or MP3s, visit [www.gwen.ca](http://www.gwen.ca). Follow Gwen on Facebook for inspiration.*

## Raspberry Streusel Muffins

Recipe courtesy of the American Heart Association and Sorghum Checkoff

Servings: 12 (1 muffin per serving)  
Muffins:  
Nonstick cooking spray  
1 1/2 cups whole grain sorghum flour

1 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
3/4 teaspoon baking soda  
3/4 cup low-fat buttermilk  
1/3 cup firmly packed light brown sugar

3 large egg whites  
1/4 cup canola or corn oil  
2 teaspoons grated lemon zest  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
1 cup fresh or frozen unsweetened raspberries, thawed if frozen

Streusel:  
2 tablespoons whole grain sorghum flour  
2 tablespoons light brown sugar  
2 tablespoons uncooked quick-cooking rolled oats

2 tablespoons chopped pecans  
2 tablespoons light tub margarine  
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon



To make muffins: Preheat oven to 400 F. Lightly spray 12-cup muffin pan with nonstick cooking spray.

In large bowl, stir sorghum flour, cinnamon and baking soda.

In medium bowl, whisk buttermilk, brown sugar, egg whites, oil, lemon zest and vanilla. Stir into flour mixture until batter is just moistened and no flour is visible without overmixing. Spoon batter into muffin cups. Top each muffin with raspberries.

To make streusel: In small bowl, stir sorghum flour, brown sugar, oats, pecans, margarine and cinnamon to reach texture of coarse crumbs. Sprinkle over muffins, gently pushing into batter. Bake 16 minutes, or until wooden toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. The USDA recommends cooking egg dishes to 160 F.

Transfer pan to cooling rack. Let stand 5 minutes. Carefully transfer muffins to rack. Let cool completely, about 20 minutes.



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## Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton PUBLIC NOTICE

### BOARD OF REVISION

Public Notice is hereby given that the 2024 Assessment Roll for the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton has been delivered to the Municipal Office at 329 River Road, Arborg, Manitoba and is open for public inspection during regular office hours.

The Board of Revision will sit on Thursday, September 14, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. at the Council Chamber of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton to hear applications for revisions made in accordance with section 42 & 43 of The Municipal Assessment Act.

42(1) A person in whose name property has been assessed, a mortgagee in possession of property under section 114(1) of The Real Property Act, an occupier of premises who is required under the terms of a lease to pay the taxes on the property, or the assessor may make application for the revision of an assessment roll with respect to:

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- classification of property;
- a refusal by an assessor to amend roll under subsection 13(2).

43(1) An application for revision must:

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- set out which of the matters referred to in subsection 42(1) are at issue, and the grounds for each of those matters; and
- be filed by delivering it or causing it to be delivered to the municipal office on or before Tuesday, August 29, 2023.

Dated this 2nd day of August, 2023  
Tanis Johnson - Board of Revision Secretary  
Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton  
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On the date and at the time and location shown below, a PUBLIC HEARING will be held to receive representations from any person(s) who wish to make them in respect to the following matter(s):  
**THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF GIMLI BY-LAW NO. 23-0003**  
Being an amendment to the Gimli Zoning By-law No. 11-0013, as amended.

**HEARING LOCATION:** RM of Gimli Council Chambers  
62 - 2nd Avenue, Gimli, MB

**DATE & TIME:** September 13, 2023  
5:05 pm

**APPLICATION:** RMG-23-02R

**AFFECTED AREA:**  
Frac. Section 28-19-04 EPM being Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 21039 and Pt. Lot 2, Block 3, Plan 21039 WLTO Roll No. 197602 and Pt. Roll No. 197648



**GENERAL INTENT:** To rezone an area in the RM of Gimli from "AL" Agricultural Limited Zone to "SRR" Residential Resort Zone, for the expansion of King's Park Estates by creating 23 new residential lots.

**FOR INFORMATION** Nancy Thom, CAO/Development Officer, Eastern Interlake Planning District  
62 2nd Ave, Box 1758 Gimli MB ROC 1B0 -  
Ph: 204-642-5478 Fax: 204-642-4061

**CONTACT:** Email: [eipd@mymts.net](mailto:eipd@mymts.net)  
website: [www.interlakeplanning.com](http://www.interlakeplanning.com)

A copy of the proposal and supporting material may be provided upon request to the contact person as mentioned above.

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DATED at Ashern, Manitoba, this 17th day of August, 2023.

**PAUL D. GEISLER J.D.**  
**GEISLER LAW OFFICE**  
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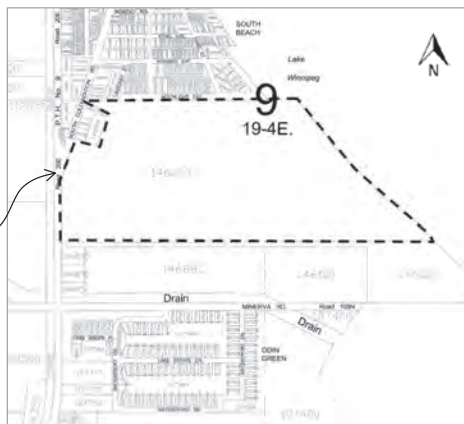
HEARING LOCATION: RM of Gimli Council Chambers  
62 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue  
Gimli, MB

DATE & TIME: September 20, 2023  
6:00 pm

APPLICATION: RMG-23-03R

AFFECTED AREA: Pt. 09-19-04 EPM Being Pt. of that portion bordered pink on Plan 6710 WLTO  
Roll No. 146200

GENERAL INTENT: To rezone an area in the RM of Gimli from "AL" Agricultural Limited Zone to "O" Open Space Zone, for the purpose of the "Gimli Waterfront Wetland Interpretive Centre".



FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy Thom, CAO/Development Officer, Eastern Interlake Planning District  
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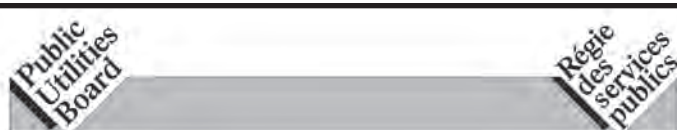
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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION VILLAGE OF DUNNOTTAR REVISED WASTEWATER RATES DUNNOTTAR WASTEWATER UTILITY**

August 8, 2023

The Village of Dunnottar (Village) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised wastewater rates for the Dunnottar Wastewater Utility (Utility) as set out in By-Law No. 978/23, read the first time on May 17, 2023. Rates were last approved in 2018 in Board Order No. 41/18, with current rates in effective since January 1, 2020.

The current and proposed rates are as follows:

	Current Rates	Proposed Rates				
		By-Law - 940/17	By-Law 978/23 Year 1	By-Law 978/23 Year 2	By-Law 978/23 Year 3	By-Law 978/23 Year 4
Annual Customer Service Charge	\$ 3.40	\$ 2.63	\$ 2.63	\$ 2.63	\$ 2.63	
Annual Charge per REU	\$ 516.60	\$ 667.37	\$ 667.37	\$ 707.37	\$ 727.37	
1 Residential Equivalency Unit*	\$ 520.00	\$ 670.00	\$ 690.00	\$ 710.00	\$ 730.00	
1.5 Residential Equivalency Units*	\$ 778.30	\$ 1,003.69	\$ 1,033.69	\$ 1,063.69	\$ 1,093.69	
2 Residential Equivalency Units*	\$ 1,036.60	\$ 1,337.37	\$ 1,377.37	\$ 1,417.37	\$ 1,457.37	

\*Total per annum

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

If you have concerns/comments regarding the Village's application for water rates please go to [www.pubmanitoba.ca](http://www.pubmanitoba.ca) and provide your comment. Please note all comments will be forwarded to the Village.

Questions or comments should be sent on or before **October 10, 2023**.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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We thank all candidates for their interest, however, only those individuals considered for an interview will be contacted.



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- Participants of the Destination Business, Shift and Bookkeeping Basics are eligible to receive support funds up to \$750 on their behalf to a service provider. Qualifying services include marketing, social media, getting online, bookkeeping support and customer management software.

Please see our website for further information and workshop descriptions.

<https://cfmanitoba.ca/programs/parkland-rural-entrepreneurship-hub>

Please feel free to contact your local Community Futures office or

Chantel at 204-546-5105 or email

[programs@communityfuturesparkland.ca](mailto:programs@communityfuturesparkland.ca)





IN MEMORIAM



Dear Susan,  
One long year has passed since you departed from this world. Our home seems so big, so empty without your smile, your laughter, our conversations, our daily hugs and soft kisses and all the things we shared. I think back to our eight months of dating and 30 ½ years of marriage. I sometimes read the cards we exchanged on special occasions and the beautiful words we wrote to each other. I'm amazed how our love deepened as we grew older together. Although I'm happy you are free of the emotional pain that was thrust upon you, the physical pains you endured during most of your life, I miss you. Sometimes I read your prayer card that you kept in the bedroom that part of it went this way, "I am expecting God to surprise me with His tender mercy. He will turn my hurts into halos." So Susie, my friend, my love, enjoy your stay in our Lord and St. Mary's presence. You have earned your place, you have earned your rest. Thank you Susie, for everything.  
-Sending you hugs and kisses,  
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IN MEMORIAM



**Charles Peiluck**  
Passed away August 28, 2017  
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OBITUARY



**John Douglas Mark**  
October 24, 1947 - August 12, 2023

After a long battle with Diabetes and Renal failure, Dad is now reunited with the love of his life. I'm sure they are both watching over all of us enjoying a cold OV and a smoke.

John was predeceased by his wife of 50 years, Annette, his father and mother, Doug and Ruby, in-laws Norman and Adrienne McLeod, his special aunt and neighbour Chrissie and his best friend Ray Petersen as well as many other family members who likely greeted him with open arms on the other side.

Our Dad and Grandpa was employed as a gravel truck driver for Foster's Trucking and often talked about how easy he obtained his trucking license back then and how lucky he was to drive for Foster's. He also worked at Johnson Farm driving a grain truck and then eventually became an electrician. He apprenticed under

Alvin Goranson and spoke very fondly of that. He was a very proud Local IBEW 2085 Electrical Union member where he worked his way up from Journeyman to Superintendent and met many wonderful brothers. His electrical career took him many places, Fisher Branch being the closest from his hometown to Northern Manitoba and across Canada and the USA - this is how he earned the well-known nick name of 'Suitcase'.

Dad was an active community member over the years and was a pivotal builder of the original Lundar Golf Course. He assisted Grettir with the installation of the artificial ice and was available to assist with any needed electrical repairs over the years. He was also a very proud supporter of the Lundar BPO Elks Goose Shoot and a Lundar Legion #185 member for 49 years.

Dad had a huge love for sports. He was an avid curler, pool player, football player and coach, hockey player and coach and a golfer, but he absolutely loved to dance, especially with his sister Maureen.

He enjoyed watching the Winnipeg Jets but he was an even bigger fan of the Winnipeg Blue Bombers. His love for football took him to a few games and Grey Cups throughout the years.

Dad had a special place in his heart for his dog Bazel who will miss him very much. Dad and Grandpa also leaves to mourn his oldest daughter Monica, daughter Michelle (Jamie), son RJ (Tamara), son Chris and grandchildren Maria, Michael (Dana), Jacqueline, Jayson, Brit, Natalie, Alexis and Damien; his sisters Maureen (Tom) and Norma (Wally) and very special cousin Jim (Judy), as well as nieces and nephews, cousins, in-laws and many friends.

The family wishes to thank Cynthia and Kirsten for the wonderful care you provided Dad while doing Home Care, Seven Oaks U5 doctors and nurses and Eriksdale Palliative Care for your care and compassion while caring for our Dad and Grandpa.

A memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 28, 2023 in the Lundar Legion Hall with Cindy Thorkelson officiating. Interment to follow in the Lundar Municipal Cemetery. Urn bearers are Michael and Damien. Honorary Pallbearers will be his grandchildren Michael, Jacqueline, Jayson, Maria, Natalie, Alexis and Damien

In lieu of flowers please send donations to Lundar Co-op Golf and Country Club, Box 603, Lundar, MB R0C 1Y0 or Lundar Swimming Pool, payable to Grettir Co-op Inc, Box 334, Lundar, MB R0C 1Y0.

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OBITUARY



**Robert Alfred McDougall "Blackie"**

It is with heavy hearts and deepest sorrow that we announce the passing of our husband, father, and grandfather.

Robert Alfred McDougall, aged 81 years of Mulvihill, MB passed away peacefully with his family by his side on Thursday, August 17, 2023 at the Health Science Centre in Winnipeg.

Freddie was born October 21, 1941 in Eriksdale, MB to Romeo and Audrey McDougall. On March 23, 1963 he was united in marriage to Marjorie Monk. Freddie and Marge began their lives together in Winnipeg where he started to work for Manitoba Hydro. They moved back to Mulvihill in the summer of 1966. They began farming with their children in 1977.

Freddie worked for Manitoba Hydro for 36 years. He put on many miles driving truck to Northern Manitoba every week, he travelled many Winter Roads in the years there too.

Freddie enjoyed playing cards with family and friends. He enjoyed hunting with his dear friends Arne, Larry and Doug and his children. He also enjoyed snowmobiling and going to Birch Lake and Marrows Swamp trapping. In his younger years he enjoyed playing fastball and coaching fastball.

Freddie really enjoyed dancing especially with his loving wife in their kitchen while the polka party played on the radio Saturday night. Freddie had a great love for his children however his love really shined when his grandchildren were around him.

He was predeceased by his parents, brothers and sisters. He was also predeceased by his granddaughter Audrey in July 2018 and his daughter-in-law Donna in September 2020.

Fred is survived by his loving wife Marge of 60 years; his sons Darren (Lee), Travis and daughter Tracy (Irvin) and nine grandchildren: Taleah, Brayah, Tristyna, Dakota, Adrian, Tyah, Breetanna, Jeanette, and Tymberleigh along with numerous nieces and nephews.

A Memorial Service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 2, 2023 at the Eriksdale Recreation Centre with Dawn Tober officiating. Interment will take place at the Mulvihill Cemetery. Honorary Pallbearers will be his grandchildren.

We would like to thank all the staff at the Dialysis Unit in Ashern and to all the staff at the SICU at the Health Science Centre for all you did for Dad.

If friends so desire in memoriam donations may be made to either Diabetes Canada, 401-1 Wesley Avenue, Winnipeg, MB R3C 4C6 or to CancerCare Manitoba Foundation Inc., 675 McDermot Ave., Room ON1160, Winnipeg, MB R3E 0V9.

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## OBITUARY

**Sharon Lutz**

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After a short but courageous battle with her health, Sharon passed away with family by her side at the Lakeshore General Hospital in Ashern, MB.

A memorial service will be held at 2:00 pm on Thursday, August 31, 2023 in the Ashern Centennial Hall with Dawn Tober officiating. A luncheon will be held with an interment to follow in the Col Clough Cemetery.

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## CELEBRATION OF LIFE

**Brian Jasper**

November 4, 1945 - July 31, 2023

A Celebration of Brian's life will be held on Thursday, August 31, 2023 at 2:30 p.m. in the Bayview Evangelical Church in Gimli, Manitoba.

Condolences may be left on his tribute wall at [www.gilbartfuneralhome.com](http://www.gilbartfuneralhome.com)

Gilbart Funeral Home, Gimli in care of arrangements.



## OBITUARY

**Bruce Hodge**

It is with broken hearts we announce the passing of our beloved Bruce Hodge, Gramps. He passed away at Health Sciences Centre on August 18th, 2023 with his family by his side.

A celebration of life is planned for Saturday, September 2, 2023 at the Riverton Hall; time pending and full obituary to follow in next weeks edition.

Condolences may be left on his tribute wall at [www.gilbartfuneralhome.com](http://www.gilbartfuneralhome.com)

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