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Lila Smart and Jen Grant with the Moosomin Visual Arts Centre making Holiday Smile Cookies last week. Proceeds from Smile Cookie sales will be going to the Moosomin Visual Arts Centre this year.

Moosomin second in Sask for Smile Cookie Sales as of last Thursday

BY NICOLE TAYLOR
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

At the end of the day last Thursday, Moosomin was second in the province for Holiday Smile Cookie sales, selling over \$11,000 worth of cookies.

In first place was Humboldt with \$14,446 in sales.

There were still three days left of sales to go before the

Holiday Smile Cookie Campaign wrapped up as of midnight on Sunday.

Greg Crisanti, the owner of Tim Hortons in Moosomin, said sales in Western Canada had been so robust that the warehouse that supplies the Holiday Smile Cookie batter in Winnipeg had run out.

"We are really close, it's amazing, and for the first time

in a long time we actually drained our GFS warehouse out Winnipeg, so Winnipeg has told owners that we don't have anymore Holiday Smile Cookies left that are with the red and green sprinkles and that we will have to move to our chocolate chunk," he said.

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Volunteers with Conexus, left, and J'aime Payne, right, with the Moosomin Visual Arts Centre decorating Holiday Smile Cookies last week.



Moosomin second in Sask for Smile Cookie Sales as of last Thursday

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"But we are going to make sure we have cookies available so we can still help with some smiles until Sunday at midnight."

"It's remarkable that we've done that. It's outstanding and I see it every campaign—year over year other owners and our head office folks are noticing just the amazing job and dedication our little town of Moosomin has, it's just remarkable."

"We are so proud of our team—our team thrives on it too. They are having a lot of fun, especially around this time of year. It's a busy time of year, but we have the holiday music pumping in the restaurant and it's great to see all of the volunteers and the smiling faces. Everyone has a great time doing it, and to know we are supporting great causes in our community is just remarkable."

"I couldn't be more proud. It's some friendly competition, but the dollars that we are raising to give back to our community, it's been so great for us."

What makes Moosomin area so supportive?

"I don't really know the secret behind it, but basically everyone has everyone's back, and when the community needs something, everyone is there for everyone and it's remarkable to see the support, not just from Moosomin but the surrounding communities. We are all in it together and it's great," says Crisanti.

Crisanti says the organizations that receive funding through the Smile Cookie campaigns each year really appreciate the support.

"They're so thankful, and you see chari-

ties and organizations that you've dealt with in the past, they still thank me if we run into them at a hockey game or around the community. They're so thankful and for long-term that's amazing, and you get to see it if they're building new playgrounds, if they're getting new sports equipment, upgrades to their location. It's really great."

He says Moosomin's extreme support of the Smile Cookie campaigns has led to the town being noticed.

"We are definitely getting recognized and we are on the map. I know we have other restaurants reaching out to us asking what we are doing and how we are raising the dollars that we are. How are we selling so many cookies in the population that we have. It's outstanding and really it comes down to the support and the community's love."

As for the warehouse running out of batter, Crisanti says that has only happened once in the past.

"It has happened once before on our very first year when Moosomin was actually a test store. We were the first restaurant to try it out, to see if our holiday campaign would go, and we ran out of holiday cookies that year. But we just didn't know what to expect or how big it was going to be. But now with the holiday cookie I think it has been going for four or five years, maybe longer, and we thought we had it, but it's just a bunch of restaurants selling a ton. I know in Manitoba, Steinbach is right on our tail too. Again Dauphin, they have always done really good."

"The numbers that are coming in, we

just don't have enough cookies, but we won't run out of cookies. There will be a

smile on something until Sunday and we will be selling it for sure."

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Hot Chocolate Festival starts Dec. 1

Local restaurants ready to roll out their creations

BY NICOLE TAYLOR
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Moosomin's first-ever hot chocolate festival will start on Monday, December 1 and run until Sunday, December 7. Last week the seven restaurants involved the event were working on their different hot chocolates, and each restaurant will be rolling out a different hot chocolate creation on December 1.

Over the course of the week, people can try all seven different hot chocolates and then vote on their favorite at hotchocolate@world-spectator.com for a chance to win Moosomin Bucks.

The seven participating restaurants are Trends Mercantile, the Crate House, Cork & Bone, The Red Barn, Witch's Brew, The Country Squire and Dairy Queen.

"We thought this would be a fun thing to do during the Christmas season, and we planned it for the same week as some other Christmas events like Moonlight Madness on Dec. 4, the free matinee movie on Dec. 6, and Santa Day on Dec. 7," says Chamber president Kevin Weedmark.

"Everyone loves hot chocolate, and we thought this would be a fun and easy thing for our local restaurants to do during this busy season. It will also give shoppers one more reason to pop into those restaurants and enjoy a hot

chocolate, a meal or a treat while they are there.

"It's always fun to have lots going on during the week of Moonlight Madness, and this just adds to it with something fun for everyone."

All seven restaurants are being extra creative with their drinks. The Crate House will be serving a candy cane hot chocolate with an option to add espresso to make it a mocha latte. Trends Mercantile is serving a lavender white hot chocolate. The Red Barn is serving a butter pecan hot chocolate topped with whipped cream and caramel drizzle.

Dairy Queen is planning on serving a frozen hot chocolate that comes in three flavors—caramel, double fudge, and peanut butter. Witch's Brew is serving a gingerbread brown sugar hot chocolate. The Country Squire is serving a melted snowman hot chocolate, and Cork and Bone is serving two creations—a black forest hot chocolate and a toasted coconut white hot chocolate.



Cork & Bone's black forest hot chocolate and toasted coconut white hot chocolate.



Trends Mercantile's lavender white hot chocolate.



The Crate House's candy cane hot chocolate with an option to add an espresso shot to make it a mocha latte. Served with whip cream and a candy cane.



The Squire's melted snowman hot chocolate.



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Moosomin Dairy Queen recognized for Miracle Treat Day

Moosomin Dairy Queen was recognized with an award on National Philanthropy Day on November 14 in Regina for selling 7,880 blizzards on Miracle Treat Day this year, raising more than \$41,000 for the Jim Pattison Children's Hospital.

Jada Kook of the Jim Pattison Children's Hospital Foundation nominated them for the award.

"Moosomin Dairy Queen owners, Joanne and Morgan Kerr, are community builders and champions for children and families in Saskatchewan," said Kook in her nomination. "The Kerr's dedication and passion prove the power of grassroots community spirit, supporting over 40 local initiatives."

"Raising over \$126,000 for Jim Pattison Children's Hospital Foundation, their leadership on Miracle Treat Day continues to break records! In 2025, Moosomin DQ raised over \$41,000 on Miracle Treat Day by mobilizing 50 volunteers, rallying businesses and canvassing surrounding towns—believing that small towns can make a big impact."

Blizzard sales in Moosomin on Miracle Treat Day have been increasing every year. In 2024 Moosomin DQ sold 5,118 blizzards and raised \$27,746.21.

This year Morgan and Heather Kerr not only canvassed the town of Moosomin for Blizzard orders but spent time going door to door at local businesses in some of the surrounding towns, asking for orders.

Along with their staff, local volunteers help make the Blizzards that week, and Borderland Co-op donates freezer space to help store the massive amount of Blizzards that are made ahead of time to accommodate Moosomin's Miracle Treat Day pre-orders.

"We had a number of volunteers that have also been patients at the hospital in Saskatoon, which was really nice," Joanne Kerr said after Miracle Treat Day this year. "It's such a good feeling to know that you're part of a great organization that helps brave kids when they need it the most."



Quinn Skulmoski sent us this photo of Erin with this caption: "27-year World-Spectator subscriber reading the paper faithfully."

Fundraising continues for Erin Skulmoski

Fundraising continues for Moosomin's Erin Skulmoski who is battling an aggressive form of brain cancers.

Skulmoski and her husband Quinn run Skulmoski's Plumbing and Heating in Moosomin.

A few weeks ago and online auction was held for Skulmoski. A Go Fund Me was also set up. The Go Fund Me is over \$50,000 now and will remain open for donations. Donations can also be sent directly to an account at Scotiabank by e-transferring to FightForErin@gmail.com or stopping in at the Moosomin Scotiabank.

"Quinn and Erin and their family would like to thank everyone for all the love and support," said the family in a statement last week.

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Rocanville Town Council

11 lifeguards hired for aquatic centre

BY NICOLE TAYLOR
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

At their meeting on Wednesday, Rocanville town council passed a motion to hire 11 lifeguards for the Universe Satellite Aquatic Centre, which will be opening very soon, as its refurbishment is nearly complete.

The town has hired six junior lifeguards, two senior lifeguards, and three senior instructor guards.

This brings the pool close to full staffing levels for lifeguards, with the town still open to accepting some applications for daytime staff.

Eco centre grand opening planned for Friday, November 28

The town will be holding a grand opening of its new eco centre at the transfer station in the afternoon on Friday, November 28, letting people know that they can recycle used oil during regular transfer station hours.

Used oil can be dropped off at that location, and anyone in the region can use the recycling centre, not just Rocanville residents.

Previously, an eco centre was located at the Kin Ability Centre in Moosomin, however when the Kin Ability decided they could no longer manage the eco centre, Saskatch-

ewan Association for Resource Recovery Corp (SARRC) began looking for a new location in the area and approached the town of Rocanville who decided to take it on.

SARRC has a province-wide collection network of nearly 130 collection points and eco centres in communities that accept used oil, used oil filters, used antifreeze, antifreeze and Diesel Exhaust Fluid (DEF) containers.

Development permit for residential properties approved

Council approved a development permit for residential housing at 216 Pelly Street. The property was a tax enforcement property. A purchaser approached the town about buying the land and will be building two residential units on the lot.

New HR policy approved

The town passed a motion for a progressive discipline policy. The new HR policy applies to anyone employed by the town of Rocanville.

"It's just to be more consistent," says administrator Tanya Strandlund. "It makes everything clear as to expectations and repercussions and to have a consistent process for any sort of issues."

Roto rooting cost covered

The town passed a motion to refund 100 per cent of the cost of having tree roots roto rooted in a sewer line at 316 Fort Street. The town covers the costs of any sewer line issues with roots 20 feet out from the house.

Housing authority share

The town of Rocanville's five per cent share to the Sask Housing Corporation for operation of the Rocanville Housing Authority in 2024 is \$554.93—lower than what the town had budgeted, which was \$5,000.

Tankless water heating system for rink

Council passed a motion to approve a tankless water heating system to be installed by Tag's Plumbing and Heating in the zamboni room at the rink.

TD pool savings account closed

The town passed a motion to close their pool savings account with the TD Bank. The TD bank closed its branch in Rocanville and the town has moved their account to Conexus Credit Union instead.

Esterhazy Town Council

Esterhazy Moonlight Magic will be Dec. 4

BY NICOLE TAYLOR
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Esterhazy has set a date for its late night shopping event. Moonlight Magic will be on Thursday, December 4 this year. There will be a tree lighting and other events on that night, with the town partnering with downtown businesses to put on the event.

In the past the town has held its Moonlight Magic on a Friday with Winter Fest following on Saturday and Sunday. There will be no Winter Fest in Esterhazy this year, and the town made the decision to hold its Moonlight Magic on a Thursday night instead of a Friday night.

Upgrades and repairs at Dana Antal Arena

The new girls changeroom at the Dana Antal Arena is nearing completion and will include a new shower and

washroom. Nutrien has donated \$10,000 toward the project.

Repairs are also taking place to the change room showers at the arena, and will be completed soon. The town says they are waiting on parts in order to finish the repairs.

Transfer of tax title property

At their meeting on Thursday, council approved the transfer of title for a property in the final stages of tax enforcement. The property will be offered for sale within one year, which is required by legislation.

Bylaw amended to ensure consistent appearance of crosswalks

Council passed an amendment to the town's traffic bylaw. The amendment will ensure a consistent appearance

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In shooting of Tanya Myers

Fahlman charged with second degree murder

Trial relocated to Weyburn provincial court

BY NICOLE TAYLOR
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Chris Fahlman has been charged with second degree murder in relation to the shooting of Tanya Myers on Highway 39 north of Weyburn.

Fahlman has also been charged with intentionally discharging a firearm while being reckless as to the life or safety of another person.

Fahlman was previously charged with manslaughter, careless use of a firearm, carrying a weapon for the purpose of committing an offence, and occupying a vehicle knowing there is a firearm inside. Those charges have been stayed and Fahlman appeared in Regina provincial court on November 12 on the new charge of second degree murder.

Tanya Myers was travelling with a friend on Highway 39 north of Weyburn on September 12 when a bullet entered the Ford Explorer they were in, hitting Tanya in the back and killing her. A second vehicle that was travelling close behind the vehicle that Myers was in was also struck by bullets that night.

Fahlman was arrested on November 1.

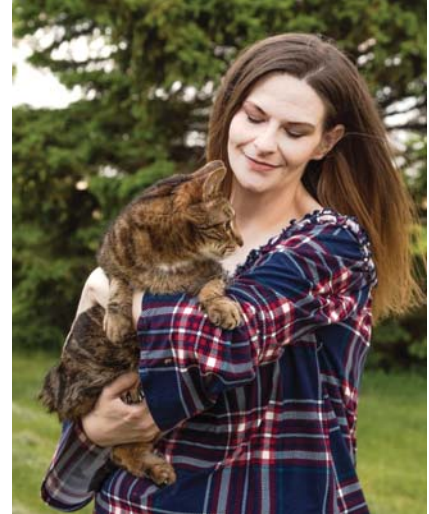
Fahlman is from Regina and owns a home inspection company. RCMP say Fahlman and Myers were not known to each other.

Chris Fahlman's trial has also been relocated to Weyburn Provincial Court. Fahlman's first appearance in Weyburn will be on December 9.

Fahlman remains in custody pending a bail hearing.



Above: Chris Fahlman.



Right: Tanya Myers who was killed when a bullet entered the vehicle she was travelling in on September 12 north of Weyburn.

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In our opinion:

Canada's biggest policy mistakes come from treating complex systems as simple math

Here is an old story with a valuable message. In the directed economy of the USSR, it was the government, not markets, that decided what and how much was to be produced.

Take metalware for the kitchen: mugs, mixing bowls, pots, pans, dishpans and washtubs. The government decided how much people needed and ordered the industry to produce that many tons at the lowest possible price.

Quotas were met, the appropriate tonnage was produced and costs were controlled. But no mug, pot or dishpan was to be found. The industry found that the easiest way to meet its cost and quantity requirements was to produce nothing but washtubs.

It is a valuable reminder today for Canada: when policymakers rely on a single number to steer complex systems, they almost always get the wrong results.

There are at least three reasons why we need better analysis in policymaking. The first is that the things inside a total number are not all the same. Mugs and washtubs are not interchangeable.

The second is unintended consequences. How did devoting metal to domestic products affect other metal-using sectors like automobile production? The same pattern appears in modern Canadian policy: shifting one number often disrupts systems we depend on elsewhere.

Third, picking a number to solve a problem is often an easy way to avoid doing a rigorous cost-benefit analysis that would offer a clear indication of the overall effectiveness and impact of any decision. Too often, our debates jump straight to targets instead of evidence.

We like to think that policy decisions in Canada are decided on more than just picking a magic number and waiting for it to solve a problem. That is not always the case. Policies for both the housing market and labour market could benefit from more detailed analysis.

Canada faces a severe housing shortage, not only in the major cities, but also in smaller centres as people move there from metro areas and push up home prices. One-number thinking has led the government to drastically cut back the number of people coming into Canada on a permanent or temporary basis believing that thousands of fewer new arrivals will make available thousands more housing units.

This is not likely, especially when considering temporary workers. Many of these are international students. The number of housing units freed by their absence is significantly lower than the reduction in student visas issued. Many students stay in dorms or other student housing. Others crowd together in apartments or houses to save costs. Not much housing is freed to deal with the shortage.

One serious unintended consequence of cutting back student visas is the negative impact on educational institutions which have been relying on the generous fees that foreign students pay to deal with the constrained fees and limited funding imposed on them by governments.

Cutting back on the number of temporary foreign workers (TFWs) will also have a minimal effect on the supply of housing in the major centres where shortages are most severe. TFWs are most needed in industries like agriculture and in smaller centres where their absence will be sorely felt.

Looking at the labour market, it is unrealistic to expect unemployed Canadians to fill these job gaps. People in major cities rarely move to remote areas to take lower-paying work. Cutting back TFWs will harm the sectors and places that rely on them. Differences in geography, occupations and preferences ensure that workers are not interchangeable.

Homes are not interchangeable either. They have to be in the places where people choose to live, and they have to be affordable. In many places like Vancouver, the actual and potential number of homes is enough to house everyone who needs one, especially if the development permits now being sought result in actual construction. But in cities like Vancouver and Toronto, the benchmark price of a home has risen far faster than wages for more than a decade, making many new units unaffordable even when supply increases.

Builders are now having trouble filling existing units because they did not pay enough attention to affordability. The cost of producing a housing unit is higher than what most Canadians can pay, even after the size of a home has shrunk below what most Canadians are used to. As a result, builders are lowering prices and rents and offering other inducements to potential residents. Builders are now lowering prices and rents and/or offering other inducements to potential residents.

Let us hope that our educational institutions will be able to produce, and our immigration policies will allow us to admit, qualified people who can develop and implement policies based on more than one number.

Canada needs decisions grounded in reality, not wishful targets.

Dr. Roslyn Kunin is a Canadian economist known for her extensive work in economic forecasting, public policy, and labour market analysis. She has held various prominent roles, including serving as the regional director for the federal government's Department of Employment and Immigration in British Columbia and Yukon and as an adjunct professor at the University of British Columbia. Dr. Kunin is also recognized for her contributions to economic development, particularly in Western Canada.



Christmas is a sweet and hectic time of year . . . but we're glad for it

Between Smile Cookies and the Hot Chocolate Festival, this week's paper is pretty sweet. But it's a sweet time of year. I'm not a big sugar person, but I do indulge over the Christmas season. It's hard not to, and by the time the new year rolls around, I'm in need of a few good salads to bring my blood sugar level down!

But behind all the sugary bliss, glitter, and gift giving of the Christmas season, there's a lot of good that takes place at this time of year (blood sugar levels aside!). Every bite into a Tim's Smile Cookie means someone spent a few dollars to support the Moosomin Visual Arts Centre. And every hot chocolate bought during the Hot Chocolate Festival next week is a few additional dollars for local businesses at a time of year when those businesses really depend on the Christmas season to give them a bump in sales and help them get through the rest of the year.

Christmas inspires and avalanche of giving, and whether it's trays of treats gifted to fellow office staff, or donations to the local food bank, the overall goodwill of the season is infectious. For that reason, charities really rely on this time of year to bolster their coffers so that they have a cushion to rely on heading into the new year.

So while Christmas can seem like a chaotic and busy time of year, it's also a really important time of year. I truly believe that without it, the world would be a little less bright, and kindness would be a little less in abundance.

The cartoon above my column on this page is fitting and captures the way a lot of us feel at this time of year. But every year I look back, and despite the hustle and bustle of the season, I'm happy it happened, glad that so many people found ways to give, be it through donations, food, or by just simply spreading the joy of the season with music, kindness, cheer, warm greetings, and the Christmas spirit.

Lots of good news to report!

There's a lot of good news in this paper and I love it when that happens! It has been a good news week, which means there is a lot of good happening around our region.



Kara Kinna

For starters, we have a story on Page 1 about Moosomin being second in the province for Tim Hortons Holiday Smile Cookie sales as we headed into the weekend. We were second to Humboldt by just over \$3,000 as of the end of day Thursday, and had sold over \$11,000 in cookies!

On page 3 we have a story about local restaurants getting ready for the hot chocolate festival, which is something fun happening the week of December 1, and then on Page 4 we have a story about Moosomin Dairy Queen being recognized for their outstanding work on Miracle Treat Day each year!

On page 5 we have a story about a bunch of lifeguards being hired for the Rocanville Aquatic Centre, which is super exciting as it means their new pool is getting very close to opening! On page 8 we have a story about St. Anthony's Hospital Gala in Esterhazy raising \$33,000 and Peter Carscadden Funeral Service bidding on the labor of the local fire department and using them to help seniors in the community. And then on Page 14 we have the fantastic news that Redvers earned five blooms in the non-competitive Communities in Bloom, and will be gearing up to be part of the competition next year knowing that their community is doing so well!

We also have a story on Page 16 about the government of Saskatchewan providing \$200,000 in annual funding to Caring Hearts to expand its grief and trauma counselling services for residents across the province.

That's a lot of good news in one paper, and while not every paper can be like that, I love it when it is because it shows there are a lot of people in this area working hard on positive initiatives in our communities.

St. Anthony's Hospital Gala raises \$33,000

Peter Carscadden Funeral Service bids on time donated by the Esterhazy Fire Department in live auction, uses it to help the elderly

BY SHAYNA ZUBKO

The first annual St. Anthony's Hospital Gala was held on October 17. The gala saw a sold-out crowd to view a comedian and participate in a live auction, with a total of \$33,000 raised.

The goal of the gala was to fundraise for some much-needed equipment for the hospital. While a new facility is in the planning stages, the goal is to help the current facility stay up-to-date and function as best as possible.

"We are working for our current facility, and anything we are able to do will transfer over to the new build," says Sonya Crawford of St. Anthony's Hospital.

With this year's gala being such a success, there are plans to hold another gala in the future and to maintain an annual event to support the Esterhazy hospital facility.

"A goal for the future, or perhaps an unofficial dream, would be to work towards purchasing a basic ultrasound machine, so that local patients don't have to travel to Yorkton or Regina for ultrasounds," says Crawford.

With the funds that were raised this year, the hospital was able to purchase a new ECG machine that is already in-use, and



Left to right: Esterhazy firefighters Ken Dick, Dave Esslinger, and Allan Babyak, Helen Maga, and firefighters Clint Hollingshead, Jason Polvi, and Borden Kishalowich. The firefighters were washing windows on November 15, including Helen Maga's windows, as part of their donation of time that was auctioned off and purchased by Peter Carscadden Funeral Chapel. Peter Carscadden Funeral Chapel decided to use the firefighters' time to help the elderly.

new vitals machines have also been purchased.

The live auction that was planned by Sherry-Lee Duncan of the St. Anthony's Hospital Board saw the auction-

ing of local firefighters to donate their time to the purchaser. The Esterhazy, Spy Hill and Langenburg fire departments all participated in the auction, and a home cooked meal

from It's All About the Meat Baby was also auctioned off. In total, the auction garnered \$11,500

in funds raised. The Esterhazy Fire Department alone raised \$8,000 with a \$4,000 auction price that

was matched.

Peter Carscadden Funeral Service won the bid for the Esterhazy fire department's time. The business decided that they did not need the donation of time from firefighters, so decided to use the hours to help elderly people within the community of Esterhazy.

Randy and David Klassen co-ordinated to help four elderly widows to get their windows washed.

"We did not do it to benefit ourselves, we just want to highlight the good-hearted volunteerism of the firefighters to benefit the community," says Randy Klassen, and to "highlight positive things happening to raise funds and new equipment for the hospital."

The next gala will likely have some similar characteristics, with another live auction and entertainment. However, they would like to add other elements to make it accessible for everyone to participate. The success of this gala, and the ability to purchase new equipment for the hospital is thanks to the community support they received and ensures another event like this will happen in the future.

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Sask expands grief and trauma counselling services

BY NICOLE TAYLOR
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Government of Saskatchewan is providing \$200,000 in annual funding to Caring Hearts to expand its grief and trauma counselling services for residents across the province.

Caring Hearts is a community-based organization that provides a range of specialized support services for people experiencing grief and trauma due to situations such as the loss of a loved one to suicide.

Services include counselling; support groups; healing circles; kids camps; and support to communities affected by tragedies such as homicides, suicides and workplace deaths.

"It is crucial for people who are grieving and in distress to know that supports are available and that it is okay to reach out for help," Moosomin-Montmartre MLA Kevin Weedmark said at the announcement on Thursday.

"Today's expansion of grief and trauma counselling services at Caring Hearts makes it easier for Saskatchewan residents to access critical support when they may need it most."

Approximately 75 per cent of Caring Hearts' clients receive support in person and 25 per cent receive virtual support.

"Caring Hearts extends its sincere appreciation to the Government of Saskatchewan for this funding," Caring Hearts Executive Director Keely Wight-Young said.

"With this investment, we will reduce wait times, respond more rapidly to critical, immediate needs, and continue delivering culturally informed care.

"Together, we are building a more resilient Saskatchewan, where healing can begin, and no one must face grief or trauma alone."

Annual funding

MLA Weedmark said the investment comes at a time when many people are seeking mental health support.

"Today I am pleased to announce \$200,000 in annual funding to Caring Hearts to expand its counselling services for individuals and families struggling with grief and trauma," he said at the announcement Thursday.

"This service will be available to citizens across the province, in person in Regina and virtually across the rest of the province.

"People experiencing grief and trauma may be uncertain of where to go for psychological support. By expanding Caring Hearts, we want to make it easier for people to access the supports they need during difficult times."

Weedmark said mental health remains a major provincial priority.

The government has budgeted \$624 million for mental health and addictions in 2025-2026, including \$487 million specifically for mental health services.

"We all know someone who has experienced trauma, loss and grief," he said. "The effects reach far beyond the individual. I appreciate the work being done at Caring Hearts. This is very important work that truly does change lives for the better."

Weedmark said he first learned about Caring Hearts during World Suicide Prevention Awareness Day in September.

"I knew nothing about Caring Hearts until September when I went to their World Suicide Prevention Awareness Day event," he said.

"I was very impressed by their organization and I spoke with people who have benefited from their services at that event and explained to me just how important that was to them. I met with the group and with ministry officials over their funding application in October.

"They are providing a service that really isn't provided anywhere else, so our government decided we could support them, and that support is immediate, within the current fiscal year."

Weedmark said the province spends more than \$600 million annually on mental health and addictions.

"Mental health and addictions are a priority," he said.

"We really appreciate the work of groups like Caring Hearts, and in this case their application aligned with our goals so we were able to move the process forward fairly quickly."



Above: Moosomin-Montmartre MLA Kevin Weedmark, Keely Wight-Young and client Debbie West at the announcement. Below, MLA Kevin Weedmark announcing funding for Caring Hearts.



Funding will help

Keely Wight-Young, executive director of Caring Hearts, said the funding will help the organization respond more quickly to people who need support.

She said she was impressed with how quickly funding was provided, and was surprised to learn that the funding can be used immediately, in the current budget year.

"I want to express our deepest appreciation to the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health, Minister Lori Carr, and MLA Weedmark for their commitment to support grief and trauma services in our province," she said.

"This investment means we can reduce wait times, provide barrier-free accessible counselling and better respond to critical and immediate needs.

"Unaddressed grief and trauma so often underlie mental health struggles, substance overuse and many other concerns."

Wight-Young said Caring Hearts is the only organization in Saskatchewan dedicated exclusively to grief, loss, traumatic loss, and trauma support services and education.

The organization offers individual and family counselling, support groups, healing circles with a resident Elder, a therapeutic grief camp for children and youth, and outreach to communities and workplaces affected by tragedy.

"By expanding services we are strengthening the overall mental health of our communities," she said. "This funding helps meet a critical service gap and ensures no one has to navigate grief and trauma alone."

"Those who reside outside of the city can access our services online or through telephone," Wight-Young said. "In the past year alone, we have counselled over five hundred individuals and families. We hope to double that number over the next year."

She said more people are reaching out for help as awareness grows and stigma decreases.

Caring Hearts is also preparing to intro-

duce an online booking system to make access easier.

A fundraising event will take place on November 29, featuring comedian and mental health advocate Big Daddy Tazz, who is well known to audiences in the Moosomin area, with Megan Nash opening. Funds will support the organization's biannual therapeutic grief and trauma camp for children and youth.

"Right now we are a small and mighty staff of three, but we will be able to hire two full-time counsellors with this funding," Wight-Young said.

Lifeline for families

Caring Hearts has been a lifeline for many families, including Debbie West's. She said her family turned to the organization after the death of their teenage son.

"My husband Rick and I lost our teenage son to suicide on Father's Day 2024," she said. "We immediately knew our family needed help. Caring Hearts called us back immediately and made arrangements for us to see a counsellor right away."

West said the organization offered counselling, group therapy, and ongoing support.

"As soon as we entered Caring Hearts, we knew we had a safe space to express our grief," she said. They provided immediate grief counselling to our entire family, and they continue to guide us in our ongoing healing journey. We found not only comfort and solace but friendship in a time of unimaginable pain."

"Without their support, I am not sure how we would have survived. Kelly genuinely cared for us. Caring Hearts was there for us during the absolute worst time of our life, and for that we are forever grateful."

How to access help

To book a session, call Caring Hearts at 306-523-2780 or email contactus@caringheartssk.ca. Visit www.caringheartssk.ca for details.

For information about other resources available for mental health and addictions, visit the Government of Saskatchewan website.




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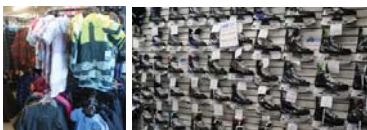
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Redvers Town Council

Redvers earns 5 blooms in Communities in Bloom non competitive category

Award for Hometown History Project

BY NICOLE TAYLOR

LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

For the second year in a row, the town of Redvers decided to enter Communities in Bloom in the non-competitive category, and were pleased when they received five blooms this year, up from three blooms in 2024.

The town also received special mention for community pride and community involvement, and received a Community Appearance Award for its Hometown History project—an ongoing signage project to honor Redvers residents past and present, for their achievements.

This means that the town will most likely enter the Communities in Bloom competition next year.

"We were in the non-competitive category and so we got five blooms which we were ecstatic about," says CAO Tricia Pickard.

"Last year we had three blooms and received a mark of 72 out of 100, and this year we received five blooms with a mark of 83 per cent.

"We were so thrilled with it—it's not just about the flowers, it's about so much more."

Pickard says the Bloom Committee wanted to enter the non-competitive category for two years before entering the competitive category, and the five bloom rating signifies the town is most likely ready to compete now.

"We were really thrilled and it's nice to get an outside perspective," says Pickard. "To increase by 11 per cent, we were really happy with that. We've made some progress, planted trees, and are trying to focus on infrastructure as well and have a good balance with that and with our beautification and parks."

Mayor Brad Bullock says the Bloom Committee worked hard this year, and should be recognized.

"A huge shout out to all of the community volunteers who were involved in the Bloom Committee, because without them we can't do all this on our own," he said.

Transit bus rides open to anyone in community, school rides pilot launched

After discussions with their insurance company, the town has decided that transit bus services can be extended to all community members, not just senior and people with disabilities.

The town is launching a school rides pilot project, and will be offering transportation to students to and from school.

They are also making the bus available to people for rides to and from work, as well as to other essential stops.

The school rides pilot will start now and last until the end of the school year.

"We are very excited about that and about offering it," says CAO Tricia Pickard.

New cemetery bylaw includes cremation garden, future plans for columbarium

At their meeting on Wednesday, the town received a thank you from person who was happy with the way the town's cemetery was being managed and taken care of, and with the town's caretaker who helped her navigate the cemetery.

The town also gave first reading to a new cemetery bylaw at their meeting. The bylaw includes the creation of a cremation garden, which would designate a portion of the cemetery just for cremations. There is also future planning in the works for a columbarium.



Left: The Redvers town crew getting the community ready for Communities in Bloom this year. Right: One of the signs that are part of the Hometown History Project in Redvers, which received an award from Communities in Bloom.



CCBF funding for sidewalk project

The town is applying to use its Canada Community Building Fund (CCBF) for the upgrade and rehabilitation of the sidewalk in front of Redvers School. The sidewalk is in disrepair, and the town is also planning to put in inclusive ramps. The cost of the project is \$167,675 and work will take place in 2026.

Two fallen heroes plaques commissioned

The town passed a motion to commission two plaques for the Canadian Fallen Heroes Foundation. The plaques will commemorate Wesley Glenn Bailey and James Oscar Way from Redvers and will be on display in Saskatoon. The town also puts up banners in Redvers for fallen service-men.

Town applying for grant for Redvers Medical Clinic project

The town has applied for \$12,000 under the Enabling Accessibility Fund - Youth Innovation Component for a \$19,000 project that would involved adding an accessible ramp and fixing a portion of the street in front of the Redvers Medical Clinic. The project was initiated by one of the local youth in Redvers.

Town takes title of lots on Eisenhower Street

The town received notice from Information Services Corp that they have title of two lots on Eisenhower Street. The lots started out as a tax title property with the owner eventually moving a mobile home off the land and signing over title to the town. The town will need to decide whether to sell or tender the land.

Old transit bus sold by tender

After purchasing a new transit bus, the town tendered the sale of their old transit bus. Four offers were made with the town accepting the tender of Kent Brown from Red Light Autobody in the amount of \$9,000.

ing the derelict buildings pilot project for the old apartment building, but will instead look at other options to have them demolished.

The decision was made based on liability and some unknowns. The project would require the apartments to be removed by burning them down as a fire training exercise for local firefighters.

Request for home in subdivision tabled

Council received a request to move a 10-year-old home into the Perreux Subdivision, however the town only accepts new builds in that subdivision. Council decided to seek more information and table a decision.

Town reports on how they used Lions donation for community improvements

The town provided a project completion report to the Redvers Lions Club after the club gave \$20,000 to the town for a number of projects including completion of a cement path at the Hancock Lot, dog waste stations, benches throughout town, and an accessible picnic table at the Hancock Lot. The report stated that all \$20,000 had been spend and the town was thankful for the donation.

Commercial tax title property will be sold

The town has acquired a commercial property by tax enforcement on Larsen Road. The town will be getting the property appraised and then putting it up for sale or tendering it as they would like to see it developed.

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Moosomin Rec Report

Mike Schwean, Recreation Director

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Spotlight on Moosomin

Lots of amazing things going on locally or at least with local athletes. Here is just a taste!

#1. Dawson Davidson Alberta Golden Bears Men's Hockey
Sits 10th in all of Usports in scoring
Sits 3rd in all of Usports in assists
Sits #1 in all of Usports in Defensemen scoring!

#2. Moosomin Generals Female Football Team
2025 Prairie Girls Female Football League Champions

#3. Moosomin U18 Celebration Ford Rangers
Back-to-Back MHL Champions look poised for a threepeat as are perfect thus far in the season

#4. Cooper Bratton not only serving as the captain for the Regina AAA Pat C's but the C's lead.

The entire AAA league with a 16-1-1 mark. Not only that but his 15 points in 15 games has him in second place on the team in defensemen scoring ...Dawson Davidson type numbers!

#5. Saskatchewan Roughriders – 2025 Grey Cup Champions! Well we do not have any locals on the Riders roster but we do have the rights to their In House Announcer Mr. Daryl Brace. Hopefully Daryl can call a Rider win a few years from now when the Grey Cup game returns to Regina.

Moosomin Rangers Hall of Fame game and Christmas Cabaret

The Moosomin Rangers have a fantastic Hall of Fame game lined up on Saturday, December 20.

First their 2025 Hall of Fame Inductees will be honored. Then we have the game of the year as the defending champion Redvers Rockets are in town for an 8 pm puck drop.

Then following the game, our Annual Christmas Cabaret featuring an amazing all female dueling piano act called the "Sirens." They are the only all female dueling piano act in Saskatchewan and they are amazing! They will do an amazing 10 pm to 2 am set which will be awesome.

Tickets include:

Table of 6 with Sr Rangers Game Pass	\$ 25 each
Table of 6 with no game pass	\$ 20 each
Individual Tickets	\$ 30 each

For tickets you can call 435-7578 or email msmn.rec.brd@sasktel.net!

There is limited room so please book early to avoid disappointment. You can check the act out on Facebook under Sirens Dueling Pianos.

Sportsplex 2025/2026 Hours

Monday	Closed (available for private bookings)
Tuesday	Closed (available for private bookings)
Wednesday	3 pm to 9 pm
Thursday	3 pm to 9 pm
Friday	10 am to 9 pm
Saturday	10 am to 9 pm
Sunday	12 nn to 8 pm

Junior Golf League

All new for 2025/2026 Junior Golf League at the Sportsplex! Runs Wednesdays from 5-7 pm

To enter or for information please contact Angela at a.thorntownofmoosomin@sasktel.net

Sportsplex Men's/Ladies Golf Night – Thursdays

Our 2025/2026 Thursday Night Golf League has started for the season. These are Skin Nights however you are not required to go into skins.

We have two tee times at 4 pm and 6:15 pm. If you would like more information, please contact the Recreation Office at 435-3622.

Royal LePage King Pin Bowling Thursdays

We have been waiting three years for our Thursday Night Royal LePage Bowling League to return and this is the year!

We are so grateful to Kim Setrum for restarting the league and hoping for a great response!

More information will be coming but if you can't wait, feel free to contact Kim at 434-8733.

Sportsplex – Senior Fitness Classes

We are excited to have Devona Putland back at the Sportsplex running Senior Fitness Classes. Devona did an amazing job last year and the registration reflected that. With that in mind I would recommend that if you are interested register ASAP. For further information please contact Devona direct at 435-9046.

Mike Schwean Arena - 2025/2026

If you are interested in booking ice you can call 435-7578 or email msmn.rec.brd@sasktel.net. I would advise you to call sooner than later as we will have a busy schedule!

Moosomin Skating Club

Moosomin Skating Club is busy preparing for a fantastic winter at the MS Arena. If you would like to register a child for one of their many programs you can go to moosominskatingclub.uplifterinc.com or any problems you can email the club at moosominsc@gmail.com. Registration remains open for all programs!

Skating Club Weekly Activities

Monday	6-8 pm
Wednesday	5-8 pm
Friday	5-7 pm
Sunday	7:45 to 9:45 am

Minor Hockey games and special events for this week

Things are rockin' this week at the Mike Schwean Arena for this winter. Here is a listing of games for this week!

Saturday

11 am RME U9 Exhibition Hockey Game

1 pm Melville @ U13 Jeannot Electric

3 pm Moose Jaw @ U13 Female Badgers

5 pm Weyburn @ U15 Female Badgers

7:30 pm Melville @ U15 Core Rangers

Sunday

10 am Parkland @ U13 Female Badgers

12 nn Weyburn @ U15 Female Badgers

2:30 pm RME U9 Exhibition Hockey Game

4:30 pm Fort Qu'Appelle @ U15 Easton's Autobody

7 pm Virden @ U15 Core Rangers

Moosomin Jr. Steelhawks

Steelhawks are on the road this week. Next game in town goes December 5 when they host the Regina Foxes.

Sr Rangers Friday Night Game

Senior Rangers are also on the road this week. Next home game for the Rangers goes Saturday, December 6 when they host Kipling.

Senior Rangers – 2025/2026

Here is a look at their home games in 2025/2026.

- Saturday, December 6: KW Oil Kings @ Sr Rangers 8 pm
- Friday, December 12: Carnduff Red Devils @ Sr Rangers 8 pm
- Saturday, December 13: Midale Mustangs @ Sr Rangers 8 pm
- Saturday, December 20: Redvers Rockets @ Sr Rangers 8 pm
- Sunday, January 18: Wawota Flyers @ Sr Rangers 7 pm
- Saturday, January 31: Carlyle Cougars @ Sr Rangers 8 pm

Rec Hockey This week

Three Rec Hockey games this week ...and we finish Friday night with a Doozy as the Regina Ecoc Electric are in town for a showdown with Nixon Electric!

Tuesday	9:30 pm Untouchables Gametime
Thursday	9:30 pm Leaf's Rec Hockey
Friday	7:30 pm Regina Ecoc Electric vs Nixon's Electric

Home Team Live

Mike Schwean Arena livestreams games and events using the services of Home Team Live. If you are interested in purchasing a membership you can do so online on the Home Team web page. You can find them at <https://www.hometeamlive.com>

Conexus Convention Centre this week

We have had lots of calls for bookings at the Conexus Convention Centre but like all our other facilities it is heavily booked!

Here is a listing of this week at the MCC:

Monday	1 pm Pickleball 6 pm Cadets
Tuesday	1 pm Pickleball 3:30 pm Gymnastics
Wednesday	3:30 pm Gymnastics
Thursday	1 pm Pickleball 7 pm Pickleball
Friday	Weekend Setup
Saturday	All Day Borderland Co-op Christmas Party

Moosomin Senior Club Programs

Moosomin Senior Club meet at the Sportsplex multiple times weekly for a wide range of activities from cards

to bowling to shuffleboard and more! If you would like more information on all their programs and services, please contact Orey at 435-6788.

Curling Season

Games Scheduled for this week:

Monday Super League Curling

Tuesday

Red Barn Men's League Curling – 6:45 pm

Sheet 1	Glasser vs Turpie
Sheet 2	McMullen vs Meredith
Sheet 3	Sully vs Stanhope
Sheet 4	Rambold vs Stewart

Wednesday Afternoon Borderland Co-op Farmers and Friends Curling – 1 pm

Sheet 1	Turpie vs McMullen
Sheet 4	Lee vs Thorn

Thursday Evening Celebration Ford Ladies League Curling

Sheet 2	Mannle vs Wolf
Sheet 3	Lindsay vs Hebert

Friday Afternoon Fun league – Drop in Curling Games go at 1:30 pm

Community Donations

As winter arrives Moosomin Parks and Recreation would also like to extend a request to the community for donations towards the Sports Library Building. Maybe you have an old pair of skates, an old hockey stick or X Country Ski's, whatever!

Keep in mind all this equipment is available to both in town and out of town residents. As such we would also be excited for out-of-town donations to the inventory.

Parks and Rec would be more than happy to pick up any donations both in and out of town.

If you would be willing to donate to this amazing program, please email Mike at msmn.rec.brd@sasktel.net or phone at 435-7578.

Moosomin Visual Arts Centre

Upcoming Events with the MVAC:

Monday, Nov. 24 at 2 - 5 pm Afternoon Stained Glass Angel with Darlene Strong
6 - 9 pm Evening Stained Glass Angel with Darlene Strong

7 pm - MADAC Board Meeting

7 - 9 pm Open Studio

Tuesday, Nov. 25 at 3:15 - 5 pm Block 2 - After School Kids' Art Program 2025-26

6 - 8 pm Paper Craft Club

Wednesday Nov. 26 at 10:30 am - 12 noon Glazing Slab Pressed, Hand-Built "Frilly" Bowl with Sandra Dorrance

7 - 9 pm MVAC Board Meeting

Thursday, Nov. 27 at 3:15 - 5 pm Block 2 - After School Kids' Art Program 2025-26

6 - 8:30 pm Macrame Tree Wallhanging with Chelsea Doane

Friday, Nov. 28 at 6 - 9 pm Private Stained Glass Class with Darlene Strong

8 - 10 pm Good Fortune @ Moosomin Community Theatre

Saturday, Nov. 29 at 10 am - 3 pm Hooking the Prairies with Shelley Nichol-Phillips

8 - 10 pm Good Fortune @ Moosomin Community Theatre

Sunday, Nov. 30 at 1 - 5 pm Open Studio

Tuesday, Dec. 2 at 3:15 - 5 pm Block 2 - After School Kids' Art Program 2025-26

Wednesday, Dec. 3 Creative Kids application deadline

7 - 9 pm Ceramic Paint Party 4 - Christmas and Winter Themed

Thursday, Dec. 4 at 3:15 - 5 pm Block 2 - After School Kids' Art Program 2025-26

5:30 - 9 pm Moonlight Madness

Moosomin Public Library

Tuesday, Nov. 25 Kid's Sewing set # 2

6:30 - 7:30 pm Tech Time

Wednesday, Nov. 26 Kid's Sewing set # 2

Friday, Nov. 28 at 10:45 am Prime Timers Book Club

Visit: <https://southeastlibrary.ca/branch/344> for more details.

Conexus Convention Centre Meeting Room

Our meeting room has become a busy place this fall. Located next to the main gym this room accommodates over a dozen people for meeting rooms. There is no cost for our regular Parks and Rec Users to use this room.

If you would like to book in please contact the Rec Office at 435-3622 or by email to msmn.rec.brd@sasktel.net.

Applications open for Saskatchewan's Small and Medium Enterprise Investment Tax Credit

On Friday, Trade and Export Development Minister Warren Kaeding announced that applications are now open for the Small and Medium Enterprise (SME) Investment Tax Credit, a new program designed to help Saskatchewan businesses attract investment and expand operations.

"This new tax credit supports Saskatchewan's growing manufacturing sector by making it easier for small and medium-sized businesses to access the capital they need to expand," Kaeding said. "It encourages investment right here at home, helping companies purchase new equipment, upgrade facilities, and create good jobs for Saskatchewan people."

The SME Investment Tax Credit is a three-year pilot program offering a 45 per cent non-refundable tax credit

to individuals and corporations that invest in an eligible Saskatchewan-based small and medium-sized manufacturing enterprise.

Eligible businesses must operate within either the food or beverages manufacturing sector or the machinery and transportation equipment manufacturing sector. Approved investors can earn up to \$225,000 in tax credits per year, while eligible businesses can raise up to \$4 million under the program.

Pile O' Bones, a craft brewery located in the heart of Regina, is one of these eligible businesses. Known for their handcrafted beers, ciders and kombucha, they are excited for the opportunities the tax credit will bring to the industry.

"As a small Saskatchewan brewery, we know firsthand

how much heart and hard work goes into building a local business," Pile O' Bones CEO Glenn Valgardson said. "The SME Investment Tax Credit is a considerable boost for entrepreneurs who believe in this province and want to grow right here at home. Programs like this help turn local passion into lasting jobs and stronger communities, and that's something every Saskatchewan resident can raise a pint to."

Applications for both businesses and investors are being accepted through the SME Tax Credit Online Application Portal. Applications are open until June 2028.

The SME Investment Tax Credit supports the goals of Saskatchewan's Growth Plan by driving private-sector investment, creating jobs, and strengthening the province's manufacturing base.

Government enhances legislation for animal protection in Saskatchewan

Last week, the Government of Saskatchewan introduced The Animal Protection Amendment Act, 2025, which will strengthen and create more transparency and public accountability around animal welfare enforcement.

"Our government wants to ensure provincial legislation reflects evolving changes to international trade requirements and changing expectations of the public regarding animal welfare enforcement," Agriculture Minister Daryl Harrison said. "These amendments provide the flexibility and enhancements needed to accomplish these goals."

Through consultations held earlier in 2025 with service providers, producer groups and other stakeholders, the

Ministry of Agriculture determined that amendments to The Animal Protection Act, 2018 were required to ensure enforcement would be consistent and equitable across the province.

Key changes include:

- Creating animal welfare inspector positions to provide education on animal care to the public and livestock industry members;
- Providing the authority to obtain telewarrants to relieve animal distress;
- Establishing a code of conduct for animal protection officers and animal welfare inspectors;

- Establishing a chief officer position to oversee officer conduct; and

- Providing the authority to create an appeals board to adjudicate matters of animal disposition and owner liabilities for expenses.

Recently, a public Request for Proposal competition opened to allow organizations to consider involvement in animal welfare enforcement. Government will work with the successful service provider under a new legislative framework to create a sustainable enforcement model and protect animal welfare.

The legislation is expected to be passed in spring 2026.

PUBLIC NOTICE RM of Fertile Belt No. 183

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ADOPT BYLAW NO. 2025/01

Public notice is hereby given that the Council of the RM of Fertile Belt No. 183 intends to adopt a bylaw, under The Planning and Development Act, 2007, to amend Bylaw No. 2024/06, known as the District Zoning Bylaw.

INTENT:

The proposed bylaw will:

- Amend section 5.2 AR-Agricultural Resource District by adding the following directly aft 5.2.2(x) Bed and breakfasts and vacation farms:

y) Publicly and or/privately operated recreational facilities

REASON FOR THE AMENDMENT:

The reason is for allowing for the discretionary use of public and or privately operated recreational facilities.

PUBLIC INSPECTION:

Any person may inspect the bylaw at the RM of Fertile Belt No. 183 Municipal Office, 301 Ohlen Street, Stockholm, SK, Monday to Friday between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm. excluding statutory holidays. Copies are available at cost at the Municipal Office.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Council will hold a public hearing to receive submissions on the proposed bylaw on Tuesday, December 9th, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. at the RM of Fertile Belt No. 183 Council Chambers. Council will also consider written submissions received at the hearing or delivered to the undersigned at the municipal office before the hearing. For further information, please contact the Municipal Office at 306-793-2061.

Issued at the RM of Fertile Belt No. 183 this November 17th, 2025.

Signed: Lorie Jackson, RMA
Administrator

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PUBLIC NOTICE RM of Fertile Belt No. 183

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ADOPT BYLAW NO. 2025/02

Public notice is hereby given that the Council of the RM of Fertile Belt No. 183 intends to adopt a bylaw, under The Planning and Development Act, 2007, to amend Bylaw No. 2024/04, known as the Zoning Bylaw.

INTENT:

The proposed bylaw will:

- Reduce the minimum separation distance between oil and gas wells and facilities and other development to 500 metres.
- Allow non-farm residential sites as a permitted use in the Intensive Agricultural District (AG-2).

REASON FOR THE AMENDMENT:

The minimum separation distances between oil and gas development and other uses are being reduced at the request of the Ministry of Government Relations.

The reason for allowing non-farm residential sites in the AG-2 District is to accommodate the subdivision and development of new and existing residential yardsites.

PUBLIC INSPECTION:

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Hunger continues to be an issue—locally and globally. Together, we are making a difference.

This year, Harvest of Hope proceeds will support food security initiatives both near and far.

- **Locally:** Food Shares in Moosomin and Rocanville are facing higher costs, fewer donations, and growing demand.
- **Globally:** Natural disasters, droughts, and wars have disrupted fragile food systems. Today, **727 million people** face hunger—98% in developing countries, and 80% of displaced people live in regions already struggling with long-term food insecurity.

Through our partnership with the **Canadian Foodgrains Bank**, we're providing emergency food assistance in Ukraine, Africa, the Middle East, and beyond. The impact of your support is truly incredible!

Thank you to the farmers, businesses, and community leaders who donate time, seed, equipment, and resources every year. Because of you, families will have food on their tables. Your generosity shows people they matter, someone cares, and they are not alone.

Join us in the fight against hunger. Together, we can make hope grow.

**For more information or to partner with the Harvest of Hope for 2026,
please email: harvestofhope.moosomin@outlook.com**





Film crew on site for Rangers home opener

The Moosomin Senior Rangers held their home opener on Friday, November 14, defeating the Carlyle Cougars 5-1.

Omnifilms Entertainment out of Vancouver was on site filming during the game. Omnifilms will be putting together a pilot for a series on the Big 6 hockey league that they will be pitching to a streaming service.

Left and below:

The film crew on site during the game and in the dressing room.

Bottom of page:

The Rangers celebrating their win over Carlyle that night.



Nicole Taylor photos



Senior Rangers planning Hall of Fame Night for December 20

By DONNIE MATICHUK

The Senior Rangers will hold their fourth annual Rangers Hall of Fame night and Christmas Cabaret on Saturday, December 20. The ceremony and social will follow a Big 6 Hockey League rivalry game between Moosomin and the Redvers Rockets.

"On the 20th we'll recognize the four former players and builder that will be inducted into the Rangers Hall of Fame," said Moosomin Rec Director Mike Schwean.

"Prior to that we have a big game against Redvers, which will likely be the premier game of the year to that point, and during the cabaret we'll have some dueling pianos performing as well. It's not the first time we've had dueling pianos in Moosomin, but it is the first time we've done it for the Rangers."

Each year since 2022, four players and one builder have been inducted into the Rangers Hall of Fame, with 15 alumni already being granted that honour.

"We'll likely announce the five inductees the week before the event, and so we'll have a ceremony and they will receive a small gift from the organization. In the past it's been things like pins, and golf shirts, and then they also get their name on the back wall above the benches in the rink. That's kind of the feature acknowledgement," said Schwean.

The idea of recognizing former Rangers came from the Moosomin Rangers Alumni Association, starting as a way to get former players back into the small-town hockey scene.

"We started as a bit of a fundraising group for the Senior Rangers when they were going back into the Big 6 after Covid, because we knew they'd need some money to run the team. We came up with the idea to maybe get some more fans in the rink, at the time the stands were pretty empty compared to now. We've inducted some guys who were really great players or made a big impact on the organization, and it's worked just how we wanted it to," he said.

"I think the first year we did it, guys didn't really seem too into it, but now four years later it's definitely an honour to be recognized by the community. I think some of the guys playing now look up at the Hall of Fame wall in the rink and want to be up there one day too. I think it's a tribute to our organization, we're coming up on the 50th anniversary in 2026. Obviously there's many people to recognize over 50 years, and I think it means a lot to the guys that are up there."

Schwean says that the game on the weekend of the event always is a bit more special.

"We love seeing a big crowd with lots of alumni in the stands and in the lounge. It's nice to see the guys out and staying involved with the team. We have done things like alumni games in the past as well, but we decided to mix it up this year. We'll have a ceremony before the game, introduce them during the opening of the game, and then start the party after."

"We're really promoting tickets for the game and the cabaret, and we actually have a package for if you're going to both as well. You can buy a table for \$20 per ticket for a table of six and then if you're going to the Rangers game as well it's only \$25 per ticket. Individual tickets are \$30 dollars per person."

The dueling pianos will be playing for four hours from 10 pm to 2 am at the Rangers' Christmas Cabaret in the Conexus Convention Centre.

"The gals doing the dueling pianos are the only all-female piano duo in south Saskatchewan, and they're fantastic. For anyone who's never been to dueling pianos, it's really cool because it's all stuff you'd know by heart that they play. Most dueling pianos are guys, and so these ladies do some songs that you wouldn't normally hear from a guy group," said Schwean.

The Rangers are off to a strong start this season, defeating Carlyle 5-1 in their home opener on Friday, November 14, led by a four-point night by captain



The Rangers facing off against the Carlyle Cougars during their home opener on November 14.

PRAIRIE JUNIOR HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS AS OF NOVEMBER 20, 2025

BILL JOHNSTON DIVISION STANDINGS

TEAM	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS
Extreme Hockey Regina Capitals	17	13	3	1	27
Fort Knox	16	11	5	0	22
Richardson Pioneer Southern Rebels	18	9	8	1	19
Pilot Butte Storm	16	4	10	2	10
Moosomin Steelhawks	19	4	13	2	10
Regina Silver Foxes	13	0	13	0	0

LEAGUE TOP SCORERS

TOP PLAYER	TEAM	GP	G	A	PTS
Dylan Schoenroth	Extreme Hockey Regina Capitals	17	20	22	42
Kian Knoll	Extreme Hockey Regina Capitals	15	12	16	28
Jack Bechard	Extreme Hockey Regina Capitals	10	13	14	27
Lukas Borne	Extreme Hockey Regina Capitals	17	8	17	25
Deagan Reister	Moosomin Steelhawks	19	18	5	23
Shaden Duljak	Fort Knox	16	10	12	22
Riley Kronberger	Extreme Hockey Regina Capitals	17	9	13	22
Evan Allan	Richardson Pioneer Southern Rebels	18	9	11	20
Daynon Smith	Moosomin Steelhawks	19	2	17	19
Kayden Wiebe	Extreme Hockey Regina Capitals	17	6	11	17

TOP GOALIES	TEAM	W-L-OTL	GAA
Drew Pereyima	Fort Knox	8-2-0	2.64
Anton Merzliakov (RO)	Extreme Hockey Regina Capitals	8-1-0	2.67
Keane Reid (RO)	Richardson Pioneer Southern Rebels	4-4-1	2.90
Daxton Tichit	Richardson Pioneer Southern Rebels	3-4-0	3.15
Kale Gorski (RO)	Fort Knox	3-3-0	3.48

BOB DYBVIK DIVISION STANDINGS

TEAM	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS
Saskatoon Royals	17	13	3	1	27
Saskatoon Westleys	17	12	5	0	24
Martensville Chiefs	17	11	5	1	23
Saskatoon Quakers	17	10	5	2	22
Carrot River Outback Thunder	14	6	7	1	13
Prince Albert Timberjacks	15	5	9	1	11

LEAGUE TOP SCORERS

TOP PLAYER	TEAM	GP	G	A	PTS
Spencer Chestolowski	Saskatoon Royals	15	7	24	31
Jesse Borschneck	Martensville Chiefs	17	18	12	30
Connor Gabriel	Saskatoon Westleys	17	13	15	28
Cole German	Saskatoon Royals	17	9	17	26
Carter Walter	Saskatoon Westleys	17	12	11	23
Tayden Cousins	Saskatoon Westleys	16	9	14	23
Luke Senick (RO)	Martensville Chiefs	17	8	13	21
Ethan Thompson (RO)	Saskatoon Quakers	17	11	9	20
Dylan Prince	Martensville Chiefs	17	10	10	20
Raiden Clayton	Saskatoon Westleys	14	9	11	20

TOP GOALIES	TEAM	W-L-OTL	GAA
Nicholas Grunrud (RO)	Martensville Chiefs	2-1-0	2.00
Luke Hampton	Saskatoon Westleys	5-3-0	2.67
Rhett Harkot	Martensville Chiefs	7-5-0	2.67
Luke Brunen	Saskatoon Westleys	7-2-0	2.83
Hunter Nakonechry	Carrot River Outback Thunder	3-3-1	3.13

Bud Holloway.

"I think they played fantastic last week," said Schwean. "They looked like a unit and not like a bunch of guys worried about points and goals. I think the first period we were still feeling it out a bit, but as the game went on we looked dominant."

Schwean says that eventually, he wants the whole back wall to be covered in the names of players and builders who have impacted the Rangers organization.

"Our rink has a lot of things that you don't see anywhere else, and in the future that wall can be one of them. It seems almost every time someone who's never been to Moosomin comes in the rink, they comment on the jerseys around the lobby, or the memorabilia in the lounge. It really is a tribute to hockey in Moosomin and the people who have made it special."

HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS AS OF NOV. 20, 2025

BIG SIX HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS

TEAM	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS
Redvers Rockets	3	3	0	0	6
Oxbow Huskies	2	2	0	0	4
Carnduff Red Devils	4	2	2	0	4
Carlyle Cougars	4	2	1	0	4
Moosomin Rangers	1	1	0	0	2
Wawota Flyers	3	1	2	0	2
KW Oil Kings	3	1	2	0	2
Midale Mustangs	4	0	4	0	0

LEAGUE TOP SCORERS

TOP PLAYER	TEAM	GP	G	A	PTS
Ben Johnstone	Carlyle Cougars	4	5	6	11
Presten Kopeck	Redvers Rockets	3	3	8	11
Kenton Miller	Redvers Rockets	3	3	7	10
Riley Niven	Carlyle Cougars	4	3	7	10
Tanner Froese (IM)	Carlyle Cougars	4	2	7	9
Jordan Miller	Redvers Rockets	2	5	3	8
Braeden Magotiaux	Redvers Rockets	2	2	5	7
Corey Millette	Redvers Rockets	2	4	2	6
Colton Schell	Oxbow Huskies	2	4	2	6
Taysen Holt	Carlyle Cougars	4	2	4	6

TOP GOALIES	TEAM	GP-W-L-OTL	GAA
Colby Magotiaux	Redvers Rockets	1-0-0-0	0.00
Kyler Beckett	Moosomin Rangers	1-1-0-0	1.00
Zack Miller	Oxbow Huskies	1-1-0-0	1.00
Thomas Bauche	Redvers Rockets	2-2-0-0	1.50
Cody Levesque	Oxbow Huskies	1-1-0-0	2.00

SASK EAST HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS

NORTH STANDINGS

TEAM	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS
Swan Valley Axemen	3	2	1	0	4
Cote Selects	4	2	2	0	4
Canora Cobras	2	0	1	1	1
Preeceville Pats	3	0	3	0	0
Theodore Buffalos	1	0	1	0	0

SOUTH STANDINGS

TEAM	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS
Esterhazy Flyers	3	3	0	0	6
Rocanville Tigers	2	2	0	0	4
Langenburg Warriors	2	2	0	0	4
Churchbridge Imperials	2	1	1	0	2
Wapella Blackhawks	2	1	1	0	2

LEAGUE TOP SCORERS

TOP PLAYER	TEAM	GP	G	A	PTS
Dakota Macintosh	Cote Selects	4	11	5	16
Carter Cockburn	SV Axemen	3	6	10	16
Rylee Zimmer	Langenburg Warriors	2	3	6	9
Brandon Pelletier	Cote Selects	4	3	6	9
Chase Schaber	Esterhazy Flyers	3	3	5	8
Kailum Gervais	Cote Selects	4	2	6	8
Derrick Budz	Esterhazy Flyers	3	1	7	8
Damian Bentz	Canora Cobras	2	4	3	7
Jeff Riddell	SV Axemen	3	3	4	7
Tristan Keshane	Cote Selects	4	3	4	7

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