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Commercial condos planned for Moosomin

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Eleven commercial condo bays are planned for Moosomin in Eastgate Business Park for shop and light industrial use. The condos would be located on Saunders Road, just south of the SaskPower building.

Jay Hamilton with South Prairie Properties sat down

with Moosomin town council on Wednesday to talk about the development and ask for council to approve 11 units over two lots in that location. Council passed a motion to allow for the 11 units to be built over two lots.

Hamilton said each unit would be zoned C2 Commercial, and would be individually owned and titled just like a residential condo, but would be for commercial use.

They would share some common property like a parking lot, a small amount of land around the buildings and an approach.

In total there would be three buildings, and Hamilton estimated the project will cost \$2.5 million to \$3.5 million to construct. See photo on Page 9 and watch for more details in next week's paper.

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Mosaic's K3 site at Esterhazy, where one employee lost his life Monday morning.

Fatality at Mosaic K3 Esterhazy site

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One person lost their life in an incident at Mosaic's K3 site on the morning of Monday, December 15. Mosaic says a fall of ground incident was the cause of the fatality.

"The Mosaic Company is deeply saddened to report that early this morning on Monday, December 15, 2025, a fall of ground incident occurred at the K3 underground mine in Esterhazy, Saskatchewan, resulting in a fatal injury to one employee. No further injuries have been reported," said Mosaic in a statement immediately following the incident on Monday.

"Mosaic's Emergency Response Team was activated following the incident. The site has now been secured and all mining activity has been temporarily halted. A full investigation is underway and Mosaic is working closely with all regulatory authorities. Support services are being provided through the company's Employee and Family Assistance Program.

"The safety and wellbeing of our people remain Mosaic's highest priority. Our thoughts go out to our colleague's family and friends, all employees, and the broader community. We ask that the family be given privacy at this difficult time."

Hitting community hard

Esterhazy Mayor Randy Bot says the tragic death has reverberated through Esterhazy and throughout the mining industry across Saskatchewan.

"It is definitely hitting the community hard. I've been working at the Aspen power plant at Lanigan, and they took a moment of silence. It's not just affecting Esterhazy, you're seeing it affect industry throughout the province.

"I've worked EMS my whole life so this is new to me, but to be out there at Lanigan this week you could see the impact out there. It impacted people out there that have worked in our area. There's pipefitters, boilermakers, they're all working at Aspen and they've all been to K3 mine site and they've been to K2 and they've worked in our area and they all know each other. It's a close community. You meet a lot of people when you're on the road and working and you can tell that it affects everybody when something tragic like this happens."

Bot says the news has reverberated through Esterhazy, and the community al-

ways comes together in times of crisis.

"We are a close knit community, and there are many of us that work at the mine," he said. "If you don't work at the mine, you have family members who do or know somebody who does, and some are impacted directly. When something tragic like this happens it goes far past the work site, it reaches the families, friends, coworkers, our entire community.

"You can tell that there is a bit of a weight on the community right now. It's not a good thing but in moments like these our community tends to come together, you're checking in on neighbours, supporting local families and leaning on one another and in a way that is one of Esterhazy's strengths that you see at times like this.

"When it comes to the town of Esterhazy, when something like this happens we are one hundred per cent supportive in whatever way we can do to help out because we are a mining community. We have to stick together and be there for one another."

Bot said the fatality last week took him back to an earlier incident.

"It brings me back to 2009 when we lost another miner at that time. You never forget things like that. We know that Mosaic is very diligent when it comes to their safety protocols and when something goes wrong out there, it surprises you and it catches you off guard.

"I work out at Mosaic as a medic once in a while and it's a very distinct place. There are protocols in place to make it that way and when something goes wrong you're never really prepared for it because you never expect it. It definitely weighs on me as well as a lot of people that I've spoken to, there is a heaviness that everyone is feeling right now."

Provincial impact

Bot says the news has reverberated around the province. "It's provincial, not only Esterhazy, but Saskatchewan. There are people underground working in potash mines around Saskatoon, at Belle Plaine near Regina. This whole province is connected to that, and everybody knows somebody that's worked or is working at a potash mine. In the province as a whole, it affects everybody and I think the support that is shown from around the province is enormous. I'm blown away by how this has impacted so many people from east to west or north to south. It's not something that I ever thought I'd have to deal with, answering these questions as the Mayor

of Esterhazy, and it's a tough one for our community and a tough one for our province and the mining industry."

He said there are lessons to take away from incidents like this.

"Don't take a moment for granted, be

there for one another, make sure that if you see something unsafe on the work site address it, and you have to be there for one another and take care of one another. I think that is a big thing—just take care of one another," he said.

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Scott Moe reflects on 2025 and looks ahead to 2026

BY NICOLE TAYLOR
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Over the next few weeks we will be running interviews with provincial, federal and local leaders looking back on 2025 and looking ahead to 2026.

We spoke with Premier Scott Moe on his reflections on the year past and the year ahead.

What were some of the biggest challenges our province faced in 2025?

We have faced challenges on all fronts, whether it be international, national, or within our province here as well.

International trade relationships and trade challenges have a big impact on Saskatchewan as we export our products all over the world.

There have been tremendous challenges on the national stage across Canada, election fortunes across the country changed every which way you can imagine this past year. And certainly, within the province we generally had a good crop, in some areas not so good, and a tremendous fire challenge in some northern communities as well.

We saw a lot this past year, and thankfully we live in a place where people are resilient and we certainly look for a better year next year.

Do you feel the province adequately tackled those challenges?

There is always an opportunity for us to do more, and to look back with an eye to learning on how we can better support Saskatchewan communities and families as a government, and make strategic investments that are supportive of our communities across the province.

So there is no doubt that we can do better as a government and we always strive to do better.

We look in the rearview mirror to the extent of how do we improve on whatever we were faced with the next time we are faced with it.

What was the most unexpected thing the government had to deal with in 2025?

I think the most unexpected thing is the international trade challenges that we are having. I don't think anyone could have predicted the ferocity with which the president is changing global relations, not just with a country or two, but with many countries all at the same time, and the direct and indirect impacts that is having on what has traditionally been an ally nation, like Canada.

For a province like Saskatchewan that is very much focused on exports for our wealth and our jobs and opportunity, it certainly is having an impact on us. I think that would have been hard for anyone to predict.

What legislation are you most proud of that was brought forward this year?

There are a number. I think that the Compassionate Intervention legislation is going to be a significant piece of legislation to help individuals that may have fallen into a life living in addiction and help families, and have an avenue to support their loved ones that have fallen into that life of addictions.

So there will be much discussion about this piece of legislation as we find our way into the spring, but I think it will be yet another tool in providing that access to a recovery lifestyle that this government is intent on providing.

Trade issues have impacted our local businesses from Agriculture, to energy to mining to manufacturing. Our local industries are dependent on exports. What is the long-term solution on trade for a trade dependent province like Saskatchewan?

The ideal long-term solution is a re-implementation of some type of tri-country trade agreement like USMCA. Which was formerly NAFTA. That would be the ideal situation. As we find our way through between now and then, it would be our hope that we have as much non-tariff market access for our product as possible, whether it be the manufactured goods coming out of our province, and coming into our province as well.

As goods flow in, if they are tariffed they are just going to cost you more and US tariffs are costing Americans more each and every day.

So in the near term, we are going to have to likely rely on supporting our federal governments in any agreements we have, whether it be sector by sector to find our way to that broader either bi-lateral or tri-lateral agreement in North America, and then hopefully corresponding agreements in other countries around the world. Most notable among those would be China and India.



Saskatchewan Premier Scott Moe at the cabinet table

People in the Moosomin area see the need for a CT scanner here and there are needs for investment in our medical system across the province. How does the province determine where those investments go?

We work with the communities on where and when those investments look like they make sense and for example, a CT service in Moosomin may look different than what that similar service might look like and how it's offered in a place like Melfort, or Prince Albert or Saskatoon or Regina.

Some of that will depend on input from the medical community, some of it will depend on input from the locally elected community leaders, and some of it obviously has to depend on the data and that will be part of that conversation as well.

When you start having these discussions and are very active in the space in providing that service in Moosomin, there can be some opportunity I would say for the localization for that service, how it's be provided, to what level it is being provided, where and right down to who ultimately is operating and how it is operating into the future.

They can be very localized discussions and I think in Moosomin in fairness that is the case.

We did see significant investment in this area by the province this year with extensive highway work on Highways 8, 1 and 48 and the new truck stop east of Moosomin, a new long-term care facility under construction at Grenfell, a new daycare in Moosomin, and more than doubling of the ICIP funding for the new indoor pool in Rocanville. We have the new \$10.6 million airport at Moosomin, and you were in Moosomin this summer to open the new \$13.5 million water treatment plant in Moosomin. Why has there been so much investment in the Moosomin area and in Southeast Saskatchewan.

It's a growing area and it is also an area that is generating a significant amount of export based revenue, whether it be in the mining sector, the oil and gas sector, whether it be in the agriculture sector.

I remember over the past few years having discussions on the expansion of the airport. We had discussions with respect to the fed provincial municipal infrastructure dollars that were being invested as well.

It is very much a growing area, not just in terms of people but also in terms of the economic output that is coming out of that particular area and I think that the corresponding investment has followed. The province is a partner in a number of those project and you can name many.

Quite often, almost exclusively, the initiative comes from the local community, from people that are putting this initiative forward and then putting some effort behind it, whether it be local fundraising or whatever that might be. Municipal infrastructure projects are initiatives put forward by the local municipal government.

The airport project was one that was put together by a number of people who saw the benefit of connecting

Moosomin to the global community by air.

When you look at the CT scanner conversation that we just had, that was a combination of people in the medical community and residents that said we need this service here and started to put forward a plan on how to acquire and operate that service into the future, so the province is often a financial partner and we get to come out for the ribbon cutting, but the true credit goes to people that live in the community for bringing the initiative forward in the first place, because without that, it just simply wouldn't happen.

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Moosomin Tim Horton's donates \$8,014 in Holiday Smile Cookie proceeds to MVAC

At the Moosomin Chamber of Commerce meeting on Tuesday, Moosomin Tim Horton's presented a cheque for \$8,014 to the Moosomin Visual Arts Centre. MVAC was the organization chosen to receive the donation this year from the Holiday Smile Cookie Campaign. Moosomin Tim Hortons raised the second highest dollar amount in the province. Above from left are Cherrie Caliwig of Moosomin Tim Hortons making the donation to J'aime Payne and Lyle Smart with the Moosomin Visual Arts Centre.

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Cannington MLA Daryl Harrison reflects on 2025

BY NICOLE TAYLOR
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

The World-Spectator spoke to Cannington MLA Daryl Harrison about what kind of year 2025 has been and what he's looking forward to in 2026. Following are his thoughts on the year:

What were some of the highlights for you in 2025?

Making life more affordable for people here in Saskatchewan is a priority. Our ability to index people's income, having them be able to keep some money in their pockets is huge. It's not something that really happens anywhere else in the country.

What were some of the things you believe you or your government accomplished this year?

I think on the agricultural side, having the Premier step up and go to China to open the door to the provincial government talking with China and working toward getting the tariff removed on canola, canola oil, and peas, as well as the duties that were a part of anti-dumping investigations. I think having the Premier step up and having some good meetings there gave the federal government the ability to have those conversations with China, and for Prime Minister Carney to have those talks face-to-face, because that's how China operates on a nation-to-nation level. We need that dialogue to happen sooner-than-later. We're looking forward to January as we've been told that there will be a state dinner between the two leaders.

What were some of the disappointments in 2025?

We'll start with the trade talks and the duties on canola, as well as the tariffs on oil. We're having disruptions with our three largest trading partners. CUSMA is coming up for review in 2026, so we're very mindful of what might change in that regard. Dealing with our three largest trading partners virtually all at the same time is a huge undertaking. I can say from our Premier, we're working hard to get that relationship justified and go back to some fair, free, open trade.

What are some things in 2025 that had the most effect on your constituents?

Being able to generate power, and being able to keep our electricity bills at one of the lowest in the country. Basically just keeping the heat and the lights on here for the people of Cannington.



Cannington MLA Daryl Harrison

What are some of the things you hear most from your constituents?

It certainly depends who you're talking to. Of course the agricultural community had some of the best crops ever grown in the area, it wasn't the same all across the province but Stats Canada predicts a record breaking crop for Cannington. Overall we are very pleased with the volume and quality, but disappointed on the prices for grains, seeds, and pulses. If you flip over to the beef producers' side, they are coming off their best year ever.

For 2026, what would you like to see accomplished?

Again, I would like to establish our trade relationships, and getting our markets back to free and fair. Particularly with our three main trading partners, but also with the 160 other countries that Saskatchewan currently has a trade relationship with. We want that in any and all

markets, but certainly with the U.S., China and India. We need those relationships because Saskatchewan is a trading province and Canada is a trading nation and we must keep that trade strong.

What do you think some of the biggest challenges will be for your party and your government in 2026?

I think that's going to be that we renew CUSMA, it's so important that we have those trade relationships for the commodities we produce. Most recently the U.S. president imposed potash tariffs. We don't want tariffs on one of our biggest products, but we need the U.S. market for that product. We have to keep up and get that CUSMA renewal completed and keep us in a strong relationship with the United States.

What do you want to see accomplished by the next election?

Keeping Saskatchewan the most affordable and best place to live in Canada is certainly a goal of mine. You might say I'm biased, but Saskatchewan is the best place to live in Canada. We've got so much going for us, especially the people of this province and how they step up. Whether it's a community project, sports, recreation, or just getting the job done. It's very important to the province and very important to me.

What are some of the most challenging things about being an MLA?

There's always calls coming in, and certainly health care and highways are two of the most urgent things. We've got to make sure that people always have access to primary care and keeping our emergency rooms on continuous operation. That's definitely a priority being a Saskatchewan MLA.

What are some of the most rewarding things about being an MLA?

It's the people. You meet so many great people as you travel around from all walks of life. It's definitely about the people. I can't say enough—people make this job worthwhile.

Is there anything else you'd like to add?

I wish everyone a merry Christmas and everyone a happy and prosperous 2026!

Redvers mayor Brad Bulbuck reflects on 2025

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Redvers Mayor Brad Bulbuck says it has been a busy year for the town in 2025. Following are his thoughts on the year.

What were some of the main projects the municipality worked on or got done this past year?

I'm happy that our water treatment plant plans have received final approval and we are now in the tendering process. That's a big project that we are eager to see come to fruition.

We have a lot of other projects on the go. With a generous donation from the Lions Club, an accessibility ramp and new concrete sidewalk and pad were added at the Hancock lot. We have added new pedestrian control signs on Broadway Street, funded by SGI grants, and new speed control signs throughout town access points funded by SGI grants.

The Lions Club funded dog park has also been built and opened for use, which is a great addition to the town.

Our town beautification and overall planning resulted in a top rating of five blooms from the provincial Communities in Bloom. Many thanks to our local Bloom Committee for making this happen. We are extremely proud of their work.

In a joint effort with the RM of Antler #61, our fire department ordered a brand new fire truck.

We also did an update and review of our Asset Management plan, resulting in a multi-year plan for upgrading of roads, sidewalks and infrastructure. This includes two new catch basins on Souris Avenue installed to remove runoff water, new curbing and pavement improvements on Warren Street north by the Redvers Activity Centre, new pavement, sidewalk and accessibility ramp on the north side of Souris Avenue, and repairing of five swails on our streets to ensure proper water movement. We continue to work on grants for additional sidewalk projects at the School and at the Redvers Health Centre. We have also submitted grant applications for other infrastructure projects, to be revealed when approved.

2025 also saw the replacement of our transit bus which was 100 per cent funded by grants. We were able to expand our ridership on the transit bus to include everyone, including students.

The Pickleball club did repairs to the tennis courts to enable pickle ball play, and there was the assignment of an area in the Redvers Cemetery for cremation burials.

We also planted additional trees in town.



Redvers Mayor Brad Bulbuck

What were some of the big challenges in 2025?

We knew we had a challenge with the recent SAMA reassessments. The biggest challenge was implementing a small tax increase while keeping it fair to the rate payers.

The other challenge was getting our projects completed on time and on budget. In the contractor world, our projects would tend to be on the smaller side. A lot of these smaller jobs get delayed until the end of the season, so the bigger jobs can get completed.

What were you most proud of?

I'm proud of all of the roads and sidewalk repairs and rebuilds we did while improving our accessibility ramps, adding all of the road safety markers in town through grant funding, upgrading our transit bus, and ordering the fire truck. I am also quite proud of our Fire Department for providing assistance to the firefighting efforts in the north.

I'm also extremely proud of our Communities in Bloom rating. Next year we will be in the competitive category.

What are some of the most common things you hear from your ratepayers?

For the most part, people are glad to see repairs to streets and sidewalks and happy to see reinvestment in the community.

They don't like to see tax increases, but they understand it when we see reinvestment in the community.

People are also happy with how clean and pretty our town is.

What do you want to work on in 2026?

We will continue to apply for additional grants for additional projects.

We hope to see shovels in ground for the water treatment plant, hopefully some time in March or April.

There are a few vacant lots in town, and we would love to see some new businesses open in those buildings.

We are working on a treed green space on the south east entrance to town and plan to have more trees planted in strategic areas.

What do you find most challenging about being a mayor?

Finding a balance between the nice to haves and the need to haves, while trying to act in the best interest of our community as a whole—not just a specific group, segment, or individual person or business.

It can be tough trying to do more in an environment when prices of everything keep rising. This is why we place so much emphasis on grants. We are able to address some of the nice to haves while allowing your operating budget to take care of the need to haves.

It can be hard trying to keep everyone happy.

What do you find most rewarding about being a mayor?

I love the satisfaction when a project is complete and you get positive feedback! It's always nice to hear compliments from taxpayers and visitors alike.

What are the long-term goals of the town?

We want to reinvest in infrastructure to continue to attract people and business to the community, and get some lots sold and houses built in the new subdivision.

We still need to attract a hotel to the community and we continue to look at problem drainage areas and come up with a solution and investment.

And there are always ongoing repairs to streets.

What do you personally want to see accomplished by the next municipal election?

By the next election, our water treatment plant must be open and operational. We also want to see four major sidewalk projects completed.

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Scott Moe reflects on 2025 and looks ahead to 2026

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We have a new MLA serving our region of the province in Moosomin-Montmartre. How does he represent the local interests in Regina?

Very Well. Kevin Weedmark is a very strong voice on all of the committees that he serves on, as well as throughout the governing caucus and on the very floor of the legislative assembly.

I think all those who know him would agree when I say that his unending and undeniable energy is infectious with others as well. As Kevin has a real ability, not only to represent his constituents, but to represent virtually all he does in a very positive way, which is very infectious among his colleagues and among other that he works with here in Regina as well.

Myself, and our caucus colleagues are very aware of the growth currently happening and the potential in the Moosomin-Montmartre riding, as well as very aware of how we are going to address some of the challenges of that growth for years into the future.

We are working on that today and the long-term care space in the daycare space and others, but there is more that needs to be done in the future and the people living in the Moosomin area can be very confident that Kevin is bringing their voice to the Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly.

Drugs have become a scourge across the province, what is the province doing to address the drug crisis?

First is if we can agree on the fact that the streets are the most vulnerable place for an individual to be if they have found themselves in a position where they don't have a home or unfortunately may have found themselves living a life of addictions.

We don't want them on the street and I don't think they want to be there. It's a vulnerable place.

Let's make a recovery journey the opportunity for them. We need to provide capacity and we are doing that, building out a target of 500 recovery beds, I think about 300 of those beds are up and running as we speak. We need to get to 500 as soon as possible an likely we'll have to go beyond that.

Second is to build access points so that we can meet people wherever they are in their journey so that they have that opportunity to access one of those recovery-oriented services.

Third is we also need to keep the community safe, and drugs away from those who are unfortunately living that addictive lifestyle.

We have to keep our broader community safe for the population and everyone that lives there. We should aspire to have every community be a community where a family can go to the park after supper and not in any way feel unsafe.

The way to do that is to have enforcement and officials that have the tools to keep the people that are doing bad things away from those families.

The next steps are to follow up on the investments we have made in the enforcement space, whether it be the 100 new municipal officers, the 180 new RCMP officers or the 70 marshals.

To ensure that they have the legal tools to keep our community safe and I would say that much of what we see in the way of crime and criminal behavior in our communities are driven by people that are supporting a life of addictions.

Let's start discouraging that life of addictions, let's start taking the drugs away. It is illegal to have drugs on your person and now with the street weapons act, it is illegal to have drug paraphernalia on your person as well and starting with our police officers enforcing just those laws, not necessarily criminally charging those in possession of drugs, criminally charging those who are dealing drugs but for those that have drugs, let's just start taking drugs away.

Our aspirational goal is to have a community where a recovery lifestyle is the option that lies before you, and our aspirational goal is to have a province where drugs are not available. That might not be realistic. However, it is one goal that we are going to make every effort to find our way to—take the drugs away and provide recovery oriented system of care and an opportunity for everyone that is unfortunately living a life of addictions to find their way to a life of recovery.

What were some of the most important things you feel your government accomplished in 2025?

In 2025, I think that one of the things that has really come to light is the effort that Saskatchewan has made in the space of building our international relations. We were able to be the first province, myself the first premier, in China in six years, to bring Canada and China back to the negotiating table. To the advance the opportunities that we have to bring Canada and India to that very negotiating table.

The highest ranking trade diplomat in India over the course of the past year has been the Saskatchewan Trade Commissioner because we have been committed to building those trade relationships even when times are difficult, to ensure that we are able to help and to lead



Premier Scott Moe with Kevin Weedmark and Nicole Taylor during his visit to Moosomin in September.

Canada back to these very negotiating tables.

We did the same in Mexico, and just recently a few weeks ago we were down in the United States meeting with a number of Presidents Trump's cabinet. As you know, Canada and the US are currently not at the negotiating table.

It was our goal and our hope that our visit would in some way precipitate Minister Leblanc and secretary Lutnick to return and start working towards either a reinvigorated USMCA agreement, or at least finding a way to negotiate away some of the current trade unrest that we have.

I think that is the most significant piece over the course of the last year is the commitment that Saskatchewan has had in the international space and how we are working to lead Canada to a better space in those negotiations.

Why is that important is probably even more impactful than the story I just told.

Without the strength of that economy we are able to make that investment in the CT scanner in Moosomin.

It's only through that strong and growing economy that is reliant on those export based industries, that we are even able to have those discussions about a new long-term care facility in Grenfell.

We have the investment dollars available because of the strength of the Saskatchewan economy.

So that's why I say it matters so much, because all of those investments that we talked about that are so important to folks that live in Grenfell and Moosomin are only possible because we are able to capture top dollars for the potash and the grain and the oil that is flowing through and being produced in your community as well.

Looking ahead to 2026, what do you want to see accomplished?

I hope that the choppy waters that we are seeing in the trade related environment are short lived, because the medium to long term view for Saskatchewan when you look at the food, fuel and fertilizer that we produce is very strong.

The world needs it and we have it, and we are in many cases an ally, a trading partner and should be looked at as a preferred long term trading partner.

I think that if we are able to get through this tariff discussion in 2026, the North American economy will be in a better position as well as the Canadian and Saskatchewan economy.

That brings us to a very strong position in Saskatchewan with the coming on of a new mine at Jansen, the BHP mine, maybe two or three uranium mines coming on, a copper mine coming on, as well as a number of canola crush facilities that we see starting to come online.

I would hope there are some additional investment in the oilfield space given that be the MOU signing between Alberta and the federal government, for some of the opportunities that we might be seeing more locally. I think the medium to long term opportunities for Saskatchewan are great.

I am hopeful that in 2026 we will be able to get over some of the short term, tariff related, trade related challenges that we had to endure that so we can get back to ensuring that communities like Moosomin, like Grenfell and others are able to make those investments in health-care, make those investments in our friends and family members and community members that may have fallen into a life of addiction to ensure that Saskatchewan truly is the best place to live not only today, but the best place to live into the future.

What are some of the most challenging things about your job as premier?

I would say that each and every one of us, in whatever we do in this province have challenges each and every day, and this job would be no different.

We have difficult decisions that come to my desk and to the governments desk almost on a daily basis. It often isn't a choice between a good decision and a bad decision, but a choice between two pretty good decisions but you only have the ability to do one.

So that part is challenging, here's the part that isn't; I

have a lot of faith in the people that I get to work with each and every day, some are elected, some are not.

Whatever that decision is that particular day, I have faith that we have the people in the room that are going to have the discussions that are going to ensure that given the information we have, we are going to land at the best decision.

I have faith in that, and that gives me a lot of faith when I go out and start talking about whatever that particular decision is.

An example of that would be the introduction of the Compassionate Intervention legislation this fall that didn't just drop from the sky, that came from many, many conversations that the ministers, myself and other have had, with family members, with police officers, with the legal community with the physician community, the medical community, but also with just people myself and the people I work with know.

It's finding its way forward because of the faith that this government has, not only in one another but also in the people that we regularly talk to every day. So challenging decisions, I think it's fair to say that all of us in anything we do have challenging decisions each and every day.

I am in the very fortunate place where I just have a whole lot of faith in everybody, including Kevin Weedmark, that I get to work with each and every day, in making those decisions and I am thankful for that. I think that is something we can all think about this holiday seasonal and this Christmas season, is what exactly is it that we are thankful for in life.

What are some of the most rewarding things about your job as premier?

The people. The people I get to work with, the people I get to meet, and ultimately the people that we represent across the province.

It doesn't mean you always agree with each and every one of them, but they and others have a reason for the beliefs that they have. We all too often being an elected represented, people say you maybe put up with a lot of things that others say about you but the fact of the matter is you get to show up at a community when that community is at its very best, when they are cutting a ribbon for a new long term care home, or a school, or an infrastructure project of some type.

The rewards are many in this position, whether you be an MLA, Minister, or the role that I serve in as well, but it's always about the people.

I said earlier about the investments into Moosomin and area, they would never happen and the province wouldn't be part of them if there weren't local people that were taking the initiative to push those projects forward and it's precisely those people that we get to meet each and every day and it makes this job certainly the most rewarding job that I've ever had the honour to have.

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Kelly Family Christmas



There were 225 people in the Nutrien Rocanville Community Hall for the Kelly Family Christmas on Sunday, December 14. Members of the Kelly family performed, along with members of the Neville family, in what has become an annual Christmas tradition for the area since 2003.



From left: Jessica, Anthony, Olivia, Brian, and Megan Kelly all performing.



Megan and Blake Kelly performing together.



The Neville family performing together.



From left: Avah, Lachlan, Desirae, Cohen and Liam Neville performing.

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In our opinion:

Christmas, Christmas, and Christmas

There's Christmas, and there's Christmas.
And then there's Christmas.

Christmas

There's the Christmas that's about getting the newest iPhone or drone or work of art for a loved one, spending hours trying to find the perfect gift, or taking the time to make the perfect gift for the person who has everything—including closets overflowing with gifts from Christmases past.

It's about making the rounds of the Christmas parties and drinking more alcohol in a month than during the rest of the year. (Well, unless you count the Superbowl party and the Grey Cup party, oh and May Long, and that fishing trip with the guys, and the August long at the lake. Oh, and that week in Cuba. Oh, and that week in Mexico, too. It was all inclusive, after all.)

This Christmas has its upside—especially if you're a store owner or if you own shares in Amazon—and its downside, which becomes evident when the credit card statement arrives in January.

Christmas

Then there's the Christmas whose patron saint is Charles Dickens. The Christmas that's about squeezing the entire family onto the couch to watch *A Christmas Carol*, or *Elf*, or *Christmas Vacation*, or *It's a Wonderful Life* if you're older, or *The Grinch* or *Die Hard* if you're younger, for the seventy-seventh time, the family together, warm and cozy, while the fire crackles in the other room, and while the lights on the Christmas tree provide a warm glow throughout the house.

The Christmas that's about taking time off from our hectic schedules and really enjoying the company of friends and family, maybe going snowmobiling or cross-country skiing or skating on the outdoor rink or skate path. The Christmas that wouldn't be complete without turkey and stuffing, stockings and a tree, tinsel and lights. An old-fashioned Christmas.

This Christmas gives you a warm feeling inside—and a craving for rye and coke or egg nog with spiced rum—just thinking about it. There are a lot of wonderful things about this Christmas, not least of which is an increased focus on family and friends, which some of us do not focus on nearly enough because we are so busy with our work and our organizations and our volunteering and our hobbies and so much more through the rest of the year.

This Christmas is comfortable like an old sweater because it's always been the same, because those Christmas traditions have to be preserved, even those Christmas songs that we have on our playlist year in and year out.

Christmas

And then there's Christmas.

You know. The one that's sometimes forgotten about.

The one about the infinite possibilities that came from the birth of one small child long ago and far away.

The one about one moment in time that could change the entire world.

The one about a miracle that unites Heaven and Earth.

The spirit of this Christmas is reflected in the gifts purchased anonymously for needy families through programs like Angels Anonymous and Caring Communities, in the food bank hampers distributed locally by volunteers, in shoeboxes of small but heartfelt gifts that flow from here to developing countries through Operation Christmas Child, in gifts left anonymously on the steps of a family of newcomers, in the change dropped in a Salvation Army Christmas kettle in the city, and in unsure, wavering voices singing ancient carols in small country churches.

Because the spirit of this Christmas is about loving, living, sharing, and celebrating.

About the birth of bright hope in a dark world, and within ourselves.

About the faith that a tiny spark of divine light, a tiny flame, can shine through infinite darkness.

As you take time out to celebrate this special time of year—however you choose to celebrate—here's hoping you have a very Merry and Meaningful Christmas.

This editorial was written by Kevin Weedmark



Welcoming the small gifts of Christmas

Christmas can be a busy time of year full of activity, people and preparations. For others, it's a chance to have some quiet time and rest over the holidays.

Regardless of how you spend your Christmas, I've always found that in between all the hustle and bustle and the gifts exchanged by family and friends, there are small gifts that the season imparts to us as well.

Those small gifts come in many forms. Like the peaceful feeling that comes with the soft glow of Christmas lights on a dark snowy night. Or the way a snowfall suddenly feels magical when it happens on Christmas Eve.

They can take the form of a hot drink warming your hand as you settle in for a Christmas movie, or the crackle of a fireplace, or the soft sound of Christmas carols playing in the background.

Sometimes it's just a moment when you go outside for a second and glimpse the night sky, full of stars and a bright moon shining on the snow. Sometimes it's the sound of joy when a child tears the wrapping paper off a present and exclaims in delight.

Sometimes it's the crunch of your feet on snow as you retrieve the sled for another go down the hill. Sometimes it's a warm handshake of a friend or neighbor, or the warm dance of the flame of a candle.

Sometimes it's the tantalizing smell of a special meal cooking. Sometimes it's having your house in a state of chaos, full of loud adults and boisterous kids, and the overall festive atmosphere it creates, knowing that despite all that chaos, you better enjoy it because in a few days, everything will quiet down and go back to normal.

Sometimes it's a phone call from a sister or brother or grandparent or friend many miles away who can't join in the celebrations. Sometimes it's the tiny stomp of feet across the floor as kids run around and play together.

For some it's that special feeling of gathering with people at church on Christmas Eve. For others, it's the warm embrace of a family member when you arrive for a Christmas get together.

For some of us, it's the act of digging out age-old Christmas decorations that have been in the family for decades and putting them up around the house. For others it's sharing a laugh with someone we haven't seen for a while.

Sometimes it's finding a surprise tray of Christmas goodies or a little gift left as a surprise from someone you didn't expect.



Kara Kinna

Sometimes it's the days after Christmas that are the gift, when the big holiday is over and you take time to coast into the new year, nibble on some leftover turkey, and read a book for a few quiet moments at the end of the day.

Sometimes it's bumping into people unexpectedly who have been away for a while who have come home for the holidays—kids back from university or people in town visiting their families.

Sometimes it's the sound of a guitar or piano as those who are musical in your friend or family group decide to regale everyone with a few tunes during the holidays.

Sometimes it's the family pet, making the rounds for extra attention, amusing everyone with their goofy behavior, taking advantage of the extra people around for the holiday season.

These little gifts come to us in lots of different ways over the season. And while the big gifts are great, and the holiday celebrations are lots of fun, sometimes it's the little things and small moments that really make the holiday season shine.

Enjoy our Christmas Greetings section

If you turn to the third section of this week's paper you'll find our annual Christmas Greetings feature! Please take time to read this feature over the holidays, but most importantly enjoy it! It's full of stories, artwork and poems by local school children in our area, and ads from local businesses wishing you a merry Christmas.

It takes us about a month and a half to put this feature together, but we love doing it every year! We couldn't do it without the support of the schools and the local businesses, and of course without our hardworking staff who do everything from contact the local businesses and schools to get all the material, to design around 200 ads for this feature! Have a great Christmas and we hope you enjoy our Christmas Greeting feature! Watch next week's paper for our New Year feature as well!



Black Box commercial condos planned for Moosomin

A rendering showing two of the Black Box commercial condo units that are planned for Eastgate Business Park in Moosomin south of the SaskPower building on Saunders Road. There would be three buildings and a total of 11 condo units. The buildings would be 5,040, 6,000, and 6,240 square feet. Inside each building, the space is divided into smaller independent shop-style bays.



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Students Christmas shop at thrift store

Students of MacLeod Elementary School did some holiday shopping for friends and family at the Moosomin Thrift Store before Christmas. Each grade in the school was taken to the thrift store over the course of a week and encouraged to pick out some items they felt would make good gifts.



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It was Santa Day in Moosomin on December 7. Hosted by the Moosomin Kinettes, there were lots of photos taken with Santa that day.

Mackenzie Jordan and Kara Kinna photos



Above left: Finley Grandguillot with Santa.

Above right: Holden and Ledger Miller on Santa's lap.

Left: Isla Jaenen tentatively approaches Santa.



Above: Olivia and Layla Jones with Santa.



One of the littlest Santa Day participants wondering who the big guy in red is.



Hunter Schick, Vance Schick, Ava Nabholz, Taylor Goodman and Jaxx Goodman.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Mackenzie Jordan and Kara Kinna photos



Santa and a baby posing for the perfect photo.



Judy, Rhonda and Brenda from Bryant House in Moosomin pose for a picture with Santa.

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Mrs. Claus reading Christmas stories to children at the Elkhorn library.



Horse and wagon ride around Elkhorn, during the Christmas light up day events.



The Santa Skate at the Elkhorn rink.

Elkhorn holds Christmas Light Up Dec. 6

BY ED JAMES

On December 6, 2025, the Elkhorn Village Christmas Light Up consisted of a full day of events.

Despite the cold temperatures, the many different events brought out good crowds starting with a Christmas-themed kids craft work shop at the library lead by Tamara Bajus. For this event, the rule of silence was put aside as the library was filled with laughter from children and parents.

Walking down the street to the Legion Hall, hot soup and sandwiches were available to warm you up and to visit with friends and neighbors. The turnout was so good that the basement had to be opened up for the overflow. As the lunch crew departed, holiday arts and craft vendors arrived to set up for an afternoon sale. It would include baked treats, fabric art items and decor items with seasonal themes. Among the crafters were some young people carrying on the craft traditions!

Back at the library Mrs. Claus arrived in her bright red dress with white fur to read Christmas stories to the children with pauses to ask the children about their Christ-

mas wishes and dreams. Her whole Christmas outfit and attitude added to the magic of the Christmas season for the children and maybe a few adults too!

Back down the street at the Memory Tree site, Mr. and Mrs. Plett from Kola were hitching up a beautiful team of black Percheron horses to a wagon for rides around the village to look at the Christmas sites. As they drove by me there were lots of smiles on the faces of the passengers who were well bundled up as the team clomped along.

Over at the Elks Hall there was a full house of young and old to play turkey Bingo and for other prizes. There was also lots of the popular Elks popcorn for everyone. This event was put on by the Elkhorn Figure Skating club who were pleased with the community support.

I almost forgot about Santa Claus, who was busy up at the community skating rink, skating with the children and a few adults on an ice surface that looked like glass and was a challenge for me to shuffle along to get some pictures of Santa and friends!

All during the day local shops and businesses had special sales events while at the Co-op grocery store they had

a number of sample displays of Christmas treats and holiday beverages.

As dusk fell on the village, there was a blazing bonfire at the Memory tree site for the official lighting ceremony, put on by the Elkhorn and Area Foundation Group with free treats being given out. Foundation head, Marcy Rowan in a brief speech welcomed everyone and thanked all for the support to the Foundation, its many willing volunteers that will ensure lasting support for local projects and initiatives for generations to come. "Your generosity makes a real difference and we are deeply grateful," she said.

With that the lights were turned on with cheers from the crowd. The Light Up Christmas Parade followed with a number of brightly colored floats from local businesses and families that enjoyed it very much. You could hear the cheering children along the parade route.

For the next few weeks the lights of the tree will shine brightly in the night to remind us of the reason for the season, to remember those who have left us and those that are near to us that we love.



The Elkhorn Christmas memory tree after the light up ceremony.



The Archie 4H Float in the Elkhorn Christmas Light Up Parade.



One of several floats in the Elkhorn Christmas Light Up Parade.



Children at the Elkhorn Christmas art work shop.



Clothing vendors at Elkhorn Light up event Christmas market at the Legion Hall.



Bernice Kliever and her bake table at the Legion Christmas market event.



Cindy McGrath at the Elkhorn Christmas Market with her craft projects for sale.



Two young knitting crafters at their first Christmas craft sale.



Library volunteer Tamara Bajus, teaching at the Christmas craft workshop.



Children enjoying the turkey bingo, with lots of popcorn to eat.

Moosomin Rec Report

Mike Schwean, Recreation Director

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Sportsplex Holiday Season Hours of Operation

December 22	12 to 5 pm
December 23	12 to 5 pm
December 24	12 to 5 pm
December 25	Closed
December 26	Closed
December 27	12 to 8 pm
December 28	Closed
December 29	12 to 9 pm
December 30	12 to 5 pm
December 31	12 to 5 pm
January 1	Closed
January 2	10 to 9 pm
January 3	Return to regular hours

Sportsplex Regular Hours

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

Junior Golf League

All new for 2025/2026, the Junior Golf League! Runs Wednesdays from 5 to 7 pm. To enter or for information please contact Angela at a.thorntownofmoosomin@sasktel.net.

Sportsplex Men's/Ladies Golf Night every 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 every Thursday

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! Contact Kim at 434-8733 for more information.

Sportsplex Senior Fitness Classes

We are also super 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

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!

Public Skating & Shinny for this week

Tuesday, Dec 23:	Parents and Tots 10 am to 12 nn Shinny 12-1 pm Public Skating 1-2:15 pm
Wednesday, Dec 24:	Parents and Tots 10 am to 12 nn Shinny 12-1 pm Public Skating 1-2:15 pm
Friday, Dec 26:	Parents and Tots 10 am to 12 nn Shinny 12 - 2 pm Public Skating 2 - 3:30 pm
Saturday, Dec 27:	Public Shinny 9:15 am to 2:30 pm
Sunday, Dec 28:	Public Shinny 11 am to 3:30 pm

Please note schedule is subject to change on short notice. Please call ahead to confirm times.

Moosomin Skating Club

Moosomin Skating Club is busy with a busy, busy year 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 year round!

Skating Club Weekly Activities

Monday 6 - 8 pm

Minor Hockey Games

Despite heading into the holiday season there are still a lots of opportunities to catch some great Minor Hockey this week. Here is a listing of games scheduled this week at the Mike Schwean Arena!

Saturday

3 pm Esterhazy @ U13 Jeannot Electric Rangers
5 pm Indian Head @ U15 Core Rangers
7:30 pm U18 Celebration Ford Rangers Exhibition Game

Sunday

7 pm Ochpowace @ U18 Celebration Ford Rangers

Senior Rangers

The Rangers are down to two regular season game left in their schedule. Here is a look at their home games remaining.

Sunday, January 18 Wawota Flyers @ Sr Rangers 7 pm
Saturday, January 31 Carlyle Cougars @ Sr Rangers 8 pm

Rec Hockey this week

Couple of Christmas battles this week in the Rec Hockey circle!

Monday	Leafs	9:30 pm
Tuesday	Mustangs	9:30 pm

Mike Schwean Arena Special Events

We are always busy in the winter with lots of special events. I know our hotel and restaurant business community plan around these weekends, so here is a list of the remaining special events for this winter:

January 3 and 4 Major Hockey League All Star Weekend
January 17 U7 Rangers Tournament
Jan 31/Feb 1 U9 Rangers Tournament
February 13-15 Moosomin Skating Club Regional Competition
March 15 Skating Club Carnival
March 28 and 29 Carded U9 Hockey Tournament
April 2-4 Iron Man Tournament 2026

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 on line on the Home Team web page. You can find them at <https://www.hometeamlive.com>

Curling Special Events

Several special events scheduled for the Curling Rink over the winter. Here is a listing with contact information: Skins Game: January 10. Contact Jeff Warkinton at jeff@hebertgrainventures.com

Ladies Bonspiel: January 16 and 17. Contact Hayley Mannle at hay.senk@gmail.com

Farmers Bonspiel: January 28 to February 1. Contact Hayley Mannle at hay.senk@gmail.com
Minnetoba Curling Club Bonspiel: February 14-15. Contact Angela Thorn at a.thorntownofmoosomin@sasktel.net

Community Donations

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 cross country skis.... 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.

Parks and Recreation Advertising Opportunities

We have a ton of various advertising opportunities for any local business interested. Options include:

Mike Schwean Arena Ice Level Signage
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Nutrien Sportsplex
Parking Lot
#8 Highway
Projects

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Corridor Signage
Various options

If you would like more information, please give Mike a call at 435-3622 or email at msmn.rec.brd@sasktel.net.

Wedding venues:

We have multiple options

It can become a busy time for wedding bookings in 2026. Moosomin Parks and Recreation have multiple venues, both indoor and outdoor, all sized and priced to fit your plans. Our options include:

Indoors:

Mike Schwean Arena Dry Ice
Mike Schwean Arena Lobby
Conexus Convention Centre
Nutrien Sportsplex

Outdoors:

Tim Hortons Eventplex (includes Gemstone light show)
REMAX Court (includes Gemstone light show)

We have sound system options, projector options, bar options, size options, curtain options and on and on.

If you would like further information or would like a tour of a venue or to book a venue, please contact Angela at 435-3622 or by email to a.thorntownofmoosomin@sasktel.net.

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.

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For details please pop into the Town Office or you can email Mike at msmn.rec.brd@sasktel.net

Moosomin Community Recreation Plan

Back in 2020 around Covid times, our department undertook the task to develop a 10-year Community Recreation plan that would take us from 2020 to 2030. This included administration, programming and facilities. The tasks outlined in the CRP were as a direct result of community requests.

As a result of an amazing community we have been able to get the entire plan completed in five years!

Just a sample of tangible results includes:

- Feasibility Study on New Skating Rink
- Feasibility Study on New Curling Rink
- Feasibility Study on New Fieldhouse
- New Outdoor Court Space
- Terry Lynd Basketball Courts
- Bradley Park 2-2 Basketball Courts
- Pickleball Courts
- Fun World
- Dog Park
- Pharmsave Field
- Sharpe's Field
- Upgrades to Ball Diamonds
- Upgrades to Football Field
- Upgrades to Soccer Field
- Bradley Park Lending Shed / with equipment
- Bradley Park Paving Project

So now it is onto a new 10-year plan. With that we will be looking for public input again with what the public would like to see. Questionnaires, public and private meetings will make up the meat and potatoes of the plan.

For those interested watch in early 2026 for calls to the public for input!

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Rocanville Rec Report

Andrea Logan, Recreation Director

Noble Construction Skating Rink

Season passes can be purchased at the Rec Office and Town Office. Day passes can be paid for in the drop box at the rink. All skaters must pay public skate/shinny fees to skate, regardless of whether they are in minor hockey or not.

The public skate/shinny schedule is subject to change. Please visit www.rocانville.ca for the most up to date schedule.

Public skating and shinny

December 22: Christmas Break Shinny 1:00-3:00 PM
December 23: Christmas Break Shinny 1:00-3:00 PM
December 24: Christmas Break Public Skate 1:00-3:30 PM; Shinny 3:30-5:00 PM
December 25: Closed
December 26: Closed
December 28: Public Skate 3:30-5:00 PM
December 29: Christmas Break Shinny 1:00-3:00 PM
December 30: Christmas Break Shinny 1:00-3:00 PM
December 31: Christmas Break Public Skate 1:00-3:30 PM; Shinny 3:30-5:00 PM

Monique's Fitness Class

Want to fire up your energy and tighten your core? Come move, stretch, and feel more powerful each week! Benefits of core strength:

- Provides balance and stability, reducing the risk of injury
- Improves posture
- Prevents overuse injuries
- Reduces lower back pain

This will take place on Mondays and Thursdays at 7:15 PM at the elementary gym!

All fitness levels welcome
Bring your water bottle and a smile!
\$10 Drop-in

Rocanville Food Share

Please keep in mind the needs of those less fortunate and give to your local Food Bank. Monetary donations are gratefully accepted.

Cheques made payable to the Town of Rocanville can be mailed to Box 265, Rocanville, SK S0A 3L0.

An income tax receipt can be provided for donations of \$20 or more.

If you know anyone in the area in need of food, please contact:

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

Rocanville Community Centre

Start Your Day with Coffee & Conversation

Begin your day the Rocanville way from 8-9:30 am. Enjoy a warm cup of coffee and even warmer company! Drop by the community centre for a relaxed, friendly atmosphere where great conversations and wonderful people create the perfect blend.

Cards & Games - Thursday Afternoons

Need a mid-week pick-me-up? Come join us every

Thursday from 1-3 pm for an afternoon of cards, games and good company. Enjoy lighthearted competition, share some laughs and add a little extra fun to your Thursdays.

Senior Supper - Community Potluck

Happening the last Monday of every month! Bring along your favourite dish to share and enjoy a cozy homemade meal with the company of friendly faces. Everyone is welcome around the table!

Universe Satellite Aquatic Centre Schedule

Please note schedule is subject to change, check us out on Facebook and Instagram for updates!

December 22: Watch social media for our schedule
December 23: Watch social media for schedule
December 24: Public Swim 9:00-12:00 PM; Family Swim 1:00-5:00 PM
December 25: Closed, Merry Christmas!
December 26: Family Swim 9:00-12:00 PM; Public Swim 2:00-6:00 PM
December 27: Closed for Training
December 28: Closed for Training
December 29: Watch social media for schedule
December 30: Watch social media for schedule
December 31: Lane Swim 7:30-9:30 AM; AquaFit 9:30-10:30 AM; Senior Swim 11:00-12:00 PM; New Years Eve Swim 1:00-7:00 PM

Donate a Toonie

Let's decorate the Christmas Tree with kindness! Give the gift of comfort this season by donating a toonie at the cashier, which will go to giving the gift of a factory cello sealed teddy bear to a sick child. Every bear brings hope, comfort and a smile to a child who needs it most. Available at the Rocanville an Moosomin Co-op grocery stores.

Rocanville Community Thrift Store

The Rocanville Community Thrift Store is run by a group of local volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering your time at the Thrift Store, please, contact Marilyn at 306-645-4553.

Thrift Store Hours:
Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 1:00 pm-4:00 pm
Thursdays 6:00 pm-8:00 pm
Visit us during our open hours to explore a diverse range of items, from clothing and household goods to unique treasures. Your purchases at the Thrift Store support local initiatives and contribute to the well-being of our community.

Rocanville Rec Centre

Play group

A cozy spot for little ones to play, imagine, and explore while parents and caregivers connect. Join us Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 AM-12:00 PM for easygoing fun, socializing, and a great chance to build friendships for both kids and adults.

Group Walking

Cold weather? We've got you - come walk indoors! Move, meet, and feel great! Meet on Mondays and Wednesdays at 9:00-3:00 PM and Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1:00-3:00 PM for a refreshing group walk and community connection. A great way to stay active and

chat with others in the community.

Puzzle Swap

If you're a puzzle lover, you're in good company! Bring in the puzzles you've completed and trade them for a new one to try. Drop them off at any time - your well-loved puzzles will brighten someone else's day!

Pickle Ball

Looking for something fun and easy to jump into? Try pickleball! Join us Tuesdays from 7:00-9:00 PM at the Rec Centre. Equipment is available, so no gear needed. Except good laughs, new friends, and a great workout!

Sew What!

Love sewing - or always wanted to give it a try? Sew What is the perfect place to start! Whether you're a beginner, a casual hobbyist, or a seasoned pro, you'll enjoy a friendly relaxed space to create, learn and share. This takes place on Wednesday mornings. Contact the Rec Office for more information @ rocانville.rec@sasktel.net

Rocanville Library

Discover all that your library has to offer - from books and digital resources to hands-on programming.

Calling all library enthusiasts! We're also looking for new board members! If you're interested, please contact the library.

Open Hours:
• Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM & 1:30 PM - 5:30 PM

• Thursday & Friday: 1:30 PM - 5:30 PM

The library will be closed for the Christmas break from December 24 to January 1.

Programming Highlights:

- Button Maker Maker-space Kit - Month of December
- Christmas Take 'n' Make Craft - Month of December (while supplies last)

Did you know? You can take home more than just books! We also have puzzles, games, and even technology kits available to borrow!

Have a program idea or something you'd love to see at the library? Let us know - we're always happy to explore new possibilities.

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Kipling School Family Feud Holiday Edition

Kipling School's annual Christmas concert was held on Thursday, December 11 with a Family Feud Holiday Edition theme. The concert featured students in Pre-K to Grade 5 with special guest actors Sheldon Puffalt, Myla Dawn Hill, Lachlan Cowan, Jacob Shoemaker, and Ryker Dash.



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GARBAGE/RECYCLING CALENDAR

ROUTE A:
Homes West of Main Street:
DEC 23 - RECYCLE
DEC 30 - GARBAGE

ROUTE B:
Homes East of Main Street:
DEC 29 - GARBAGE
JAN 5 - RECYCLE

LANDFILL HOURS

JANUARY 1 - APRIL 30
TUES. - SAT. 12 Noon - 3:45 p.m.
SUN. & MON. CLOSED

MAY 1 - MAY 30
TUES. - SAT. 12 Noon - 6:45 p.m.
SUN. 12 Noon - 5 p.m.
MON. CLOSED

JUNE 1 - SEPTEMBER 30
TUES. - SAT. 12 Noon - 6:45 p.m.
SUN. & MON. CLOSED

OCTOBER 1 - OCTOBER 31
TUES. - SAT. 12 Noon - 6:45 p.m.
SUN. 12 Noon - 5 p.m.
MON. CLOSED

NOVEMBER 1 - DECEMBER 31
TUES. - SAT. 12 Noon - 3:45 p.m.
SUN. & MON. CLOSED

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WEDNESDAY: 9 AM - 12 PM, 1 PM - 5 PM
THURSDAY: 12 PM - 4 PM, 5 PM - 8 PM

FRIDAY: 9 AM - 12 PM, 1 PM - 5 PM
SATURDAY & SUNDAY: CLOSED

Christmas Tree Collection



The town of Moosomin Public Works Department will be collecting and disposing of all discarded Christmas Trees.

To have yours picked up, please place it next to the street by **8:00 a.m. on Monday, January 12th, 2026.**

12:3C

FROM COUNCIL AND STAFF WITH THE TOWN OF MOOSOMIN, WE WISH YOU A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS!

SAFE TRAVELS, HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND CHERISH YOUR TIME WITH FAMILY!

MERRY CHRISTMAS

& HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

LANDFILL OPERATIONS Holiday Season

The Landfill will be open all days and regularly scheduled days excluding Christmas Day, Boxing Day, and New Year's Day, when the landfill will be CLOSED.



12:2C

Nutrien Sportsplex Christmas Party Bookings

Still time to book an amazing Christmas Party!

To book or for details please contact the Rec Office at 306-435-3622 or email Angela at a.thorntownofmoosomin@sasktel.net



Moosomin Outdoor Arena now open for the season!

Big High Five to Peter Nabholz!

Nutrien SPORTSPLEX

2025-2026 HOURS OF OPERATION

December 22... 12nn to 5pm	December 28... Closed
December 23... 12nn to 5pm	December 29... 12nn to 9pm
December 24... 12nn to 5pm	December 30... 12nn to 5pm
December 25... Closed	December 31... 12nn to 5pm
December 26... Closed	January 1... Closed
December 27... 12nn to 8pm	January 2... 10am to 9pm

Curling Special Events


Several special events scheduled for the Curling Rink over the winter - here is a listing with contact information:

Skins Game - January 10
Contact Jeff Warkinton jeff@hebertgrainventures.com

Ladies Bonspiel - January 16-17
Contact Hayley Mannle hay.senk@gmail.com

Farmers Bonspiel January 28 - February 1
Contact Hayley Mannle hay.senk@gmail.com

Minnetoba Curing Club Bonspiel February 14-15
Contact Angela Thorn a.thorntownofmoosomin@sasktel.net




Moosomin 1/4 Mile Dog Winter Walking Track now open for the season!

Big High Five to Moosomin Public Works

Mike Schwan Arena Special Events 2025-2026

Here is a list of the remaining special events for this winter:

- January 3-4**
Major Hockey League All Star Weekend
- January 17**
U7 Rangers Tournament
- Jan 31 / Feb 1**
U9 Rangers Tournament
- February 13-15**
Moosomin Skating Club Regional Competition
- March 15**
Skating Club Carnival
- March 28-29**
Carded U9 Hockey Tournament
- April 2-4**
Iron Man Tournament 2026



MACLEOD CHRISTMAS

concert



From hip hop performances to traditional Christmas song and groovy elves, the MacLeod School Christmas concert was held on December 17. There were two performances—one in the morning and one in the afternoon.

Nicole Taylor photos



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