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## Enjoying the petting zoo

Sunnette Kamffer photo

Ivy Bloomquist loved holding this bunny at the Petting Zoo at Cobblestone House in Moosomin June 1. See more photos on page 11.

## One suspect dead, one arrested after car chase

BY KEVIN WEEDMARK

One suspect is dead and one is in custody facing five charges after a police chase across southern Saskatchewan and Manitoba Tuesday and Wednesday.

The chase started in southeast Saskatchewan and the high-speed chase went right through Moosomin Tuesday evening, and two police cars ended up colliding south of Moosomin.

The suspects continued into Manitoba, where Winnipeg City Police and RCMP pursued them.

One suspect, Tristan Mariash, was shot dead by police

around 3 am Wednesday in Niverville and another, David Burling, fled that scene and was arrested at 1:30 pm Wednesday in Springside, Saskatchewan.

Burling is charged with two counts of Assault Against a Peace Officer with a Weapon, Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Over \$5,000, Failure to Stop, and Dangerous Operation of a Motor Vehicle.

A woman was arrested with Burling and has been released without charges.

The timeline covers two days and two provinces.

On Tuesday, June 4, 2024 at approximately 8:10 am,

Moosomin RCMP received a report of a suspicious vehicle at a rural property outside of Moosomin.

It was reported that a dark grey pickup truck and a white pickup truck were on the property. When the owner approached them, they fled. Officers from Moosomin and Broadview RCMP began working to locate the suspicious trucks.

Officers located the white pickup truck several times in the following hours. They activated their lights and sirens and the vehicle fled at a high rate of speed.

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## Anytime Fitness in Moosomin holds grand opening

Anytime Fitness in Moosomin held its grand opening on Thursday. The new gym is located at the north end of Main Street, and is owned by Eddy and Jolene de Vries, who also own the Anytime Fitness locations in Esterhazy and Yorkton. Mayor Larry Tomlinson was on hand to cut the ribbon for the new gym. In back from left are Nathan Mactal, owner Eddy de Vries, Mayor Larry Tomlinson cutting the ribbon, and owner Jolene de Vries. In front are Tamela Olafson, Tracy Russell, Michelle Raiwet, and Gagan Singh.

"Everyone is amazing here, our staff are awesome," said Eddy after the ribbon cutting. "I'm happy it finally happened, because in 2019 we were searching for property, and then the world fell apart in 2020. Just to see it finally come to fruition makes a huge difference. It's been a lot of work to get here and now it's finally here, it's pretty awesome. Moosomin is a special town."

"There's lots happening here, and it's very a business savvy town and welcoming to businesses," added Jolene.



## Car show, farmers market coming June 14

BY RYAN KIEDROWSKI

LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Cool cars, cool beverages, and hot barbecue—what else could you ask for on a Friday afternoon at the beginning of summer? The Moosomin Communities in Bloom is looking to entice swarms of people to their car show and farmer's market on June 14 over at Bradley Park from 4 to 9 pm. The event is free for all ages to attend, and for those looking to enter a vehicle in the car show, the fee has noted a price drop.

"We actually did a mega price drop, and it's actually \$10," explained Communities in Bloom Project Director, Jasmine Davidson.

The event is a fundraiser for the local Communities in Bloom group, looking to build on the excitement of last year's fantastic four-bloom showing.

"I am planning on doing a Communities in Bloom flower garden," Davidson shared of one plan in store this year. "So

just a colourful little garden area for people to hang out in."

For those wondering what flowers to buy to be in line with the annual colour theme, this year is dedicated to orange. As with last year, the town will be teaming up with the Moosomin Regional Park and the Pipestone Hills Golf Club to rekindle some of that 2023 magic.

Last year, the judges visited Moosomin in July and Davidson anticipates organizing a date for this year's judging soon.

"We get to decide with them what date, we get to figure that out together, she explained. "I should be hearing from them soon."

The car show and farmer's market also falls on a night of slo-pitch, plus Davidson mentioned other car shows happening on the Saturday (Rocanville) and Sunday (Maryfield) of the same weekend.

"It could be a full weekend of car shows," she said.



## Ty Cutler wins third runner up buckle at national auctioneers competition

Ty Cutler from Moosomin won the third runner up buckle at the Livestock Markets Association of Canada Auctioneers Competition. The competition was held in Waterloo, Ontario on May 24. Cutler also won the Rookie Buckle from the Man-Sask Auctioneering Competition in Virden on March 22.

### Steven Bonk, MLA for Moosomin Constituency

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Scenes from the induction of Candace Barta-Bonk into the Knight's Cross of the Order of Hungary in Ottawa.

## Candace Barta-Bonk awarded the Order of Merit of Hungary

BY ASHLEY BOCHEK

Candace Barta-Bonk, the Hungarian Consul to Saskatchewan, was recently recognized for her contributions when she was awarded the Knight's Cross of the Order of Merit of Hungary by the Hungarian Ambassador to Canada.

While she was born in Canada, she feels a strong connection with her family's Hungarian heritage. "My heritage is Hungarian. Although I was born in Saskatchewan, I have pure Hungarian roots and I am a fourth generation Canadian. I have family ties to Hungary and have always had a connection to the Hungarian community in the province, and my husband and I spent nearly a decade living in Hungary."

Barta-Bonk says she was honoured to tour the current and former ambassadors around Saskatchewan and to the Hungarian settlements in the area.

"In 2017, the former ambassador to Hungary, Balint Odor, visited Saskatchewan on his trip. He visited the Kaposvar Hungarian settlement near Esterhazy and Bekevar, the Hungarian settlement near Kipling. I had the privilege of helping to host the ambassador at the Bekevar Church. It was very special to me as my great-grandparents were settlers who helped build the church," she said.

"It was after this visit that the ambassador wanted to create an honorary consul position for Saskatchewan. Up until that point the honorary consul in Alberta was responsible for Saskatchewan. It was quite an honour to be asked to take on this role."

She says there are a lot of people with Hungarian heritage in Saskatchewan.

"In Saskatchewan there are nearly 30,000 people with Hungarian heritage. Saskatchewan has the largest per capita ethnic Hungarians in Canada as well."

She says her family were among the first Hungarian settlers in Saskatchewan. "My great-grandparents were among the first pioneering Hungarian families to settle in Canada. They faced numerous challenges, but they were tough and resourceful. Then, they integrated into the Canadian society."

"Bekevar and Kaposvar are the very first Hungarian settlements in Canada."

She says Hungarians immigrated to Canada to farm. "There was definitely a promise of rich, fertile land, and there was a man named Esterhazy, he was the one that was in charge of the Esterhazy area. He was an agent and promoted and brought over many Hungarian people."

Candace says her role as Honorary consul is to help Hungarian families within Saskatchewan.

"The honorary consuls, we help Hungarian nationals if they need assistance during a crisis like a hospital stay or a natural disaster. I also help facilitate cultural, economic, and social relations between Hungary and Saskatchewan. So, I often arrange visits with the ambassador or the consul general, and prominent people from Hungary. Also as the honorary consul, I assist in notarization, and authenticating documents."

She says the former Hungarian ambassador to Canada approached her with this opportunity.

"The former Hungarian ambassador to Canada, Balint Odor, had asked if I would take on this role and it was quite an honour to be asked and I was honoured to serve and uplift the Hungarian community."

"My inauguration took place February 9, 2021. The current ambassador, Mária Vass-Salazar, and Valér Palkovits accepted my vows in a video conference as it was during Covid."

Candace was selected for the award by current Hungarian ambassador Mária Vass-Salazar.

"I was very grateful to be nominated by the current ambassador, her excellency Mária Vass-Salazar, in recognition of accomplishments for promoting the Hungarian community in Canada, and strengthening relations."

"I am deeply honoured and thankful to receive such an award. I am proud of my Hungarian heritage and feel compelled to help the Hungarian community in any way



Candace Barta-Bonk accepting the Knight's Cross of the Order of Merit of Hungary from ambassador Mária Vass-Salazar

possible, but I really truly feel the highlight should be the Hungarian community and the people of Saskatchewan who have dedicated years of effort to various projects. I believe volunteers are the foundation of any community which is truly priceless. When we all work together we can accomplish great things."

She says she is proud of her heritage. "I am immensely proud of both my Hungarian and Canadian heritage. I cherish fond memories of family gatherings. When I was a child, we would gather in my grandparents' living room on special occasions and my grandfather would recite poetry of Petőfi Sándor and converse with us in Hungarian, and those moments remain in my heart. It is truly a testament to the importance of preserving one's heritage and culture."

"I feel it is important for people to know where they come from and understand their history. My hope is to make a stronger connection between Hungary and Saskatchewan."

### Hungarian ambassador proud of Barta-Bonk's achievements

Mária Vass-Salazar, the Hungarian Ambassador to Canada, said she is proud of the work that Barta-Bonk has done.

"We appreciate Candace Barta-Bonk's activity as honorary consul of Hungary in Saskatchewan," she said. "Her role is important, given the fact that Canada is the second largest country in the world so our embassy tries to encompass all aspects of fostering relations between Canada and Hungary, but it's such a beautiful, vast country, that the more honorary consuls we have in the provinces and all over Canada, the better we can accomplish our goals. Candace's role is essential to foster relations between Canada and Hungary, and also to facilitate specific projects that Hungary, through the embassy, can work on with partners in Saskatchewan in business, cultural life, and of course a very prominent Hungarian community in Saskatchewan. Her role includes official administrative elements as well. She can take care of Hungarian citizens' business needs in Saskatchewan to a certain level. She can provide notary support and authentication of documents, and she can work with the embassy and we can follow up with them if it's a passport arrangement or higher, more complex administrative tasks that are required."

"She has been given the Knight's Cross of the Order of Merit of Hungary, which is the highest award that we can give to foreign nationals. There are three levels and this is the Knight's Cross level of the Order of Merit. I recommended Candace personally to be considered for this award because all through my experience here in Canada as the ambassador of Hungary, her work has been excellent. Her dedication, hard work, and drive in her work, and her drive to foster wider relations between Hungary and Canada really stands out."

"I have been to Saskatchewan four times already and wherever I went on an official visit, when I saw the Lieutenant-Governor and the premier and ministers in the province or when I visited the Hungarian communities, or on business visits, and one of my favourites, when I visited the Hungarian pilots who are training in Moose Jaw at NATO Flying School. On those four visits, Candace was very helpful and extremely resourceful as well in terms of arranging very useful meetings for me. As a descendant of Hungarians who settled in Saskatchewan in the 1880s, her commitment and dedication to fostering the Hungarian community and passing on the heritage to future generations is exemplary. I recommended her for this award and the President of Hungary signed the decree which officially bestows the Knight's Cross of the Order of Merit of Hungary on Candace. I am so pleased, because she is so deserving."

### Important communities

Vass-Salazar says she believes Kaposvar and Bekevar in southeast Saskatchewan are important communities. "We are very proud to see the Hungarian community thriving and those historic sites from the very early days of Hungarian settlement in Saskatchewan, and also the fact that after four or five generations it's flourishing. I've seen the churches and the documents from the early days. Through Candace's work, the government of Hungary has helped with renovations and I want to see that continue. It's very heartwarming to see that they are preserving the language, too. It's a difficult language but it's part of our identity."

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McNaughton High School students ready to head out and help with the Moosomin Community Cleanup on Wednesday.



Moosomin Chamber of Commerce members out helping with the cleanup, including Heather, Morgan and Woodrow Kerr, left, and Maryna Chernykh and Tatiana Kuchma, right.



## Bleau given 125 days for maiming dog, two year driving suspension

BY RYAN KIEDROWSKI

LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

The case of a Moosomin man originally facing assault and attempted murder charges was resolved last week in Yorkton Court of King's Bench.

On June 3, Donald Bleau entered a guilty plea of maiming a dog, to which he was sentenced 125 days in jail.

With credit for pre-trial custody, that sentence was effectively time served.

On another count of impaired operation of a vehicle, Bleau faces a two-year driving prohibition. He also received a three-year conditional sentence on charges of dangerous operation of a vehicle; possession of a weapon for a dangerous purpose; two counts mischief to property under \$5,000; resisting arrest; and possession of a prohibited firearm.

The charges stem from an incident on Sept. 29, 2021 when Moosomin RCMP received multiple calls from the public of a truck being driven in a reckless manner around Moosomin. While police were responding to those calls, members were flagged down by someone stating they were assaulted by Bleau, explaining that Bleau had rammed the complainant's vehicle with

his truck before leaving the scene.

RCMP members observed Bleau's truck outside Moosomin Towing and Auto Service where he reportedly exited the business and pointed a crossbow in the direction of attending officers.

According to police, Bleau then walked across the street towards a residence; shouting threats toward RCMP and Rob Austin, who had emerged from the dwelling.

"The male with the weapon then discharged it in the direction of the other adult male; he was not struck or injured," RCMP said in a media release.

As a result of the discharged weapon, one arrow was found lodged in the wall of Rob and Maggie Austin's home on the corner of Ellice and South Front Street. A second arrow struck the Austin's dog, Sunny, who ran off with the object lodged in him. Fortunately, Sunny survived, having been found during the following day through search efforts involving dozens of volunteers. Veterinary assessment and care allowed Sunny to return home within days.

As for Bleau, he attempted to flee police after firing the crossbow.

"The male suspect got back into his truck, left and then drove back again to the same

residence, damaging multiple vehicles and other property," RCMP said. "The male drove towards one of the officers on scene. The officer was able to avoid being struck by the truck. The truck then crashed into a boulevard, disabling it."

Bleau exited the truck and was arrested, himself and one of the officers sustaining "minor injuries." The crossbow was then seized, and as a result of the investigation, Bleau's initial charges included attempted

murder, assault, assault with a weapon, assaulting a peace officer, and uttering threats.

After an appearance in Moosomin Provincial Court in February, 2022, Bleau was released into a 24-hour curfew on a Coronach area farm. He had previously been released on a \$5,000 cash bail on Dec. 20, 2021, with an initial plan at that time to use electronic monitoring. Issues arose with regards to installing that system, hence the curfew order on the property of Rodney and Jackie Clark.

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Car thieves left a trail of destruction across southeast Saskatchewan and southern Manitoba Tuesday and Wednesday. Top left an abandoned truck set on fire near Whitewood, top right Whitewood Fire Department fighting the blaze, lower left the vehicle in which one suspect was shot dead, below right, a shot up Winnipeg Police Service vehicle involved in the chase.



## One suspect dead, one arrested after car chase

Continued from front

The white pick-up truck was later located abandoned near Whitewood, Sask. Investigation determined the suspects were now travelling in a black Ford F-350. The dark grey pick-up truck had since been recovered in the Melville detachment area.

Multiple Saskatchewan Crime Watch Advisories were issued throughout June 4, asking members of the public to report sightings of the vehicles and information on their whereabouts. Numerous RCMP officers were involved in the efforts to locate the suspect vehicle.

The suspect vehicle sped through Moosomin Tuesday evening, dodging vehicles and people as it sped south on Cook Road, and south of Moosomin two police vehicles collided, resulting in damage to the vehicles but no serious injuries to the officers inside.

During the evening of June 4, investigators determined the suspect vehicle had travelled into Manitoba. Efforts to locate the vehicle were ongoing but police were not actively pursuing it at the time. Manitoba RCMP were alerted.

On Wednesday, June 5, at 12:40 am, the Winnipeg Police Service received information through the RCMP Telecons regarding a Black Ford 350 reported stolen from a rural Manitoba municipality southwest of Winnipeg. Information was also provided that the vehicle, occupied by several potentially armed individuals involved in prior criminal activity, was making its way to Winnipeg.

At approximately 12:50 am, a West District General Patrol Unit observed the stolen vehicle near Ness Avenue and Linwood Street in Winnipeg.

Officers immediately requested assistance from the Flight Operations Unit (Air 1), which quickly acquired the stolen vehicle and provided visual containment information on the vehicle and its occupants.

A lengthy follow ensued, lasting approximately one hour, with Air 1 guiding Winnipeg police to a parking lot on College Crescent in Otterburne, Manitoba. As the police entered the parking lot, their cruiser was rammed by the stolen vehicle. Officers immediately engaged the suspects, resulting in a use of force incident involving the officers discharging their firearms. The suspects fled the parking lot.

Air 1 continued to contain the vehicle visually and followed it to a parking lot on Drovers Run in Niverville, Manitoba. Air 1 observed the driver exit the stolen vehicle, enter another vehicle, and flee the area. An adult female passenger attempted to flee on foot, however, responding RCMP officers quickly placed her under arrest.

Winnipeg Police Service officers checked the abandoned stolen truck and located an adult male passenger suffering from a gunshot wound.

Officers provided emergency medical care to the victim before the arrival of ambulance, however, he succumbed to his injuries.

This death is classed as an officer-involved shooting and is being investigated.

David Burling fled from the scene of this incident.

Later on the morning of June 5, the investigation determined he was in Saskatchewan RCMP jurisdiction.

Multiple Saskatchewan RCMP detachments and units

began working extensively to locate him, supported by the Protection and Response Team from the Province of Saskatchewan, CN Police and Saskatoon Police Service's Air Support Unit.

Multiple updates were sent to the media, posted on Saskatchewan RCMP social media channels and sent via the Saskatchewan Crime Watch Advisory network as investigators received information about the potential location of the suspect and suspect vehicle.

Updates were posted on the World-Spectator's social media channels and website, with the World-Spectator being the first media outlet to link the death in Niverville with the chase and thefts in Saskatchewan. That post was seen by more than 150,000 people.

As it was unfolding, the incident was continually monitored by RCMP for public safety concerns.

David Frank Burling was arrested at Springside, Saskatchewan at approximately 1:30 pm Wednesday. Manitoba RCMP have now charged him.

Burling is charged with two counts of Assault Against a Peace Officer with Weapon, Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Over \$5,000, Fail to Stop, and Dangerous Operation of a Motor Vehicle.

The truck abandoned in Niverville had been stolen from Cypress River, Manitoba two weeks ago. The dealer who sold the truck has access to information through the Ford Pass app and noted that the thieves put 6,079 km on the vehicle from the time it was stolen to the time it was abandoned at Niverville.

Saskatchewan RCMP's Broadview detachment and Regina General Investigation Section continue to investigate the incidents in Saskatchewan RCMP jurisdiction.

The investigation is active and ongoing; no charges have been laid on the Saskatchewan side as of Friday afternoon.

"There is much more work to do on this investigation," said Superintendent Rob Lasson, Acting Criminal Operations Officer for the Manitoba RCMP.

"This was a multi-agency, multi-jurisdictional event that was complex and had many moving parts, and all of those involved worked together toward the same goals—keeping citizens safe and getting the suspect in custody."

### Violent history

Burling has a history of fleeing from police. In 2020, he was sentenced to just under two years on charges that also included another flight from police, this time in the Crystal City area.



David Burling

"I look at your criminal record, and ... it's been a one-man crime wave, really, for two years," Manitoba Judge Heather Pullan told Burling during his May 2020 sentencing hearing.

"It's your responsibility, sir, together with whomever's out there supporting you, to see whatever it is that's driving this behaviour on your part," she said.

Pullan also said protecting the public is a fundamental principle in sentencing.

"And as a justice system, we are doing a terrible job here," she said.

Again in 2022 Burling was back in court on similar charges.

Burling walked out of jail several months ago, fresh off a two-and-a-half year sentence that included a years-long driving ban on those charges, following a June 2022 police pursuit in Portage la Prairie in which he tried to run down police officers.

During sentencing for that incident, Manitoba provincial court Judge Jean McBride warned Burling to change his ways.

"It's my hope ... Mr. Burling, that this is the very last time that you put yourself and others at risk by ... not only stealing motor vehicles, but by fleeing from police and then driving dangerous. You do not have the right to do that," McBride told him.

"If this has not been a wake-up call for you, I don't know what is or what will be. And if it happens again, there's no question you'd be looking at a much longer jail sentence."



At a Smitty's Lounge in mid-March, Tristan Mariash and David Burling toasted to good times and being fresh out of jail. Now Mariash is dead and Burling is in custody.



# TBC declares impasse, teachers work-to-rule starting today

BY RYAN KIEDROWSKI  
LOCAL JOURNALISM  
INITIATIVE REPORTER

After returning to the bargaining table for one day last week, the Teacher's Bargaining Committee declared an impasse in negotiations, resulting in a call for indefinite work-to-rule sanctions across Saskatchewan beginning June 10.

"Over the course of negotiations, we have heard the Minister (of Education, Jeremy Cockrill) say repeatedly that the best agreements are negotiated at the table, and I continue to agree with our Minister," said Samantha Becotte, president of the Saskatchewan Teacher's Federation. "We made real progress in the five days in mid-May where negotiations occurred, and yesterday (June 5), we had a good day of important back-and-forth discussions about possible solutions to address the biggest priorities for teachers—classroom complexity and compensation. In the end, while there was a willingness by the GTBC (Government-Trustee Bargaining Committee) to discuss possible solutions, the government lacks the political will to adequately commit to providing funding to improve the conditions in classes for students."

The sanctions commencing today will be similar to those previously taken with teachers arriving at the workplace 15 minutes before the beginning of their day, leaving 15 minutes after the day has commenced, and being off-site over the noon hour. All volunteer extra-curricular activities and noon hour supervision will be withdrawn, however, teachers will be providing professional services throughout the day.

During talks on June 5, the STF noted "several paths for continued negotiation" were presented, but came away with binding arbitration as the only option proposed by the GTBC.

"We came to a tentative agreement, an agreement that was recommended and endorsed by the STF leadership," Cockrill told media gathered at the Legislature last Thursday morning. "Obviously, it was a close ratification vote that was lost. That's why we see binding arbitration is the best option going forward. There's clearly some sort of divide between the STF leadership and the membership on this. I think it's a good opportunity for a fair and third-party process to come in and figure out how to get a deal done and really provide certainty for students and families going forward."

In response, Becotte explained how entering into binding arbitration can extend longer than a return to the bargaining table, also one that could jeopardize additional supports for students.

"Binding arbitration can be a lengthy process, which would guarantee that no additional supports would be provided by September and possibly not even

January if it's a prolonged period before we get a decision from the arbitrator," she said. "I believe that we are close to an agreement, and I encourage the government and the Saskatchewan School Boards Association to continue negotiating so that we can come to a quick resolution and start improving our students' learning conditions, and our teachers' working conditions as soon as possible."

Becotte reiterated that if a return to the bargaining table came to fruition, sanctions would be suspended or cancelled.

Both sides have now suggested arbitration.

The STF had previously proposed entering into binding arbitration back in March, but as Becotte noted, "the context changes very quickly."

"Back in March, we hadn't—in my perspective—experienced bargaining at the table; there hadn't been any good faith negotiations with back-and-forth presenting proposals," she said. "We saw that as the only option to move the process forward, whereas now we've had a full week back in May of good faith negotiations, back-and-forth conversations again, yesterday, the GTBC, showing that they're ready to listen to solutions, discuss solutions and find that Saskatchewan-made solution that can start to address the conditions in our classrooms in a meaningful way."

Cockrill noted binding arbitration wasn't the government's initial go-to option in dealing with the situation, but views it as a quality solution at this point.

"That wouldn't have been government's first choice at the beginning of this process," he said. "We've moved several



Education Minister Jeremy Cockrill met with reporters in the rotunda of the Legislature in Regina last week. He was responding to questions regarding in impasse declared by the Teacher's Bargaining Committee after one day of renewed negotiations.

times, and now we're willing to go to binding arbitration on this agreement, and again, provide certainty to families and students and teachers as well, to get an agreement."

He also explained how during the process, each side would make their submission to the arbitration board. This could mean an arbitrator agreeing entirely with what the TBC puts forward.

When asked if the government would agree with such an outcome, Cockrill replied, "I guess that's to be seen in the arbitration process."

"I think we see the agreement that we had a few weeks ago as a great jumping off point for that pro-

cess," he said.

When asked by the World-Spectator about the tone of negotiations last Wednesday as compared to those five days in May, Cockrill was quick to credit GTBC chair Don Hoium.

"Don has been a fantastic leader for the GTBC over the last several months," he said. "The tone in the

room yesterday was indicative of what we all feel—a bit of frustration and exasperation, in terms of the process. This is where finding a clear path forward, I think, is in everybody's best interest."

Becotte felt the tone of conversation was much akin to that of the May bargaining.

"There's a willingness to listen to try and investigate some of the solutions that are being brought forward and propose other solutions," she explained. "It just comes down to the decisions that we see from government that are continuing to leave our students behind. We've seen those decisions for the past decades, so while we have a slight change of course, we want to know that that change of course is going to continue in the long term. It can't just be in an election year budget, we want to know next year are the supports going to continue to be there for our students, are they going to continue to improve?"

As to the point Cockrill presented about a divide between the STF and its membership, Becotte was quick to assure the ties are strong.

"What I hear consistently from teachers is that they are united on the need to fight for public education and we need to start seeing solutions to the growing needs of our students," Becotte told the World-Spectator. "We need to see more support so that we can deliver that high quality education. I have never experienced a time in my career where teachers are more united to find solutions and start to see real improvements to their experiences in schools as well as the experience they can deliver to students in their education."

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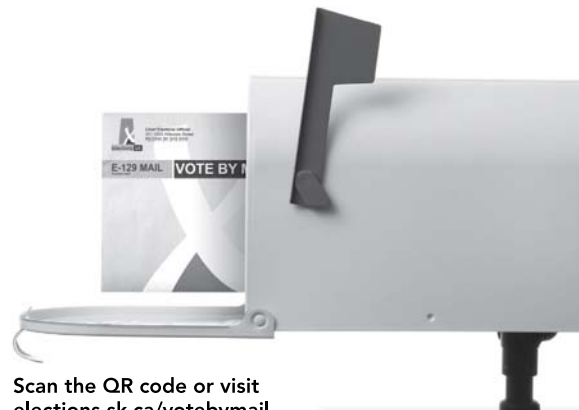
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# Moosomin Rec Report

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## Labyrinth News: Looking for Tree Sponsors

Carol Adair and her group of volunteers have really got things looking great at the Labyrinth. That said, they are currently looking for individuals interested in planting/caring for trees around the maze. If you are interested or would like more information please contact Carol at 434-8843.

## Swimming Lessons 2024

If you would like to register for swimming lessons you can now pop into the pool and speak with our staff.

We are busy making plans for another busy pool season in 2024! Lesson sets have been set, and registration has been busy!

You can visit either our Borderland Co-op Aquaplex Facebook site or our Parks and Rec Facebook site where you will find our registration form. Follow the instructions and you're set!

Dates include:

### Public Sets

Set # 2 - 1 week session from June 24 to June 28

Set # 3 - 1 week session from July 8 to July 12

Set # 4 - 1 week session from July 22 to July 26

Set # 5 - 1 week session from August 5 to August 9

Set # 6 - 2 week session from August 12 to August 23

### Private Sets (All 1-week sets)

Set # 1 from June 17 to June 21

Set # 2 from July 15 to July 19

Set # 3 from July 29 to August 2

## Borderland Co-op Aquaplex Public Swimming Hours

With school still in, and lessons taking place after school, public swim times/public lane swims etc. are reduced, however still lots of opportunity to take a refreshing June dip. Here is our June schedule:

### Monday

Aqua to size 6:30 to 7 am  
Lane Swim 7 to 8 am  
School Swims 8 am to 3 pm  
Lessons 3:30 to 7 pm  
Public Swimming 7 to 8:30 pm

### Tuesday

Aqua to size 6:30 to 7 am  
School Swims 8 am to 3 pm  
Lessons 3:30 to 7 pm  
Public Swimming 7 to 8:30 pm  
Aqua to size 8:30 to 9:30 pm

### Wednesday

Aqua to size 6:30 to 7 am  
Lane Swim 7 to 8 am  
School Swims 8 am to 3 pm  
Lessons 3:30 to 7 pm  
Public Swimming 7 to 8:30 pm

### Thursday

Aqua to size 6:30 to 7 am  
School Swims 8 am to 3 pm  
Lessons 3:30 to 7 pm  
Public Swimming 7 to 8:30 pm  
Aqua to size 8:30 to 9:30 pm

### Friday

Lane Swim 7 to 8 am  
School Swims 8 am to 3 pm  
Lessons 3:30 to 7 pm  
Public Swimming 7 to 8:30 pm

### Saturday

Public Swimming 1 to 5 pm  
Public Swimming 7 to 8:30 pm  
Pool Party Times Available

### Sunday

Public Swimming 1 to 5 pm  
Public Swimming 7 to 8:30 pm  
Pool Party Times Available

## Canada Day at the Borderland Co-op Aquaplex

We are excited again in 2024 to host our Canada Day event at the Aquaplex. Lots and lots going on including a bbq, free swimming, kids games and more! Watch for details in the next week!

## Borderland Co-op Aquaplex Private Parties

If you are interested in booking in for a Pool Party we would love to have you! Our facility includes:

Jr. Olympic Pool  
50 Foot Water Slide  
Spray Park  
Hot-Tub  
Covered facility with picnic tables  
BBQ/Wash bay

Surround sound system  
Inflatables

If you are interested in details or bookings please contact a staff member at 435-2346.

## 2024 Mini British Open Charity Golf Tournament

Excited about the 2024 Mini Brit? This year's tournament goes Friday and Saturday, July 19-20 at the Pipestone Hills Golf Club. Proceeds from 2024 will be for an all new charity as funds will go towards a new outdoor Pickleball facility in Moosomin. Once again this will be an open event (guys or gals) with teams of six. To enter, you can call 435-3622 and speak to Mike or email msmn.rec.brd@sasktel.net

## Soccer at Bradley Park this week

Bradley Park comes alive Tuesday and Thursday with soccer on three fields at Bradley Park. Action includes:

### Tuesday

United Soccer Field U18  
United Soccer Field U15  
United Soccer Field U9  
Home Hardware Field East U13  
Home Hardware Field Central U11  
Home Hardware Field West U7  
Pharmasave Field U5  
Sharpe's Field U5

### Thursday

United Soccer Field U18  
United Soccer Field U15  
United Soccer Field U9  
Home Hardware Field East U13  
Home Hardware Field Central U11  
Home Hardware Field West U7  
Pharmasave Field U5  
Sharpe's Field U5

## Moosomin Senior Rangers Alumni 2024 Annual Golf Tournament

This event will be held Saturday, June 15. This is a great opportunity to players, sponsors and fans to get out and enjoy each other's company.

We will take team entries of six or you can enter as a individual or partial team. Cost per golfer is just \$20 (thanks to our Pipestone Hills Golf Club Sponsorship) which includes 18 holes of golf along with a Saturday supper—you can't beat that deal. Of course, players on our 2023/24 Championship team as well as those committed to our 2024/2025 Senior Rangers Team will have their entry fee covered by the Moosomin Senior Rangers Alumni. To enter a you can:

Text: 435-7578

Phone: 435-3622

Email: msmn.rec.brd@sasktel.net

## Community Gardens Opportunity

Town of Moosomin is currently accepting bookings for their 2024 Community Garden Program.

### Prices include:

10x15 plots are \$30

10x30 plots are \$60

Garden boxes are \$20

If you are interested in booking a plot or would like further information please contact s.krygertownofmoosomin@sasktel.net

## Camping spots open for bookings

Those looking for camping spaces at Bradley Park in 2024 are reminded spots are open up online. To book please go online to Letscamp.ca and follow along with their instructions.

## Bradley Park Rodeo Grounds

Groups are reminded they are asked to pre-book the rodeo grounds for events. You can do so by phoning 435-3622 or by email to msmn.rec.brd@sasktel.net

## Minor Ball this week at Bradley Park

Lots of action this week at Bradley Park. As you will see below, Bradley Park is absolutely humming with activity. If you are looking to catch some great young athletes here is our listing:

### Monday

Co-op Field T Ball Practice  
Murray Newman Field U7 Practice  
Elks Field U9 Girls Fastball Game  
Guinness Field U13 Boys Baseball Game  
Kin Field U11 Girls Fastball Game  
Sharpe's Field U9 Girls Fastball Practice  
Pharmasave Field U9 Girls Fastball Practice  
Legacy Field Rally Caps Practice

### Tuesday

Murray Newman Field U13 Girls A Practice

Elks Field  
Guinness Field  
Kin Field

U9 Girls Fastball Game  
U11 Boys Baseball Game  
U13 Girls Fastball Game

### Wednesday

Co-op Field U15 Boys Baseball Game  
Elks Field U9 Boys Baseball Game  
Kin Field U9 Boys Baseball Game

### Thursday

Co-op Field Badgers Men's Baseball Game  
Elks Field U15 Boys Baseball Game  
Guinness Field U11 Boys Baseball Game  
Guinness Field Under Lights U11 and U13 Girls Fastball Practice  
Kin Field T Ball and U11 Practice  
Kin Field Under Lights U13 Girls Practice  
Sharpe's Field U9 Girls Fastball Practice  
Pharmasave Field U9 Girls Fastball Practice  
Legacy Field U9 Girls Fastball Practice

### Friday

Co-op Field Friday Night Slo Pitch  
Elks Field Friday Night Slo Pitch  
Guinness Field Friday Night Slo Pitch  
Guinness Field - Dark Friday Night Slo Pitch  
Kin Field Friday Night Slo Pitch  
Kin Field - Dark Friday Night Slo Pitch  
Legacy Field Friday Night Slo Pitch

### Saturday

Guinness Field U11 Practice  
Guinness Field U15 Practice

### Sunday

Co-op Field U15 Boys Baseball Practice  
Murray Newman Field U15 Practice  
Guinness Field Lady Predators Practice  
Kin Field U11 Baseball Practice  
Kin Field U13 Baseball Practice  
Sharpe's Field U11 Practice  
Pharmasave Field U11 Practice

## Badgers Men's Baseball This Week

If you're looking to catch some fantastic men's baseball, you're in luck this week as the Badgers host Oxbow. Game goes Thursday night at 6:30 pm on Borderland Co-op's Murray Newman Field. The Badgers enter the contest at 1-1 while the Oxbow Chiefs lead the Saskota league with a perfect 3-0 mark.

## Lady Predators Fastball

No games this week...but we will keep you in the loop when there is a game. They have a fantastic ball team that should once again challenge for the league championship!

## 2024 Friday Night Uptown Slo Pitch League

The 2024 Slo Pitch League will be the most participated in in years as 14 teams are set to take the field with action this Friday. Games on all diamonds including two each Friday night under the lights.

This week's schedule includes...Friday, June 14

- Flyer Electric versus McMashers on the Murray Newman Co-op Field at 7 pm
- Snap Crackle Pop versus Guzzlers on the Elks Field at 6:15 pm
- Red Hot Oompaloompas versus Lepine's Roofing on the Guinness Field at 6:15 pm
- Rasmussian Rippers versus Dusty Mitts on the Guinness Field at 8:15 pm
- King and His Court versus Kinsmen on the Kin Field at 6:15 pm
- Plattypussies versus Booze Cannons on the Kin Field at 8:15 pm
- Bat Attitude versus Magic Mitts on the Legacy Field at 6:15 pm

## Pickle Ball

Pickle Ball continues at the Conexus Convention Centre. The club has dedicated times which include:

Monday 1 pm  
Tuesday 6:30 pm  
Wednesday 1 pm

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Monday, June 24, 2024  
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admin.kinability@sasktel.net by June 17, 2024



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## In our opinion:

### Is supply management really driving up food prices?

Supply management causes volatility in food prices, leading Canadians to perceive certain food categories as expensive

Many Canadians argue that supply management should be eliminated because it drives up retail food prices. However, data from the last decade shows little evidence that supply management significantly increases food costs, though some caveats exist.

Using Statistics Canada's database of selected food products, my team at the agri-food analytics lab at Dalhousie University analyzed the price increases of all food items from 2017 to the present. We compared the price increases of supply-managed products to the overall increase across all food categories.

The average price increase since 2017 for all categories has been 30.2 percent. Among supply-managed items, only three exceeded this average: cream at 30.9 percent, butter at 30.7 percent, and eggs at 37.9 percent.

Here are the rest of the supply-managed products: whole chicken: 17.5 percent, chicken breast: 20.1 percent, chicken thighs: 14.5 percent, chicken drumsticks: 1.9 percent, milk (one litre): 25.3 percent, milk (two litres): 25.9 percent, milk (four litres): 25.4 percent, cheese: 20.7 percent, yogurt: 27.1 percent. These are all below the average increase for all food products tracked by the federal agency.

This data underscores how specific supply-managed items have performed relative to the broader food market. Notably, products like butter, cream, butterfat products, and eggs are exceptions, having increased more than the average since 2017, but not by a significant margin.

We also examined how supply-managed products have influenced food inflation over the last decade. The graph below shows the black line representing the overall food inflation rate. Compared to the lines representing supply management categories, there are no significant spikes or drops, indicating a stable inflation rate for general food items over the 10 years.

The fresh or frozen poultry (orange line) category shows more fluctuation compared to the general food line. Inflation rates for poultry have peaks and troughs, reaching as high as around 12 percent and dipping below -5 percent at times. This volatility is likely due to factors such as changes in feed prices, demand, or supply chain issues.

Dairy products (green line) display a moderate level of fluctuation but remain largely within a zero to 10 percent range. This suggests some stability but with periodic adjustments, possibly influenced by production costs or market demand. Finally, eggs (blue line) exhibit the most volatility among the categories shown. The inflation rate for eggs peaks at over 20 percent and has sharp declines, including a significant drop below -5 percent. This could be due to factors such as avian influenza outbreaks, which historically impact egg production and prices.

Based on the evidence over the last decade, it is hard to conclude that supply-managed products have significantly exacerbated the cost of food for Canadians. However, there is still cause for concern.

Supply-managed food categories, especially eggs, appear to fluctuate as much or more than many other food products. While supply management aspires to stabilize prices, the data suggests otherwise. Therefore, while it's not entirely fair to claim that supply management consistently drives food inflation higher, it does seem to occasionally contribute to higher prices.

The latest CPI report from Statistics Canada indicates that month-to-month increases for dairy, poultry, and eggs are much higher than the average for April. Price volatility is a significant reason Canadians perceive a food category as expensive, and supply management is not preventing that from happening.

Additionally, our analysis covers only 10 years and doesn't consider that supply-managed product prices may have been higher when compared to other categories. Anecdotal evidence suggests these products tend to be cheaper in other parts of the world, including the United States.

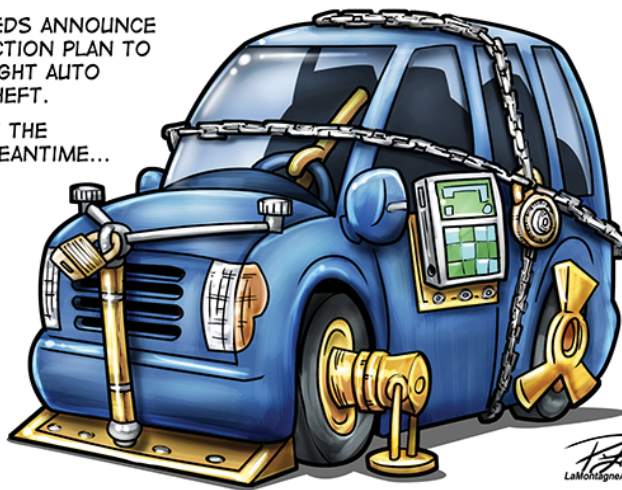
Beyond price volatility, supply management inflates prices for processors, particularly dairy, which, in turn, suppresses innovation up the food chain. Our discussions with dairy processors indicate that industrial milk in Canada is much too expensive. In fact, industrial milk prices in Canada are the highest in the industrial world.

For supply management to better serve Canadians, reducing retail price volatility and lowering industrial prices should be key objectives for policymakers.

*This editorial was written by Dr. Sylvain Charlebois, senior director of the agri-food analytics lab and a professor in food distribution and policy at Dalhousie University.*

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## A few new summer events I dreamt up ...

We recently picked up our newest employee, Neethu, at the airport in Regina and brought her out to Moosomin.

At the airport I convinced a few RCMP officers in red serge to pose with Kara and our new employee to welcome her to Saskatchewan, and a few blocks from the airport we had to stop for a Regina traffic jam as a large family of geese crossed the road.

On the drive to Moosomin, Neethu asked what there are for events in rural Saskatchewan, so I made up a few just for fun. I'm not entirely sure if she believed me or not, but I think my spiel went something like this:

### 1. Gopher Hole Golf Tournament

Move over, Augusta National—Saskatchewan's own gopher hole golf is the pinnacle of sporting challenge. Armed with nothing but a nine-iron and a can of bug spray, golfers navigate the treacherous terrain of Whistling Wheat Pastures Golf Club. Rumor has it that last year's winner, Earl "The Whacker" Johnson, took home a prize consisting of a lifetime supply of mosquito nets and a gift card to Tim Hortons. Two-stroke penalty if you trip in one of the gopher holes.

### 2. The Great Prairie BBQ-Off

Nothing says summer like a barbecue, and in Saskatchewan, we take our grilling very seriously. The Great Prairie BBQ-Off is where legends are made and stomachs are tested. Last year, the highlight was Farmer Joe's experimental Prairie Oyster Skewers. This year, the competition heats up as contestants vie for the coveted Golden Tongues. Will Mabel's secret moose marinade reign supreme, or will newcomer Tim's deep-fried moose knuckles steal the show? Only time, and a lot of antacids, will tell.

### 3. Saskatoon Berry Pie Eating Contest

What's summer without a little gluttony? This annual event separates the berry lovers from the pretenders. Held at Mabel's Diner, contestants have 10 minutes to devour as many pies as humanly possible. Last year's champion, 82-year-old Doris McKenzie, has been training rigorously, promising to defend her title. Spectators are encouraged to bring rain ponchos for the inevitable berry splatter zone.

### 4. The Tractor Parade

What's a summer celebration without a good old-fashioned parade? And by parade, we mean tractors. Lots and lots of tractors. The Annual Tractor Parade showcases everything from the latest models with air conditioning and automatic everything to rusted relics that look like they might fall apart if you sneeze too hard. Wave to your neighbors and try not to inhale too much exhaust—it's all part of the charm!

### 5. Cow-Patty Bingo

For those of you unfamiliar with Cow-Patty Bingo, allow me to enlighten you. Picture a field divided into squares, each sold to hopeful participants. Then, introduce a cow and wait. Wherever nature calls, the owner of that square wins a prize.



**Kevin Weedmark**



These RCMP officers were kind enough to pose with Kara and our newest employee, and fortunately didn't look up if I have any outstanding speeding or stunting tickets.

It's an event that combines the thrill of gambling with the earthy reality of rural life. Bets are on Bessie, the reigning champion, known for her precision and regularity.

### 6. The Sunburn Festival

Of course, we have the Sunburn Festival every summer. Named for the inevitable consequence of spending more than five minutes outside, this festival celebrates all things summer. Enjoy live music from local bands, featuring hits like "Eternal Sunburn" "I Can Do It With A Broken Tractor" "But Daddy I love Timbits" "So K-12 School" "Canola Bloom" "Slow It Down (There's Farm Equipment Ahead)" and "Million Dollar Combine." There will be sunburn contests, so be sure to skip the sunscreen if you're feeling particularly competitive. Remember, the reddest belly wins a gallon of aloe vera and the reddest bald head wins two growlers of Skout Brewing's finest!

7. The Annual Cow Chip Tossing Championship  
In what might be the most fragrant event of the summer, competitors take turns flinging dried cow patties as far as they can. This year's twist? The introduction of an obstacle course featuring hay bales, a small creek, a couple of goofs in your neighbor's stolen truck, and possibly a black bear. The winner gets bragging rights and a shiny golden shovel.

Actually, some of those sound kind of fun. I better get planning!



# Home for the Summer

From university to a summer job at the World-Spectator . . . but still learning!

I finished my last final Monday, April 29. After that, I packed everything to come back to Moosomin for the summer! I am so excited to have four months off and work full-time at the Spectator. Believe it or not, I find work more fun than school. Coming home felt exciting and comforting. I can take a break from the nonstop city rush and enjoy summer in our sweet and peaceful town.

My first year of university was mostly busy, but exciting. It went by insanely fast so I am hoping the next three years will be the same. When people say university is different than high school, they couldn't be more right and now I understand why some say that.

I took five classes both semesters and found many assignments piling onto one another, but with a little bit of multitasking and an easy schedule, I found a great deal of my days were free to do as I wish. University is nothing like high school in the sense that you may be at school for only a few hours a day and then home for the rest. To be honest, I became bored sitting around at home when I had no classes. It gets old fast. You can only do so much cleaning and laundry before you have nothing to do other than an assignment or if I was ahead, then nothing at all. I found a lot of my time was sitting around and I did not like it. I have always liked to be busy and wanting to do something, so when the time came where I had hours of free time, I was simply bored.

However, this was not all the time, but about twice a week where my days were sitting around on the couch. In high school you are there from morning until 3 pm and then possibly sports practice after school or work and I began to miss my busy schedule I once had in high school.

While attending U of R, I also did some writing for the World-Spectator. I was able to interview over the phone, record on my laptop, and send in stories for the paper. I really enjoyed multitasking school with interviews and transcriptions. I found it a nice break from thinking, but rather just listening to people's stories over the phone and creating their story.

I find work very exciting at the Spectator. I learn by writing factual and heart-warming stories diversifying my knowledge on all kinds of topics. I recently interviewed the Vice-President of Mosaic, Lawrence Berthe-



Ashley Bocek

let, and he explained his occupation. I have never been interested in the mining industry before and didn't know much about it, so that transcription was a little harder with trips back and forth to Kevin's office asking what certain acronyms and mining terminology mean, but I learned so much about this important industry.

I have also interviewed Bill Thorn, Charlie Leslie, and Nancy Apskru on health-related stories about diseases people live with every day that I had heard of and knew a little bit about, but not nearly as much as I learned from listening to Bill, Charlie and Nancy's stories.

I enjoy the interviewing process where I get to hear stories first-hand and learn about different occupations, professions, and stories of everyday life that you just don't get to read out of a textbook in school or just don't get to feel the emotional connection for.

I enjoy listening and being curious. You never get a certain time slot in life to just sit down with someone and ask questions. Journalism has taught me it is interesting to ask questions and be given answers from the heart for each and every story you write. I have learned I love talking to people.

I like to think partly why I like writing stories at the Spectator is because of the number of amazing stories there are to share in our community. There are exciting projects happening every week, and stories waiting to be told.

I enjoy meeting new people within Moosomin just because they have a story to share with the Spectator. I like sharing everyone's stories because it is people I know, or people I just haven't met yet that share their life stories with me to share with the rest of our community. It is easy to tell stories in a town where there are great things happening and great people confident-

ly wanting to share theirs.

Although I am not taking journalism in university, it is a job where I can be curious and have my questions answered and people's lives can be impacted. I have been debating on my university degree for some time and still am not sure what I really want to do, but as of right now I am not worried nor thinking about that because all I know is, I enjoy working at the World-Spectator with an amazing staff and learning from my experienced and kind bosses, Kevin and Kara, and of course interviewing and sharing our community's stories. I know that for this summer I am working at the World-Spectator and I enjoy doing it.

My favourite part of this job is that every day is different. Each day there is a different story or multiple interviews sharing different ideas, experiences, and accomplishments. I have flown a drone, attended a Chamber meeting, and interviewed amazing people, from cabinet ministers to a First Nations Chief to the Hungarian Consul to Saskatchewan, to a Nepali journalist who has climbed Mount Everest, to the Hungarian Ambassador to Canada, and so many others with just as important stories, and that has only been over the last month. There is so much more time to meet amazing people.

Some days, I may even work on sales as well, take pictures around town, or be out somewhere in the area reporting. Everything is exciting when there is variety and I'm able to stay busy. I like to multi-task and keep myself busy throughout the day, so each day is short, but fun.

With school, I found every day felt very similar to the next with a class schedule and continuing to work on PowerPoints, notes, and assignments. It became old fast and I felt bored most of the time with every day feeling the same. At the Spectator, it doesn't even compare.

Last week, I remember it was Friday and I had no idea where the week went—it had felt like it was Tuesday, but that to me is the best part—feeling accomplished and busy all while living each day exploring stories among our community.

Ashley Bocek is a World-Spectator employee and a university student.



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## Sam Burroughs fundraiser raises \$35,000

BY ASHLEY BOCHEK

Volunteers hosted a fundraiser for Sam Burroughs on Saturday, June 1.

Sam Burroughs lost his home in a house-fire. He is involved in many community groups, the Moosomin Fire Department, the Kinsmen and Kinettes, and the Moosomin local of the Métis Nation of Saskatchewan.

Angela Thorn, an organizer of the event, said there was overwhelming turnout for the fundraiser. More than 325 people attended the event and it raised \$35,000.

"We raised about \$35,000. It was awesome. It was super. Everyone had fun and spent lots of money on our silent and live auctions."

She says she wasn't surprised with the community's attendance.

"I wasn't surprised by the turnout. Sam is well-known in a lot of different groups in the community. We thought it would be well attended."

"It was a lot of work. A lot of organizing and planning went into the fundraiser for Sam."

Thorn says the volunteers were happy with the support from the community.

"Everybody was really overwhelmed. There was a few tears shed. I think everyone was exhausted too because it has been a lot of work, but to see our efforts were awarded by the attendance was pretty great."

"The silent auction turned out really good as well as the live auction. We are happy with how they went and the money raised toward Sam."

"We are happy with how it turned out." Burroughs said he was overwhelmed. "I couldn't believe it—it was huge," he said. "I think everything went well, but it's still weird thinking that was for me because I've never been on the receiving end of one of those before. I've seen it for many people before but I never thought I'd need one for myself. It was just nice seeing everyone there supporting me and just sticking together and pulling through for someone in need."

He says it was humbling to see the crowd there to support him.

"It was nice but also nerve-wracking," he said. "When it came time to do the speech I wasn't sure how I would handle myself up there but I think things went pretty good, especially knowing the people who gave a speech beforehand. I was like, 'Oh my God,' as soon as I knew that Rob Hanson was giving the speech. He's just got a way with words and I didn't



### Volunteers with Sam Burroughs at fundraising event

Local groups held a fundraiser for Sam Burroughs on Saturday. Burroughs lost his home to fire recently. Members of the Moosomin Fire Department, the Kinsmen and Kinettes, and the Moosomin local of the Métis Nation of Saskatchewan worked together on the fundraiser.

know if I'd be able to follow that."

He said both the financial support and seeing that everyone is behind him are helpful. "We're still waiting on insurance and battling them for money so the cash will help there, and just seeing everyone pulling for you just gets you motivated a

little more again. It picks you up off your feet and you just want to get going, get to work and get things done."

He said being on the receiving end of a fundraiser gives him a new perspective.

"It still blows my mind that it was for me," he said. "I'm usually in there doing

the work and all that but that night I was the man of the evening. I don't think it really hit me until I got up on stage. Once I got through the speech I just had a load off my shoulders and was able to relax and enjoy the evening in everyone's company."

What has the whole experience taught him?

"This community, not only the town of Moosomin but everyone around, like all of the surrounding communities and the people around it, they are just unbelievable. I can't thank them enough and I don't think that most of them want to be thanked."

"They do it just because they want to help. Everyone thinks I'm a nice guy out there but everyone else has that same kind of mentality around here so it's not just me. It's human nature I think, just to help out and some people are fortunate enough to be able to and some aren't, but I'm sure everyone would like to."

Burroughs is planning to build a new home or bring in an RTM on his lot.



Top of page: Shifty Morgan performs at the fundraiser. Above, Sam Burroughs takes a selfie from the stage, below left auctioneer Ty Cutler auctions an original painting by Jacqui Harrison, below right Sam Burroughs addresses the crowd.







## Petting Zoo at Cobblestone House

Cobblestone House hosted a Petting Zoo on Saturday June 1, the same day as Moosomin's town-wide garage sale.

**Top Left:** Haven Hunter checks out the goats.

**Top Right:** Kara Poelzer, Rayna Kosior, Billee Kosior, and Kate McCarthy at the Petting Zoo.

**Right:** Jaxon and Harper Nabholz were excited to see the little lambs.

**Below left:** Jaxon Nabholz liked the bunnies.

**Below middle:** Justiss McGonigal and Hudson Hunter looking at the Alpacas.

**Below right:** Ivy Bloomquist petting a goat.

**Bottom row:** Emma Zahovora petting the Alpacas.

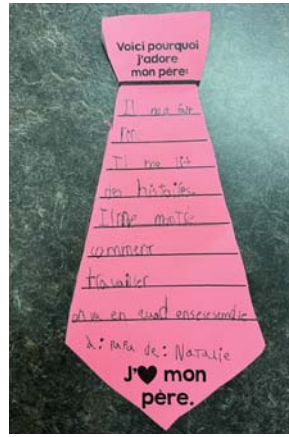


Sunnette Kamffer photos





## Ecole St. Lazare



My dad is special because he never gives up.

Max D.

My dad is special because he is very brave. He is also very talented at farming and calving. He also is very funny, cool and a guy who loves his dad jokes.

Kane M.

My dad is special because he cooks for us. He takes care of us, too. Lastly, he sometimes helps me when I can't do something.

Charles M.

My dad is special because he is a superhero. He takes me to hockey and softball. He helps mom cook. He seeds and harvests. He makes it so we can go on vacations. He makes money for us. He went to Regina and bought us a dog. Dad, if you're reading this, just letting you know I love you to the moon and back.

Ivy H.

My dad is special because when I need him, he's there. Me and my dad like to go fishing together. Me and my dad like to bike to the park. I love my dad.

Bo S.

My dad is special because he practices ball and hockey with me. He loves me. I am definitely my dad's favourite because I am the only girl.

Dawson D.

My dad is special because he and my mom both take care of me and my sister. They both love us all the same.

Broox B.

My dad is special because he is kind, loving and he pays the bills. He is sweet. He bought my dirt bike. I love my dad. We sometimes go in the valley down at the creek. It is so cool. I love my dad!

Zoe D.

My dad is special because he always comes home and plays softball. We pitch, throw each other a ball and bat off a t-ball or pitcher. I love my dad.

Blakely H.

My dad is special because he is very nice to me. He always tries to make my games every single time.

Landon S.

My dad is special because he takes us on trips to Mexico, and he plays board games and card games with me. My dad is the best because he is my dad!

Amika T.

My dad is special because he loves me and loves playing video games with me and my sister. He also cooks for us. He also teaches me things like soccer and hockey.

Eliette T.

My dad is special because he loves me, my siblings and my family. He brings me everywhere fun and is kind.

Marjela M.

Do you love your dad? I do! I love him to the moon and back. He is the best dad in the world because he is loving, nice, funny and happy.

Emily B.

My dad is special because he lets me play a lot of sports and pays for all of it. It's really fun for me to play, but he works hard to be able to pay for that.

Davin H.

My dad is special because he works so hard to make my life amazing. He also comes to my softball games and after we get ice cream. He makes my life amazing. Dad, I love you forever and ever on!

Vivian M.

My dad is special because he is strong, kind and fun. My dad is special because he is so helpful.

Theo D.

My dad is special because he buys me hockey sticks, lets me empty the pantry and buys me stuff, like headphones.

Henry G.

My dad is special because he helps me with my video game problems. He also helps me with sport practices. He helped me with Fortnite. That is why my dad is special.

Savvyer M.

My dad is special because he always cooks and works long. He is very playful. My dad is also very funny, and he teaches me how to become a Christian.

Marc A.

My dad is special because he helps me with my video game problems. He also helps me with sport practices. He helped me with Fortnite. That is why my dad is special.

Savvyer V.

he loves me. I love my dad because he is strong, funny, kind, nice, smart, brave, amazing, awesome, generous, friendly, handsome and he loves me. I love my dad because he's my friend. My dad is a superhero. Even though we are different, he loves me. He's a great dad. He's happy when I'm happy.

Athena H.

My dad is special because he loves sports and he coaches the U13 softball team. My dad and brothers love the Oilers.

Sophia H.

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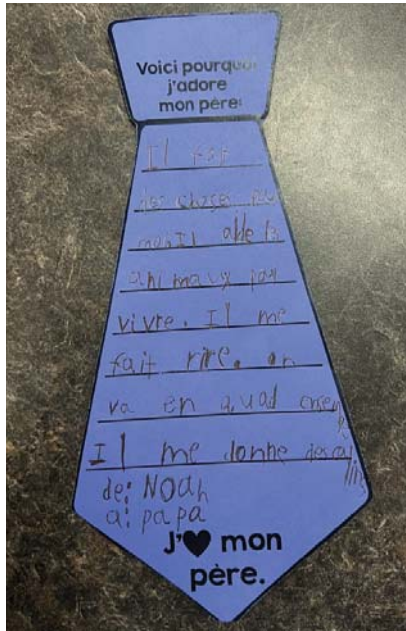


# I ♥ DAD

## HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

JUNE 16, 2024

### Ecole St. Lazare



My dad is special because he takes us places, he plays with us, he takes care of me and is funny and silly. I know he loves me with all his heart.  
*Alivia, Gr. 4*

My dad is special because he cooks for me and teaches me how to cook. My dad is special because he takes me places like Virden, Regina, and more. My dad is special because he teaches me stuff like, shooting a gun, how to learn directions, and a lot more.  
*Kyle, Gr. 4*

My dad is special because he takes us places, makes money for the family, doesn't see us very much and helps mom.  
*Gannon, Gr. 4*

My dad is special because he takes us to baseball, he took us to Mexico, he drives

### Maryfield School - Grades 3, 4 & 5

us four hours to go to Clear Lake in the summer. My dad is also special because he bought us a dog.  
*Avaya, Gr. 4*

My grandad is special because he helps me with homework, he tells me about history, he tells me about stuff, and lastly, he is special because he plays games with me.  
*Dreysen, Gr. 4*

My dad is special because he plays video games with me.  
*George, Gr. 4*

My dad is special because he takes us places, he babysits us, he swims with us, and he does lots more.  
*Everleigh, Gr. 5*

My dad is special because he sometimes takes us for an ice cream and takes us for trips to Para-

guay to visit family.  
*Margaretha, Gr. 4*

My dad is special because he works a lot for my family and takes us to restaurants, he takes me golfing and he takes me to my baseball and hockey games.  
*Jackson, Gr. 5*

My dad is special because he takes me horse back riding. He cooks for me sometimes. He has a really good job that mostly pays for the farm and does lots more.  
*Shayle, Gr. 5*

My dad is special because he buys me Lego sets.  
*Layton, Gr. 5*

My dad is special because he takes me gopher hunting and fishing. He cooks me steak to eat. He takes me to work.  
*Mavrik, Gr. 5*

My dad is special because he takes us for ice cream and plays with us.  
*Peter, Gr. 3*

My dad is special because he takes me for slushies after baseball. He works for our family. He takes me fishing on the paddle boat. He takes care of me. I love my dad a lot and he loves me too!!  
*Georgia, Gr. 3*

My dad is special because he bought us a NES, he bought us a Nintendo, and he willingly bought my braces for me. He makes money by driving truck. He also bought a dog.  
*Slater, Gr. 3*

My dad is special because he cooks food for me to eat, he buys me things that I want and takes us to places. He loves me,

that is why my dad is special.  
*Rory, Gr. 4*

My dad is special because he brings food home for us. He drives three and a half hours to get to our cabin. He comes to watch my softball games. He has taken me to many places.  
*Olivia, Gr. 4*

My dad is special because he plays games with me and cooks for us, and my dad takes me fishing. My dad takes me trucking.  
*Carter, Gr. 5*

My dad is special because he lets me have friends over and lets me drive with him in the semi.  
*Will, Gr. 5*

My dad is special because he works lots so he can take me to lots of places.  
*Rhett, Gr. 5*

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My dad is special because he works with me.

Kallum Miller

My dad is special because he can shoot really hard.

Logan Lowe

My dad is special because he hugs me when I cry.

Rolls Perez

My dad is special because he can score at hockey.

Rizwan Ramadan

My dad is special because he gives me piggy back rides.

Carter Grayson

My dad is special because when I cry, he makes me laugh again.

Logan Mannle

My dad is special

because he gets me treats every time.

Ruby Goliboski

My dad is special because he plays hockey with me and we go golfing together.

Harrison Nielsen

My dad is special because he likes to hug me.

Winnie Myers

My dad is special because he makes me happy.

Katherine Chambers

My dad is special because he helps me out when I'm carrying heavy stuff.

Calloway McMullan

My dad is special because I like to play with him.

Kylar Bain

My dad is special because he puts me to bed.

Preston Rittaler

My dad is special because he plays with me.

Kate McCarthy

My dad is special because I help him.

Primrose Visperas

My dad is special because I love him.

Kinsley Grose

My dad is special because he tickles me.

Ada Bloomquist

My dad is special because he plays hockey in the shop with me.

Nixon Senicar

My dad is special because he gives me a hug when its bed-

time.

Walker Campbell

My dad is special because he plays with me.

Krew Grose

My dad is special because I love him.

Jayden Demas

My dad is special because he loves me.

Ayrabella Hein

My dad is special because I sleep over with him.

Piper Balogh

My dad is special because he plays Lego and builds stuff with me.

Olivia Lazurko

My dad is special because sometimes he takes me home from daycare and he loves me and I

like to hang out with him.

Karen Cuthill

My dad is special because he takes me to school and back home.

Emmet Myburgh

My dad is special because he gives me a hug.

Emma Flaman

My dad is special because he gives me hugs when it's nighttime.

Quinn Flaman

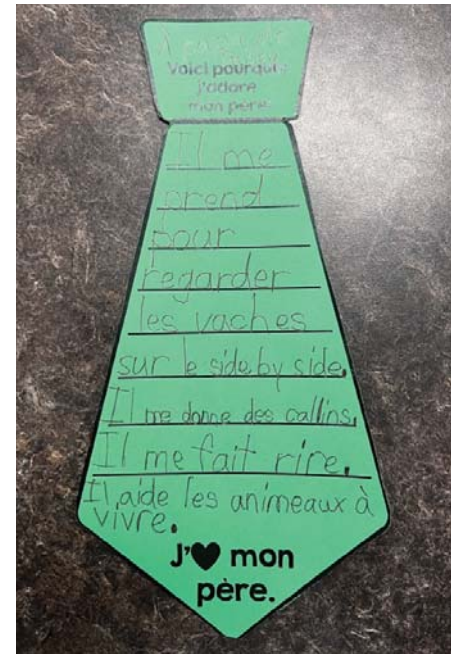
My dad is special because he gives me scratches.

Brooke Raab

My dad is special because he says "Good night" when I go to bed.

Levi Green

### Ecole St. Lazare



### Moosomin Playschool

My dad is special because I snuggle him in bed.

Hudson Bennie

My dad is special because I tickle him.

Raelynn Kowaluk

My dad is special because he walks with me.

Charles Foy

My dad is special because he taught me how to ride with two wheels.

MJ Janse VanRensberg

My dad is special because he kisses me good-night.

Teagan Fry

My dad is special because he loves playing with me.

Lotus Mihalicz

My dad is special because he gives me a hug.

Taya Hockley

My dad is special because he lives in my house.

Avery Poelzer

My dad is special because he hugs me so hard and then I fart.

Lawson Jeannot

My dad is special because he makes me food.

Raphael Peralta

My dad is special because he cuddles me.

Rylee Doucet

My dad is special because he's older than me.

Deacon Taylor

My dad is special because he hugs me and plays soccer with me.

Alex Canart

My dad is special because he plays with me.

Angel Kanhpace

My dad is special because he kisses me when I go to bed.

Blayne Grose

My dad is special because he lets me farm with him.

Buxton Grose

My dad is special because we have a downstairs and he plays with me downstairs.

Jett Glasser

My dad is special because he gives me kisses always before nighttime.

Kay Jones

My dad is special because he's big.

Korbin Richter

My dad is special because he lets me watch something on TV.

Leif Nosterud

My dad is special because he helps me get in my snowsuit.

Mila Shivak

My dad is special because he kisses me when I say "goodbye."

Navy Grose

My dad is special because he loves me.

Olivia Jones

My dad is special because he plays with me and he swings on the swings with me and Erica.

Rory McDonald

My dad is special because he plays with me.

Rowe Weidenhamer

My dad is special because he gives me tickles and hugs and I give a hug to Daddy.

Sloan Bailey



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My dad's name is Uchit.  
He works at Subway.  
His favourite colour is every colour.

His favourite food is Indian food.  
His favourite thing to do is work on his laptop.

My dad is very good at working on his laptop.

He likes to wear good clothes.  
He likes to cook something new and help my mom.

He always says, "Study."  
A special memory of my dad is when we played cards.

I love my dad because he is my dad and he is fun.

He is the best dad because he loves me.

*Love, Vani*

My dad's name is Ramilo.  
He works at the shop.  
His favourite colour is blue.  
His favourite food is meat.

His favourite thing to do is to clean.

My dad is very good at fixing something.

He likes to wear a t-shirt.  
He likes to cook meat.

He always says, "Let's go clean the shop."

A special memory of my dad is buying a car.

I love my dad because he fixes my bike if it's broken.

He is the best dad because he got me a bike.

*Love, Rydel*

My dad's name is Francis.  
He works at Flaman and Co-op.  
His favourite colour is blue.  
His favourite food is rice.

His favourite thing to do is spend time with the family.

My dad is very good at basketball.

He likes to wear black and red.  
He likes to cook adobo and rice.

He always says, "I love you."

A special memory of my dad is when we went to a friend's house and we took a picture of me, a friend and my dad.

I love my dad because he takes care of me.

He is the best dad because he loves me and cares for me.

*Love, Francheska*

My dad's name is John.  
He works at Co-op.  
His favourite colour is red.

His favourite food is meat and potatoes.

His favourite thing to do is play Fortnite.

My dad is very good at Fortnite.

He likes to wear hats.  
He likes to cook meat.

He always says, "You are special."

A special memory of my dad is playing outside.

I love my dad because he loves me and I love him.

He is the best dad because he plays football with me. That makes him the best dad.

*Love, Jayce*

My dad's name is Mark.  
He works at MNP.

His favourite colour is green.  
His favourite food is lasagne.

His favourite thing to do is spend time with his family.

My dad is very good at building.

He likes to wear work clothes.  
He likes to cook lasagne.

He always says, "Sure."

A special memory of my dad is going to Jamaica with him.

I love my dad because he helps

me when I need help.  
He is the best dad because he loves me and I love him.

*Love, Baylor*

My dad's name is Brett.  
He works at TS&M.

His favourite colour is blue.  
His favourite food is candy.

His favourite thing to do is sit on the couch.

My dad is very good at ball.

He likes to wear jeans and t-shirts.

He likes to cook grilled cheese.  
He always says, "Harper! Ava! Stop!"

A special memory of my dad is going to my girls hockey tournament.

I love my dad because he is funny, loving, kind and thoughtful.

He is the best dad because he loves me.

*Love, Ava*

My dad's name is Ben.  
He works as a farmer.

His favourite colour is yellow.  
His favourite food is mom's eggs with stuff on them.

His favourite thing to do is farm.

My dad is very good at farming.

He likes to wear a white shirt and blue jeans.

He likes to cook pasta.

He always says, "Dear Lord, love a duck!"

A special memory of my dad is me and him laying in the grass.

I love my dad because he is funny.

He is the best dad because he cares for everyone.

*Love, Billee*

My dad's name is Dennis.  
He works at the feed mill.

His favourite colour is green.  
His favourite food is rice.

His favourite thing to do is play guitar.

My dad is very good at cooking.

He likes to wear t-shirts.  
He likes to cook rice.

He always says jokes.  
A special memory of my dad is Confirmation.

I love my dad because he loves me and he is funny.

He is the best dad because he is funny and nice.

*Love, Denielle*

My dad's name is Jason.  
He works at Flyers at the mine.

His favourite colours are blue and green.

His favourite food is his mom's food.

His favourite thing to do is travel with family.

My dad is very good at being a dad.

He likes to wear jeans, shirts and hats.

He likes to cook ribs.  
He always says, "Bee." (Nick-name)

A special memory of my dad is going on trips with him.

I love my dad because he loves me.

He is the best dad because he taught me a lot of stuff.

*Love, Blakely*

My dad's name is Aaron.  
He works at his own company, Tridaron.

His favourite colour is orange.  
His favourite food is hot, hot, hot wings.

His favourite thing to do is work.

My dad is very good at work-

ing.  
He likes to wear clothes.  
He likes to cook popcorn.  
He always says cool slang words.

A special memory of my dad is when we went quadding and hit a huge puddle at Aspen Grove.

I love my dad because he's cool and happy.

He is the best dad because he pays the bills.

*Love, Kole*

My dad's name is Napoleon.  
He works at the hospital.

His favourite colour is blue.  
His favourite food is ramen.

His favourite thing to do is watch TV.

My dad is very good at everything.

He likes to wear tank tops.  
He likes to cook soup.

He always says positive things.  
A special memory of my dad is when we were being lazy together.

I love my dad because he takes care of me.

He is the best dad because he is fearless.

*Love, Phoebe*

My dad's name is Richard.  
He works at Dairy Queen.

His favourite colour is black.  
His favourite food is steak.

His favourite thing to do is sleep.

My dad is very good at mowing the grass.

He likes to wear short sleeved clothes.

He likes to cook bacon.  
He always says, "Please take care of your little sister."

A special memory of my dad is him helping me with my homework.

I love my dad because he lets me buy one thing in the mall.

He is the best dad because if my dad is not here, he is not able to pick up my mom at work.

*Love, Arjei*

My dad's name is Jason.  
He works at Rocky Mountain Equipment.

His favourite colour is blue.  
His favourite food is meat.

His favourite thing to do is play hockey.

My dad is very good at hockey.

He likes to wear jeans and a t-shirt.

He likes to cook cheese whiz toast.

He always says, "Go to bed."

A special memory of my dad is when we went to California.

I love my dad because he makes me food.

He is the best dad because he teaches me how to play hockey.

*Love, Mack*

My dad's name is Mathew.  
He works at the mine.

His favourite colour is dark blue.

His favourite food is ramen noodles, eggs and meat.

His favourite thing to do is golf and play hockey.

My dad is very good at soccer, hockey and golf.

He likes to wear jeans and t-shirts.

He likes to cook ramen noodles.  
He always says, "Stupid, dumb, doo doo."

A special memory of my dad is when he takes me golfing all the time in the summer.

I love my dad because he takes me to my sports and he pays for my sports.

He is the best dad because he does fun stuff with me like going golfing and playing catch in the backyard.

*Love, Kaidence*

My dad's name is John.  
He works at Canada Post.

His favourite colour is red.  
His favourite food is lechon.

His favourite thing to do is buy fish.

My dad is very good at math.  
He likes to wear t-shirts.

He likes to cook Pancit Canton.  
He always says, "Lucas!"

A special memory of my dad is going to the pet store with him.

I love my dad because he is my inspiration.

He is the best dad because he cares about me.

*Love, Noah*

My dad's name is Ryan.  
He works at Denray Tire.

His favourite colour is blue or red.

His favourite food is shrimp.

His favourite thing to do is go to work.

My dad is very good at stealing my soccer ball.

He likes to wear t-shirts.  
He likes to cook stuff on the Traeger.

He always says, "Please don't fight."

A special memory of my dad is me and him spending time together.

I love my dad because he is a part of my family and he is important to me.

He is the best dad because he's the best dad I ever had.

*Love, Zoe*

My dad's name is Jarrod.  
He works at Cork and Bone Bistro.

His favourite colour is black.  
His favourite food is lasagne.

His favourite thing to do is chill.

My dad is very good at working.

He likes to wear sweaters.  
He likes to cook everything.

He always says, "Bedtime, and brush your teeth."

A special memory of my dad is when we went to Las Vegas.

I love my dad because he makes me feel safe.

He is the best dad because he makes awesome food.

*Love, Oliver*

My dad's name is Kyle.  
He works at Nutrien Mine in Rocanville.

His favourite colour is red.

His favourite food is...he's so grateful that I don't know.

His favourite thing to do is hang out with his family.

My dad is very good at waiting patiently.

He likes to wear red clothing and ball caps.

He likes to cook for my siblings and me.

He always says, "You make me smile."

A special memory of my dad is in Mexico. He taught me how to jump waves and we stayed there for about an hour, just us.

I love my dad because he is caring and very understanding.

He is the best dad because he is always there and always puts family first.

*Love, Natalie*

My dad's name is James.  
He works as a mechanic.

His favourite colour is purple.

His favourite food is peppero-

ni, lasagne and macaroni.

His favourite thing to do is work.

My dad is very good at fixing things.

He likes to wear shorts and t-shirts.

He likes to cook pizza.  
He always says, "Maybe."

A special memory of my dad is hunting with him.

I love my dad because he helps me and he loves me so much.

He is the best dad because I love him.

*Love, Kamia*

My dad's name is Kent.  
He works at Sasktel.

His favourite colour is purple.  
His favourite food is burritos.

His favourite thing to do is hang out with us.

My dad is very good at dealing with wires.

He likes to wear shorts and no shirt.

He likes to cook meat.  
He always says, "Let's go!"

A special memory of my dad is when I first caught a fish with him.

I love my dad because he is the best.

He is the best dad because he loves me and helps me.

*Love, River*

My dad's name is Bobby.  
He works at the RM of Moosomin.

His favourite colour is blue.  
His favourite food is steak.

His favourite thing to do is work outside.

My dad is very good at riding bulls.

He likes to wear jeans.  
He likes to cook KD.

He always says, "Come on!"  
A special memory of my dad is when we got the cows.

I love my dad because we are cowboys.

He is the best dad because he is nice to me.

*Love, Sutton*

My dad's name is Dustin.  
He works at Celebration Ford.

His favourite colour is blue.  
His favourite food is anything.

His favourite thing to do is spend time with us.

My dad is very good at making me laugh.

He likes to wear jeans.  
He likes to cook food.

He always says, "I love you."

A special memory of my dad is going to Regina and watching a movie.

I love my dad because when I'm down he pulls me up.

He is the best dad because he helps me along the way.

*Love, Scarlett*

My uncle's name is Carisma.  
He works at a dairy factory.

His favourite colour is red.  
His favourite food is Jollibee.

His favourite thing to do is drive.

My uncle is very good at driving.

He likes to wear black shirts.  
He likes to cook nothing.

He always says, "No butts."

A special memory of my uncle is when I went to PEL.

I love my uncle because he is my uncle who cares.

He is the best uncle because he is loving to his family.

*Love, Cian*



# Whitewood School - Pre Kindergarten

My dad is special because he builds forts for me.	tickles me.	Emma	My dad is special because he plays with me.	plays with me and gives good hugs.
Maddy	Willow	My dad is special because he is kind to me.	Naresh	Jackson
My dad is special because he jumps on the trampoline with me.	My dad is special because I love him.	Sloan	My dad is special because he gives good hugs.	My dad is special because he gives me kisses.
Ivy	Hazel	My dad is special because he plays with me.	Luka	Maddox
My dad is special because he makes hearts.	My dad is special because he gives me lots of hugs and kisses.	Leo	My dad is special because he loves church, candy canes and cows.	My dad is special because he loves me.
Paizley	Frankie	My dad is special because he gives me candy.	Crue	Liam
My dad is special because he	My dad is special because he always brings me mini donuts.	Stevie	My dad is special because he	

# Whitewood School - Kindergarten

My dad is special because he lets me watch his funny boxing videos.	My dad is special because he makes me cake everyday.	My dad is special because he tucks me in.	Kamry	stitches.	Willow	presents and unicorns and that makes me happy.
Kiara	Harper	Mea	My dad is special because he does fun stuff with me.			Ezalyn
My dad is special because he helps me make my lunch.	My dad is special because he makes me breakfast and gets me my cup.	My dad is special because he gives me flowers.	Jaxon	My dad is special because he takes me to get ice cream.		My dad is special because I do so much fun things with him.
Jorja	Charley	Skye	My dad is special because he makes chicken for my mom because she has		Bensen	Hannah
		My dad is special because he loves me.		My dad is special because he gives me some		

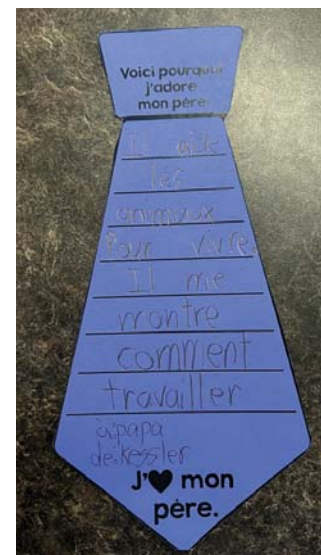
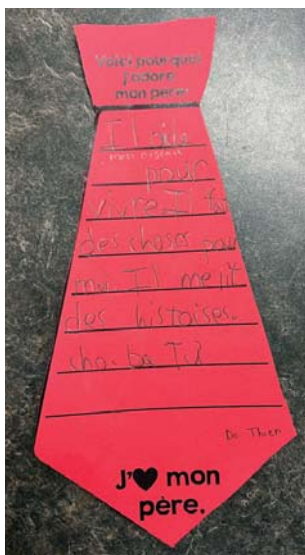
# Moosomin Playfair Daycare

My dad is special because he takes me on adventures.	to snuggle him.			
<i>Karen (5)</i>	<i>Everly (6)</i>	<i>Jacob (4)</i>	<i>Hazel (5)</i>	<i>Jett (3)</i>
My dad is special because he lets me use a real axe and I get to ride in the tractor with him.	My dad is special because he takes me for quad rides and sometimes lets me drive.	My dad is special because he picks me up and I miss him.	My dad is special because he plays with me outside.	My dad is special because he takes me fishing.
<i>Trace (5)</i>	<i>Walker (4)</i>	<i>Ruby (5)</i>	<i>Angel (3)</i>	<i>Acelyn (3)</i>
My dad is special because he takes me and my brother to the farm to see Nana and Papa.	My dad is special because he takes me for bike rides to the park.	My dad is special because he cooks up noodles.	My dad is special because he loves me.	My grandpa is special to me because he plays with me.
<i>Quinn (4)</i>	<i>Emmet (4)</i>	<i>Primrose (5)</i>	<i>MJ (3)</i>	<i>Callee (5)</i>
My dad is special because he takes me to work with him.		My dad is special because he plays with me.	My dad is special because he tickles me, loves me and we go to the beach together.	My dad is special because he plays games with me.
<i>Lane (4)</i>		<i>Kate (4)</i>	<i>Rolly (5)</i>	<i>Rowe (4)</i>
My dad is special because I get	My dad is special because he plays Mario and Mindy craft with me.	My dad is special because he gives me hugs.	My dad is special because he plays with me and take me for boat rides.	

# Wapella School

Dear dad, Happy Father's Day! I love playing games with you and planting seeds in the soil. I love playing word games with you too! I love you so much! P.S. You are the best Dad ever	in the world! Your kid,  <i>Nadia Grade 3</i>	dad and special to me and he will always be special to me and my siblings. That is why my dad is special. He is funny. He is kind. He is caring.	He is sweet. He is helpful. He is always a helping hand. He is always helping. He is silly. He is cheerful. He is a good storyteller.	He is a good joke teller. He is good at reading. He is good at helping me, Lyla and Jonny.  <i>Maelynn Grade 5</i>
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## Ecole St. Lazare







Olha Volokh photos

## It's pool season!

The Moosomin Borderland Co-op Aquaplex officially opened its doors for the season on Saturday, June 1. Over the course of the day, more and more kids came out to swim, and enjoy the first day of pool season.

**Above left:** An overview of the pool and waterslide. **Above right:** Zaidey Crowell having fun on the waterslide.

**Below left:** Kids showing off a couple of Barbie mermaids who joined in the fun.

**Below right:** Meliya Moore, Zlata Volokh, and Zaidey Crowell making the most of their pool day.



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## Students help with Town Wide Clean Up

McNaughton High School students helped with the Town Wide Clean Up in Moosomin on Wednesday. It was a windy, blustery, rainy day, but the students looked like they were all having fun.

Ashley Bocek and Kara Kinna Photos





## Beckett donates slab roller to arts centre

Jacqui Beckett donated a \$2,000 slab roller to the Moosomin Visual Arts Centre last week. The piece of equipment will be used for rolling slabs of clay for hand building pottery.

Beckett raised the money to purchase the slab roller by holding an art card fundraiser and selling her cards around the Moosomin area.

From left are Jacqui Beckett, and Terry Grant and Krista Crelin with the Moosomin Visual Arts Centre posing with the new slab roller.



## Westman RCMP Report

### 73 calls for service

During the week of May 26 to June 1, Westman RCMP received a total of 73 calls for service. Of the 73 calls, 18 were traffic related including 14 moving traffic/speeding violations, six suspicious person/vehicle/property files and eight assault files.

### Vehicle broken down on highway

On May 28, RCMP received a report of a traffic hazard on Highway 1 in the RM of Wallace-Woodworth. RCMP attended and observed a vehicle parked in the right lane on the westbound side of the highway and a male standing on the service road. Police spoke to the male who stated that his vehicle had broken down. During the conversation, the 62-year-old male admitted to consuming alcohol while exhibiting signs of impairment. Police also observed an open bottle of liquor in the front of his vehicle.

After failing to provide sufficient breath samples, the male was issued an immediate roadside prohibition for alcohol, which carries a 90-day drivers licence suspension and \$700 administrative penalty for failing to comply with a breath demand. He was also issued a ticket under the Provincial Offences Act for the offence of carrying li-

quor in a vehicle contrary to the liquor, gaming and cannabis control act which carries a fine of \$237.

### 60 km/hr over the speed limit

On May 29, during a routine traffic patrol on Highway 21 in the community of Sioux Valley Dakota Nation, RCMP observed a vehicle travelling at a high rate of speed. Radar confirmed a speed of 160 km/hr in a 100 km/hr zone. RCMP conducted a traffic stop with the vehicle and the driver was issued a traffic offence notice for speeding which carries a fine of \$835. The driver was also issued a serious offence notice for a driver fitness licence review.

### Sexual assault charge

On May 29, RCMP received a report of a sexual assault that had occurred in the community of Sioux Valley Dakota Nation. An adult male has been arrested and charged with criminal code charges of sexual assault and sexual interference, as well as a provincial offence notice for supplying liquor to a minor. He remains in custody at this time.

### Numbers to call

If you are reporting an emergency please call 911. To report a complaint or non-emergent incident please call 204-748-2135. For general inquiries or administrative requests including criminal record checks please call the administration line at 204-748-2046.

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# McNaughton Creative Writing students tour The World-Spectator



McNaughton High School Creative Writing Class at the World-Spectator office.



## Creative Writing Class learns about the Spectator

McNaughton's Creative Writing Class toured the World-Spectator last week. The class is working on a newspaper article assignment and visited the Spectator to learn about the local newspaper.

At left: Halaina Johnson and Brooklyn Griffin looking at graduates of 2023.

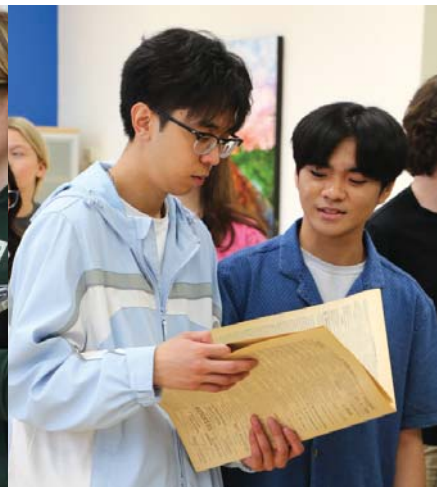
Above: Kevin Weedmark explains the first published newspaper.

Below at left: Trae Stephen and Logan Sauve looking at 2023 Minor Hockey feature.

Below in middle: Brooklyn Griffin, Halaina Johnson, and Charlie Leslie looking at individual letters that made up the newspaper in the early days..

Below at right: Andrei Ayala and Joel Deramas reading Moosomin's first ever newspaper.

Ashley Bocek photos







# SLOW DOWN AND SAVE A LIFE

**when essential service workers are on the road!**

*Drivers who drive at **high speeds** are **endangering** the lives of essential service workers when they are working on the road.*

**Essential Service Workers** such as

- Firemen
- **Police Officers**
- **EMTs**
- **Tow Truck Drivers**
- **Construction Workers**
- **Farm Vehicles**
- **Municipal Graders & Workers**
- **Public Works Employees**

**are put at risk every time they are on the highways & gravel roads!**

*For this reason, the Traffic Safety Act states that no person shall drive a vehicle on a highway at a speed **greater than 60 kilometres an hour when passing emergency workers, highway workers or municipal graders and workers.***

*Workers have been killed, injured, or have had close calls due to drivers who choose to disobey the Traffic Safety Act and drive at dangerously high speeds past stopped essential service vehicles.*

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