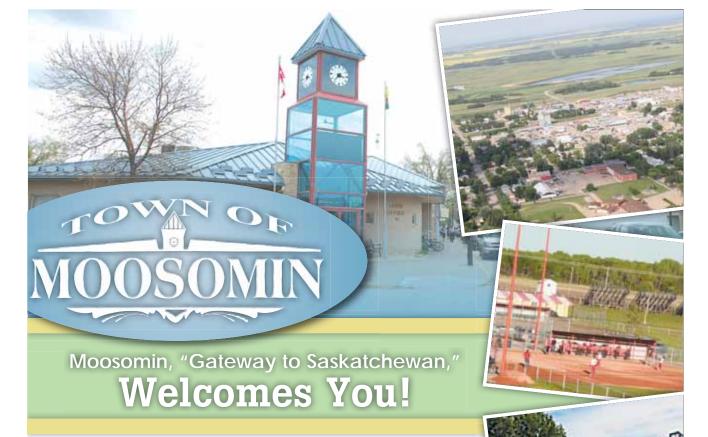


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Left: The Musical Ride in Wawota

Right: Some of the fireworks presented as part of the fireworks competition at Moosomin Lake.



An event-filled summer

From Mounties on horseback to amazing fireworks displays, from small town fairs to professional rodeo, this should be a summer to remember in the Moosomin region!

These are just a few of the events coming up over the summer:

Elkhorn Museum Day and Canada Day Celebration July 1 • Elkhorn, Manitoba

Canada Day is always a big day in Elkhorn. The community hosts a pancake breakfast, parade, and Museum Day on July 1. Visitors to the museum on Museum Day are free to look at the displays, buildings, and automobiles on display there.

Moosomin Rodeo July 3-4 • Moosomin Rodeo grounds

The annual Moosomin Rodeo will take place on July 3 and 4. The weekend will not only include the rodeo, but a parade through town that Saturday. In past years the rodeo has attracted between 900 and 1,300 people.

Moose Mountain Pro Rodeo July 18-19 • Kennedy, Saskatchewan

The Moose Mountain Pro Rodeo in Kennedy is a major event, attracting thousands of visitors every day. People come to the village from England, Australia, and all over North America to watch the rodeo, one of only two pro rodeos held in Saskatchewan.

Elkhorn Fair Tuesday, July 21 • Elkhorn, Manitoba

The 122nd annual Elkhorn Fair is scheduled for Tuesday, July 21. This is an agricultural fair, so the day will include a horse show, a sheep show, and cattle judging, as well as a number fair entries for baking and horticulture. The day will begin with a pancake breakfast at 6:30 a.m. and events will begin with the light horse show at 8:30 a.m. Entertainment is provided throughout the day.

Maryfield Fair Thursday, July 23 • Maryfield, Saskatchewan

The Maryfield Fair is scheduled for Thursday, July 23. There are many activities planned for the day. There will a pancake breakfast and a parade in the morning followed by a horse show, entries for baking, sewing, crops and other talents. The day will also include a dressage demonstration as well as hunter jumper classes. For kids there will be bouncers, a petting zoo and a mechanical bull. The day will end with First Nations dancers from Cowesses in the evening. Admission to the dancers is free.

RCMP Musical Ride Tuesday, July 28 • Wawota, Sask.

The RCMP Musical Ride will be performing in Wawota on Tuesday, July 28. Doors open at 4 p.m. There will be events and activities leading up to the ride, including entertainment, children's activities, a food court, and beer gardens. The ride will take place at 7 p.m. and will end with a meet and greet with the riders and horses, followed by a barbecue supper.

Living Skies Come Alive Fireworks Competion August 1 and 2 • Moosomin Regional Park

The annual Living Skies Come Alive fireworks competition is attended by thousands of people every year. This year two fireworks teams out of Winnipeg and Regina will thrill crowds with their show and competition each night, as they shoot their fireworks off over Moosomin Lake. This fireworks event has become a holiday destination for many families. The spectators have an exceptional view of the pyromusical fireworks display.

Spy Hill Sports Days August 7-9 • Spy Hill, Sask.

Spy Hill's annual Sports Days will start on Friday, August 7 with a saddle series team roping event. On Saturday and Sunday there will be chuckwagon and chariot races in the afternoon, and a slo pitch tournament will also take place both those days. There will be beer gardens on the Saturday night, and a talent show in the afternoon on Sunday followed by a chicken supper. The weekend will also include a children's playground with bounce tents.

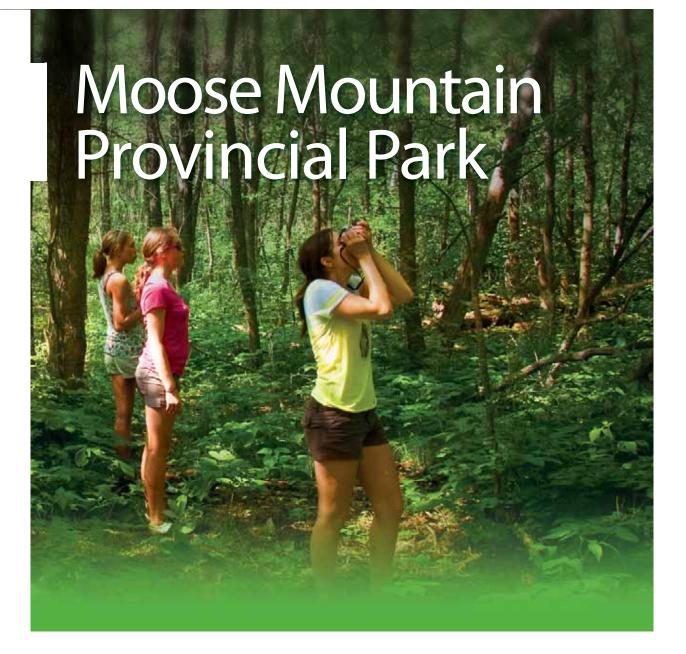
Wapella Fun Days Saturday, August 8• Wapella, Saskatchewan

Wapella's annual Fun Days include a number of events for both children and adults. The day will start with a parade in the morning, and will include a kids zone, a slo pitch tournament, and beer gardens. The day will end with a supper in the evening followed by a cabaret.

Rocanville Museum Day September 12 • Rocanville, Saskatchewan

This year's Rocanville Museum Day is scheduled for September 12. There will be many events at the museum during the day, including a pancake breakfast, beef on a bun, threshing, flower milling, oat rolling, and old time music. The museum will be open for visitors to explore and stationary engines will be on display.







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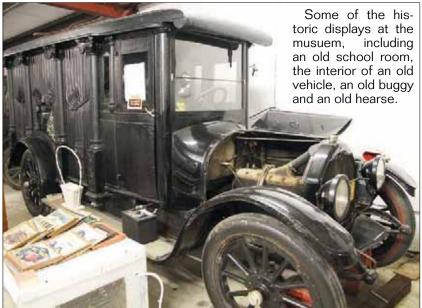
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The Elkhorn Auto Museum, located just off Highway 1 in the village of Elkhorn, Manitoba is a good place to stop for a quick drive into history.

The museum has been running each summer since 1967. Most of the automobile collection was donated by Isaac Clarkson, who passed away in 1971 at the age of 58.

There are more than 85 vehicles on display, ranging from the 1908 Reo to a 1976 Jaguar.

Automobiles aren't the onlv items to see at the museum. There are First Nations artifacts, guns, licence plates, spark plugs, tools, oxen yokes, bicycles, and household items on display.

A separate building houses farm equipment such as tractors and threshing machines. Most of the tractors have steel tires.

There is also an old farm house from the early 1900s that has been restored by the museum committee and moved onto the museum grounds, as well as an old school building at the museum where people can view old maps, desks, and posters.

This year, there will be a poker derby rally at the museum on Saturday, June 13. Registration will be from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

One of the biggest events held at the museum each year is the Elkhorn Museum Day on July 1. This day of old-fashioned fun always features a number of displays and demonstrations of pioneer life, such as blacksmithing, set up around the museum grounds, while the historic automobiles are shown off outside.

Last summer a threshing demonstration also took place at the museum grounds during museum day. The day is also celebrated with a Canada Day pancake breakfast and a parade through the village in the morning.

During Museum Day people come from around Manitoba to set up on the museum grounds, which are usually full of families and children eager to get a peek at all the curiosities. Pie and other goodies are served on the grounds and the old school house is open to the public.

The Automobile Museum is wheelchair accessible and even provides wheelchairs for people to wheel around the displays.

The museum is open seven days a week from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. until the end of September.









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Old George's Museum and Hidden Village

Growing up on a farm just south of Dubuc in the 1950s, George Chopping, like all kids at the time, had dreams in life. "I wanted to go around the world, own a museum, and own a motorcycle," said Chopping.

And now he does own a museum— Old George's Museum and Hidden Village on the outskirts of Whitewood,

just off Highway 1.

It all started in 1984 with a visit to a friend in Whitewood. "I saw this antique house on my way back to Dubuc, and I thought, 'That would be perfect for a museum.' I've always wanted one," said Chopping. "So I pulled over, knocked on the door, and asked the owner if he would sell the house."

Chopping bought the house and in 1985 moved his belongings from Dubuc to Whitewood. "We moved 10 three-ton truck loads, seven van loads, five car loads, and a bit of miscellaneous other things . . . We also moved a 90 x 30 barn." Chopping says they moved a total of 1,340 boxes.

The house became known as Old George's. The name originates from Chopping's escapades as a bottle collector and member of the Parkland Bottle Collectors Club in 1978.

"I had been collecting bottles over the years, and I was writing a book about bottles I found on the Canadian Prairies," said Chopping. "Because I had been working on it for a while, and had yet to finish it, a member started giving me the gears at a meeting. "He was laughing and said, 'Hey, Old George! Are you ever going to get that book published?'"

Chopping put a lot of work into making Old George's what it is today. "When I first owned the house, I did 99 hours of sandblasting, and put up 990 square feet of brick wall," he said. "I also painted the walls, and built a deck." The house, which has 17 rooms and four fireplaces, is also his home. The rooms, from the basement to the attic, are comprised of intricate displays of nearly every antique you can imagine.

"Ēighty per cent of the items are from Saskatchewan, 15 per cent are from Manitoba, and five per cent are from Alberta. A few other things are from B.C., the Harbour in Toronto, and other travels I have been on," said Chopping.

His oldest item is a 1636 land title deed from England.

Chopping says he doesn't have a favorite item because there are too many to choose from. But, he does say that he is keen on anything related to pioneers and hard times.

As for all of the items, "I have a passion for learning about their history, and sharing that knowledge with people who come here," he said. "I also

like to show off what I have. We're all big kids, but not everyone wants to admit that."

Nestled behind the house, there is also a 'hidden village' comprised of 30 buildings, including a chapel, saloon, blacksmith shop, Chinese laundromat, a clothing store and much more. There is also a stage people can perform on.

"I've been building it for the past 17 years," said Chopping. "There's a new addition nearly every day."

Chopping says he has had guests from across North America, as well as overseas.

"I always ask people to describe this place in 15 words or less. But you can't," said Chopping.

"I don't even know how to describe it. It's an unusual place that people have no idea about until they walk through here."

Old George's has been written about in publications, including *Canadian Geographic*, *National Geographic*, and *Prairies North*.

"It feels great to have this place recognized . . . I always say, 'I've gotten married to it,'" said Chopping. "I spend all of my time doing this—morning and night.

Chopping says there aren't really

hours at Old George's.

"If it's 10 p.m. and you're coming from far away, and I'm up, I'll take you on a tour," he said.



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The Musical Ride is coming to Wawota this summer and is expected to attract a large crowd from across the region.

Musical Ride will be highlight of summer in Wawota

The RCMP Musical Ride is coming to Wawota on Tuesday, July 28, and organizers are expecting over 2,000 people to attend for an evening of activities and entertainment.

The ride itself will be at 7 p.m., but doors open at 4 p.m. and there will be plenty to do and see leading up to the ride.

The evening will include entertainment, music, and children's events, including bounce tents, before the ride. Entertainment will start at 4 p.m. and go until showtime. There will also be a number of food vendors on location serving up delicious food that evening.

The event will be held north of the school, at the edge of the valley, where the valley forms a natural amphitheater.

At the conclusion of the ride, the riders and their horses will be available for a meet and greet in the arena where audience members can also pose for a photo with them.

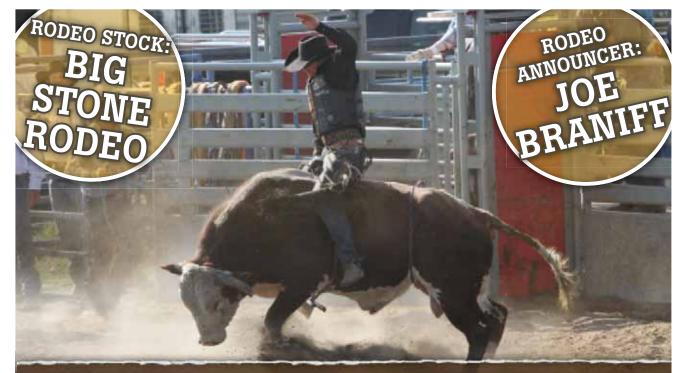
A barbecue for the riders and the general public will be held following the show, and organizers are hoping people will stick around to enjoy the food and musical entertainment that evening during the barbecue. There will also be beer gardens on site.

Advance tickets for the ride will be on sale until July 15. Tickets can be bought by calling 306-739-2898 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. They can also be purchased at the local businesses in Wawota, at the Wawota Co-op C-store, the Wawota Town office, the World-Spectator in Moosomin, the Kenosee Inn and Kenosee Mini Mart in Kenosee Lake, and at King's Department Store in Carlyle. Tickets will also be available at the gate that evening, although they will cost more than the advanced tickets.

Shannon Houff, one of the event organizers, says people are excited about the ride. The ride came to Wawota 25 years ago, and was a success.

"I think the community is really excited about it. The last time they had about 1,500 people out, and this time we are hoping for 2,000, maybe more than that. That would be fantastic."

The RCMP Musical Ride is a Canadian tradition that dates back to the late 1800s. It is performed by a full troop of 32 riders and horses, plus the member in charge. The Musical Ride consists of the execution of a variety of intricate figures and cavalry drills choreographed to music.



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See you this summer at Moosomin Regional Park

Moosomin Regional Park is nestled in the Pipestone Valley 15 kilometres southwest of Moosomin.

The lake, wildlife, plants, and trees make this park a great spot for swimming, fishing, boating, camping and hiking.

The park features 112 full service RV sites—secluded or beach side, group or drive-through sites. Also available are a variety of tenting and unserviced sites. The park has picnic sites for any size of group, including two sites with large shelters with power and water.

Daily, weekly, monthly, and seasonal rates are available for camping sites. Firewood bundles are also available.

A sewer dump station is available, and there are two boat launch sites and a fish cleaning station with water and power and a wheelchair pier.

Get close to nature. We have picturesque hiking trails with lots of wildlife and beautiful lakeside views.

A large sandy beach and swimming area with sun shelters provides an enjoyable place to spend some of your summer hours. A large playground is available right on the beach for children to enjoy.

The Moosomin Regional Park Store will provide you with a fast food restaurant, and the children will be pleased to know that we have a slushy machine. Try our many flavors of hard ice cream. We offer kid's cones, regular cones, double cones, and waffle cones.

Whether you are meeting your friends for coffee and ice cream, or stopping in for some necessities, this is going to be a friendly place to visit!

A gaming room at the store features a foosball table and arcade games. Adjacent to the store are tennis courts and basketball nets.

Also available at the lake is a laundromat with two

coin operated washers and dryers.

Plans for the "Living Skies - Come Alive" sixth annual fireworks competition are in the making for Saturday, August 1 and Sunday, August 2.

Experience a breathtaking pyromusical fireworks display over the lake water of Moosomin Regional Park. This unique Saskatchewan event is attended by thousands of people each year.

This fireworks event has become a holiday destination for some families. Many phone calls and emails have already been addressed.

Two fireworks teams out of Winnipeg and Regina will thrill you with a show and competition each night—Paradise Fireworks and Canadian Pyro Limited.

The experts tell us that we have the "perfect venue" here at the Regional Park for this caliber of event. The spectators have an exceptional view of the pyromusical fireworks display. The fireworks are shot off from across the lake. "Wow" is what we hear time and time again.

Along with the fireworks, a full weekend of events is lined up. The weekend will feature an inflatable midway, kids games, a flea market, beer gardens, supper both nights at the store, and more.

Gather with family and friends at the park to play, eat and be entertained!

Many campers were in overflow last year, without power or water, but no one was turned away. We ran buses from up on the hill down to the main area. Handicapped visitors were transported also. We also ran a bus from Moosomin out to the lake each night.

You are always welcome at the park. Our staff will do their best to make your time in the park relaxing and enjoyable.

We look forward to meeting you!





We are hosting the Sixth "Living Skies - Come Alive" Fireworks Competition

Saturday, August 1, 2015 & Sunday, August 2, 2015

- The Pyromusical Fireworks Display last year was breathtaking!
- This event will feature fireworks displays from Paradise Fireworks (Regina) and Canadian Pyro (Winnipeg)

The weekend will include activities for visitors of all ages, including inflatable midway, flea market, kids games, beer gardens, suppers at the store, pontoon boat rides and much more!

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The Moosomin outdoor swimming pool is the perfect place for public swimming, lessons, and other aquatic programs.

On a hot summer day, the pool can be found filled to the brim with children splashing and playing and sliding down the waterslide.

The pool has various programs running throughout the summer including several sets of swimming lessons, with the first set beginning June 8. Each set of swimming lessons lasts two weeks.

The pool, which was completely replaced in 1999, is a junior Olympic sized facility with a 102-foot waterslide and a diving board.

Adjacent to the water is the Little Tots Rainforest Waterpark and a covered picnic area.

Ongoing renovations to the Mossomin pool are improving this facility for residents and visitors alike, and the pool can also be rented for events such as birthday parties.

For more information about swim times call 306-435-2346 or visit the Moosomin Parks and Recreation website at www.moosomin.com/parksandrec.







Large indoor pool located in Rocanville

Indoor pools are few and far between on the rural prairies, but the town of Rocanville boasts an indoor pool that any community would be proud to have.

Rocanville's large indoor heated pool is 25 metres long by 12 metres wide with a large deep end and two diving boards. The high diving board is only for the very brave! There is also a pool lift to provide barrier-free access to the pool for those with joint and mobility problems.

The pool is open for various public swim and family swim times over the summer, and also offers lane swimming and aquafitness courses, as well as swimming lessons and lifesaving courses.

The pool can be rented for birthday parties and other events.

For more information on the Rocanville pool contact the Rocanville Rec Office at 306-645-2164 or the Rocanville Aquatic Centre at 306-645-2011.





See you at the pool this summer! We are now open!

The Rocanville Aquatic Centre is the only indoor, heated Junior Olympic swimming pool in the area!

Pool size: 25 x 12.5 metres Two diving boards (1 metre and 3 metre), basketball nets and water sports!

Rentals and birthday party bookings available!

Check us out on Facebook at The Rocanville Aquatic Centre for swim times, lesson dates, and swim courses through the spring and summer or call 306-645-2011

The Rocanville Aquatic Centre

Other great things to do in Rocanville this summer:

- Visit the Rocanville Museum Museum markets held the third Saturday of each month until September 19. Check out the great local vendors and local entertainment!
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Moose Mountain and area

Trees, hills, lakes, hiking trails, campsites, golf courses, restaurants, a casino, and a massive waterslide complex—these are just a few attractions that sum up the Moose Mountain area that has been drawing tourists for years.

Nestled in the trees and hills of the Moose Mountains, Moose Mountain Provincial Park, the resort village of Kenosee Lake, and the White Bear First Nation provide the perfect destination for a summer getaway.

Located less than an hour southwest of Moosomin on Highway 9, the area is an easy drive for a day trip or a weekend.

The area includes: Two excellent 18-hole golf courses, riding stables, a mini-golf facility, a casino with high calibre entertainment, cabarets and bars, a year-round luxury resort, restaurants, a large waterslide complex, and tennis courts. Of course, camping, hiking, and fishing are a given at any provincial park, and Moose Mountain is no exception.

Kenosee Lake has been stocked for those interested in spending a day fishing, and the water level has risen about two to three feet since last fall.

Sixty campsites within Moose Mountain Provincial Park are being upgraded from either non-electric to electric, or from electric to fully serviced. Although these sites will be closed until the renovations are complete, there are still close to 400 campsites within the park.

A new beach change house is also being built in the park.

There are a number of events offered in the park dur-

ing the summer. The events are primarily held for school groups during May and June, and once the tourism season begins in July and August, events are held every day for park visitors. There are a number of special events planned for the summer months, with the July long weekend being especially big.

Some of the student and youth activities include camping, geocaching, orienteering, hiking, and pond studies.

Some of the activities held at the park during the summer include canoeing, kayaking, and hiking. There is also a solar oven in the park which is used for baking as well as kids' crafts.

Within both the resort village of Kenosee Lake, and the town of Carlyle, just down the highway, shopping and services are close at hand.

One of the largest draws to the White Bear First Nation is the Bear Claw Casino, which features regular entertainment, however White Bear also offers cabins, a beach and a lake for tourists who want to make it a vacation destination, as well as a recently renovated hotel at the casino.

Need to keep the kids busy? There is plenty for children to do in the Moose Mountain area. The Kenosee Superslides offer a full water park with everything from kiddie slides to a free-fall plunge. The Superslides are easily a place where you can spend all day long playing in the bright sun and cool water.

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book a tee time, phone the clubhouse

at 306-4355-3511.

About 25 kilometres north of Moosomin on Highway 8, the Rocanville Town and Country Golf Club hosts open fairways and large grass greens for a nine-hole, 3,046-yard, par 35 outing. For more information or to book a tee time, phone 306-645-2640.

Wapella, just west of Moosomin, has a nine-hole, sand green course. Contact the town at 306-532-4343 for

more information.

The Carlton Trail Regional Park golf course is located about 40 kilometres north of Rocanville on Highway 8. Carlton Trail has nine holes on rolling terrain with PGA style grass greens, and is located within the beautiful park which features bird-watching, nature trails, fishing, and swimming. Call 306-534-4724 for more information.

To the south, golfers are just an hour away from the Kenosee Lake Golf Club in the Moose Mountain Provincial Park. Sitting in a 40,000 hectare park on the highest plateau in the southeast, Golf Kenosee is nestled in a forest of poplar, ash, fir, and white birch in Moose Mountain Provincial Park. On a clear day, you might be able to see as far as 50 kilometres from the indoor or outdoor patio of the clubhouse. Eight kilometres down the road from Golf Kenosee is the Bear Claw Casino. Moose Mountain's rugged landscape offers many activities in the great outdoors. Attractions include Kenosee Superslides (waterslides), hiking, horseback riding, tennis

courts, nature trails, camping, and year-round accommodation at the Kenosee Inn. The park is also home to an abundance of wildlife, including waterfowl, beaver, muskrat, bald eagles, elk, golden eagles, and moose of course!

White Bear Golf Course is nearby. When you "Challenge the Bear," you play one of the top-rated courses in Saskatchewan in the scenic Moose Mountains near Carlyle. The 18hole championship track is famous for its white silica sand—

trucked in from Golden. B.C.—and its white birch forest. This soft spike course opened in 1985 and is part of White Bear Lake Resort located near the shores of White Bear Lake.

Both courses are accessible from Moosomin by going south on Highway 8 to Highway 48. Turn west and travel through Wawota to Highway 9 and turn south.

Further east, enjoy a round at Oak Lake Island Resort's 18-hole championship golf course, or head north to charming Sandy Lake for nine holes in the morning, followed up by nine holes in the afternoon on the rolling greens at Elkhorn Resort at Clear Lake.

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Golfing at Pipestone Hills golf course near

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A day at the market

Rocanville's Market at the Museum takes place at the Rocanville Museum the third Saturday of every month. This summer the markets will be held on June 20, July 18, August 15, and September 19.

Vendors come from all over, and everything from food, blankets, jewelry, clothing, and woodworking can be found at the market.

Each month the proceeds from the market go toward a local program within the community that is fundraising to enhance the community.

Clockwise from top: A shot of some of the market stalls inside one of the museum buildings; Rocanville's Kali Lynnes, left, and Melissa Lynnes selling greeting cards to raise money for the Canadian Foodgrains Bank; Some of the woodworking projects created by Frank Paul of Moosomin; Children and parents having fun on the hayride that left from the museum grounds and took a spin around town; Children on the hay cart; Miniature threshing machines—copies of actual machines at the Rocanville Museum—entirely made of wood.











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The park is located a little more than a kilometre north of the village of Welwyn along the 600 Grid Road that leads to PotashCorp Rocanville.

It includes Welwyn Lake, a reservoir open to swimming, fishing, and boating, and 20 campsites on a hill just south of the lake.

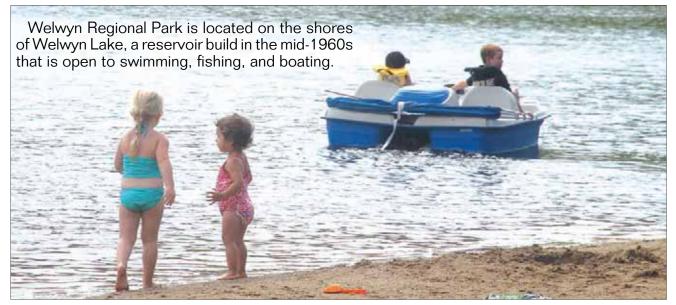
The lake was built with the damming of Beaver Creek in the mid-1960s. Welwyn Lake is fed by springs and

run-off coming from the west. In the past, anglers have caught pike and perch there.

The park is well treed with poplar, oak, willow, and birch trees, while hazelnuts, saskatoon bushes, chokecherries, and cranberries have been found along the banks of the reservoir.

During one week over the summer, swimming lessons are provided at the park with a registered instructor.

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Golfers Porter Skulmoski, above, and Monty Driver, below, at Pipestone Hills Golf Course.

Golf events coming up across the region this summer

There are a number of golf tournaments being hosted throughout the summer around the Moosomin area.

Pipestone Hills Golf Course south of Moosomin is hosting the Oilmen's Golf Tournament on Friday, June 26, the Moosomin Fire Department Golf Scramble on Saturday, July 11, the Mini British Open on Saturday, July 18, and the Ladies Golf Tournament on Saturday, July 25.

The first tournament at Carlton Trail Golf Club, the Couple's 4-Ball Scramble, is scheduled for May 24. The Men's 27 Hole Shoot-Out is then planned for July 11, the Junior's Open for August 11, the Senior Open for August 13, the Club Championship for August 15, the Couple's 2-Ball Scramble August 16, the Ladies Open September 13, and to wind up the season, the Member's Wind-up on September 20.

The Virden Wellview Golf Course is also hosting a number of tournaments throughout the summer. The Men's Spring Tournament is being held on May 23, June 6 is Sunrise Credit Union, June 16 is Ladies Spring Tour, June 27 is the Royal Canadian Legion, July 18 is Virden Oilman's, August 7 is Kiwi invite only, August 9 is Ladies Evening, and August 20 is Senior Mixed.

The Rocanville Town and Country Golf Club is holding a Mixed Golf Night one Wednesday each month. The dates for this golf night are June 17, July 15, August 19, and September 9, all at 5:30 p.m. Rocanville Golf and Country Club's 14th annual Spring Swing Classic will be held on May 30 with 8 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. tee times.

On June 6, the Zone 4 Royal Canadian Legion Golf Tournament will take place at the Rocanville Town and Country Golf Club. This tournament is exclusive to legion members.



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Lots to do in the summer in southeast Saskatchewan and southwest Manitoba

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From fishing, boating, camping and swimming to golf on great courses to hiking and quadding through valleys and fields, there's something for everyone in Southeast Saskatchewan and Southwest Manitoba.

There are beautiful parks and wilderness areas, and attractions throughout the area. From Moosomin Re-

gional Park, which offers boating, fishing, swimming, camping and hiking, to the beauty of the Qu'Appelle and Pipestone Valleys, to the tiny gem that is Welwyn Regional Park, to the beautiful lake at Riding Mountain National Park, to the waterslides at Moose Mountain Provincial Park, to Round and Crooked Lakes in the Qu'Appelle Valley, to the serene beauty of Oak Lake Island, you shoudn't be bored.

There are excellent golf courses throughout the area, from the nine-hole Pipestone Hills Golf Club nestled in the hills of the Pipestone Valley just south of Moosomin to immaculate 18-hole courses at Oak Island, and Clear Lake.

In the Moose Mountain Provincial Park area there are two great golf courses—Kenosee and White Bear.

In Western Manitoba, in addition to Clear Lake, there is an excellent course at Shilo, just east of Brandon, and the Virden Wellview Golf Course is one to check out as well.

Every community includes its own attractions. One of the new unique attractions in the area is Westwood Ranch and Garden Centre near Elkhorn, Manitoba, which includes a small zoo of very interesting animals.

For the history buff, there are some unique museums and attractions in the area. Elkhorn has a unique attrac-



tion in the Manitoba Automobile Museum, with a huge collection of antique autos from several decades. Rocanville has a large and extensive musuem open seven days a week. Many communities have well-kept museums to preserve their past.

Throughout the area, a wide range of events keep people busy and having fun all summer long.

One of the largest events of the summer is the Living Skies Come Alive fireworks

competition, which attracts thousands of visitors to Moosomin Regional Park for the August long weekend. The event features two nights of fireworks by Paradise Fireworks of Regina and Canadian Pyro from Winnipeg. The fireworks are shot off across the lake from the main beach. The weekend includes a full slate of activities for the whole family.

Rodeos are a big attraction in many communities, with the entire community getting involved in putting on the rodeo, in some cases. The Moosomin Rodeo is set for July 3 and 4, and the Moose Mountain Pro Rodeo is set for July 18 and 19 at Kennedy.

Museum days are big events in both Elkhorn and Rocanville. The Manitoba Automobile Museum opens its doors to the community on July 1 each year, and the event always includes a parade of antique automobiles and a threshing demonstration. Rocanville's Museum Day includes threshing demonstrations and much more. It's coming up September 12 this year.

Small communities love their summer fairs, and two of the popular fairs in the area each summer are the Elkhorn Fair on July 21 and Mayfield Fair on July 23.

Those are only a few of the events and attractions that make southeast Saskatchewan and southwest Manitoba a great place to spend some time this summer!





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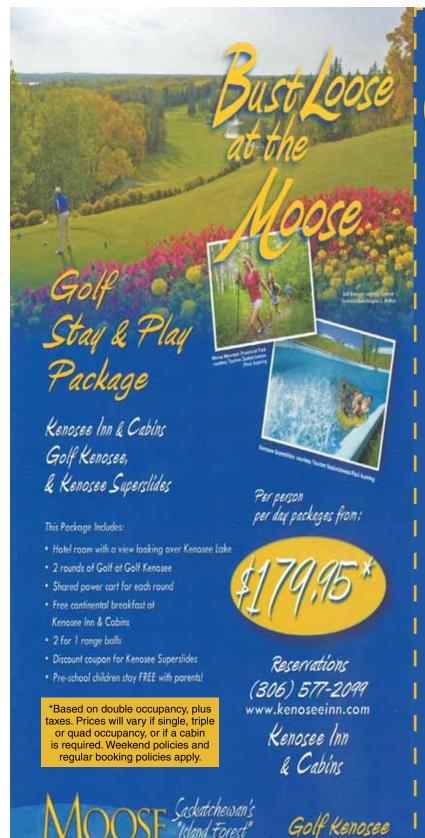


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Discover Prairie history at Moosomin Museum

The Moosomin Museum is a perfect space for any history buff to check out just a few of the historic items of southeast Saskatchewan.

The museum is located just off Park Avenue in Moosomin—stop in for a trip to the past!

The museum features history from Moosomin and the surrounding area with two old churches, antique automobiles, and a shop with vintage artifacts to display.

According to Museum President Dennis Barry, "The artifacts range from old farm equipment to furniture originally built in Moosomin, and various others."

In addition to the collection of quality vintage vehicles, there is also an array of old farming machinery—including tractors and combines—as well as a 1940s Fudge snowplane. Manufactured in Moosomin, the Fudge snowplane was a sedan on skis, powered by a propeller.

Inside, you can check out many historical relics including photos, Second World War gear, classic books, hospital equipment, military items, and uniforms.

All items have been donated by members of the com-

There are a few new things to see at the museum this year, including a collection of five old Massey Ferguson tractors that were recently donated.

The museum plans to continue to expand by collecting more artifacts, getting some more buildings, and changing and adding displays within the main building.

This year the museum hopes to include a few summer

events, including a vintage tractor meet in July or August and a family day with a barbecue.

The museum is open from July 2 to September 2 Thursday to Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. or by appointment.

Anyone interested in seeing the museum can also contact Dennis at 306-435-7604.



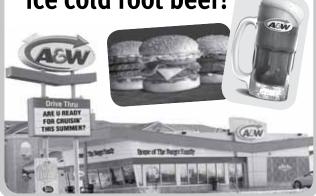
The old McLaughlan sedan at the museum.





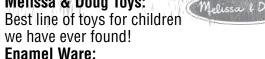
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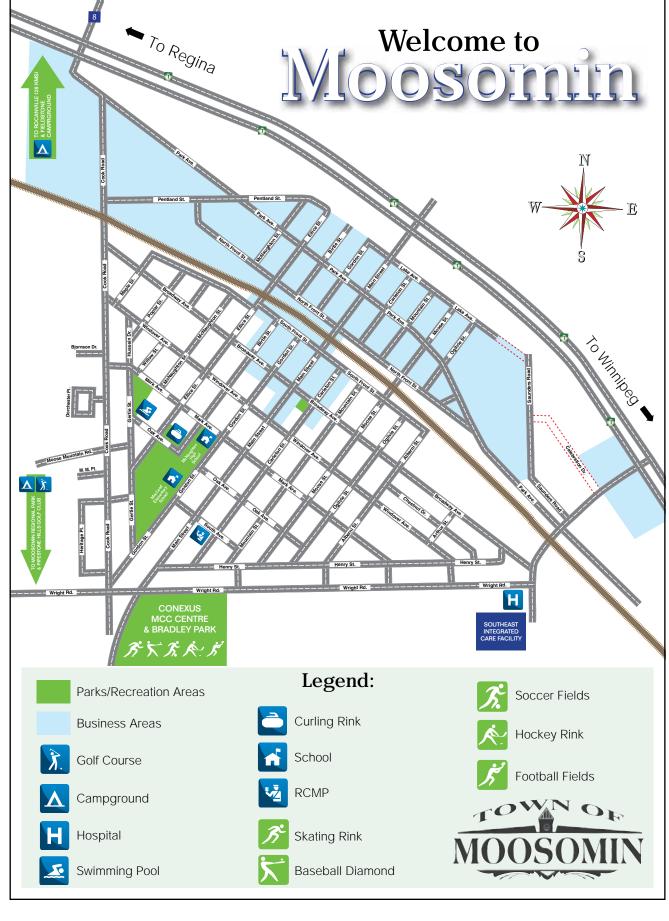


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The Moosomin Museum features two old churches, an early SaskTel switchboard, and beautiful McGuirl furniture which was crafted in Moosomin. A 1940s Fudge snowplane, which was built in Moosomin, is one of the museum's most treasured pieces, as is a line of old, restored Massey tractors.

Anyone looking for a tourism experience out of theordinary will get just that with a stop at Old George's on the Trans-Canada by Whitewood. Taking the famed "five-dollar tour" is like having a whole century of history thrown at you all at once. The home of a dedicated antique-collector and historian, the museum houses a wide range of unique and fascinating items. A lovingly restored historical village, behind the mansion, awaits your exploration.

One of the best kept and most diverse museums in the area is located in Rocanville, Sask. Just a 15 minute drive north of Moosomin on Highway 8, this museum has a number of historical buildings, from an old schoolhouse to a blacksmith shop, set up as if they are still operating. This museum also hosts a monthly market complete with entertainment the second Saturday of each month over the summer months. It's a great way to spend a summer day!

While travelling in the Moose Mountain area, be sure to stop in at the Wawota and District Museum. The museum has four buildings with displays, including a military display, a drug store and doctor display, agriculture displays, and much more. The museum also hosts a plethora of activities over the spring and summer.







Top left: Rocanville Museum Market

Left and right: Old George's museum and hidden village

Below left: Wawota and District Museum.

Below right: Moosomin Regional Museum







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Walk through history at Rocanville Museum

For those interested in prairie history, you won't be disappointed with a stop at the Rocanville and District Museum. This large agricultural museum boasts an extensive collection of gas and steam engines, a restored CPR station, a school building, general store, an old church, and antique farm machinery and tools.

The museum also sells the famous Symons Oilers as souvenirs. Based out of his machine shop in Rocanville, Ernie Symons sold his oilcan, the Symons Oiler, throughout North America and around the world. Starting with his first 24 oilcans in 1924, production reached its peak during the Second World War. In 1943, Symons delivered 65,000 of his oilers to the Department of Defense for use on military vehicles, including ships, planes, and submarines. With 32 workers on the job that summer, he usually had orders for 50,000 to 60,000 units to be filled.

Working in the blacksmith shop he opened in his late teens, Symons' career took on a different look when a neighbor gave him three oilcans in 1921. With none of the units working, Symons set out designing an improved model.

Based on the design of the cans he was given, Symons made changes and improvements until he was satisfied with the results. The key to the new pump design was

that the spout was attached to the plunger and moved with it.

Symons then spent \$500 securing patents in Canada, the United States, Great Britain, and France. Containers of different sizes with different features were added in later years. With its "wire fence" handle and trademark design, Symons developed an oilcan that is still considered the standard by many today.

On display at the museum are steam engines, threshing machines, stoves, washing machines, grain crushers, chinaware, small personal items, household items, tools, switchboards, First Nations artifacts, military items, school desks, and many other items of former years.

Rocanville Museum also hosts a Museum Day every year to help with finances. This year Museum Day is being held on September 12, starting with a pancake breakfast and ending with a barbecue beef supper.

Demonstrations of pioneer life will be held throughout the day, and there will be entertainment and a threshing demonstration in the afternoon.

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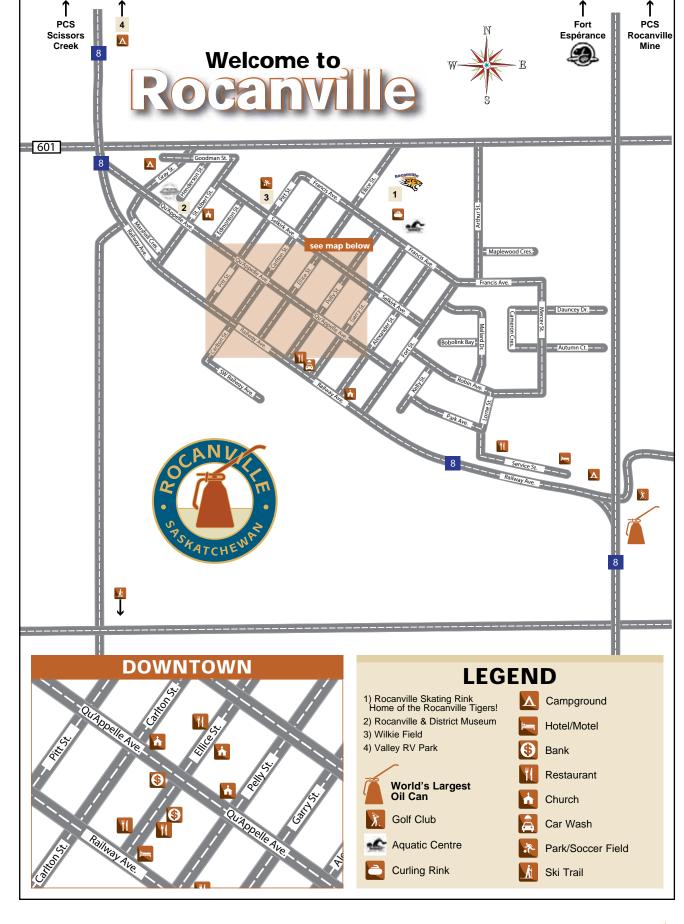
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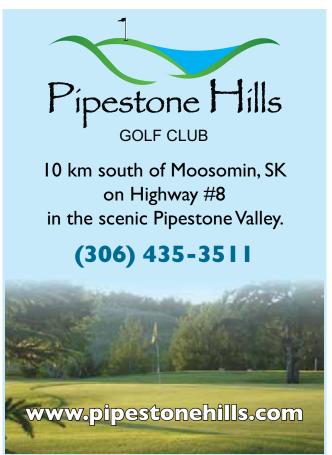
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"People come from all over," said rodeo committee president Tye Cancade. "We've had people from England, Australia, and New Zealand. We've had people from all over the world basically. Each day anywhere from 1,500 to 2,000 people come."

The rodeo competitors come from all over the world as well.

"They come from all over Canada, the U.S., Australia, and New Zealand," said Cancade.

Derek McMillan of the rodeo committee said that a lot of the cowboys who compete at the Calgary Stampede follow up that event on the "eastern swing" of pro rodeos in Saskatchewan and Manitoba—Maple Creek, Kennedy, and Morris, Manitoba.

"We catch a lot of people going back to the States," he said, "We've had a lot of the top cowboys from the Calgary Stampede. We get a good turnout of cowboys and they're the cream of the crop."

"A lot of the cowboys are from smaller places and they like coming out to a small-town rodeo after the stampede," he continued.

The Kennedy Pro Rodeo is one of only four pro rodeos east of the Saskatchewan-Alberta border, and only one of two in Saskatchewan.

"Any profits we make we try to put back into our

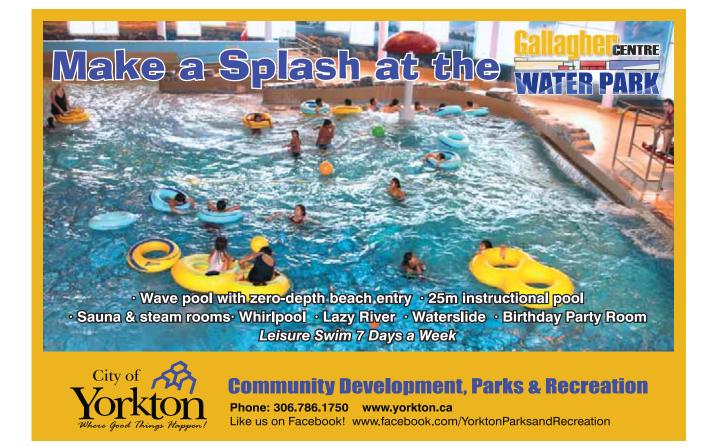


community," said Cancade, "It takes probably 100 or 150 volunteers to put on something like this," said Cancade.

There are many events that go on at the rodeo. "There are six major events," said Cancade. "There's saddle bronc, bareback, bull riding, ladies' barrel racing, tie down roping, and steer wrestling."

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Six years ago, Mark Humphries and his wife decided to move their family from England to a farm in rural Manitoba to raise cattle and sheep. Today, there's more than sheep and cattle—there are animals from around the world.

"My son and daughter, my wife and I have been building a petting zoo here at Westwood Ranch and Garden Centre," said Humphries.

"At this moment, we have zebras, lemurs, an emu, miniature donkeys and horses, budgerigars, and three types of pheasants. We also have

chickens, sheep roosters, quails, pigeons, wallaroos, peacocks, several kinds of rabbits, royal swans, guinea pigs, tortoises, horses, and llamas."

Though it's the Humphries' first time setting up a zoo in Manitoba, it's not their first time doing so on a farm. After meeting his wife, who was a show rider, they set up a petting zoo on her family farm in England in the 1980s.

"At first, we started a riding school, then we went to a petting zoo, then a full-blown zoo, and then into a college site, where we taught animal care courses," says Humphries.

When the Humphries sold the property in 2008, they had all the animals they have now, plus three types of primates, monkeys, reptiles and small cats, and every large bird of prey.

Westwood Ranch and Garden Centre is located southwest of Elkhorn, Manitoba just off the Trans-Canada Highway south of Kirkella, near the Manitoba-Saskatchewan border.



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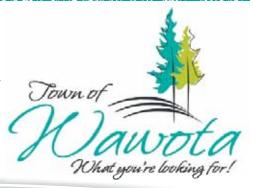
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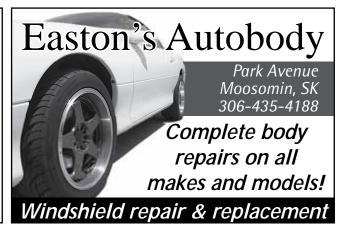
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In the late 1880s the CPR constructed a branch line in the area, but it was further south than expected, and still left the village 16 kilometers from the line. Together, the distance from the CPR, as well as the lack of farming experience of the settlers began to take its toll on the community and Cannington Manor was completely abandoned by 1900.

At Cannington Manor the first stop is the visitors centre which houses displays introducing visitors to the people and history of Cannington Manor. There are five furnished buildings in the park as well as the original All Saints Anglican Church.

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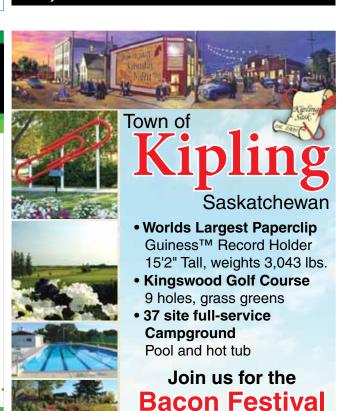
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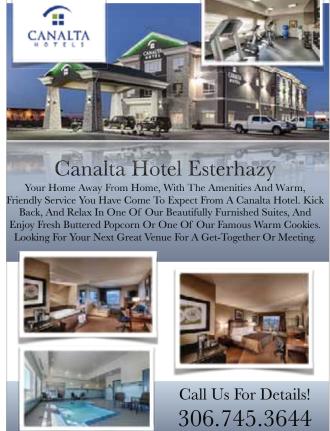


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