Whitewood, Grenfell & Broadview

# Tourist Guide



Your Guide To Information, Events and Attractions in Whitewood, Broadview, Grenfell & Surrounding Area



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# **Grenfell – A Peaceful yet Vibrant Prairie Town**

Grenfell is a peaceful, friendly town located at the intersection of Highways 1 and 47. Pioneers first settled the area in the late 1800s. The community received town status in 1911 and has continued to grow, now boasting a population of nearly 1,100 people.

This small town has lots to offer. Travellers passing along the Trans-Canada Highway can enjoy a convenient stop at the tourist booth, which includes a fenced dog run. The booth itself is a miniature version of the grain elevators typical of the surrounding area.

Visitors who wish to stay a little longer can find accommodations at the motel or the campground. They can enjoy a relaxing afternoon at the pool or play a round of golf before heading over to one of the locally owned restaurants. Friendly staff provides customers with Chinese and Canadian family-style meals at reasonable prices.

Grenfell is a vibrant community with many amenities to meet the needs of visitors and residents alike. There are financial institutions, a lawyer's office and other professional services in the centre of town. Hard-

ware and automotive stores, a grocery store, and a variety of other businesses and small shops make it easy to "shop local" in Grenfell.

The library is open

The library is open regularly and is a valuable resource for both residents and visitors. It has an excellent selection of books, as well as other multimedia materials.

There are several churches in town and numerous clubs, which appeal to a variety of hobbies and interests. From quilting groups to the Lions Club or the



Local veterans are part of the an- variety of hobbies nual Canada Day parade held in and interests. From Grenfell. quilting groups to

Wildlife Club, there is something for everyone in Grenfell. Whether you prefer golf, curling, dancing, skating, hockey, baseball or soccer, Grenfell has something for you.

Throughout the year, there are festivals and special events to enjoy. Check out the Car Show and Pinewood Derby on June 3. Observe the rich culture of the First Nations at the Sakimay Pow Wow June 22 to 24. Join the celebration of Canada's birthday with a parade and many other activities on July 1. Enroll your kids at day camp or swimming lessons during July and August. Attend the annual Agricultural Fair and Trade Show in



The tourist booth in Grenfell is a miniature version of a grain elevator, once common sites in every town along the prairies.

September or the Grenfell Community Players' dinner theatre in December.

There is plenty to do in this peaceful prairie town. Just like the slogan says: "Grenfell's Got It!"

For more information about the town, go to www.town-ofgrenfell.com or call the town office at 306-697-2815.

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# **Grenfell Recreation & Sports**



The swimming pool at the Grenfell Regional Park (GRP) is a great place to relax, cool off and have fun during those hot summer days.

Grenfell has a lot to offer anyone who enjoys an active lifestyle. No matter the time of year, opportunities to exercise and enjoy the great outdoors abound.

When the air turns cold, curling and skating clubs hold regular meetings and bonspiels. Weather permitting, the Snowdrifters snowmobile club hosts an annual derby where participants can explore 75 kilometres of groomed trails. The club also maintains two warm-up shelters along these trails.



The Grenfell Gems men's fastball team plays games weekly throughout the summer at the Grenfell Regional Park. the summer, in addition to the public swim times. A day camp is also available at the

After the snow melts, the Grenfell Recreational Park (GRP) provides visitors and residents many ways to relax and play. The GRP is a great place to gather for a family reunion, to play a round of golf, or simply to relax in a shady campsite.

The park features a campground with a large heated pool and a playground. The pool opens June 1 with swimming lessons scheduled throughout the summer, in addition to the public swim times. A day camp is also available at the park from July 9 to 20

and July 30 to Aug. 10. The children can participate in games, crafts, field trips and daily swimming.

An arena, two baseball diamonds and a nine-hole golf course are also located at the GRP. The golf course

is well maintained and includes a clubhouse for players to use. Spectators can watch the Grenfell Gems play at the newly refurbished ball diamond or cheer on the Grenfell Spitfires at the arena. The Spitfires Hockey Club was established more than 60 years ago and was the proud winner of the Qu'Appelle Valley Hockey League championship in 2017 and 2018.

So grab your golf clubs or your skates and head on over to Grenfell for some family fun — it's worth the trip.



The arena at the GRP is home to the Grenfell Spitfires, the current champions of the Qu'Appelle Valley Hockey League.



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# **Grenfell Museum & Cenotaph**

Step back in time as you pass through the doors of Grenfell's Adare Museum.

The museum is located at 711 Wolseley Avenue and was originally built by Edward Fitz-Gerald in 1904 as a private home for his family. It was converted to a museum in the early 1970s and is now a popular attraction, hosting 300 visitors each year. Admission is by donation and the museum is open June 29 through Aug. 26 from Friday to Sunday, 1 to 5 p.m. Weekday and off-season appointments can be made by calling 306-697-2839.

A knowledgeable guide shows visitors around the Adare house, sharing stories about the people who lived there and the artifacts now on display.

A large cook stove, an icebox, and many interesting gadgets can be seen in the kitchen. An antique phone hangs on the wall outside the pantry. The parlour contains a square grand piano from 1890, still in working condition. A photo of Mr. Fitz-Gerald keeps watch from the mantle over the fireplace.



The table in the next room appears ready for an intimate dinner party. The smoking room adjacent to the dining room has been converted to a library and is an excellent place for visitors to research families from the area. It also includes photos and information about famous Grenfell residents such as William J. Patterson, Sir Richard S. Lake, and Paul Acoose. A curved staircase leads from the parlour to the second floor of the house.

which features five bedrooms and a bathroom. A brass bed is the focal point of the master bedroom and several old fashioned dresses hang in the closet.

After exploring the house, the tour continues through the annex. This large building is filled with several more displays, including an entire room devoted to Canadian military memorabilia.

Visitors can complete their trip down memory lane by taking a short walk up the street to the Grenfell Cenotaph. The granite pillar was erected to honour soldiers from both World Wars. An inscription on the front reads, "Sacred to the memory of these men of the Grenfell District to whose supreme sacrifice this memorial is dedicated."

Beside the large pillar stands a smaller cenotaph that honours soldiers from the nearby Baring District. These monuments are situated in the middle of a pretty flower garden with benches where visitors can sit quietly and contemplate the high price paid for our freedom.

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Welcome to...

# Whitewood, Saskatchewan!

# French Count Capital of North America

he area where Whitewood now stands was part of the vast western grasslands once traveled only by First Nations people, white traders, trappers and buffalo hunters. The trails between the valleys of the Qu'Appelle to the north and the Pipestone Creek to the south were followed by people in their Red River carts. These people left many marks in the history of this area. By the 1880s, some hardy settlers homesteaded in advance of the Trans-continental railway that was promised. Many more were also eager to come to the new land

By 1882, the town of Whitewood, Assiniboia, North West Territories, was a major stop on the new Canadian Pacific Railway. The town, named for the clumps of white poplar trees in the area, grew steadily from that time. It was located at the mid-point of the rail line between Brandon and Regina, resulting in Whitewood becoming a major stopping-point for settlement in the area. It was officially incorporated in 1892.

Settlers from many countries made their homes in this area and the multi-national character of the community is visible in the names of its residents to this day. A writer of that era, John Hawkes, was quoted as saying, "Whitewood was in the Eighties (1880's), the most cosmopolitan point in the west. It came to be a saying that one should know eleven languages to do business in Whitewood."

One of the most unusual and glamorous settlements was that of the French Counts of St. Hubert's, headed by Dr. Rudolph Meyer. The goal of this group of fourteen French and Belgian aristocrats was to build a life on the Canadian prairies in the style of the French nobility in Europe. Remains of this settlement still exist and a history of this distinguished era is available at the Heritage Centre located on main street in Whitewood. Many residents of this area are proud of their connection to this 'most romantic settlement in the west.'

# Whitewood Murals

Whitewood's murals have won acclaim for the way they recall the early days in the west. The gigantic Market Day mural located at the intersection of 3rd Avenue and Lalonde Street is a replica of an actual photograph of Whitewood from 1895. The mural was painted by volunteers as a millennium project and is considered one of the best murals in the area.



Whitewood also has four other murals including an early day harvest scene; a view of the Pipestone Valley as seen by the French Counts; a fancy ball in Whitewood organized by the French Counts and an aboriginal scene in recognition of the area's native heritage.

# Whitewood/Chacachas Rodeo

Every summer hundreds of residents and visitors alike anticipate the arrival of the annual CCA/MRCA Whitewood/ Chacachas Rodeo. Now in it's 19th year, the event is held at the rodeo grounds on the east access road to Whitewood and will take place Aug. 10-12, 2018. Along with the regular rodeo, the three days include a junior rodeo, wild pony races, muttin' bustin', beer gardens, pancake breakfast, cowboy church service, kids bouncers, concessions and nightly entertainment. As well, a full sized tee pee is located on site where a number of First Nation demonstrations are held, weather permitting.

# Old George's Museum and Hidden Village

This is where you will see Canadian prairie memorabilia. Historic, 11.6 acre estate features courtyard and 40-building hidden village. 1885 brick mansion has 17 rooms displaying 20,000 museum items and seven rooms housing miscellaneous displays and antique shop.

Nostalgic for the early pioneer lifestyle? Five, rustic oneroom cabins each with wood stove, provide the pioneer overnight experience. No running water, central shower, outhouse. Common cooking area. Situated on Old George's 12 acre estate of historic buildings and antiques.

Located parallel to Highway 1, just north of Whitewood, Old George's is one kilometer west of the junction of Highways 1 and 9. You can't miss the historic home or the eye-catching sign.

# Whitewood Flag Garden

Fourteen flags blow brightly in the breeze as one enters the town of Whitewood from the west off of the number one high-

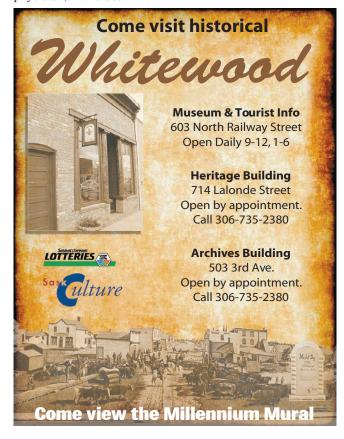
way. This Flag Garden can be seen from the highway and is located at the end of the main street of town (Lalonde Street). It was built to recognize the ethnic diversity of Whitewood and surrounding area. The flags are reminders of the many nationalities that founded the area. The beautiful flower bed that surrounds the flags was built and is maintained by local volunteers.



The area was dedicated in the memory of Lloyd McIntyre, a community leader and volunteer.

# Town Square

The Whitewood Town Square is a beautiful green grass park where many community gatherings are held Located downtown at the corner of Lalonde St. and 4th Ave, the park includes a large gazebo, trees and flowers, benches for sitting, and a stone clock in memory of long-time Whitewood physician, Dr. R. Joomun.



# Swimming Pool & Splash Park

The swimming pool and splash park are located in Larson Park next to the camp grounds, playground, golf course and

ball diamonds. The swimming pool and splash park are open from June to September, weather permitting, and operates daily from 12 to 8 p.m. A grass area is also situated beside the pool where family members can relax and watch or where swimmers can rest before returning to the water. The splash park next to the pool features 10



in-ground water play devices mounted on the sealed concrete surface.

# **Ball Diamonds**

Located in Larson Park are two fenced ball diamonds which are used by local minor ball teams, as well as the local men's fastball team, the Whitewood Falcons. The men's fastball league begin playing following the May long weekend and games are scheduled every Tuesday and Thursday night with an in-town game guaranteed most weeks on a Tuesday night.

# Horseshoes

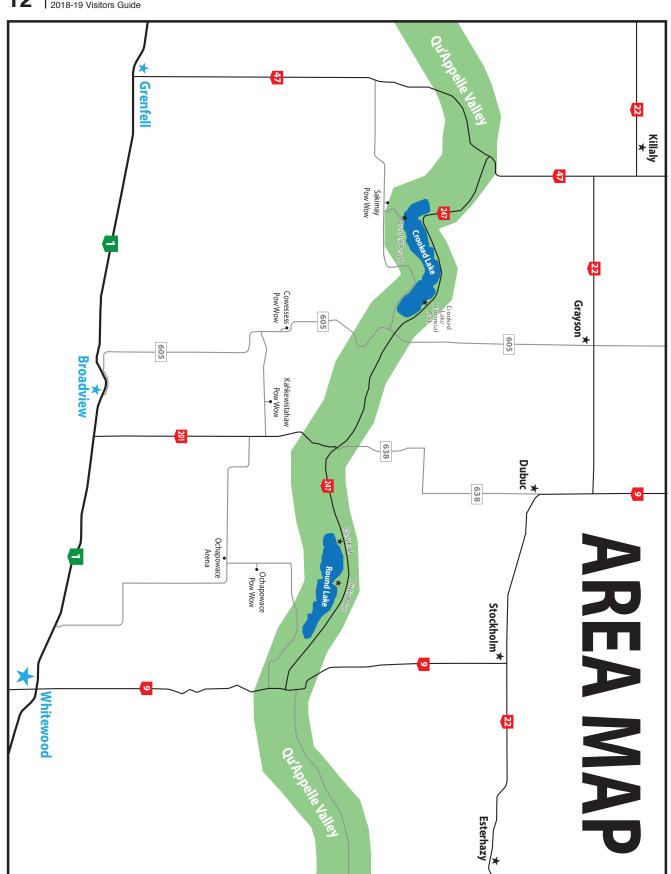
Whitewood will host the 2018 Canadian Horseshoe Championships on Aug. 15 - 18 in the Whitewood Community Centre where more than 300 players will participate to become national champs. The sport has always been popular in the area with Whitewood home to 12 horseshoe pits that are located south of the swimming pool. Weekly games are held every Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. Tournaments are also held throughout the summer and are often a part of reunions or town celebrations. Everyone is welcome to try the sport.

# Playgrounds & Courts

The Conexus Playground is located next to the swimming pool and splash park. Situated amongst many large trees, the various playground apparatus consisting of slides, monkey bars, bouncy animals, swings and merry-go-round provide enjoyable entertainment for children of all ages. There are also nearby basketball and tennis courts which are surrounded by a 20-foot fence. The courts can be used free of charge and equipment is available on-site.

The playground at the school provides not only great entertainment for the children but also provides shelter from the wind. A large multi-activity apparatus is nestled between two wings of the school. There is also a large swing set and a paved basketball court. The playground in accessed from the south side and the basketball courts are located on the east side of the building.





# Whitewood Heritage Centre

In downtown Whitewood you will find the completely restored Merchant's Bank which is home to the Heritage Centre located at 714 Lalonde Street.

This building houses an interpretive display featuring the story of the French Counts of St. Hubert whose aristocrats tried to form the "most glamorous settlement in the west." The Fleur de Lis gift shop is located within the Heritage Centre. It contains local arts and crafts as well as items commemorating the French settlements.

Admission is free and viewing can be arranged by calling 306-735-2380 or 306-735-2210.

# Whitewood Museum

The Whitewood Historical Museum is located at 603 North Railway and consists of five buildings – a main building with artifacts, historical displays; a second building of ethnic items, service clubs and sports displays; the Forrest Farm School with school, household, military displays; an agricultural building with the farming history and a lean-to with displays of early modes of transportation and early Whitewood businesses.

The thousands of artifacts can be viewed when the museum is open from May long weekend until Aug. 31st. It is also available at other times by appointment by calling 306-735-2380 or the Town Office at 306-735-2210.

# Whitewood Archive Building

The Whitewood Archives and Historical Library contains many original documents and pictures from the Whitewood area as well as numerous books that were collected throughout the town's history. The building is located across from the Whitewood Community Centre in the old restored Methodist Church which was built in 1894 and is located at 503 - 3rd Avenue. It is open by appointment by calling 306-735-2380 or the Town Office at 306-735-2210.

# Whitewood Cenotaph

In the very heart of Whitewood lies the Memorial Grounds centered by an impressive cenotaph which was unveiled on July 22, 1922. Surrounded by flowers, lawn and trees in the summer and a silent blanket of snow in the winter, it stands as a tribute to those whose belief in freedom far outweighed their thoughts of self.

The monument is an octagonal column of polished black granite and supports a life-size statue of a Canadian soldier standing at ease, done in white Carerra marble. The statue came from Italy, the base from British Columbia and the dais from Nova Scotia.

At the top of the shaft is etched the names of eight Canadian battles. On four faces of the shaft are placed the names of the men from Whitewood and district who lost their lives in the Great War.



# **Welcome to Broadview!**



The Town of Broadview is a small, rural community budding with pride and blooming with opportunity. Nestled along the Trans-Canada Highway, Broadview offers visitors a break from the fast lane and an authentic Prairie experience. The community is one that is well-loved and well-cared for by its people. Friendly smiles greet familiar and strange faces along the streets, making Broadview feel like home – if even for the night.

The CPR has a special and long history in the community, tracing back to 1882, when the rail line reached Broadview and daily train service ran through town, establishing the community's first settlers. All those years ago, the CPR surveyed a town site and built a four-stall roundhouse, stores, coal dock, station, section house and dining hall in the fall of 1883. While much of the CPR development has vanished, the rail line and bunkhouse are still in place today; Broadview has always been, and continues to be, a divisional point for CPR.

Visitors can stop at the Broadview Museum for a unique glimpse into the beginnings of Broadview. Broadview officially opened its museum on July 15, 1972, as a tribute to the First Nations people and early settlers. The Highland School, CPR caboose, and Indian Log House were among the first exhibits, and still remain today. The museum is home to more than 13,000 artifacts and receives more than 300 visitors per season, which runs June 28 until Sept. 3.

A variety of shopping and services are available to visitors including a new gas and convenience store, grocery store, laundry mat, car wash, auto service centre, pharmacy, and bakery. Visitors can take a bite out of Broadview at one of the community's fine restaurants, or can rest their heads at the local motel.

There are many things to see and do in the community and surrounding area, appealing to those with interests in the arts and culture and those who lean toward sports and recreation. The summer circuit of powwows can be experienced at one of the four surrounding first nation communities; the regional library can offer travellers a place to access Internet, a rest and spot for light reading; and the museum can give a place for adventurers to explore.

Visitors looking for an adrenaline rush or the simple serenity of the outdoors will take special interest in the region's hidden gem, the Qu'Appelle Valley. Located some 20 kilometres north of Broadview, the valley is home to rolling hills and two lakes that set the scene for boating, fishing, swimming, and camping. Campers can also pull in to Broadview's Celebration Park – home to the Lions Campground, Kinsmen playground, ball diamonds, and horseshoes. Those looking to stay a short while, can simply stop at Broadview's Memory Park, less than a kilometre off the highway, featuring a picnic area and play space for children.

The Broadview Library offers e-books, free Wifi, music and movies streaming. Open Wednesday, Friday and Saturdays, the local library has thousands of materials to choose from. A computer offers patrons, and visitors passing through, Internet connection and information about the region.

For more about the Town of Broadview, see the community's website (complete with photos and drone footage) at broadview.ca, or call 306-696-2533.



# **Broadview Museum**



The Broadview Historical Museum's oldest and first exhibit is a reconstructed sod house.

The Broadview Historical Museum is home to a large collection of interesting displays.

"It's more of a hands-on museum with very few things you can't touch," said Ken Bell, the exhibits, research and development co-ordinator. "There are three working antique telephones as well as a working phonograph from 1935 for visitors to try. Visitors can step inside an old-fashioned school and post office or explore a caboose. One of the displays at the Broadview Museum was featured on the Travel Channel's Mysteries at the Museum in January 2018. Don Wildman, the show's host, trav-

els to museums to showcase unusual artifacts. The Broadview segment focused on Sergeant Bill, a goat who served heroically in the First World War.

Sgt. Bill was given to the 5th Canadian Battalion when their train stopped in Broadview in 1914. He was a good luck present from a family in Broadview. The men smuggled the goat to the front lines in France where he made a name for himself saving the lives of three Canadian soldiers and helping to capture their enemies. Sgt. Bill's bravery earned him three medals.



Sergeant Bill served heroically in World War I and is now on display at the Broadview Historical Museum.

He survived the war and was returned to his original owner. After Sgt. Bill's death, he was taxidermied and put on display in Regina. In 2006 he was moved to the Broadview Museum where he can be seen with his medals.



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# Area lakes and Provincial Parks a great family escape

# Round Lake

Round Lake is situated north of Whitewood in the beautiful Qu'Appelle Valley. There are two resorts with public beaches on Round Lake - Bird's Point and West End Resort. Visitors have access to concessions, change houses and camp grounds at both resorts. Swimming, skiing, fishing and boating are all enjoyed on Round Lake.



The public beach at Bird's Point on Round Lake offers a great place for families to enjoy the water and scenery of the Qu'Appelle Valley

# Crooked Lake (Provincial Park)

Also situated in the Qu'Appelle Valley, Crooked Lake is located north of Grenfell. As a larger lake, the fishing, boating and water sports are all enjoyable activities for all ages. It has a provincial campground, as well as resort communities at Sunset, Melville Beach, Cedar Cove, Indian Point and Grenfell Beach. Public beaches and various services such as playgrounds, stores, campgrounds are also provided at these resorts. The shape of the valley at Crooked Lake also makes it one of the top best places in the province for hang gliders. So be sure to keep your eyes to the skies and maybe you will see a hang glider.

Along the eastern side of Crooked Lake in the picturesque



Qu'Appelle Valley is Crooked Lake Provincial Park. Nestled under a canopy of Manitoba maple and poplar, right on the shore of the valley lake, the park has campgrounds, a swimming area, a boat launch, and a playground. The Trans Canada Trail also makes its way through this scenic area. Crooked Lake Provincial Park is located about 20 kms north of Whitewood on Highway 9 and then west for 30 kilometres on Highway 247. Reservations may be by calling 1-855-737-7275 or online at ww.saskparks.net.

# Moose Mountain Provincial Park

One of Saskatchewan's first provincial parks, Moose Mountain Provincial Park is located 55 kilometres south of Whitewood on Highway 9 and is home to the community of Kenosee Lake. Kenosee Lake serves as a central tourist attraction and is home to the Kenosee Superslides. Seasonal recreational activities in and around the lake include camping, fishing, hunting, hiking, cycling, swimming, boating, water sports, cross country skiing, snowmobile riding, horseback riding, miniature golf, and an 18-hole golf course. The area also provides abundant wildlife viewing opportunities such as moose, elk, and many species of birds. Reservations may be made by calling 1-855-737-7275 or online at ww.sask-parks.net.



The Kenosee Lake Superslides are a popular area attraction located next to the Moose Mountain Provincial Park. The attraction also includes a lazy river.

# **DID YOU KNOW...**

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- It is estimated that more than 200,000 anglers take to our waters every year. That accounts for 20 to 25 per cent of Saskatchewan's population.
- Saskatchewan producers grow about 75 percent of Canada's mustard and our country is a world leader in mustard exports.
- Cree is the second most commonly spoken language in Saskatchewan. There are over 20,000 residents who speak Cree. Cree bands are said to make up more than 50% of 74 First Nations in the Saskatchewan area.
- There are more roads in Saskatchewan than in any other Canadian province. So much so that if lined up, Saskatchewan roads could circle the equator 4 times

The Town of Balcarres and the **Balcarres Business Association** 

# welcome you. Enjoy your visit!

# **Coming Events**:

Lions Supper and Auction - April 14 Wheatland Dance Recital - April 29 **Community Garage Sale - June 2** 

(multiple family garage sales throughout the town)

Mud Bogs - June (exact date yet to be determined)

Sports Day - June (exact date yet to be determined)

**Balcarres Craft Show - Nov. 3** 

(for more information contact Holly Lowe, 306-334-2418)

Christmas Hampers - draw dates Dec. 1, 8, 15 and 22 (shop at any one of our local Business Association member businesses and enter your name for a chance to win a hamper)

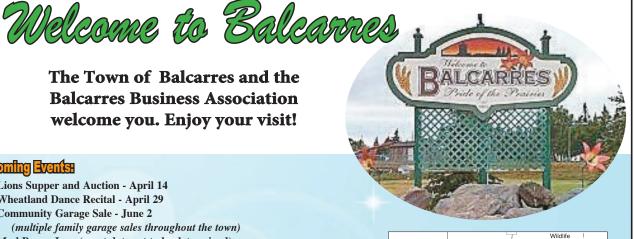
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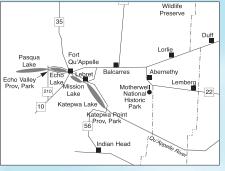
# Affractions

Lions Park - newly renovated play structures in 2018. A supervised area in July and August with activities for the kids.

**Motherwell Homestead -** a 15 min. drive from Balcarres

Katepwa, Echo and Pasqua Lakes - within a half hour drive from Balcarres





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# **Aboriginal Powwow**

For anyone who has never experienced sights and sounds of a traditional Aboriginal powwow, this is one event that you must attend at one of the four local area First Nations. The scene of pomp and pageantry, and the taste of many traditional aboriginal foods, is something you will forever remember.

Powwows have a deep history and meaning for First Nation people. It is a time to meet and dance, sing, socialize, their cultures. The event brings in some and honor

> of the best dancers from across North America who compete for hundreds of thousands of dollars in prize money. Various drummer groups also compete

> > for prize money and the songs and sounds of their beats will surely stick with you for long after you leave the grounds

Each powwow has a grand entry which brings all competing dancers into the arena at the same time. This is the best time to see the elaborate outfits worn by the dancers, which are covered with beads, bells and feathers

and that sparkle and shine in the sun as the dancers move their feet and drummers carry the rhythmic beat.

Routes to local powwow grounds are well-marked and concession booths are open for lunches. Admission to a powwow is free for spectators, just remember to bring your camera. The dates for powwows at local First Nations are:

Sakimay First Nation Pow Wow: June 22-24 Kahkewistahaw First Nation Pow Wow: July 13-15 Cowessess First Nation Pow Wow: Aug. 14-16 Ochapowace First Nation Pow Wow: Aug. 24-26

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# Sask.'s Largest Bonspiel

Every spring, the Whitewood Community Centre hosts the Farmers and Friends Bonspiel, which is the largest curling event held in the province.

The bonspeil attracts 256 curlers, making up 64 teams, who curl 124 games over a four day period. The games are played on nine sheets of ice all located under one roof. To accomplish this feat, the skating arena
The skating arena at the Whitewood sheets of curling ice. in addition to the four sheets located in the curling arena.



Community Centre is converted to 5-sheets of curling ice for the Farmers and Friends Bonspiel.

Since the bonspiel began in 2016, more than \$152,000 has been raised for organizations in Whitewood and the surrounding communities.

The 2019 Farmers and Friends Bonspiel will be held March 21 to 24. For more information contact the Whitewood Recreation office at 306-735-4415.

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# **Grass Green Golf Courses**

#### WHITEWOOD GOLF CLUB

The Whitewood Golf Club is a 9-hole grass green golf course located right in Whitewood in Larson Park. Well known for its large, high quality grass greens and incredibly reasonable prices, Whitewood Golf Club offers a challenging and enjoyable experience that even the most avid golfer will enjoy. A thick growth of trees lining most fairways and strategically placed water hazards add to the challenge of this nine hole course. The golf club includes a licensed clubhouse, driving range and club and cart rentals.

# **GOLF KENOSEE**

Sitting in Moose Mountain Provincial Park, 50 kms south of Whitewood on Highway 9, Golf Kenosee is nestled in a forest of poplar, ash, spruce and white birch. Golf Kenosee measures more than 6,000 yards with four sets of tee boxes at each hole and well-placed sand traps guarding, large, bent-grass greens. This 18-hole resort course puts a premium on straight, accurate shots. Its sheltered fairways are player-friendly, even on a windy day.

#### WHITE BEAR LAKE GOLF CLUB

Considered one of the top-rated courses in Saskatchewan, White Bear Golf is located in the scenic Moose Mountains approximately 70 kms south of Whitewood on Highway 9. The 18-hole championship course is famous for its white silica sand – trucked in from Golden, B.C. – and its white birch forest. This full-length course is suitable for all levels of golfers which also provides full practice facilities, a driving range and putting green. The log clubhouse contains a lounge, restaurant and pro shop that can cater to individual golfers as well as tournaments.

### ECHO RIDGE GOLF COURSE, FORT QU'APPELLE

Echo Ridge Golf Course is situated in the resort town of Fort Qu'Appelle in the heart of the beautiful Qu'Appelle Valley. This nine-hole course offers manicured greens and fairways, a friendly staff, and a comfortable atmosphere. Known for great food and Friday Night Steak Nights, the licensed and newly renovated Upper Deck Restaurant welcomes golfers and public alike. Canadian Golf Magazine rated Echo Ridge Golf Course as one of the best nine-hole golf courses in Canada in 2014, the only course in Saskatchewan to receive this recognition.

#### KATEPWA BEACH GOLF CLUB

Nestled in the hills on the side of Lake Katepwa is the Katepwa Beach Golf Club. Elevated tees provide fantastic views and carts are readily accessible and available for those who prefer to ride through one of the province's most picturesque courses. Adjacent to the Katepwa Beach Golf Club is a wonderful par-3 course with well-maintained grass greens. Playing this course is a great way to spend time with the entire family.

#### CARLTON TRAIL GOLF CLUB

Located eight kilometers north of Spy Hill, SK, Carlton Trail Regional Park Golf Course is a relatively new PGA-style course with grass greens, watered fairways and rolling terrain. The facility includes a driving range, practice putting green, a licensed restaurant, pro shop and has club and cart rentals available.

#### PIPESTONE HILLS GOLF CLUB

Pipestone Hills Golf Club is a 9-hole course located in the picturesque Pipestone Valley south of Moosomin. Rolling hills and elevated tee boxes allow for terrific views of the surrounding valley, the Pipestone Creek, and Moosomin Lake. The club includes a fully-licensed clubhouse that serves excellent food.

#### ESTERHAZY GOLF COURSE

The Esterhazy Golf Course is a 9-hole grass green course that is located on the northeast side of Esterhazy. Sitting on the slopes of Kaposvar Valley, the course offers dramatic elevation changes for a pleasant surprise to anyone familiar with the topography of a typical prairie course. A practice putting green is located on site and clubhouse facilities include a licensed restaurant, pro shop, meeting rooms, and club and cart rentals.

#### MELVILLE GOLF COURSE

The course is challenging, with almost half (eight) of the holes featuring a carry over water, and features treed fairways and a mix of large and small greens. Players have to be extremely careful with the out of bounds areas bordering the first five holes of the back nine. Par for the course is 70.















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# **Potash Interpretive Centre - Esterhazy**

The Saskatchewan Potash Interpretive Centre is unique in Canada; there is no similar centre anywhere in the country, as truly befits Esterhazy as being the Potash Capital of the World!

Conveniently located at the Historical Park, the centre is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and shows the history of potash in the region, and the processes involved in mining the product. The centre is a 1500 sq ft building with interactive displays showcasing the vital and vibrant history and advancements in technology linking a mineral and prairie culture. Geology of the various formations from surface to mine and below are exhibited in a professional and interesting way.

### Flour Mill - Esterhazy

The Esterhazy Flour Mill is the only remaining wood-frame construction flour mill in Saskatchewan and has been designated both a Provincial Heritage Property and a National Historic Site of Canada. It was constructed between 1904 and 1907. James Saunders, of Whitewood, Saskatchewan, was a small operator who serviced consumers in the area that surrounded his mills, by only selling surplus flour for export. Saunders owned mills in both Manitoba and Saskatchewan, including the nearby Whitewood Milling Company in Whitewood, Saskatchewan. The mill is a complete

illustration of period flour milling technology as it still contains almost all of the original equipment.

#### Kaposvar - Esterhazy

Kaposvar Historic Site is a national historic site of Canada located within the Rural Municipality of Fertile Belt No. 183, approximately five kilometres south of the Town of Esterhazy on Grid Road 637. The property features a large fieldstone church completed in 1907, a two-storey fieldstone rectory constructed in 1901, a fieldstone shrine and a cemetery, all on landscaped grounds surrounded by a hedge.

### Railroad Museum - Melville

Located in Melville, SK., this museum features a station that is from Duff, Sask. and was built by the Grand Trunk Pacific Railroad. It is a Type "E" station, one of only 200 stations of this type constructed on the Prairies. The railroad equipment includes: CNR caboose built in February

1957 at the Fort Rouge yards in Winnipeg from a retired boxcar. The Eastern Car Company built the boxcar in 1918. The flat car is CNR #75223 and the steam locomotive is CNR #5114. This is a "Pacific" class locomotive with a wheel arrangement of 4-6-2. It was built in August 1919 in Montreal, Quebec by Montreal Locomotive Works. A Pacific locomotive was used primarily to pull passenger trains however it could be used in freight service as required. It was a relatively light locomotive used on the secondary railroad track; ideal for the branch line of the CNR.

The majority of the exhibits contained within the station include various pieces of communications equipment, from telegraphs, and telephones. There are also records from the Grand Trunk Railway and CNR, including employee records.

#### **Bell Barn - Indian Head**

Built by Major William Bell in 1882, the round fieldstone Bell Barn is one of Saskatchewan's oldest agricultural buildings. Located just north of Indian Head it is all that remains from Bell's attempt to establish a corporate farm in the Canadian West. Built with evenly spaced gun ports around its circumference and a central silo that doubled as a lookout tower the 20-metre-diameter barn could store 4,000 bushels of oats, 100 tons of hay, and housed an office.

This corporate farm was an experiment supported by the federal government of Prime Minister Sir John A. Macdonald, and was officially called the Qu'Appelle Valley Farming Company. Its shareholders were

located in Ontario, but one of them, Major William R. Bell, came west to serve as general manager of the Company.

It was in jeopardy of disappearing from the Prairie landscape. Like so many other agricultural structures from the province's past it was falling apart. Efforts to preserve it had failed due to lack of financial support. With the energy of Saskatchewan archivist and

heritage consultant Frank Korvermaker, the community of Indian Head raised over \$1 million. In 2008 the stone walls were carefully taken down and reconstructed on land donated to the municipality located about 200 metres north of its original site, while still remaining on the 1882 farmyard.

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# Saskatchewan's provincial fish culture station now open for the summer



Trout in the pond at the fish culture station.

# By Rachel Birns

If you're looking for a fun and educational experience for your school group or family while visiting the Calling Lakes you're in luck — the Fort Qu'Appelle Fish Culture Station is now open for the summer season.

As the only fish hatchery in Saskatchewan, stocking fish to enhance public angling opportunities in the province, a tour of the Fish Culture Station is a must during your visit to the Qu'Appelle Valley.

Since its establishment in 1915, the Station has produced over two billion fry, fingerlings and catchable fish for stocking in approximately 200 water bodies across Saskatchewan. Today, the role of the hatchery and its staff in maintaining a healthy fishery remains paramount as angling continues to be an important recreational and economic activity in our province.

Equipped with a hatchery, fry shelter, water filtration plant, workshop, storage building, well water filtration, brood building and concrete ponds the facilities enable staff to raise fish through their entire life cycle from egg to adult stages. Currently the main fish species reared are walleye and a variety of trout.

If you're planning on making a stop at the Fish Culture Station, its on Highway 210 five-kilometres west of Fort Qu'Appelle or two kilometres east of Echo Valley Provincial Park (you can spot us on Google Maps). The Visitor Information Centre provides informative literature, panel displays and educational tours highlighting operations and species raised at the hatchery. Visitors will also be able to view onsite fish stocks. Admission is free and tours can be guided or self-guided.

The hatchery is open to the public from May 1 to Labour

Day. Hours are 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and from 1 to 4 p.m. daily, seven days a week including stat holidays. School and other larger groups should book in advance.

- For more information or to book a tour of the Fish Culture Station, please call 306-332-3200 or send an email to rbirns. swam@sasktel.net
- For ongoing updates on activities at the Fort Qu'Appelle Fish Culture Station, feel free to "like" the Station's page on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/FishCultureStation
- Stocked Waters Guides outlining the locations and species of fish stocked throughout the province can be accessed by following the links on Saskatchewan Environment's website: http://www.environment.gov.sk.ca/



Eggs stored in canisters at the fish hatchery.



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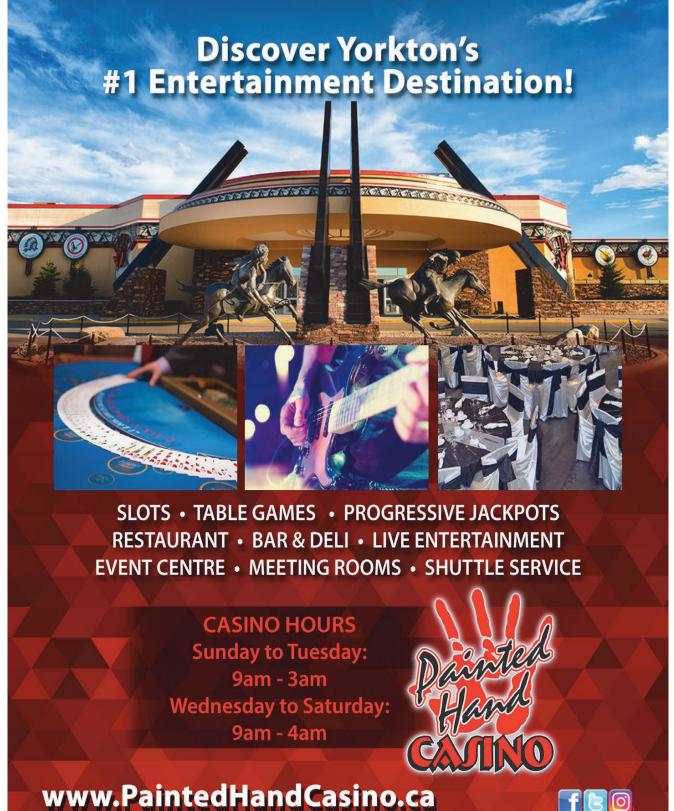
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