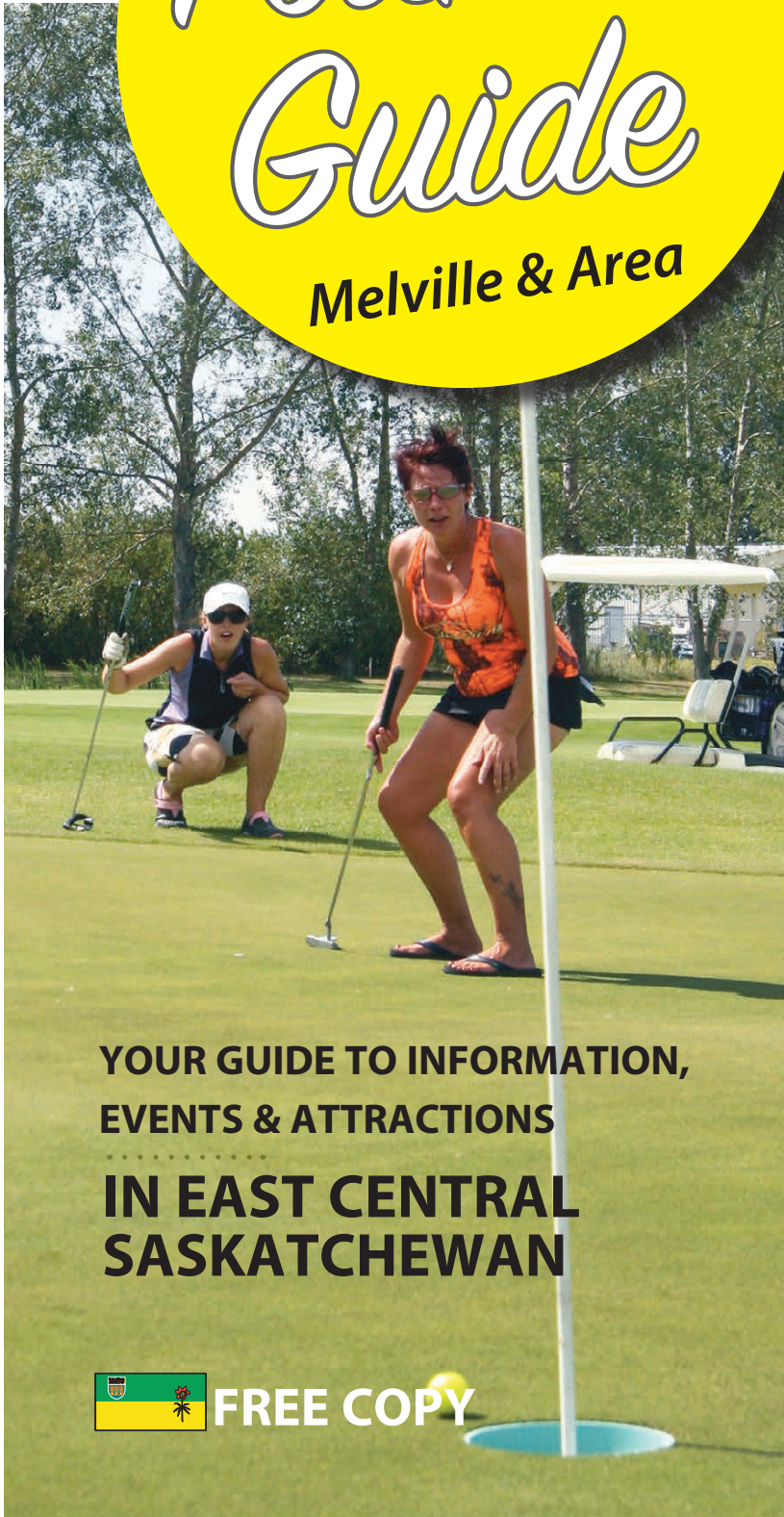




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# Rail line built Melville as transportation hub

Visitors coming to Melville from the south will drive over the overpass and the initial thing in sight is the CN rail yard, the main reason Melville is on the map.

Boasting a population of about 5,000, Melville was first settled with the intention of the location becoming a transportation hub for the Grand Trunk Railway. In the early 1900s the first parcel of land was sold to a Mr. Pope who was a representative of the Grand Trunk Pacific Townsite and Development Company.

In 1908, when the last spike of the railroad was driven, Melville, named after the president of the railway, Charles Melville Hays, became the city Pope had envisioned just a few years earlier and it became the second divisional point on the railway, west of Winnipeg.

This wasn't quite the beginning of the city, now known as Saskatchewan's smallest. One year prior, in 1907, J.W. Regdewick brought a load of lumber from Killaly and built the Pioneer Store and at the same time, 30 blocks were surveyed and staked out with a lumberyard and



**Volunteers are working to restore the old train station to as it appeared in 1908 when the Grand Trunk Railway established Melville in 1908.**

hardware store soon to follow. Lots were selling from \$40 to \$400.

Melville was a bustling community between 1910 and 1914, a four-year span which marked the construction of the first power plant, hospital, the Melville Milling Company, Coal Docks and Luther College. The Melville Millionaires hockey club was also born during this time period and just three years into its existence won the Allan Cup, claiming national hockey supremacy.

In the early years, Melville saw rapid growth in population, jumping from 66 people to 625 and then passed the 1,000 mark in 1909 with town status. The first council meeting was hosted in the office of the city's first newspaper, the Melville Canadian, Jan. 4, 1909. The Queen Street Arena was also constructed that year but fires in 1949 and 1962 spelled its end and marked the construction of the Melville Stadium on Second Avenue but it was also destroyed

by fire two years later and replaced with a second version carrying the same name and used until 2011 when it was replaced with the Horizon Credit Union Centre, a fully modern structure with an ice surface area with a 1,524 capacity, convention centre and city offices.

In 1990, just prior to the city hosting the Saskatchewan Winter Games, another ice surface, the Merv Moore Sportsplex was erected.

Melville is served by the modern version of St. Peter's Hospital, built adjacent to St. Paul Lutheran Home. The 40-bed hospital controlled by the Catholic Health Council.

There are four elementary schools, Davison, Miller, St. Henry's Junior and Senior Elementary as well as one high school, the Melville Comprehensive School. MCS, as its known throughout the community, houses a full complement of student classes including metal, wood and automotive, and is also home to the Parkland Regional College, located on the south end of MCS. The College, affiliated with the Yorkton campus, offers a wide range of classes.

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# Melville Heritage Museum celebrating 35 years

If you're fascinated by artifacts from the past, or want to learn what life was like for Melville and area residents during the early 20th century, then the Melville Heritage Museum is for you.

The museum is open from May 14 until Aug. 25 from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. seven days a week. It is always possible to book a tour of the building during these times. The office manager or two summer students are available to guide visitors throughout the many rooms and floors.

Residents and visitors are invited to attend the tea and open house on Wednesday, May 16 in the afternoon from 2 to 4 p.m. Come sample some tasty tea and dainties, while also taking a tour of the former Luther Academy. To celebrate the 35th anniversary, dress up in your favourite 1980s outfit or in your finest period costume.

The annual tea and fashion show is Aug. 8 at St. Paul Lutheran Home. This is a fun fundraiser for the museum. Melville residents will model some of the many clothing items the museum has obtained over the years, such as wedding gowns, grad dresses, fur coats, fancy hats and swanky shoes.

This particular event is by advance tickets only.

There will be angel food cake with whip cream and strawberries served during the tea. Visitors and residents are encouraged to dress up in period costumes for prizes.

Be sure to take in Culture Days in Melville this fall. The museum will be open for a tour, where you can discover items such as children's toys from decades ago. If your child's nose is always in his phone, these toys will give him a better idea of how children entertained themselves a century ago.

The museum is housed in a sprawling four-storey building that used to be Luther Academy. From the basement to the top floor, there are many rooms with different themes.

For example, in the basement are rooms dedicated to Melville's rail history, the RCMP and early aboriginal artifacts.

On the main floor is a room dedicated to religion, faith and church objects. Many of these items have been donated from around the Melville area. There are pews, iconography, Bibles and old organs.

A fascinating object in the room is a book of sermons from 1721 that were written by a renowned 16th century theologian, Valerie Herburger. The book was printed in Poland, is bound in sheepskin and is in amazing condition for its age. It is one of the gems the

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museum contains.

Down the hall from the church room are two rooms dedicated to military history. There are many stories of residents who fought in both world wars and who served in uniform afterward.

In two glass cases are many model aircraft created by a former resident, Steve Guliak, who was Melville's expert in most things military. From Chinook helicopters to the Avro Arrow to Spitfire airplanes, he crafted many military objects that will amaze everyone regardless of their thoughts on war.

Before his death, museum organizers had planned to videotape Guliak discussing every aspect of the military rooms and every object's background, so great was his knowledge.

In both rooms is literature containing biographies of residents who fought and served overseas.

A well-known Melville resident who enlisted during the First World War is Robert G. Combe, who received the Victoria Cross — the highest military honour — for overcoming enemy resistance during the war. A replica of his Victoria Cross hangs on the wall next to his picture.

On the third floor hangs a quilt that entered the Guinness Book of World Records in 1994. It was considered the largest quilt ever made.



The museum is open from May 14 until Aug. 25 from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. seven days a week. It is always possible to book a tour of the building during these times.

The Melville Heritage Museum has something for every age group, from sports, to children's toys, to farming tools, to recreation, to educational history, to sewing, to music to clothing.

As Canadian author Richard Gwyn said, a people who have no collective past can have no collective future.



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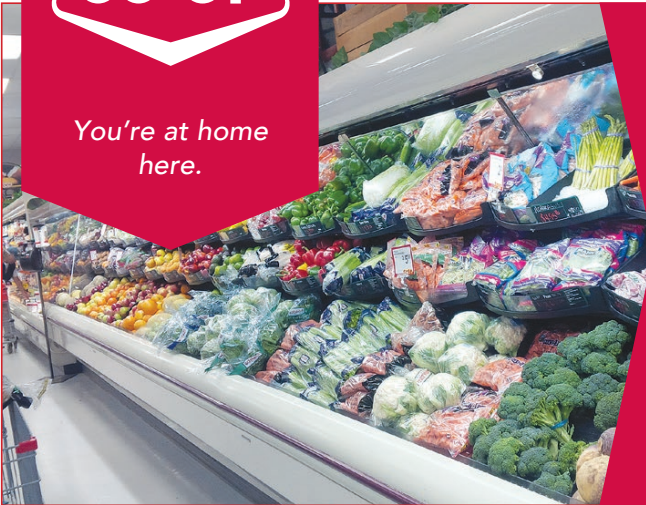
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According to Wikipedia, the first known instance of anyone playing golf with a flying disc occurred in Bladworth, Sask., in 1926.

That's where a group of elementary school buddies played a game throwing tin plates at targets such as trees and fence posts. They called the game Tin Lid Golf and played on a regular basis on a course they laid out on their school grounds.

Once the members of the group got older and went their separate ways, the games came to an end.

Disc golf was re-introduced to Canada in the 1970s with the Canadian Open Frisbee Championships in Toronto.

Perhaps it's fitting that a number of disc golf courses have opened in the area and the Parkland Association of Disc Golf has also been formed and can be found on Facebook.

Melville has an 18-hole disc golf course with tonal targets that will signify a putt being made by sound, while other courses use baskets to catch the flying discs.

Disc golf courses in the area include:

Bredenbury, Sask. Disc Golf Course - (12 tonal)

Carlton Trail, Sask. Regional Park Disc Golf - (9 basket)



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Fort Qu'Appelle, Sask. Disc Golf Course - (9 tonal)

Kemoca Regional Park Course in Montmartre, Sask. (9 homemade basket)

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Lemberg, Sask. Disc Golf Course - (9 tonal)

Melville, Sask. Disc Golf Course - (18 tonal)

Moosomin, Sask. & District Regional Park - (9 tonal)

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GhostBoy swings through Melville on Oct. 25 to play its blend of country, roots and acoustic music.

# Arts council plans entertaining season

The Melville Arts Council is gearing up for another exciting year of entertainment as part of its Stars for Saskatchewan concert series for 2018-19.

All performances take place at Melville Community Works at 7:30 p.m.

**GhostBoy** swings through Melville on Thursday, Oct. 25 to play its blend of country, roots and acoustic music. GhostBoy is composed of Aaron Young and Denis Dufresne.

Have you ever watched Lady Gaga, Kelly Clarkson, Garth Brooks or Justin Bieber and been able to name the members in their band? The unknown heroes behind some of the most popular acts could be considered a GhostBoy. Here we have just that.

Dufresne and Young — two multiple award-winning session and live players — met at 19 years old and had toured the world before age 22. World Instrumental Music was the genre and by the time they reached 25, had been played on every PBS station, documentaries and was part of The Hottest Fiddle Show in the World as dubbed by the Walt Disney Corporation.

Young later became a sought after guitarist and vocalist in the jazz community in Canada and Dufresne

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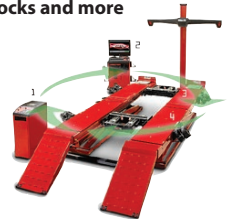
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became a sought after player in the country music genre.

Together again, they are putting their superb playing, vocals and songwriting abilities together as GhostBoy. As country as The Eagles and as rock as Blue Rodeo, the full band has been receiving rousing standing ovations wherever they play.

The next musical act to perform as part of the series is Pretty Archie, which plays in Melville on Saturday, Dec. 1.

**Pretty Archie** is a Canadiana band from Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. Long time friends Brian Cathcart (lead vocals, guitar), Matt McNeil (lead guitar, mandolin), Colin Gillis (harmonica, bass, vocals) and Redmond MacDougall (banjo, percussion, vocals) comprise this quartet.

Always jamming together growing up, they decided in 2012 to form a band. The band chose the name Pretty Archie after a Cape Breton character known for playing with two strings outside shopping malls in any weather and not always — or ever — in key. The guys thought the name Pretty Archie embodied the love of playing and performing music along with representing their hometown.

Pretty Archie pushes the genre lines of folk, bluegrass, country and blues, creating a uniquely Pretty Archie sound. Its latest 10-song album is a collection of its strongest songwriting to date, addressing themes of love, loss, life and the forces that drive all three members.

**Red Moon Road** is the final band of the concert series, performing on Friday, March 15, 2019. It's an impressive, well-choreographed show incorporating impeccable three-part harmonies, a roots drum kit split between two band members, and an acoustic guitar franken-rigged to also be the bass.

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Red Moon Road's different show is equal parts polished songwriting, undeniable musicianship, compelling

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The early bird deadline to purchase a ticket package is June 30. Adults will pay \$55, children would be \$30 and seniors and students would pay \$50. After the early bird deadline, season tickets are \$65, \$35 and \$60, respectively.

Single tickets purchased at the door would cost \$30, \$15 and \$25, respectively.

"It's a bargain to buy a package," said Joe Kirwan with Melville Arts Council. Otherwise, people will pay more if they simply purchase tickets at the door.

The Melville Arts Council usually chooses its artists with the size of the Community Works venue in mind. The average cost for the council to bring in each artist is around \$2,600, said Kirwan.

"The Melville Arts Council's mandate is to promote arts and culture in the community," he said. The event is subsidized if it doesn't make money.

Besides the concert series, the arts council also holds an annual dinner theatre. This year's event is Nov. 15 to 17 at Community Works. The dinner theatre organizers will choose the play before the summer and begin intensive rehearsals in August.



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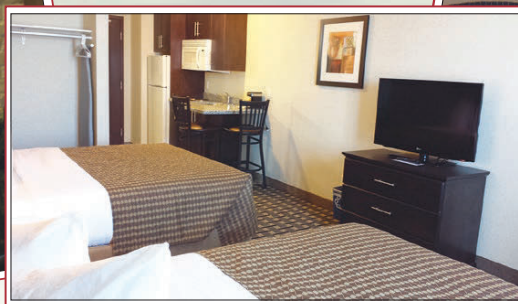
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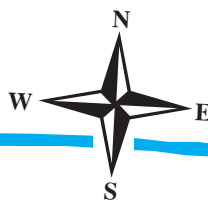
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# Motherwell is a window to early pioneer life

The Motherwell Homestead is the place to be this summer as it gives visitors a better understanding of what life was like in the late 19th century and early 20th century in Western Canada.

A stream of pioneer-farmers moved west from Ontario at the close of the century, seeking a new life on the Prairies. Early Saskatchewan pioneer, W.R. Motherwell, became a community leader whose passion for scientific farming methods took him all the way to parliament as Minister of Agriculture.

Golden fields of wheat shimmer under vast prairie skies. See for kilometres across the flat farmlands, the road outside disappearing into a far off point on the horizon. Join costume-clad workers for a day of labour on the homestead, fresh-baked bread scenting the air.

Jump on a haywagon, as a team of horses, their brasses clanking, bounces you across the freshly cut grass. Join farmhands on a morning milking the cows, watch the chickens come running at the rattle of the feed bucket.

The Motherwell Homestead is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday to Friday from May 21 to June 29 and then is open every day from June 30 to Sept. 3.

Between May 21 and June 29, school groups can book their educational programs and learn about the early 1900s. Some of the programs focus on learning about

how to be a farmer, racing against others to be an early pioneer and settle the land and having "jam pail" lunches the way early farm hands did.

Live a day in the life of a prairie farmer in the early 1900s on W.R. Motherwell's historic homestead,

Lanark Place. The Motherwell Homestead is three kilometres south of Abernethy on Highway 22. Abernethy is 100 kilometres east of Regina on Highway 10.

The federal government has announced that all national parks, marine areas and historic areas across the country are free to enter for youths under age 17. You will need a 2018 Discovery Pass to enter these national sites, such as the Motherwell Homestead, for free. Passes can be ordered at [www.commandesparcs-parksorders.ca](http://www.commandesparcs-parksorders.ca).

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There are numerous tours and programs through the season, all of which can be found by visiting <http://pc.gc.ca/en/lhn-nhs/sk/motherwell/activ/decouverte-tours>.

Mark your calendar for these upcoming events:

- Monday, May 21 is Victoria Day and the day the Homestead opens its door for the season.
- Celebrate 151 years of Confederation on July 1 at the homestead by accessing the site for free with your family and friends.
- If you've never camped before, now is your chance to learn how from the outdoor professionals on July 21 and 22. This event offers the opportunity to learn how to plan and enjoy safe and successful camping trips. Events feature workshops on various camping skills like how to set up a tent or outdoor cooking. Call 306-333-2116 to register.
- The annual binding and stoking day is set for Saturday, Aug. 11. Join the hired hands in the field. Taste warm homemade bread with hand churned butter melting on top.
- Watch the hired men's blacksmith demonstration. Hear the horses' hooves clomp and see a horse-drawn equipment work the fields. Explore the homestead on a wagon ride and smell the fresh-cut hay. Remember to bring your strongest muscles to help churn homemade ice cream!
- Romp around in tennis court and play some Victorian games. There are activities to interest and excite the whole family!
- Be sure to attend the exciting Symphony Under the Sky Festival on Saturday, Aug. 25.

Help close the Motherwell Homestead's season and open the Regina Symphony Orchestra's 2018-19 season in grand style. Join other music lovers for a jam-packed day of activities including threshing demonstrations, the Field to Fork Festival and kids' activities.

The highlight will be Regina Symphony Orchestra's Symphony under the Sky. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets and enjoy a symphonic concert and a cold Bush-wakker-exclusive Motherwell Red Fife Witbier at the homestead. The event goes ahead rain or shine, so come prepared.



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# Area golf courses offer variety of challenges

## Melville Golf Course

After reshaping and re-seeding fairways, as well as working on other areas damaged by the 2024 flood, the busy and popular Melville Golf Course is now playing on all fairways.

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 careful with the out of bounds areas bordering the first five holes of the back nine.

Par for the course is 70.

## 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.

## 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.

It 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.



Golfers have a number of tournaments to choose from over the summer, including the Big Hole Big Lake fundraiser in August to build a lake in Melville Regional Park.

## Indian Head Golf and Country Club

The Indian Head Golf and Country Club is a course that's ideal for golfers of any skill level.

The nine-hole course features gently rolling fairways bordered by a variety of towering, mature prairie trees.

## Other area courses

Another area course getting a facelift is **Last Oak Golf and Country Club**.

The popular course, located in the Qu'Appelle Valley near Crooked Lake saw extensive damage from floodwaters in 2014

and re-opened last season.

**Esterhazy Golf Course** is nestled in the picturesque valley between a residential area to the south and farmland to the north. The Esterhazy golf club offers both season memberships and green fees, and the Clubhouse is fully licensed.

**Whitewood Golf and Country Club** is a nine-hole, grass green golf course.

Well known for its high quality grass greens and incredibly reasonable prices, Whitewood Golf and Country 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 that features a licensed restaurant, pro shop, club rentals, power and pull cart rentals and a driving range.

**Neudorf Golf Course** features three par-3 holes, five par-4 holes and one par-5.

The sand green course is well maintained and popular for its natural atmosphere. The course has the added attraction of being a quieter, less-rushed course where parents can bring their kids to golf, and no tee-times are needed.

Yorkton also has a couple of 18-hole courses: **Deer Park Municipal Golf Course** and **York Lake Golf and Country Club**.



## Melville & District Donors Choice Appeal

### Supporting Community

19 local charities fundraising together to deliver human service programs to meet community needs.

For a complete list, go to: [melvilledonorschoiceappeal.com](http://melvilledonorschoiceappeal.com)

## Donors Choice Annual Campaign

Between **October 1 and the 15**, volunteers canvass the Melville & District area for donations.

Donations are **received** up until the **December 31**.

**Drop off donations** at the **Horizon Credit Union, BMO Bank of Montreal, or the Royal Bank in Melville.**

Donations can also be made online, or mail to: **Box 365 Melville, SK S0A 2P0.**

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# Welcome to Balcarres

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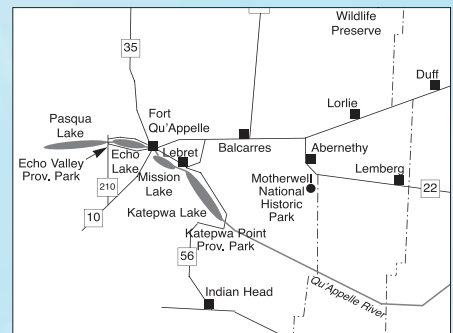


## Coming Events:

- 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)

## Attractions:

- 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



## The Balcarres Business Association members include the following:

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# Lebret Art Show brightens valley with colour

Paintings and original artwork will fill the walls of Sacred Heart's basement as part of the Qu'Appelle Valley Artists Lebret Art Show July 14 and 15.

It will be the 47th year for the show and its popularity hasn't decreased. People from all over Saskatchewan come to view local creativity and purchase whatever catches their eye.

Judith Hershmillier has been a member of the Lebret artist community for more than 20 years and she started oil painting as a teenager.

"When we moved to Melville I took a course in acrylic and that to me was almost like oils. I'll always be an oil painter. Now acrylic works for me



**People from all over Saskatchewan will come to view local creativity and purchase whatever catches their eye at the Qu'Appelle Valley Art Guild Show and Sale held in Lebret on July 14 and 15.**

because it looks like oil. That's where I'm going because it's healthier. You're not working with turpentine and linseed oil and smelling all that," she said in a previous interview with Grasslands News.

Two years ago, the show changed its hours to 10

a.m. to 5 p.m., opening earlier and since it was so well received, the group decided to keep it that way.

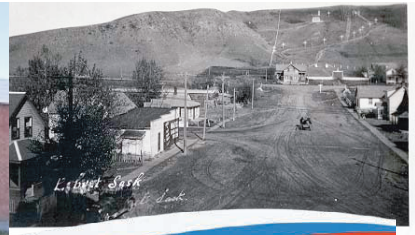
"(The show) brings out the creativity in people, not only the painters but the people who enjoy the paintings. There are people who have come here for many,

many years because they know it's an annual event and they can get their fix on all the art we have to offer in the valley," Hershmillier said.

The show wouldn't be such a success without the visitors and Hershmillier extended a big thank you.

"I would just like to thank people that have come over the years and supported us, because without them, we can paint and feel our inner fulfillment but we need somebody to come and say 'good job' and I'm glad that they've come and supported us all these years."

The art show will take place in the basement of Sacred Heart Church on July 14 and 15 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.



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Few areas of Saskatchewan are as scenic as the Qu'Appelle Valley and a great example of its splendour is **Crooked Lake Provincial Park**.

The area features mixed prairie grass, groves of trembling aspen and patches of green ash — and of course, the lake itself.

The park is a Saskatchewan paradise from which to visit, explore and experience the breathtaking natural beauty, history and many activities in the Qu'Appelle Valley. Visitors can choose from camping, picnicking, fishing or water-related activities, golfing at Last Oak Golf Course three kilometres southeast, self-guided hiking, bicycling and photography.

Nearby beaches on both Crooked Lake and Round Lake are perfect spots for sun worshippers to work on their tans.

The day use area may be used for a picnic, a family barbecue and game of softball, or a variety of other activities as it is equipped with picnic tables, fire pits and a playground structure for the kids.

If boating is part of your plans there is an excellent launch with a fish filleting building for successful anglers. Public boat docking is also available.

Crooked Lake Provincial Park features electrified campsites and basic sites. To accommodate groups, the park boasts semi-private, non-electrified campsites and

spacious tenting area. Reserving a site is now easier than ever with the user-friendly online reservation system at [www.saskparks.net](http://www.saskparks.net) You can also book a campsite by calling 1-855-737-7275.

The campground is picturesque and quiet, featuring a canopy of trees, plenty of understorey for privacy and many tranquil lakeside sites. The park's new service centre features modern, wheelchair-accessible washrooms and showers; there is a smaller service centre and clean washrooms located centrally in the campground.

For more information visit [www.saskparks.net](http://www.saskparks.net) , call 696-6253 or e-mail [crookedlake@gov.sk.ca](mailto:crookedlake@gov.sk.ca)

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Painted Hand's Legends Restaurant, an 80-seat licensed venue, offers a full range of dining options in an atmosphere rich with aboriginal art and culture. From battered mushrooms to the bison bannock burger to Indian tacos,



there are many choices on the menu to satisfy almost everyone's taste buds.

The Parkland Room is a multi-purpose setting for all kinds of entertainment. While Legends Restaurant provides the food and alcoholic offerings, ticket holders for the casino's many shows enjoy top-notch entertainment in style and comfort.

This year, scheduled shows include the rockin' country Jerry Sereda Band on June 2; a free fireworks display on June 21 to celebrate National Aborigi-

nal Day; the tribute band C-Weed on June 22; rockers Chester Night and The Wind band on June 23; the Painted Hand cruise weekend featuring the Hot Rod Hullabaloo band on July 20 and the car show on July 21; the Brett Michael Monka Band on July 27 featuring rockin' country and tribute music; and the Riff Raff band featuring 1980s tribute music.

Go online to the Painted Hand's online box office at [www.siga.sk.ca](http://www.siga.sk.ca) for updated listings, to purchase tickets and to view upcoming entertainment, or call 1-306-786-6777 for pickup anywhere in Yorkton.

Regular casino patrons might considering becoming a Players Club member to receive cash back rewards and points redeem-

able for cash, free coffee and soft drinks while playing, entries into draws and special giveaways, plus invitations to members-only events. Register for the Players Club at guest services on your next visit.

The Painted Hand Casino is open Sunday to Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 3 a.m. and Wednesday to Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 a.m. Legends Restaurant is open Sunday to Wednesday 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Thursday to Saturday from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m.

The casino offers a shuttle service from TJ's/Highway 10 C-Store from Sunday to Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 3 a.m. and Wednesday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 a.m. Shuttles depart at the top of every hour.

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# Adventure awaits in the busy town of Ituna

Come and explore Ituna, where there is plenty to see and do while visiting the community.

Start your adventure by strolling down Main Street and enjoy **Millennium Park**, see a movie at the Ituna Theatre or a visit to the 1917 GAAR-Scott Steamer.

Wander through **CrossRoads Park**, dedicated to the area's agricultural heritage. Across the street is **Avena Gardens**, an area filled with roses, lilac and shrubs. Avena Gardens is home to the **Giant Oat Stem**, signifying the birthplace of the Prairie Oat Growers Association.

Your journey will continue on Main Street to the **Community Fruit Orchard** boasting 270 fruit trees. Keep travelling on Main Street and you will come to a walking/biking path that takes you to the regional park, which features a solar-heated junior Olympic-size swimming pool, electric campsites, baseball diamonds, a playground and a picturesque **nine-hole, par 34 sand and grass greens golf course with a modern clubhouse**.

The park boasts electric and non-electric campsites, baseball diamonds, a playground and is home to the annual Canada Day celebrations. Each year the celebrations are filled with swimming, slo-pitch, fastball and volleyball tournaments, complete with great food, live music and fireworks.

If you are a history buff, a must-see is the **File Hills Post Office/Thompson Farm** in the RM of Tullymet on Thompson Road, the **Jewish Cemetery**, **St. Del-**

**phine's Métis Cemetery**, **Tullymet Yard** and the many churches and schools in the area.

Naturalists and hunters travel to Ituna from other provinces and the United States as the area is one of the best nesting grounds for waterfowl.

In 2016, Ituna was the winner of the **Gold National Communities in Bloom Award** for communities under 4,500 people, a great accomplishment for a town of 700 people.

The community's latest claim to fame was finishing in second spot to O'Leary, PEI in the **Kraft Hockeyville** competition in April 2017. Finishing second turned out well, as Ituna was awarded \$100,000, which will be used for the construction of a new arena.

Visit [www.ituna.ca](http://www.ituna.ca) for more details.

## Events calendar 2018

- June-Aug — Friday night golf with wings and ribs served
- June — Cash Golf Tournament
- June — Annual Community Garage Sale
- June — Swimming Pool opens for the season
- June — Minor ball tournament (T-ball to 14&under)
- June — Golf Tournament
- July 1 — Canada Day Celebrations/slow pitch, fastball and volleyball
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Agriculture has been the cornerstone of the community since the days of early settlers such as W.R. Motherwell and later, James Gardiner.

There is something for every season in Lemberg. In spring, **Culture Shock** provides area residents with adult drama — a must to see and/or participate in.

The annual **Agri-Dinner** is another popular event held in spring. This is always guaranteed to be a hit with excellent local and international entertainment.

In summer and fall,



**Lemberg hosts the annual Lions Fly-in Breakfast, which is held in conjunction with the town's Show Your Ride car show on Aug. 12.**

Lemberg has much to offer from their campground and picnic grounds for travellers to trails and coulees that house a variety of

birds and native wildlife for outdoors types.

Lemberg also has the annual **Lions Fly-in Breakfast**, which is held

in conjunction with the town's **Show Your Ride** car show on Aug. 12. Folks from all over are invited to bring their classic and antique cars to the **Lemberg Friendship Seniors Centre** for a chance to win prizes and bid at the auction table.

Lemberg has an active winter recreation scene with plenty of snowmobiling, curling, minor hockey, figure skating and recreational hockey.

Lemberg also offers something for every age group — an active seniors' group, Lions Club, rink and recreation boards. The recreation centre boasts a two-lane bowling alley, pool tables, table tennis, shuffleboard and a foosball table.

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# Join the fun as Abernethy Fair celebrates 111 years

Everything the Abernethy Fair is known for will be back for the 111th edition.

A delicious pancake breakfast will kick off the fair on July 27, followed by a horse show. From there, get ready for some fun, as visitors can expect to see a diaper derby, pet show, various races, an all-ages carnival, bouncers for kids, paintball, face painting, and many exhibits featuring baking, handcrafts and sewing.

There will be a trade show in the curling rink, and a variety of food will be available.

Fair organizers attempt to keep prices low so all families can attend. There is a small fee to enter the fair grounds.

In the afternoon, there will be easy-listening music from Blue Country, a Fort Qu'Appelle band that plays country and western.

A silent auction will occur throughout the day until 4 p.m. All the money raised will go to scholarships to support Grade 12 students graduating high school.

At 4:30 p.m. there will be a barbecue pork supper, and later, fireworks to close out the night.



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