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New swimming pool contract awarded

By Chris Ashfield
Grasslands News

Work on replacing Melville's swimming pool will begin in the next couple of weeks after city council awarded the design and construction tender at their July 20 meeting.

The \$2 million project will see the existing swimming pool that was built in 1967 replaced as well as renovations done to the interior of the pool building. Things like the mechanical systems, decking and fencing will also be upgraded.

Director of Community Services, Chris Bruce, said that the proposed plans for the new pool follow a similar layout to the existing structure but will include an accessible pool via a "beach style" sloped entry, a water-slide, water features and junior Olympic length swimming lanes which will allow for competition.

"By building a pool of similar size to our current pool, we can assure that annual operation costs do not exponentially increase following construction. As a significant portion of the pools' yearly expenditures are from wages, we have worked to ensure the sizing of the replace-

ment pool requires no additional guard spots to safely supervise the pool," said Bruce.

On June 11, 2020, a request for proposal (RFP) for the pool design and build was issued to Saskatchewan and three bids were received for the project from Western Recreation, Paradise Pools Commercial and Acapulco Pools. The bids were evaluated independently by City of Melville management and their contractor Colliers Project Leaders and using an independent scoring system, Paradise Pools ended up being the highest-ranked proponent and recommended for the project.

"The design matches our RFP needs, providing a tot pool area for very young children, spray features, beach entry leisure area to a seating area, and an access point to the larger pool. This design promotes both safety (containing young swimmers to the leisure area) and accessibility (sloped entry). In addition to these features, two water-slides are included, one small in the leisure area and one large, self-contained slide on the pool deck," Bruce said in his report to council.

The Paradise Pools proposal shows an aquatic



CHRIS ASHFIELD | GRASSLANDS NEWS

New pool coming

Director of Community Services Chris Bruce stands at the edge of Melville's old swimming pool that is being replaced with a \$2 million facility that includes junior Olympic length swimming lanes, a beach style sloped entry, various water features and a 146 foot waterslide.

facility featuring a 5,265 square foot pool with a zero-depth beach entry built on the current site of the swimming pool. The pool will have a concrete basin

and feature a zero beach entry with separate tot area with a depth profile of 0 meters to 0.9 meters, and two ground spray features. The zero beach will have another play area with a rain umbrella and three ground sprays, a kiddie slide with a 6 foot run, depth profile of 0 meters to 1.2 meters, and a 21 foot bench at the 0.9 meter mark. This gives lots of leisure area to the small to intermediate kids and a bench for the parents. The zero beach spray features would all be expandable in the future and have the ability to add spray features for pool upgrades in future years.

The main lap pool is designed to meet codes for diving while leaving

most of the pool open for leisure activities. The design has a depth profile of 1.2 meters to 2.8 meters with the 1.2 meters to 1.5 meters covering just under 70% of the lane pool, making most of the lane pool a leisure oasis. This pool will also have a 12' diving board at the end of the pool.

A new feature being added to the pool will be a 146 foot long waterslide with a 20 foot exit lane. It will be built on an 8,000 square foot concrete deck and will be located approximately where the west end of the current pool swimming lanes are. The slide uses the water from the pool so a separate equipment system is not required.

The \$2 million proj-

ect includes \$929,000 for the pool, \$268,000 for the waterslide, \$160,000 for decking, \$45,000 for site prep, demo and disposal, \$60,000 for landscaping, \$75,000 for lighting towers, \$18,000 for chain link fencing, and \$200,000 for renovations to the change rooms. A contingency of \$110,000 has also been built into the budget.

Decommissioning of the current pool is expected to begin within two weeks with construction of the new pool scheduled to begin Sept. 18 and last for 32-weeks, being completed by May 1, 2021. The schedule will have the pool open one month before the regular season start date resulting in no loss of operational days in 2021.



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Storm chasers series

Dominator 3 has become a celebrity in its own way

By Wade Walz
Grasslands News

Part four of a four-part series.

Chasing tornadoes is one thing, surviving the intense wind and air pressure associated with violent weather is an entirely different situation.

Melville-based Team Dominator found the solution with their current chase truck - Dominator 3. It's taken a few years and few different vehicles with many modifications to create their current chase monster. While the first two versions were adequate for chasing they also served as a template for the latest version.

Dominator 3 began life as a Ford F-350 one ton truck before its transformation.

"It's pretty much been re-worked end-to-end in the last five years," explains Curtis Brooks, the team's lead mechanic.

"All the doors have been re-enforced and re-designed - the original design didn't work as well as they needed them to."

The entire vehicle is coated with Line-x for protection which is one reason why they are so heavy: each door requires 2,700 pounds of force to lift.

"Which is why I've added nitrogen cylinders along with the hydraulic system. The air system is used to both open and close the doors. The original design used a pull strap to close but that was not quickly done. Now with the double acting air system it's much easier and quicker and when you're chasing tornadoes time is essential."

There are two separate air compressors (with an air storage tank) installed in the vehicle to help with the doors and also run other systems. The suspension is also run on air which allows the team to drop the vehicle tight to the ground making it nearly impossible for a tornado to lift it off the ground.

"Sean (Schofer) has switches up front so if someone screams to drop it down all he has to do is flip a switch and it dumps all the air in a few seconds and the body drops down on the frame then employs two two-inch hydraulic spikes into the ground."

Brooks says they were chasing a tornado, possibly in Kansas, where the vehicle's systems were pushed to the max with wind speeds approaching the 200-mph barrier.

The air compressors get their power from a battery system separate from the one which actually powers the diesel engine.

"The separate battery system also operates the wireless operation, computers and anything that requires 110-volt service (we have inverters for that)."

The early versions used a Chevy Tahoe but the switch to the Ford came about from a desire to use a heavier duty diesel engine, explains Brooks, who is a certified Ford mechanic with decades of experience working on vehicles.

"Gas motors have to work a lot harder when you start putting the extra weight on the chassis... this current Dominator was designed to be built like a tank with high carbon steel and other heavier gauge steel, along with the Line-x and polycarbonate materials."

With all the extras on it the Dominator does manage to stay under the GVWR of the original chassis but strong enough to get the job done.

It's also become a celebrity in itself with people constantly wanting their picture taken. It made an appearance at a major league baseball game several years ago, was featured on Jay Leno's Garage and was also part of Schofer's youngest daughter's high school graduation.



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Graduation vehicle

From left, Brittany Schofer, Jenna Schofer and their dad, Sean pose with Dominator 3 prior to Jenna's high school graduation ceremony. The vehicle served as her official graduation transportation.



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First pitch

Team Dominator driver Sean Schofer prepares to throw out the first pitch at Kansas City Royals-Detroit Tigers Major League Baseball game at Kaufman Field in Kansas City.

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Sculptures finished

By Alan Hustak
Grasslands News

Saskatoon has made from two dead black poplar trees in front of the Hansen Ross House.

The works at the corner of Bay Avenue and Fifth St. were commissioned by the gallery owner, Connie Chaplin, who wanted to support artists during the COVID-19 crisis. It took Lingel-

bach an estimated 130 hours to carve the pelican, which he christened 'Grandfather,' and a figure of a horned Buffalo which originally he was going to call 'Old Thunder.'

But Old Thunder didn't turn out to be as big as Lingelbach had envisioned, so the sculpture has instead been dubbed "Tiny Tatanka," (Tatanka the cree word for Bison)

"I was hesitant at first, but doing these has been good for my soul," Lingelbach said. "I was inspired. I'm happy if these pieces put a smile on peoples' faces. I appreciate the kind words I've heard from everyone who has stopped to watch me work." As he told the CBC reporter Heidi Atter, there are only three things you can do with dead trees, "cut them up for cordwood, make mulch out of them, or make art."

He's been approached to do another sculpture of a recently trimmed tree in the pocket park on Broadway Street. The park is being redesigned. "I offered them a good deal, I'd like to do something with that tree, but they don't have the money," he said. "That project is up in the air unless they can come up with a sponsor."

Newspaper and television crews were on hand in Fort Qu'Appelle last week as chainsaw artist Doug Lingelbach put the finishing touches and a coat of varnish to the carvings the artist from

Whitewood to use MEEP funding for infrastructure

By Elaine Ashfield
Grasslands News

The Town of Whitewood will apply to use the \$123,894 allocated through the Municipal Economic Enhancement Program 2020 (MEEP) to install new infrastructure on part of 5th Avenue. Once the project plans are approved by the Ministry of Government Relations, the projects can utilize the MEEP funding.

When asked what choices council may have for projects to receive funding, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Cindy Baumgartner told council, "We can allocate to projects we have budgeted for, like 5th and Green Street, rather than using what was budgeted."

Several months ago, GeeBee Construction was contracted to do a connection dig on Green Street to connect Green Street and 5th Avenue water lines. "Upon excavation, it was determined that there is no water main in 5th Avenue, only 2 inch poly service line," town foreman Al Stevenson reported at that time. This line is buried only 6 feet underground.

"The town will get \$123,894 and the project (5th and Green Street) will use all that, plus more from our budget," Chief Administrative Officer Cindy Baumgartner told council. "We budgeted \$110,000 plus the \$27,000 from earlier this year."



ALAN HUSTAK | GRASSLANDS NEWS

Wood carvings complete

Doug Lingelbach speaks with media in front of the two wood sculptures he created using a chainsaw. The artist created a pelican and buffalo out of two trees located on the corner of Bay Ave and Fifth St. in Fort Qu'Appelle.



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Council Meetings

The next Town of Fort Qu'Appelle council meeting will be held on: Thursday, August 6, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Garbage Collection Requirements

Just a friendly reminder to all residents that any accumulation of garbage will be addressed per Bylaw 458. Per the bylaw under Section 3 – Garbage being accumulated and stored for the purpose of being collected and taken to a waste disposal ground for disposal shall be kept in covered, fly-proof and watertight containers. Section 4 – Each dwelling is allowed a maximum of two 25 gallon closed containers and with contents not to exceed 50 pounds each. The containers shall be equipped with handles and shall not have a capacity greater than twenty-five gallons by volume and contents are not to exceed 50 pounds each. Failure to comply with any provisions of this bylaw will incur a \$100.00 violation charge per week.

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 - July 28, 29, 30 – 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.
- Contact: Shannon Kennedy-Maurice
- Email: shannoninlebret@gmail.com
- **AGES 11 and up:**
 - o Aug. 4, 5, 6 – 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.
 - o Aug 11, 12, 13 – 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

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With careful deliberation, council has decided to return to QUARTERLY UTILITY BILLING. You will receive a utility bill in July for the month on June. Then billing will return to:

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| Quarter 2 — April 1 – June 30 | Billed beginning of July |
| Quarter 3 — July 1 – Sept. 30 | Billed beginning of October |
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Property Tax Notices

Due to COVID-19, Council passed resolution 2020-0242 stating: THAT Council approve a mill rate of 6.1 and extend the early payment discount (5%) on the municipal portion to September 30, 2020 for the 2020 tax year notice." This is an extension from the usual date of July 31.

Council Comment

Municipal Election – It is an election year, not just provincially. Just a few weeks ago, it was suggested you give some thought to running for Municipal Council or, alternatively, encourage someone you feel would be a good candidate to step forward. It is an important role and a great way to serve your community! There are several good sources of information available to help understand just what is involved in this form of community leadership. You can't be too well informed as you consider stepping forward. The following represent offerings from the Provincial Government and Municipalities of Saskatchewan:

- 'Information for New Municipal Council Members' as well as the 'Council Members Handbook' prepared by Advisory Services and Municipal Relations and more can be found at <https://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/municipal-administration/tools-guides-and-resources/information-for-council-members> and <https://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/municipal-administration/elections/running-for-municipal-office>
- 'Elected Officials Handbook' can be found at <http://suma.org/publications>
- 'Municipal Governance 101: Introduction to Local Government', a virtual session for election candidates to be held on Sept. 1/20. "In coordination with the Ministry of Government Relations... will cover what the role of council is, what your responsibilities are as councillor, and more." For more information and to register go to <http://suma.org/events>

Election day is Monday, Nov. 9, but watch for the call for nominations near the end of September. Give it some earnest thought.

COVID-19 – Recent outbreaks in the province have shown we are not yet "out of the woods" in terms of the potential for the virus to present itself here in our home area. Travel, social circles, and personal precautions continue to be important considerations for us all. Out of respect for our family, friends and neighbours lets continue to do our best to practice the basic steps necessary to protect our community.

The summer heat is here. Let's get out and enjoy it!

Safe Distancing and Hand Hygiene All!

Town of Whitewood

Town Council discusses multiple policies

By Elaine Ashfield
Grasslands News

Only one meeting for the council of the Town of Whitewood was held in July where several policies were passed as well as motions regarding various items of business.

In New Business, a motion was passed unanimously to approve consultant Lorri Matthewson to go ahead with what had been sent by email about business retention and expansion committee. Chief Administrative Officer Cindy Baumgartner told Grasslands News "We will be creating a data base of businesses, sending out a letter and survey to each business. Council will then compile the information from the survey and create a committee to help inform the plans that are made as a result of the data we collect."

Two motions were also required at the meeting for matters that had been approved by email. One motion that was carried was for test hole drilling at the former Co-op service station and the other was renewal of Term Deposits.

Two policies, submitted for approval by Facility Operations Manager, Ryan Dale included a Pandemic Workplace Policy and the Dog Park Policy. Both policies were approved unanimously.

Pandemic Workplace Policy

The Pandemic Workplace Policy procedures will protect all Town employees, citizens and the public who enter the Town of Whitewood public buildings and worksites. The policy lists the responsibilities as the employer, supervisor, and employee including travel, preventative measures, building maintenance and also for vehicles. Employee's will receive and acknowledge this policy agreement.

Dog Park Policy

The Dog Park Policy was developed for the new dog park in Whitewood. The users of the Off-Leash Dog Park do so at their own risk and the dog handlers are legally responsible for the safety, conduct, and any injuries or damages caused by the dog(s) under their care. Compliance with the dog park rules must be en-

sured.

Social Media Public Comments Policy

A Social Media Public Comments Policy was drawn up by town office staff, Michelle Struthers, and also received adoption by the council.

The Social Media Public Comments Policy states the purpose of the policy is to set out parameters for the public participation and commenting on any of the Town of Whitewood social media platforms.

"Social Media" is defined as information content that is intended to facilitate communications and influence interaction with audiences, typically via the Internet and mobile networks.

The policy states "The Town of Whitewood encourages you to submit your questions and concerns, but please note that all Town of Whitewood social media sites are moderated online discussion sites and are not a public forum."

The policy continues to state that the Town of Whitewood reserves the right to remove any material that in whole or in part, does not comply with this policy. The right to remove material includes obscene, vulgar or sexually explicit materials, Spam, advocates or depicts illegal activity, targets ethnic, racial, religious, gender or other type of group or contains personal attacks of any kind. The Town may also remove promotions of private business ventures, services, products and any campaigns for public office or promotion of political organizations or candidates. Infringements on copyrights or trademarks is also reserved for removal as is anything that jeopardizes the safety of personnel or the conduct of operations or investigations as well as items that are off topic.

Material posted on town sites or links created by anyone other than the Town of Whitewood does not reflect the opinions and position of the Town of Whitewood.

Anti-discrimination Policy

Consultant Lori Matthewson drew up an Anti-discrimination Policy that received a motion of approval as well. This policy cultivates a respectful workplace by identifying and resolving issues that can be consid-

ered discriminatory. This will be given and acknowledged by all town employees.

The policy states, in part, "The Town of Whitewood treats all present and prospective employees and customers with respect and maintains a work environment free from all forms of discrimination prohibited by The Saskatchewan Human Rights Code."

It also covers certain anti-harassment obligations set out in The Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993.

Other Motions

Other motions were carried unanimously including acceptance of the new online camping booking program for Whitewood campgrounds and also to advertise the property at 715 Balfour Street that now belongs to the town.

Whitewood Chacachas Rodeo Committee also received approval through a motion and vote for a special events permit in August and a motion made to remove a sign from the town's signage corridor due to no approval or payment was also passed. The policies for signage and also business licences was again brought up to be added to future agendas.

A letter requesting a speed bump at the corner of the Conexus Play Park for safety reasons was discussed. There were no motions or policies approved from this request. Council will be requesting the Staff Sergeant from the Broadview Detachment of the RCMP attend a meeting for discussion on this and other matters.

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Condo rooms

Large windows and ample ceiling fixtures create a bright, spacious atmosphere at the new Heritage Community Living condos in Grenfell. The residences and adjacent Legacy Inn began operating at partial capacity on July 13.

New Grenfell hotel opens their doors to guests

By Sarah Pacio
Grasslands News

Windmills surrounded by vibrant yellow canola fields create a picturesque panorama for patrons of the new Legacy Inn on Highway 1 in Grenfell.

The project met with a few delays during the early stages of the coronavirus pandemic so work is still being completed in some of the rooms. However, the hotel is now operating at partial capacity and welcomed its first guests, a crew from Trans Canada Pipelines, on July 13. The same day, residents began moving into the Heritage Community Living suites in the east wing of the building.

The facility operates under Blue Crescent Hotels, a brand of strategically located hotels in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, established by Steel Creek Developers. Trevor Rempel, from Steel Creek Developers, and local investor Richard Dimler gave Grasslands News a tour of the hotel and apartments last week.

Throughout the building, large windows and ample ceiling fixtures create a bright, spacious atmosphere. “We’ve travelled a fair bit in our day and often when you walk into a lobby it’s just dreary, so natural light was important for us,” Dimler explained.

A banquet hall beside the lobby at the front of the building can accommodate up to 150 people and has a commercial kitchen adjacent to it. Rempel pointed out the excellent acoustics of the room and the six enormous windows with automatic blinds that can be lowered to

facilitate a slideshow presentation.

There are two elevators located in the center of the three-story building, one is exclusively for residents and the other is for hotel guests.

Versatile room configurations are already making the hotel a popular option. “There are some large construction projects in the area which we are being contacted about for rooms,” Rempel told Grasslands News. “We received a reservation right out of the gate for nine rooms for two weeks, so we are starting with a bang.”

On the residential side of the building there are 18 suites designed to provide comfortable, condo living for retired seniors or professional workers. Rempel indicated particular features, which enable retirees to “age in place.” He also noted that the suites can be rented for one or two years, which could be ideal for teachers, RCMP officers, or other individuals with transitional employment. Window blinds and appliances are included in the condo fees. The rooms are unfurnished but Zaylies Furniture store in Moosomin has staged one of the suites and tenants can contact them to provide furnishings.

A common room on the third floor and large, private green space adjacent to the main floor are designed to help residents develop a community within the building. Workers were busy last week laying patio stones while Dimler enthusiastically described plans for walkways, raised garden boxes, a fireplace and other landscape features outside the condos. “Residents will have access to all the gardens so they don’t

have to give up their green thumb or hobby to live here,” he stated.

A formal grand opening celebration is planned for August 12. Tours of the hotel and residences will be available

throughout the day. A brief ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held at noon, and barbecued burgers will be provided by Double Bar D Farms, owned and operated by the Dimler family.



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PUBLIC NOTICE Procedures Bylaw

TAKE NOTICE THAT in accordance with the Public Notice Policy No. A 180 adopted by the City of Melville and in accordance with *The Cities Act*, the following item will be discussed by the Council of the City of Melville at the Regular Council Meeting to be held on Monday, August 17, 2020 at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Melville City Hall at 420 Main Street in Melville, Saskatchewan:

- **A proposed Amendment of the Procedures Bylaw No. 15-2017 to add a subsection to provide for the dual role of City Manager and City Clerk.**

Dated this 21st day of July, 2020.

Ron McCullough
City Manager/City Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE Investment Bylaw

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- **A proposed bylaw to establish a policy setting out the types of investments in which the City is authorized to invest its available funds.**

Dated this 21st day of July, 2020.

Ron McCullough
City Manager/City Clerk

Commercial Industrial Tax Incentive Policy

Council has approved the revision of Policy A99 – *Commercial Industrial Tax Incentive Policy*. This Policy offers increased tax incentives for new and existing businesses constructing or expanding their business in the City of Melville.

For a copy of the policy or for more information, please refer to our website www.melville.ca or call City Hall 306-728-6840.

Melville council rezoning five commercial lots to residential

By Chris Ashfield
Grasslands News

Melville city council has taken the first steps to approved a request to rezone five commercial properties along 3rd Ave. West back into residential designations.

The request came from Kevin Freisen, the new property owner of the former food bank located at 403 - 3rd Ave. West, who asked to have his property rezoned from C2 - Highway Commercial to R1 - Residential so that the property can be converted back into a residential home.

Director of Public Works Andrew Fahlman reported to council that the commercial property in question, along with four others located at 409, 421, 431 and 439 - 3rd Ave., are surrounded by residential houses and a park and are all zoned as Highway Commercial. He stated

that it’s not uncommon for Highway Commercial to extend into a community but that the city has no future intention to develop the area as a commercial area and that it does not make sense to do so from a planning perspective. He therefore recommended that not only the request from Freisen be approved but that four other nearby properties also be rezoned back into residential designations.

“It is our recommendation that this property and the neighbouring residential properties be rezoned to R1 at the same time to allow for future sales and residential development of these homes,” said Fahlman.

A public hearing for the re-zoning was held on July 20 where no objections were heard. A first reading of the proposed bylaw was done and the second and third readings will be held at the Aug. 17 council meeting.

OPINION

"For the cause that needs assistance; for the wrong that needs resistance; the future in the distance and the good that we can do."

'I'm sorry' is no longer enough of a political recourse

Oh, the games that politicians play! I will be the first to admit that politics is not my strong point by any means but the sociological aspects always amuse me.

Now how smart is the politician, in an election year, when in the midst of a pandemic, that has produced great economic loss, who sends out a survey to ask his ratepayers their opinion? Well, when the end arrives, for either him or the financial holdings of his city, he can always respond with "I did what the ratepayers wanted."

There is only one problem in this picture. The ratepayers cannot make responsible choices if they do not have the information required to lead them to responsible decisions. Has your local government been open and accountable? Or are they guilty of jumping on the bandwagon of political games with things for public notice? And by the way, public notice, as stated in the Legal Dictionary, is a notice providing information for the public that is widespread throughout all types of media.

Newspapers may not be the choice of your elected officials but, where would we be today if the newspapers had not made public the intentions of Prime Minister Trudeau and the multimillion dollar WE student grant contract? Newspapers are the people's resource in a democratic society. They are the history and the proof that cannot be lost or changed.

But let's remember, it wasn't just Justin Trudeau to

blame in the WE scandal. If his Liberal representatives did not know what was going on, then they obviously have no control in their governmental responsibilities.

I have to agree with Andrew Scheer on this one when he stated "Either the Liberals were aware of these issues and still approved the decision, or they were incompetent," he said. "It's either corruption or incompetence. Which is it?"

Has the Prime Minister of our country become so egotistic and dictatorial that he tries to pull off not one, but three utterly unexplainable actions that led to investigations by the Ethics Commission?

Yes, three different instances of actions that are not acceptable. Which leads me to question - why do we make all of these rules and regulations and appoint people or committees to investigate complaints if there is no recourse for wrongdoings in the end?

It seems to be that the only penalty for wrongful actions that have clearly been designed and implemented through resolutions, bylaws or Acts of the government is public shaming and the weak apology that follows. Why have we wasted so much time and effort and money to develop regulations that aren't followed and appear to have no authority to reprimand those that abuse it?

Will elected, or any officials actually, be accountable if there is no retribution to wrongful actions? If society continues to allow the people governing our communities

and our country to operate "behind closed doors," as the saying goes, how long will it be before we lose our democratic ways?

As times change, including the division in ways to receive information with so many choices including television, newspapers and electronic means, the voices of the people are becoming more fragmented, resulting in the diminish of free, democratic speech.

How long before we can label ourselves as incompetent because we did not take an interest, ask a question or demand an answer?

Most of our leading officials are not corrupt. Corruption is a form of dishonesty or criminal offense undertaken by a person or organization entrusted with a position of authority, to acquire illicit benefit or abuse power for one's private gain. Corruption can occur on different scales.

But there must be people to monitor the actions undertaken, which can only be done if our leaders are open and accountable and just like our children, learn when they are reprimanded for their wrongdoings.

If losing my or your vote is the only reprimand undertaken, it soon becomes a game of the people in power writing their "I'm so sorry, I made a mistake" speech.

We are all incompetent in some ways. Maybe in this election year, we could take a little more interest.

- Elaine Ashfield, Grasslands News

Government can't relax on COVID-19

By Murray Mandryk
Political Columnist

We all love the Canadian Football League and love the Saskatchewan Roughriders even more.

Short of a lemon yellow canola field under a living sky of blue, it's doubtful you will find a Saskatchewan image more icon than green pantone of the 'Riders.

Saskatchewan is a small province. We have no other professional team. And, really there are few truly unifying things in a place often divided between rural and urban and left and right. The 'Riders bring us all together.

Moreover, it's election year when political parties rally around positive and unifying symbols.

So it might have seemed a no-brainer for Premier Scott Moe to make a case for Regina and Mosaic Stadium to be the CFL hub city, should there be a CFL season.

To not do so in Saskatchewan - to not send the message that this province is as good as anywhere else, at least when it comes to the CFL - would have left some grumbling.

So within hours of hearing Manitoba Premier Brian Pallister - who presides over the home of the rival Blue Bombers

- was putting up \$2.5 million for that province's hub city bid, we heard Moe was willing to pony \$3 million for Regina's bid.

But what about the pandemic?

Many suspect Winnipeg secured the tentative hub city bid weeks ago because the hotels and indoor facilities surrounding Winnipeg's stadium along with the larger International Airport made it the preferred choice of the CFL players' association.

If this was the case, was it a wise choice of government time to be messing around with this bid in the middle of a pandemic when there are surely other priorities?

But if it was a serious attempt and not a political ploy, was it our best expenditure of money?

With all that is going on - including a \$2.4-billion 2020-21 deficit in which this government seemingly doesn't have much money for anything - could \$3 million be put to better use?

How should we spend it now?

Surely, there are better things we could do with the money than throwing it into the infrastructure pot so we can put a new layer of pavement on roads - pretty much what governments always do before



every election.

If we do have a few extra coins to throw around, wouldn't it be better to put it towards making sure teachers had masks and that schools were clean and ready to accept students returning to classes this fall?

In fairness, to Moe and his government, it has tried to be responsible in its spending and has been criticized by some for being too slow in re-opening Saskatchewan.

Three million dollars isn't much in the context of \$16-billion

annual provincial budget. And Moe explained that the CFL hub city bid - supported by the City of Regina and local hoteliers - would have been a step towards recovery with some 600 CFL players moving here for two or three months.

But COVID-19 cases in Saskatchewan increased by about 160 cases a week and a half in the middle of this month - an average of 15 or so a day instead of one or two.

Quietly, this is the second-biggest outbreak since the rapid spread in La Loche.

And while it is true that most can be traced to outbreaks on Hutterite colonies, that doesn't make what's going on right now any less serious.

Now is not the time for government to lose sight of the problem at hand.

Now is not the time to relax what's been a vigilant approach by the Sask. Party government in the COVID-19 fight.

And now is certainly not the time for a government to be distracted by politically popular notions when this pandemic requires our full attention.

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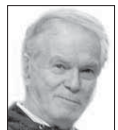
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Prince William Drive to re-open with dust control

By Chris Ashfield
Grasslands News

Prince William Drive will remain open year round after Melville city council decided to rescind two motions that, for the past 10-years, saw the street closed during the summer months.

In 2010, a number of residents on 10th Avenue West petitioned the city to deal with the large quantity of dust being created on Prince William Drive, which blew into their yards. Subsequently, city council at the time voted in favor of seasonally closing the roadway.

With the current Prairie Co-op development taking place, the city has been allowing construction crews to utilize Prince William Drive for both safety reasons and to keep the high construction traffic off of Veterans Way. But in recent weeks, the city has once again started receiving complaints from residents regarding the dust being created.

"We raised these concerns with Prairie Co-op, and the contractor CCR Construction agreed to pay for the dust control to be applied along the road," Director of

Public Works Andrew Fahlman told council.

Fahlman stated that the dust control only solves the immediate issue and that a long term solution will need to be determined as Prairie Co-op plans on utilizing the road for their delivery trucks and they expect some customer traffic from the roadway for access and egress. He said the Public Works Department is working with Stantec Engineering to complete an assessment/investigation on the roadway to determine if asphalt pavement is warranted. In the meantime, Prairie Co-op agreed to continue the conversation to consider entering into a roadway maintenance agreement for dust control into the future.

To allow use of the road in the summer, city council needed to rescind a motion that seasonally closed Prince William Drive between Columbia Street and 9th Ave, as well as to close the closure gates on April 1 and open them on December 1 of each year.

"By rescinding these two motions, it allows administration to pro-actively work with Prairie Co-op and their contractors, while at the same time, explore long-term-solutions," Director of Public Works Andrew Fahlman told council.

Council approved the rescinding of the two motions dealing with the street closure and barricades and recommended administration to research a long-term solution.



Mayor's Corner

"Working Together... to Grow Melville"



STREELASKY

This month I would like to present an overall picture of projects, events and activities that are occurring in our city during this COVID-19 pandemic.

First, it was a council decision to retain all our staff and furthermore to secure employment for our swim pool staff despite pool closure. We have been able to employ our staff to take on projects that had been previously shelved because of other work priorities.

Tasks such as painting curbs, picnic tables, cross walks and trimming hedges have been attended to.

Travel safety measures have been dealt with by the placement of "Stop" and "Yield" signage throughout the city. Flashing lights in park and school zones have also been installed to enhance child and pedestrian safety.

On a grander scale we are beginning to redo sewer-water-pavement issues on Third Avenue East, attending to landfill and recycling needs, as well as supporting the Co-op development as they move forward in their construction process.

Congratulations to Anteneh Miller on receiving a \$3,000 SaskPower-Sask Weekly Newspaper Association Junior Citizen Award. We wish Anteneh well as he pursues future studies.

The rains of July 12 were most welcome unlike the winds of July 13. The major storm on July 13th caused havoc throughout the city leaving citizens, as well as the city crews, dealing with a great deal of clean-up.

The Canada Day parade on July 1 turned out to be a most unique community celebration. As the many parade entrants wound their way through the streets of Melville they were applauded by citizens from their front yards and balconies. Thanks to Events Manager, Jeniffer Mann, for her efforts in making this such a success.

Did you know that Melville received city status on August 1, 1960, becoming Saskatchewan's 11th city?

Walter Streelasky, Mayor of Melville

Letter to the Editor - High-speed internet for everyone

Dear Editor,

It's about time we declare high-speed internet an essential service. It's time to raise rural, northern and Indigenous communities to the same standard of internet quality as urban Saskatchewan.

COVID-19 has highlighted the gap between rural and urban Saskatchewan in internet quality. At a time when it matters most, internet connections have been slower, unreliable or non-existent in rural areas, forcing some people to try to "hot spot" their way through the school or work day. To say this has created huge barriers for many in rural Saskatchewan is a gross understatement.

During the pandemic lockdown, many areas of our lives shifted to being more heavily online. Healthcare is being delivered by telehealth or video-conferencing instead of in person. Students were accessing their learning almost exclusively online and already we know that university students will be learning online again this fall. Many rural businesses had to shift to a digital presence as storefronts were closed. Visiting time with grandparents, family and friends shifted to using apps like FaceTime as our only means of staying connected, and the need to stay connected in this way is likely to

remain high in the future.

Can we bring high-quality internet to all of Saskatchewan? Of course we can. We've done something like this before. In 1949, the CCF (NDP) created a Crown corporation, Saskatchewan Power, with a mandate to provide electricity to every home in the province, rural and urban alike. Over the next decade, SaskPower brought electricity to 66,000 farms in rural Saskatchewan. The government of the day recognized that rural residents should have the same advantages and comforts as their cousins in the city.

SaskTel, our Crown telecommunications corporation, should be given a mandate to provide connectivity as an essential service.

It's time that rural residents in this province are provided with the same opportunities as our urban counterparts to run their businesses, access their learning, connect with loved ones, and access their healthcare.

Just because we live in rural Saskatchewan doesn't mean that many of us should have poor-quality internet connections. Let's fix this.

- Jared Clarke, Saskatchewan NDP Candidate for Indian Head-Milestone

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\$1.3 million in local MEEP projects approved

By Chris Ashfield
Grasslands News

Ten local communities will benefit from more than \$1.3 million in provincial investment under the latest round of Municipal Economic Enhancement Program (MEEP) 2020 to be given the greenlight. In total, 303 new projects totalling more than \$16.6 million were given approval on July 22.

That brings the latest amount of approved projects to 497 representing a total investment so far of \$38 million by the Govern-

ment of Saskatchewan, as it extends the deadline to July 31 from July 17 for municipalities to submit potential projects under the program.

"Our government recognizes some municipalities may need just a little more time to complete their MEEP applications during these summer months and we want to ensure they have ample opportunity to take advantage of this program," Carr said. "Provincial investments in local projects and initiatives will help create jobs in communities during this recent unprecedented pe-

riod, strengthen municipal assets and improve quality of life."

Highlights of some of the recently approved projects and provincial funding include:

- The City of Melville will receive \$655,589 towards the swimming pool replacement.
- The Resort Village of B-Say-Yah will receive four grants totalling \$22,422 for a walking path, ball diamond relocation, underground sprinklers and well for sprinklers.
- The RM of Abernethy will get \$52,030 for road improvements.
- The RM of Elcapo

will receive \$70,139 for clay capping road 172.

• The RM of McLeod was approved for \$52,461 for the Tyre bridge.

• The RM of Silverwood will get \$58,929 to be used for a grader.

• The Town of Broadview is receiving \$79,338 for storm water manhole and piping replacement.

• The Town of Foam Lake was approved for seven projects totalling \$163,994 including water treatment plant upgrades, water value replacements, roadway improvements, playground upgrades, hall lighting improvements, municipal connectivity upgrades and road and streetscape upgrades.

• The Town of Fort Qu'Appelle will receive \$91,842 for six projects. They are a water tower coin-op upgrade, transfer station concrete block wall, water main line valve replacement, improve town drainage and fire hall upgrades.

• The Town of Wolse-

ley was approved for two projects totalling \$122,744 that will be used for watermain extension and backup generators.

The \$150 million MEEP 2020 was announced in May and is a key component of the Government of Saskatchewan's \$7.5

billion, two-year capital plan to build a strong province and stimulate its economic recovery from the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

All MEEP 2020 funding must be used by municipalities by March 31, 2022.

June RCMP traffic blitz

700 distracted drivers caught

Distracted driving was the focus of the June Traffic Safety Spotlight, and police across Saskatchewan issued tickets to 700 distracted drivers. That includes 605 drivers cited for using a cellphone while driving, and another 95 issued tickets for driving without due care and attention.

Distracted driving is a leading contributor to collisions and people getting hurt and killed on Saskatchewan roads. There are many potential distractions for drivers but since most distracted driving tickets result from cellphone use, leaving your phone alone greatly increases your chances of not getting a ticket and will make you a much safer driver.

Tickets for distracted driving are no joke. They start at \$580 for a first offence and increase to \$1,400 and \$2,100 for each


subsequent ticket within a year. Every ticket will earn the driver four demerit points and repeat offences also result in the driver's vehicle being impounded for seven days. (Registered owners pay for towing and impound costs.)

For the month of June, police reported 395 impaired driving offenses, including 339 Criminal Code violations, 7,803 tickets for aggressive driving and speeding and 533 tickets for seatbelts and child restraint being used incorrectly or not at all. (We're not going to lie; it's hard to believe police caught this many people in one month in the year 2020 who didn't bother to buckle up.)

The July Traffic Safety Spotlight is on construction zones. SGI joins law enforcement in reminding drivers to #SlowDown and keep workers safe this construction season.

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Financial impact from COVID-19

Communities respond to priorities

By Elaine Ashfield
Grasslands News

Municipal governments are starting to see the effects and are making plans for the economic reduction due to the pandemic.

Some local governments are asking residents to look at their financial situation and weigh in on how your municipal government should prioritize spending?

An example is the City of Regina who has decided to ask residents (in a survey) to give input for their budget decisions that will soon be in the planning stages.

The survey asks residents how COVID-19 has impacted their bottom line, as well as whether reducing property taxes should be a priority over increasing city services.

The survey comes after city staff provided a bleak economic forecast for Regina. Council will have to figure out how to make up for the at least \$6 million loss, which could come through higher taxes, reduced services, or the city's reserve funds for the 2021 budget.

The City of Melville had predicted a financial projection (General) related to COVID-19 to July 31 that they estimated to have an impact showing a deficit in revenues of (\$369,133) while expenses total \$573,833, leaving a deficit of (\$136,898) at the end of July 31, 2020.

There would be a decrease (or deficit) in revenues of \$457,414 at Sept. 30, 2020 with expenses totaling \$600,833 for the same period. The projected result is a loss (deficit) of (\$178,179) during the period to Sept. 30, 2020.

If the pandemic were to continue to Dec. 31, 2020, the projected revenues would be a deficit of (\$721,702) with expenses projected to be \$680,283 equaling a loss of (\$304,979).

In June of this year, The Town of Grenfell announced they have experienced a \$78,516 loss in Recreation & Culture revenue this year due to mandatory facility closures. There was savings in expenses to offset this loss with the staff not hired as anticipated.

Broadview estimates a loss of \$10,000 in rental and fee revenue from the COVID-19 crisis and with expenses exceeding revenue this year, transfers from reserves and previous year's surplus would need to be used to create a balanced budget.

The Town of Whitewood states they will not know until at least after the 2020 audit (expected mid-year 2021 at the earliest) is complete, pending that the virus is under control by spring of 2021.

With the losses and economic hardships developed from the pandemic, municipalities may now have to look at 'tightening their belts' or rely on using reserve funds.

Fort Qu'Appelle Finance Manager, Mo Choudhary, commented to Grasslands News that "Our council has been very proactive by having a strategic plan in place to cover outcomes such as this (pandemic). The town has a contingency plan each year of \$150,000 and with the MEEP funding this year, the outcome will hopefully not be a hard hit to the community."

The Finance Manager continued to state that there may be more arrears in property taxes and in utility payments. Campgrounds are seeing an increase in booking due to people avoiding interprovincial travel and staying closer to home. There has been an impact on businesses such as restaurants, who have now increased their prices due to the reduced number of customers and closures during the pandemic.

"It is too hard to say right now, but with the contingency plan and the extra MEEP funding which will be used for in-

frastructure on Broadway and to purchase equipment, we are hoping not to see too great of an impact on our community," says Choudhary.

Now is a good time for residents in all municipalities to be thinking and communicating to their elected officials on the same questions as those in the Regina city survey where they are being asked to rank their top three priorities. The priorities include:

- Attracting new or supporting existing businesses
- Reduce city spending
- Maintain or increase capital spending
- Deferring capital spending, which could delay infrastructure projects
- Reducing property taxes
- Increasing city services, which could mean higher taxes or fee increases

One unfortunate thing in making financial decisions is that some of the audited financial statements in municipalities are often not completed and provided until the later part of the year following (eg. 2020 is completed in mid-year 2021) so decisions on how to prioritize are more difficult without all the information and department

figures.

Residents in municipalities may have to look at reduced services. What services would you rank the highest that are provided by your municipality?

In what order would you rank road construction and repairs, policing, recreation, snow clearing, garbage disposal, fire department, water and sewer, office operations, maintenance and grants or contributions?

Regina's survey also asked residents if COVID-19 has affected their finances negatively?

COVID-19 has set some unprecedented 'new normals' and things such as the use of surveys to gain information from all ratepayers in order to make the best decisions affecting the outcome for everyone may just be a part of our future. The new normal may now mean residents will have to participate more in their municipal governance to see why cutbacks or increases may be hitting their personal pocket-books.

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It's A Strange World

Authorities in Switzerland are trying to locate a person who left more than **six pounds of gold on a train** and apparently didn't make any attempt to claim it. The gold is **worth almost \$200,000**, and there is no sign that the gold is connected to crime. The owner has five years to claim the gold, but no one is sure how the owner's identity will be clarified.

The Oregon Department of Motor Vehicles reduced services during the pandemic, and only six offices were open, by appointment only, across the state. One North Plains driver worked out his own solution. He installed a **hand-drawn license plate, reading DMVCLOSED** with 12 and 21 in the corners where the month and year usually go. The sheriff's office gave points for creativity, but asked people not to do this, adding it's OK to leave expired plates on your car until the DMV reopens.

Budget fashion retailer Shein was forced to apologize for **selling Muslim prayer mats** as decorative carpets. A few days later, it pulled a "swastika pendant necklace" (\$2.50) off the market. Shein argued that it wasn't a Nazi swastika, which is pointed clockwise. This symbol, pointed counter-clockwise, is "a Buddhist swastika," the company explained, "which has symbolized spirituality and good fortune for more than a thousand years." Since the two would easily be confused, they took the safest route of dumping the product.

While all of us ordinary people struggle through the pandemic, with many just hoping to survive, others also have their problems. Called to court by his estranged wife's request to have her American Express card limit raised from \$50,000 a month back to \$100,000, **Robert De Niro pleaded poverty**. In fairness, the latest movie project for the 76-year-old actor is on hold, and the restaurant chain Nobu, in which he has a stake, has lost millions due to the lockdown. De Niro cut Grace Hightower's allowance in March and banned her and their children, Helen, 8, and Elliot, 21, from the upstate compound where he has been living with some of his other four children. There was a **pre-nup that orders him to pay her \$1 million a year**, but only as long as he makes \$15 million a year. His lawyer argued that poor Robert will be 'lucky' to make \$7.5 million this year. The judge refused to change the credit limit, but gave her some other concessions. De Niro has been accused of using the pandemic "to stick it to his ex."

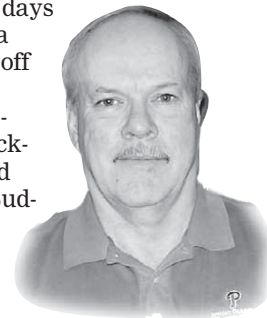
Australian police say they broke up a birthday party where attendees defied coronavirus restrictions, and it might have gone unreported, except for the **KFC order for 20 people**. Police found 16 people hiding in a home and **dished out fines totaling \$18,000**. More than 60 notices were issued to people in Melbourne after 'stage three' coronavirus restrictions were reintroduced. Residents are only permitted to leave their homes to work, study, exercise, shop for essential items, or offer care in some way.

Police in Newburg, Oregon, **recovered two stolen vehicles at the same time** thanks to a strange set of circumstances. Police were chasing a Toyota Land Cruiser because it had just been reported stolen when the driver crashed into another vehicle. As it turns out, that second vehicle, a Buick Regal, had been stolen about three weeks previously.

Matthew Crandall, 21, "spent an entire day" — nearly 24 straight hours — **vandalizing the inside of Miramar (Fla.) High School**, causing "upwards of \$100,000" in damage. Security camera footage showed Crandall was wearing a hat and headphones (and nothing else) as he smashed TVs and computers, and caused flooding in various areas of the school. He has been charged with burglary and criminal mischief. It is not known if he had any connection to the school.

A bank robbery in Skiatook, Okla., netted the robber \$57,783. He also ordered tellers to open the ATM, but the tellers were too nervous to do it and the robber fled. Two months later, a bank robbery in nearby Sperry netted an amazing \$217,000 from the vault, plus \$44,760 from the ATM. Authorities figured the two cases were related. Numerous tips pointed to Jerry Brown, who was known to have money problems, yet had been depositing tens of thousands of dollars in cash into various bank accounts. Plus, a teller at the first bank had recognized Brown because he's a customer at the branch. Brown was eventually arrested and **suspended from his job as Captain with the Tulsa Fire Dept.**

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City of Melville sets landfill recycling fees

By Chris Ashfield
Grasslands News

were removed following the implementation of the city's curbside recycling program earlier this month. Originally planned to remain open at RCI until November, the large bins were removed in early July after recycling items were being contaminated with non-recyclables and solid waste. Recycle bins were placed at the landfill where they could be monitored but it was only city residents who had access.

This caused a large outcry from rural residents who no longer had anywhere to take their recyclables.

"The City and RCI never realized the amount of recycling coming into the drop off center from outside of Melville," Andrew Fahlman, Director of Public Works & Planning said in his report to city council on July 20. "The surrounding rural municipalities never contributed financially to the

drop off center, whereas the residents of Melville paid for this entire service. The operational costs were covered by every resident and business within Melville paying \$108 dollars per year to RCI to provide recycling services."

Fahlman stated that the city is currently being charged by Ottenbreit Sanitation Service (OSS) \$6 per yard per pickup for cardboard/paper only bins and \$10 per yard per pickup for single stream recycling bins. Garbage bins are \$3 per yard per pickup. There is also a bin rental fee of \$10 per bin per month.

Residents and businesses are currently being charged monthly for recycling which helps fund the usage of the large bins. However, with the rural community looking to utilize this drop off location for their recyclables, Fahlman said a fee structure had to be developed for the community outside of Melville.

"The fee structure developed is a cost recovery system that will divert a lot of material from taking up space within our landfill. This provides a long-term solution for everyone in Melville, and also provides a solution for our region as they largely utilize the city landfill," said Fahlman.

Use of the recycle bins will remain free for Melville businesses and residents with proof of address while non-residents will pay fees based on the amount of material being recycled. A single clear bag of cardboard or paper will be \$8 while a clean bag of single recycle will be \$10. A half ton truck/or utility trailers up to 50 square yards will cost \$16 or \$25 for single stream. A 1-ton truck and utility trailers between

50 to 100 square feet will be \$32 or \$50 for single stream while a 2-ton truck and utility trailer over 100 square feet to a maximum of 150 square feet will be \$64 or \$110 for single stream.

Fahlman said that it is not known yet the exact amount the drop off center will be used by residents of Melville or the surrounding rural community but that the costs associated with the rural community utilizing the recycling services will be covered by the rate structure. However, upon examination of the usage, he said rates may need to be altered in the future to ensure Melville's expenses are covered.

A breakdown of all recycling and dump fees can be found on the City of Melville website.

Grenfell council approves sewer lateral line clearing policy

By Sarah Pacio
Grasslands News

Grenfell town council met for its regular meeting on July 16 at 7 p.m. Councilor Patty Cole was absent and Constance MacKenzie joined the other members via teleconference.

During councilor reports, Mayor Rod Wolfe told the group that he had taken a tour of the new hotel that opened earlier in the week. "It's an amazing place; it's going to be a huge asset to the town of Grenfell," the mayor stated.

Council acknowledged assistant fire chief Ken Hamnett's letter of resignation from the fire department. Mayor Rod Wolfe and councilor Wes Overand expressed appreciation on behalf of the town for Hamnett's nearly 30 years of service.

An updated sewer lateral line clearing policy was approved at the meeting. The policy was developed to address increased instances of tree roots blocking aging infrastructure.

The document describes maintenance responsibilities for homeowners and states that if the guidelines for clearing a blocked line are followed, property owners may be eligible for a

\$200 credit on the property's municipal utility account. The policy also outlines procedures for coordinating lateral line replacement with the town.

Council discussed a bid of \$34,854 from Kennedy Construction to install metal roofing on the front portion of the Community Hall. The bid was for 2/12 pitch, but councilor Hamnett noted the slope should be steeper so that snow will slide off the roof. Council accepted the contract, provided the pitch could be changed to the standard 4/12 and ice guards added to the front and back.

Council reviewed the draft for an animal control bylaw. It will require cats and dogs over the age of six months to wear a collar with a license.

The bylaw stipulates that a maximum of three dogs may be kept at one address within the town. It also outlines the duties of pet owners, provides guidelines for impounding animals at large, and lists types of animals that may not be kept as pets.

Council felt that the bylaw should indicate how many cats one household may keep and also include clearer guidelines for residents who provide animal rescue service within the town, so the draft was sent back to committee for revision.

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Traffic

During this time Melville-Ituna RCMP detachment responded to 54 reported occurrences or traffic stops that resulted in a 28 Charges and 19 Warnings.

RCMP checked on: an abandoned vehicle on Highway 9. Various calls regarding vehicles speeding and illegal passing in construction zone. Four RID (Report Impaired Driving) calls two of which were Insufficient Evidence to proceed and two drivers charged with Impaired Operation of a Motor Vehicle. Seven motor vehicle collisions. Two resulting in injuries.

Mischief

A complainant contacted RCMP to report a fence cut in multiple locations. Subject of complaint was identified and agreed to fix fence. No

charges pursued.

Another complainant contacted the RCMP reporting damage done to vehicle in early July.

RCMP received a report a jogger with dog off leash. The dog was reportedly bothering the horses while off leash.

Fraud

RCMP were contacted about three different fraud complaints:

1) A caller said that they were almost a victim of a mass marketing scam. The suspect caller said he was from RBC in PEI and requested money sent. The caller went to the post office to send money gram and employees informed them it was a scam.

2) Another complainant advised they were called by Reader's Digest to update them and that they had won \$70,000. The person was familiar with these types of scams and reported it for information purposes.

3) RCMP were told

that a person gave their Social Insurance Number to fraudsters on the phone and was concerned that they had some personal information. Police instructed the person to contact Service Canada, Canada Anti-Fraud as well as bank and reported the incident.

Crimes Against Person/Property

A call was received by RCMP after a claimed said they were assaulted with a weapon. A suspect was located and arrested.

EMS contacted RCMP after being side swiped by a green GMC on Highway 35. RCMP continue to investigate.

A reported of a black Dodge Durango in Neudorf with a female driver wearing a pink bandana driving around suspiciously. RCMP continue to investigate.

RCMP are continuing to investigate a break and enter into an abandoned house in Killalv.

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AUGUST 2020

During this month we offer suggestions and a few event activities for you and your family to do. Some of the dates are actual observances, while others are just ideas you can use. Feel free to add your own to the list. Have fun and enjoy August!

July - All Month

Melville Legion Bingo - Tuesdays

Doors open at 6 p.m. games run 7:15 to 9:30 p.m. 136 - 3rd Ave. W, Melville, SK

August 1

Staycation Trip



Start August off with a family trip to a location, town or attraction that you have always wanted to go see but never have. There are many fascinating things in your province to see, you just have to look.

August 3

Make Eye Appointment

No time to waste and have your eyes checked. Call your optometrist today and book appointments for every family member. Be ready for kids to go back to school this fall.



August 5

Golfing - Tee One Up

Pick a course, book a tee-time and play your best game. Whether a novice who has never putted before or an expert who has toured the country playing the hottest courses, August is all about the game of golf.

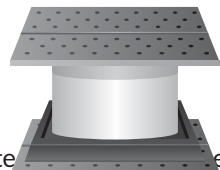
August 8

National Clown Day

Give recognition to those funny clowns that make us laugh and smile. It is estimated there are over 10,00 clowns in organized clown groups, and over 20,000 clowns worldwide. They all have one goal in mind, and that's to make us happy. (source holidayinsights.com)

August 10

National S'mores Day



National S'mores Day celebrates the campfire treat. It's appropriately observed in August...campfire prime time. Don't limit your consumption of S'ores to the campfire. They are popular with kids year round, and can be baked in the oven, or microwave. (source holidayinsights.com)

August 11

Son and Daughter Day

Today is a great day to spend with your son and daughter. It's not a day of gift giving...except for the gift of time. If your son and daughter are still young and live at home with you, be ever aware that time goes by quickly. (source holidayinsights.com)



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30	31	1 ★
2	3 ★	4	5 ★	6	7	8 ★
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23	24	25 ★	26	27	28 ★	29
30	31 ★	1	2	3	4	5

August 13

Left Handers Day

Left Handers certainly earned the right to have a day dedicated to them. Did you know? Right handed people operate in the left side of the brain. Left handed people use the right side. Therefore, only left handed people are in their right mind. (source holidayinsights.com)

August 16

National Tell a Joke Day



No doubt about it. Today, will be a fun-filled day, with lots of laughter. To fully participate and enjoy this day, just tell some jokes. You can do it in person, or pass along a few humorous emails. That's easy enough to do. The more jokes you tell, the more fun this day will be. (source holidayinsights.com)

August 19

World Photography Day

This day is to raise awareness about the importance of photography. It's also a great time to grab your camera and take some pictures of your community and perfect your picture taking skills.

August 22

Be an Angel Day

The objective of this day is to be like an angel, and do something good or kind for someone. It is intended to do something nice or kind for someone who is in need of help. The type of angelic help you can offer is not defined or limited. It can be physical, emotional, or spiritual. (source holidayinsights.com)



August 25

National Banana Split Day



Today, Banana splits are a standard item on the menu of just about anywhere ice cream is sold around the country. Hope you're ready for a tasty treat! (source holidayinsights.com)

August 28

Stuffed Green Bell Peppers Day

This is a fun holiday to celebrate and participate in. On Stuffed Green Bell Peppers Day, make plans to have stuffed peppers for lunch and/or dinner. If you enjoy cooking, then this can be a really fun day. You can make your own stuffed peppers. They are quick and easy to make. (source holidayinsights.com)

August 31

National Eat Outside Day



Ahh, the last day of August! Summer is almost over, yet you can't get enough of the great outdoors. Celebrating this special day is very easy. Find a picnic table, a park bench, or an outdoor restaurant. You can also spread a blanket out on the lawn. (source holidayinsights.com)

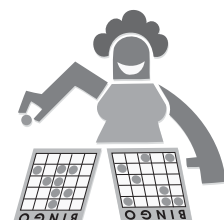
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Have Fun

We remind you to have a fun time, no matter what you decide to do! Remember social distancing.



Watch for the September Calendar



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“I’m-a Luigi, I’m-a gonna win!”

The Melville Public Library held a Mario Kart Bike Race on Wednesday morning where kids dressed up as their favourite video game character and raced their bikes through various obstacles that were set up on 5th Ave East between Main Street and King Street. Taking to the podium after the first race was Tylah Grumbo (1), Brayden Schellenbaun (2) and Logan Schellenbaun (3).

Phase 4 of the Re-Open Sask. adds additional activities

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Saskatchewan continues to progress through Phase 4 of the Re-Open Saskatchewan plan. Additional activities and businesses are being re-opened in a measured, careful manner as part of the plan to re-open the provincial economy.

Starting July 21, modifications came into effect for:

- Drive-in theatres: re-

ducing distance between vehicles to two metres, down from five metres.

- Retail guidelines, libraries and places of worship: reducing the length of time that returned or donated items must be held to 24 hours, down from 72 hours.

- Fitness facilities: permitting 24-hour access to fitness facilities, and ensuring registration of guests to facilitate contact tracing, if required.

- Campgrounds: laundry facilities are now

open following new guidelines for safe operation.

Also on July 21, the following activities were reopened, with operating guidelines outlined in the Re-Open Saskatchewan plan:

Yard and Garage Sales

All individuals must observe gathering sizes outlined in the current Public Health Order and ensure that physical distancing can be maintained. Guidelines include heightened sanitation, signage that encourages distancing, and advice around payment options. Sales must be held by a single household—group events are not permitted at this time.

Door-to-Door

Canvassing and Sales

Physical distancing is to be maintained when visiting a residence and between volunteers/staff. Guidelines include fre-

quent hand hygiene and no sharing of common materials including pens, pencils and promotional materials.

Saskatchewan residents are encouraged to familiarize themselves

with the guidelines and follow recommendations to ensure the province can continue to re-open in a safe manner without a significant increase in the transmission of COVID-19.

For full guidelines on new and existing permissible activities, find the most up-to-date version of the Re-Open Saskatchewan plan at www.saskatchewan.ca/re-open

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Rare find

Cassandra Miranda and son, Braxton found what is thought to be a very rare and possibly endangered snake while they were out for a walk in Grayson, SK. Unfortunately it was deceased when they found it. The blue snake is believed to be a Blue Racer, according to their research. It has supposedly only been spotted on Pelee Island, ON in 1983, aside from a few places in the USA.

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SPORTS



Lucas Musschoot

Grenfell teenager makes National Volleyball Team

By Sarah Pacio
Grasslands News

A lanky teenager from Grenfell is making great strides toward a dream of playing volleyball at the Olympic level. Lucas Musschoot has been selected as a member of the 2020 U19 Men's Youth National Team.

Lucas enjoyed playing volleyball in elementary school and, after watching a professional game on TV, he was inspired to pursue the hobby more seriously. Now, at 6 feet 8 inches tall, the 16-year-old is getting noticed for his skill in the sport. He plays the middle blocker position and his mother, Lisa Musschoot, described Lucas as "quick on his feet."

For the past three years, Lucas has trained with Sask Volleyball's High Performance Program, which prepares athletes for competitions through weight, court, mental, and nutrition training. Through his dedication to the sport, he became a valuable player for the Regina Volleyball Club and last year he also participated in the Western Canada Summer Games in Swift Current as a member of Saskatchewan's 16U volleyball team.

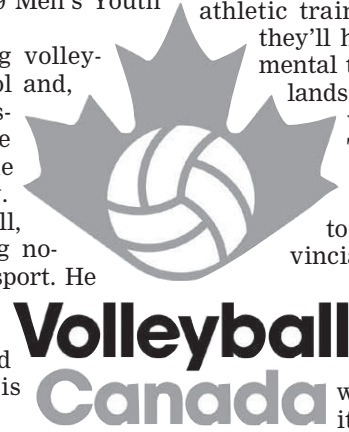
When gyms were forced to close a few months ago because of COVID-19, Lucas continued practicing in his back-

yard, with support from his parents and brother who receive his serves and retrieve balls for him.

Since June, he has been participating in Team Saskatchewan's virtual training sessions. "He goes on our back deck with a computer and the whole team is working out together with an athletic trainer, and one day a week they'll have nutrition training or mental training," Lisa told Grasslands News. Next month Lucas will join other members of Team Sask in Saskatoon for on-court training.

Now he has a chance to progress beyond the provincial level. Earlier this year, coach Joel Dyck submitted a video of Lucas to the national volleyball program. The coaches were impressed by his agility and offered him a spot on the team. His mother said the opportunity to join the national team came as a surprise since Lucas did not know that his coach had submitted the video.

Although Team Canada cannot compete yet due to the coronavirus pandemic, Lucas and 29 other players will participate in virtual training sessions. Instruction focuses on technical, tactical, physical and mental skill development. Team Canada intends the U19 Boys program to create a pool of athletes for the Senior National Team, of which Lucas hopes to become a part.



National team

Sixteen-year-old Lucas Musschoot from Grenfell has been selected to play on the 2020 U19 Men's Volleyball Youth National Team.

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Resident wants skateboard park misuse addressed

By Chris Ashfield
Grasslands News

A Melville couple is asking the city to relocate the skateboard park at Gordon Keats Memorial Park after years of what they describe as endless noise, swearing and disrespect to the public space and for the residents living nearby, making it unbearable and frustrating for residents to enjoy being outside.

Arthur and Bev Stephen, who have lived near the park for more than 30 years, say that the skate park props are rarely utilized for their intended purpose and instead have become a hangout full of unsupervised children who chase people away with foul language and inappropriate and dangerous use of the structures with bicycles. The couple say that prior to the installation of the skateboard structures in 2013, the ball park, playground and winter rink had always been a source of entertainment for users with only minor annoyances over the years.

"While the intent was sincere to offer recreation and entertain the youth, it has created an endless source of frustration to many home own-

ers surrounding the park and in close proximity to same," the couple stated in a letter to council. "More and more we see children show up on bicycles, the skateboarders leave in fear of colliding or being run over. Less and less we see the playground area visited. With-

inminutes of parents bringing young children, they leave because of the foul language at the skateboard park."

The Stephens say that complaints by residents have been made in the past to both the police and the city but little has been done because there is no

governing body for the park to monitor, track or respond to issues. Saying they are a supporter of youth involvement and recreation, the couple said they prefer not to resort to endless calls to the police, city and commissioners but instead would like the city to collec-

tively work with people around the park and the kids who use it and instead relocate the park to a more appropriate and non residential area.

"We have endured, been tolerant, tended to cries, scrapes and bruises, intervened with bullies and fighting. Kids will be kids, parents will be parents, complacent interventions of issues make the dynamics of all involved dysfunctional. It should be realized that short term resolutions and sporadic monitoring in response to complaints are not successful.

If in fact your consideration to relocate to a more suitable location can be realized, please consider further expanding that area with beginner and intermediate skills in mind, adding structures, and space for nearby parking and bicycle stands," the couple stated to council.

In the interim, the couple asked council to post rules of respect for the public space in regards to loud noise, music, cursing, bullying or fighting. They would also like to see a contact person appointed to deal with issues that may arise.

The matter was referred to the next city council workshop meeting for discussion, which will be held on Aug. 17.



Skate park request

A couple who lives near the skate park that is located at Gordon Keats Memorial Park in Melville is asking the city to move the structures to a more appropriate non-residential area because of the misuse and foul language that has become common.

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Sports Column – Darcy Gross

Gross Misconduct

Sports fans the world over could use some good news and this week, they're going to get some.

On Friday, Major League Baseball will begin its schedule – an abbreviated one mind you – but at this point, we're ready for anything that looks like a team sport.

If the season comes off without a hitch, meaning it isn't entirely cancelled by a rash of COVID-19 cases, teams will play 60 games and then head to the postseason.

With a vastly shortened schedule, it's going to look a whole lot different than it did in every other baseball season from the very beginnings of the sport.

For instance, players aren't going to be able to sit side by side in the dugout. To maintain social distancing rules, players will be sitting six feet apart.

This would have been easy for the old Billy Martin Yankees, who routinely fought tooth and nail with each other, mostly because they were New York Yankees one would suppose.

The players, who generally look like they have an entire can of chew, complete package of bubble gum or half a sack of sunflower seeds in their maw at any given time, will not be allowed to spit or enjoy these typical player vices.

The players, the guys who are taking the majority of the risk with the season going ahead, will be subject to temperature checks daily and virus tests weekly.

If a player were to have a positive test, he'd have to wait until he had two tests that came back with negative results before he would be able to suit up again.

Also, baseballs touched by multiple players will be taken out of the game.

Baseball purists are going to have some interesting positions on a couple of the new rules.

For one, the National League is going to have the designated hitter rule in effect. The league is saying that it has to do with some safety protocols and I suppose if there's more offence, it will lead to less marathon games.

Speaking of those marathon games, this season, if an extra innings contest happens, the team batting first will take a page out of the old fastball tournaments in the area, and start with a runner on second base.

The idea behind this weird move is to ensure that team personnel aren't at the park any longer than they need to be.

Whether there will be fans at the games, and how many a team will be able to accommodate, seems to vary from one stadium to the next as different states – as well as countries – don't share all the same laws regarding COVID-19.

Whether people will think that this season is tainted or some sort of cruel joke is still an unknown at this point, but sports, and baseball in particular, seem to have a way to get people back on their feet. It gives them a distraction from everything people go through in their daily lives and what it really does deliver is hope.

Following the bombing of New York's twin towers in 2011, it was as important for baseball to take some time off to help people come to grips with one of the most shocking events in all history, as it was for them to return to the game a few days later.

Coming back meant that the distraction from all the world's terrible events had returned and the people who loved the sport, could do whatever they could to get back to some description of normalcy.

The return told the people, "Hey, we're in this together."

Baseball might be as American as apple pie, but it's also part of the very fabric of all of North America, with championships being won by American teams as well as a couple of Toronto Blue Jays teams.

In short, it's a big deal.

While businesses all over the world are being shuttered and millions of people are out of work, being devastated by this virus, baseball is here for all of us, showing that we can get back to living our lives once again.

Right now, people need something that will take them back to a time when they could hug a neighbour or share a handshake.

Maybe baseball will be that something.

RIP Anne Stelmachowich

Whether she was minding the Fun Centre for son Matty or enjoying a chat with any of the people who knew her through the extremely sports minded Stelmak family, Anne was the epitome of grace and class and she never walked into a room she couldn't light up with her smile.

She will be missed by all who were fortunate enough to have known her.

Melville plays host to pickle ball clinic

By Emily Jane Fulford
Grasslands News

The Melville Regional Park tennis courts recently played host to a learning event. On July 21 and 22, a pickle ball clinic took place, allowing people from across the community to come out and learn the sport.

"The pickle ball shop contacted me and said they were going around and providing pickle ball lessons for different communities for anyone who was willing to provide them for their community members," said Kristin Renkas, recreation and programming manager for the City of Melville.

"I know a lot of our residents go south for the winter and a lot of them play pickle ball down there in the warm weather. I thought it was a great opportunity for those who maybe don't go south, but are friends with those who do, and are avid pickle ball players over the winter months. Also, why not bring something to Melville that other community members could try to get involved in, in the form of a sport that we could also multi-use our tennis courts for? So we'll

have some higher usage on our tennis courts being used for multiple sports."

The Melville Regional Park opened its tennis courts earlier this spring with the government phases during the same time that outdoor



Coach Reg Dumont gives points to Calum Hall.

EMILY FULFORD | GNG

playgrounds were permitted to reopen. They have since been disinfected daily, including all touchable surfaces such as the latches and the gates.

"We're just trying to provide outdoor entertainment for everyone as they've been held back for so long, so they can get out, have

fun, get healthy and enjoy the outdoors," says Renkas. "I think a lot of people are looking for opportunities to get out and do something."

Many spring sports such as minor ball decided not to go forward this year because of the risks of COVID and the physical nature of the sports. Pickle ball, on the other hand, is a sport that could have been designed specifically with social distancing in mind.

"You never really leave your six foot social distancing spacing, so it's an opportunity where you can get together with friends that are outside the recommended three household gathering that SHA (Saskatchewan Health Authority) has put forward," explains Renkas.

"So, if you can meet up with your friends and play a friendly game of pickle ball while maintaining your social distancing, that's definitely something that can be done and it's an opportunity for people to try a new sport. You never know until you try it, and sometimes it's those sports that really stick and you end up enjoying the most. It's a great opportunity for people to just get out, get active, get out of your house but not have that fear about the social distancing restrictions."

Sports Column - Bruce Penton

Muenster's Hofmann has big league dreams

He's got the ready-made nickname — the Monster from Muenster. Now, Saskatchewan's Logan Hofmann has the next few years to try to live up to it.

Hofmann is striving to join an exclusive group of baseball players — major leaguers whose home bases are in Western Canada. It's a short list; current Western Canadians on Major League Baseball team rosters include pitchers James Paxton (Delta, B.C.) of the Yankees and Mike Soroka (Calgary) of the Atlanta Braves.

Hofmann, a native of Muenster, Sask., was chosen by Pittsburgh Pirates in the recent amateur draft, going in the fifth and final round, 138th overall.

Normally, the major league draft is a drawn-out affair lasting 40 rounds, but because of the COVID-19 pandemic, it was shortened this year to five. Being selected from among such a reduced pool of players is quite a feather in the cap for Hofmann, who was picked in the 35th round of the draft last year by St. Louis but didn't sign a contract. His desire to improve his draft status by playing one more year of college baseball paid off in spades. A fifth-rounder commands a much bigger contract offer than one chosen in the 35th round.

The 20-year-old right-hander was almost unhittable in his final season with Northwestern State in Louisiana, striking out 38 batters in 28 innings, giving up zero earned runs. Yes, that would be a 0.00 ERA. His stats in the Cape Cod Summer League last year weren't as spectacular, but they were still impressive enough for the Pirates' brass — 27 strikeouts and only five walks in 20 1/3 innings and a spot on the league's all-star team.

Being selected 138th overall means Hofmann holds the honour of being the highest pick ever for a Saskatchewan product. James Avery of Moose Jaw, who went to the Reds with the 152nd pick in 2005, formerly held that distinction.

"Obviously I had a good start to the year and my goal was to be a top-10 rounder going into this year, and once I heard (the draft) was cut to five rounds I wasn't too happy about it," Hofmann told Saskatoon's CKOM News. "I kind of thought it was a 50-50 chance I'd get drafted still."

There's no timeline for when Hofmann might proceed through the Pirates' system. Baseball is slated to resume in late July as a result of the pandemic. But all of Muenster, all of Saskatchewan and fans all across Western Canada are hoping he can approach the levels of success enjoyed by Paxton, who has a 56-32 record and a no-hitter in seven seasons, and Soroka, who posted a 13-4 record in 2019 and emerged as the ace of the Braves staff.

• Bob Molinaro of pilotonline.com (Hampton, Va.): "When baseball and the NBA return, does it make sense to play the national anthem in empty parks and arenas? Just asking."

• Molinaro again: "ESPN notes that the highest-paid public employee in 40 states is a football or men's basketball coach. Clearly then, the priorities of the other 10 states need adjustment."

• Comedy guy Steve Burgess of Vancouver, on Twit-

ter: "If the #Jays can't play at Skydome their backup plan is to move to Diseaseville in the state of Coronastan."

• Janice Hough of leftcoastsportsbabe.com: "Florida is still telling travellers from New York, New Jersey and Connecticut to quarantine for 14 days. This would kind of be like the Houston Astros making a video telling the rest of baseball not to cheat."

• Scott Ostler of the San Francisco Chronicle: "Tiger Woods vs. Phil Mickelson? Boring. Give viewers the golf match they really want to see: Obama vs. Trump."

• RJ Currie of sportsdeke.com: "Reuters reports a British man spent five years building a high-performance vehicle from scratch, despite being blind. So what's the NY Knicks' excuse?"

• Washington Redskins linebacker Ryan Anderson, on why he plays the game so hard: "If I can remember my grandkids' names then I didn't play the game right."

• Headline at TheOnion.com: "Staples Center employee realizes he left shot-clock buzzer on this whole time."

• Tacoma broadcaster Mike Curto: "In 1920 Major League Baseball outlawed the spitball. One hundred years later, MLB is outlawing spit."

• Public-service tweet from Ottawa Public Health: "We admit, sometimes wearing a mask in public isn't the most fashionable or comfortable choice. But some people wear Leafs jerseys, so yeah. Just saying."

• Jay Busbee of Yahoo.com, on the tenuous resumption of sports: "COVID-19 has surged back out to a three-touchdown lead on us. But believe me, I know it's possible to come back from this kind of a deficit. I am a Falcons fan, after all."

• Janice Hough again, on fantasy football: "Beginning to think in 2020 the fantasy is that we can play football."



Whitewood Minor Hockey

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Top Line rodeo circuit begins in Fort Qu'Appelle

Upcoming events planned for Whitewood and Broadview

By Alan Hustak
Grasslands News

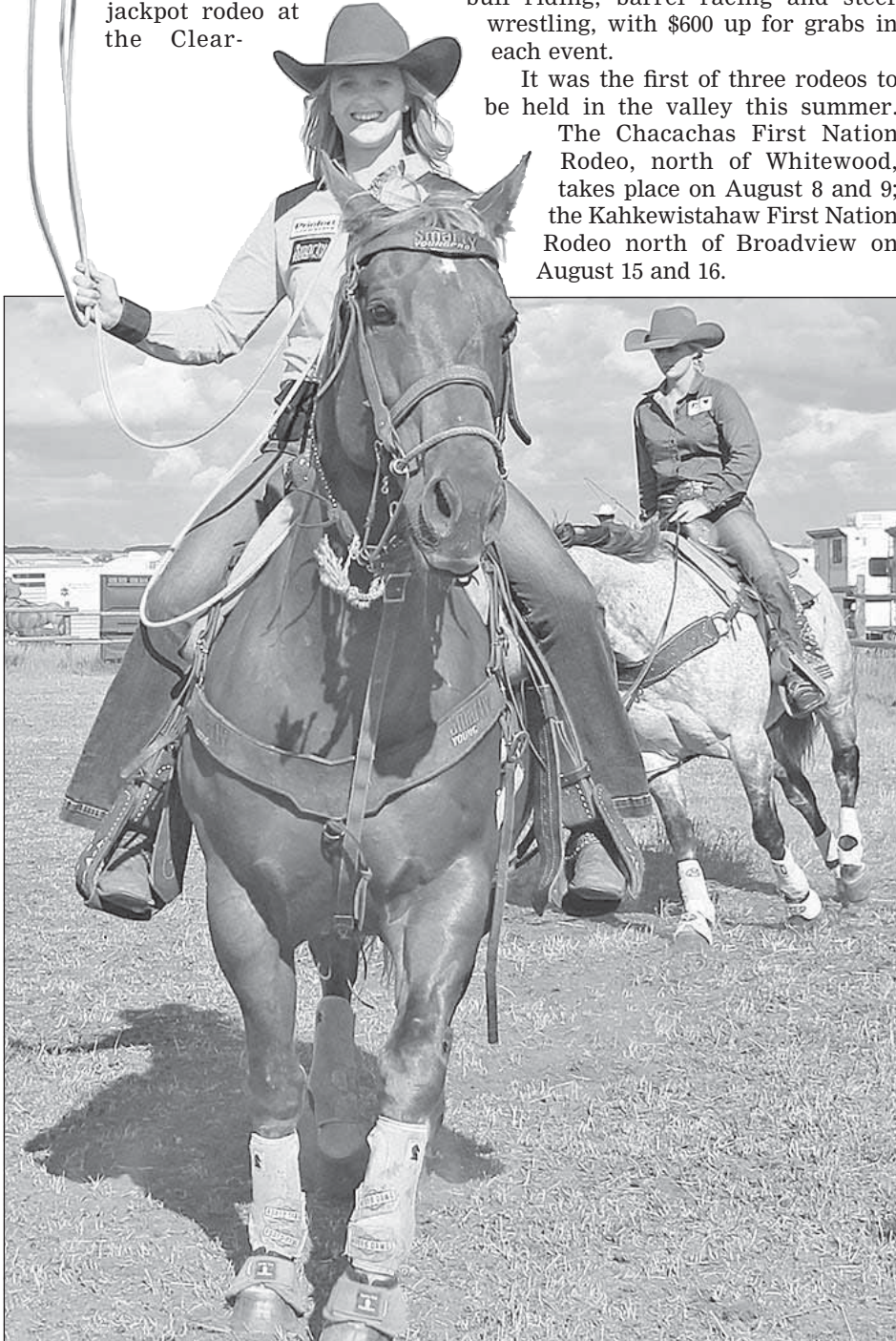
It takes more than COVID to rein in a cowboy. More than 100 circuit riders from across the prairies took part in what was billed as Canada's first rodeo of the year. Competitors were pumped and eager to ride in The Top Line open jackpot rodeo at the Clear-

view Arena in Fort Qu'Appelle on the weekend. "Because of the COVID restrictions, we were limited to 150 spectators, so we couldn't really advertise," said Manitoba stock contractor, Sonny Clearsky, who is sponsoring this summer's Qu'Appelle Valley Rodeo Series. "We had about 350 entries each day. It was such a relief to be able to mount up and be out in the open air again."

There were 10 competitive events including calf roping, bareback riding, bull riding, barrel racing and steer wrestling, with \$600 up for grabs in each event.

It was the first of three rodeos to be held in the valley this summer.

The Chacachas First Nation Rodeo, north of Whitewood, takes place on August 8 and 9; the Kahkewistahaw First Nation Rodeo north of Broadview on August 15 and 16.



Calf roper Cassidy Cairns rides tall in the saddle.

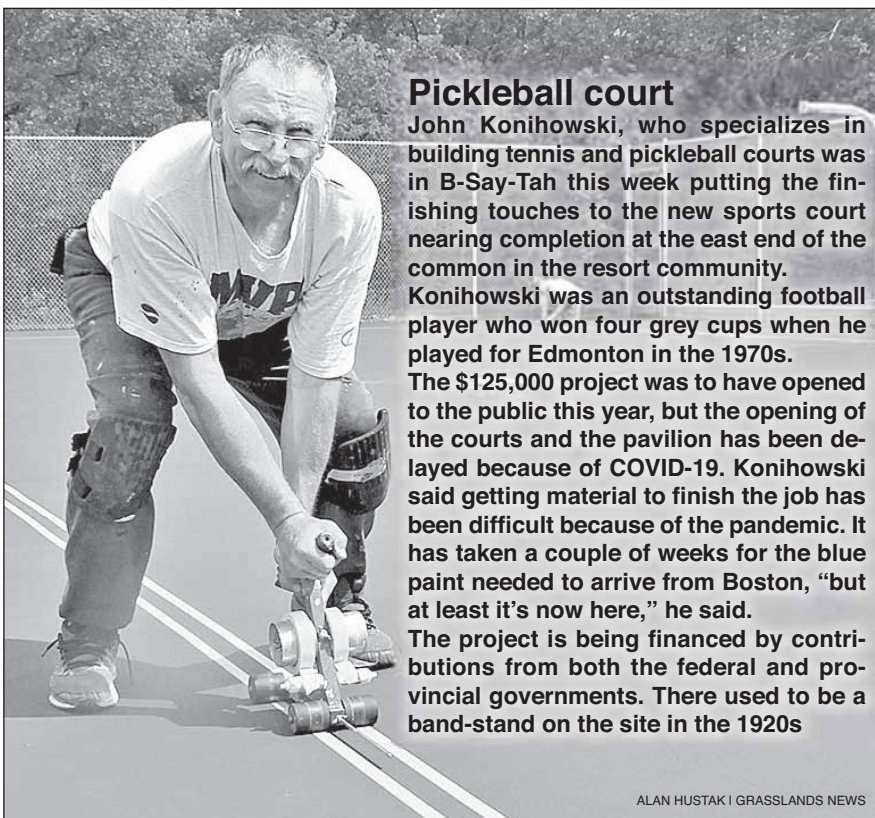


Cody Coverchuck normally rides bulls; this was his second attempt at riding a horse bareback. "Safe to say I enjoyed it but I think I will stick to bull riding!" he said.

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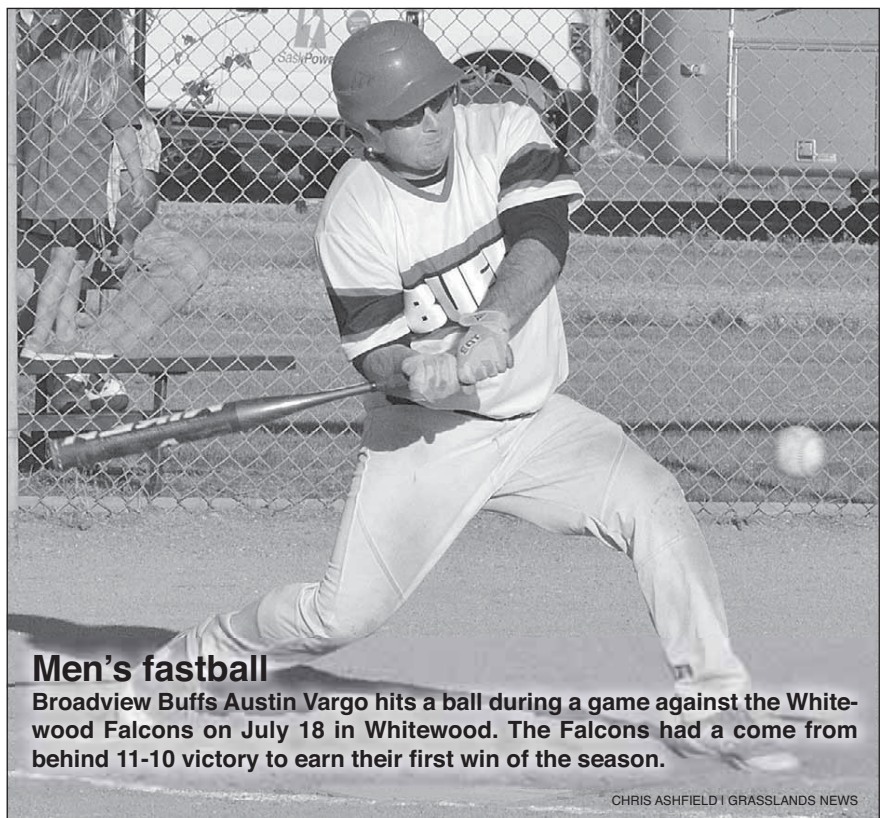
There were eleven competitive events that included calf roping as well as bareback riding, steer wrestling and barrel racing.



Pickleball court

John Koniowski, who specializes in building tennis and pickleball courts was in B-Say-Tah this week putting the finishing touches to the new sports court nearing completion at the east end of the common in the resort community. Koniowski was an outstanding football player who won four grey cups when he played for Edmonton in the 1970s. The \$125,000 project was to have opened to the public this year, but the opening of the courts and the pavilion has been delayed because of COVID-19. Koniowski said getting material to finish the job has been difficult because of the pandemic. It has taken a couple of weeks for the blue paint needed to arrive from Boston, "but at least it's now here," he said. The project is being financed by contributions from both the federal and provincial governments. There used to be a band-stand on the site in the 1920s

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Men's fastball

Broadview Buffs Austin Vargo hits a ball during a game against the Whitewood Falcons on July 18 in Whitewood. The Falcons had a come from behind 11-10 victory to earn their first win of the season.

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Melville music legend celebrates 62 year career

By Emily Jane Fulford
Grasslands News

If you were to ask most musicians to play a five-string banjo, a saxophone, a piano, a guitar and a synthesizer, all at the same time, they would probably think you were joking. Even though there have been many sound libraries and engineering programs released for mimicking these different instruments on the computer, it is often the case that something sounds wrong when listening to them.

It's not surprising that when local Melville musicians, Ron and Sandra Rudoski take to the stage, Ron with his accordion and Sandra on guitar, eyes begin to dart around trying to locate the saxophone or the banjo on stage, only to find there aren't any. So what is the trick to this sound? The accordion rigged to a midi controller allows the device to play as if it were dozens of different instruments, but there's one catch, it still requires a basic understanding of the limitations and playing styles of that, to which it is attempting to mimic.

"With what you can do with the accordion, it sounds like anything but an accordion a lot of the time. We've had people when we first started using the midi-accordion on stage, we'd be playing

some Bluegrass music with a five string banjo, everyone would be looking at her because she's holding the guitar, I'm holding the accordion, but I'm doing the playing on my keyboard, it's set as the five-string banjo," says Rudoski.

"It's really opened up a lot of doors. The midi systems have been around since the late 60s early 70s, they had them before with keyboards, and now they have them with horns and you can add a little sound module and put 250 different sounds into your instrument and copy them, but you've got to play them like those instruments, you can't play them like an accordion. You've got to play them like the guitars or like the banjos or that sort of thing."

Ron started playing accordion at the age of 14 and by the time he had turned 16, he was already playing for a band. Ross McLaren and his Orchestra welcomed Rudoski on board in 1958 and he remained with them until 1964, before moving on to playing with various bands across the region.

"I think I was only 20-years-old and I probably bought the second best accordion you could buy at the time, and had to use every penny I'd saved over the years playing on that, but just stayed with it."

In 1988, after losing a lead singer, Rudoski took a chance on a young female vocalist who became the newest member of the group – it turned out to be a perfect match as the couple got married and they became a duo, performing throughout the province.

"My wife Sandra plays guitar and we both sing in our band. We play mostly at senior dances, senior centers, that sort of thing. We've gone away from playing weddings and things like that. It's just because we are so busy with weekly old-time music, country music, and 50s and 60s rock and roll, all the novelty dances the seniors want."

When Ron wasn't repairing and tuning pianos or playing accordion, he worked in a music store as a way to meet people and be around what he loved to do.

"It kept me right in touch with all the musicians, and the people," says Rudoski, who also misses the social aspect of performing that has been interrupted by COVID-19. "We miss the people and performing because over the last 30 years, we've met so many people that we've got to know from all over the place."

Ending things with a bang for 2020 came to an abrupt halt when the pandemic required all events involving large groups, to be cancelled or postponed.

"We were very, very busy until COVID hit and we were thinking of retiring at the end of this year, but we didn't want to retire this way. We were hoping to kind of have a grand finale to finish playing, but this kind of shut us down, and I personally, I don't know who would be playing, if anyone, would be playing until next year."

The Re-open Saskatchewan Plan recently announced that live music events could go ahead, but with restrictions disallowing dancing. A restriction making it im-

possible for Ron and Sandra to perform this year, as the act predominantly is done at dancing events.

"That leaves us out because that's basically what we do," explains Rudoski. "So it's given us a bit of a slap to be honest with you, and a lot of other bands as well. We know a couple of bands in Saskatoon that retired and said, that's it, they're finished, because you can't play until the next year and that's going to hurt a lot of older people."

With an entire season lost for Ron and Sandra Rudoski, as well as many other bands in the country, it is with high hopes the 2021 season will be jam-packed with people eager to get back out on the dance floor. One thing is for sure, it isn't hard to get inspired to rock out to the accordion that plays everyone's favorite instrument.



Ron Rudoski with his accordion.

Guest Columnist - Mental Wellness Corner

Grief and trauma are hard – really hard. It makes a lot sense that it can feel easier sometimes to push these things down and out of mind. But in order to heal, we need to face what we fear. It makes sense that we develop certain values and beliefs in response to our past grief and traumas. Lots of people would have come to the same conclusions if they were in your situation.

When we are thinking about something more often, especially things that evoke strong emotions, and it is in our conscious awareness, we may be more likely to dream about it. Something to keep in mind is that sometimes in trauma work, it feels like its getting worse before it gets better – this is normal too. Our goal is to not be too afraid of that and to try to find a trusted support network to be there for us as we move through our past hurts.

One thing that you may notice as you reflect on past hurts in your life is that you may start to make important connections between seemingly disparate parts of your life. This process can illicit many emotions, including relief, surprise, and anger and frustrations at the realizations of the depth of consequence

and realization as to the relevance and connection of past events. It's understandable that you continue to feel sadness or hurt when you think about these past events, and that you wish this had never happened. Being able to identify specific thoughts and the emotions connected to them is an important part of the healing process.

From this, it can be extremely valuable to take more of an objective stance with respect to your thoughts and began to examine their validity. This process will assist you in seeing if there are alternative, more balanced way of viewing the situation.

When you are able to clearly identify your thoughts, emotions, and behaviours in a situation which was really difficult for you, you will notice that you will be able to take those tangible realizations forward to re-pattern your thinking in your future reflections on the past. We want to really get into the habit of recognizing thoughts, feelings and reactions to events. This willingness to connect these dots and patterns from the past will serve you well as you move on and heal for the future!

Holly Spencer is originally from Esterhazy. She holds a masters in social work and practices in northern Canada.



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Neighbourly Advice - Ray Maher

"It was hard to be content with our weather this week," I told Ed yesterday. Every day that I wanted to get at trimming the shrubs around our condo building, the rain was determined to stop me and my electric clippers.

My old neighbor in Saskatchewan was not phased by my sad story of unemployment due to the rain. He said since I live an hour from the Pacific Ocean, I should expect rain, and work harder and faster when it isn't raining. Little does Ed realize that my days of working faster and harder are gone, and unlikely to return without a new knee or hip, or an assistant I can watch do my work.

Ed is determined that since I trim and weed the gardens as a volunteer at our condo building without pay, that it shows I lack common sense. My old neighbor questions why I would work for nothing?

Ed argues that if I didn't do the lawn cutting and shrub trimming, they would have to hire a lawn service or gardener. They should pay me almost equal to a lawn service. He says maybe a little less because I'm old, grumpy, and slow.

As always, I told Ed that he could be right, and he knew I was ignoring him.

Ed's conviction that I need a better wage than I'm getting reminded me of a parable of Jesus. The parable goes by the title, "Laborers for the Vineyard."

In the story, the owner of a vineyard went out early to hire day laborers to work in his vineyard. Men wanting to work for the day would go to the marketplace and wait there in the hopes of getting hired. The owner of the vineyard went to the market at 6 a.m. and hired workers agreeing to pay them a denarius, or penny, for their work for the day in his vineyard.

The owner went back

to the marketplace at 9 a.m. and hired more workers that were there for his vineyard.

At noon and 3 p.m., the owner hired more workers, telling them, "Go work in my vineyard, and I will give you whatever is right at the end of the day." At about 5 p.m., the owner saw idle men at the marketplace, so, he also sent them into his vineyard. When the evening came, the owner told his foreman to call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last hired to the first hired.

Those hired last at 5 p.m. received a denarius, and so did all the workers. Those hired first, who had worked the whole day, got the same as those who worked the

least amount in the day.

Those who worked longest grumbled that all the workers received the same payment. The workers hired first were genuinely offended that there was equal pay for everyone. They felt they deserved more than the last workers.

Jesus said that with God, the last will be first and the first last for God's love is equal for all. Jesus is the first and the last, the beginning and the end. God does not give us what we deserve, but better than we deserve, in His generous salvation for all believers in Jesus Christ.



Life Member

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Kay Leshko aged 92, formerly of Melville, who now resides at Lakeside Manor Care Home in Saltcoats, was recognized with a certificate that invested her as a Life Member of St. Mary the Protectress Orthodox Church in Melville, Sask.

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Obituary

Veloy Dianne Buchinski
June 2, 1946 - July 9, 2020

Veloy Dianne Buchinski (Korney) was the youngest of 12 children born to Roman and Anne Korney on June 2, 1946 in Endeavour, Sask. Veloy attended Endeavour School for her elementary years, and continued on to Sturgis Composite for high school. As a child Veloy helped out in the family store and in her father's blacksmith shop in the village of Endeavour.



Veloy married Tony Buchinski on May 9, 1964. They began their life as a family of three when they welcomed their son, Troy, on June 30, 1964 born in Preeceville, Sask. On July 31, 1973 they completed their family with the addition of their daughter, Tricia, born in Melville, Sask. From Endeavour they moved to Regina for a year, and then to Melville where they settled to raise their family for the next 34 years. While living in Melville Veloy was a homemaker for the younger years of the kids lives. When they were both older she went on to work at Godfried's Jewellery Store and then at a local shoe store. While she lived in Endeavour she also worked for Champion Auctions as a clerk, she always enjoyed the road trips back and forth from the auctions with the company.

Veloy was involved in the Melville Kinette Club for many years and served in numerous positions in the club. She was a part of the first Kinsmen Telemiracle and attended them with the club for many years after. While in Endeavour, Veloy helped out as a volunteer at the Endeavour curling rink and with the Anglican Church's annual Church Mouse Sale.

Veloy had many passions in life, most of which included either being outdoors or being in the kitchen cooking and baking. Veloy was always known to never send any of the kids or grandkids home empty-handed – going to baba's was like going to a "much better than your average grocery store". Her family will always remember her for her rhubarb pie, they are all yet to taste one better than hers. Veloy's kids and grandkids will forever cherish the memories made in the kitchen with her and Tony, and the recipes that have been passed down to each of one of them. Baba will be remembered for the 12 course meals she would prepare, even when it was just a spur of the moment, Tuesday night supper. She enjoyed planting her garden every year, and canning everything that she had harvested from the season. As well as gardening, Veloy always enjoyed mushroom and berry picking with her family – this enjoyment is something that has been passed down to her children and many grandchildren.

Another one of Veloy's pastimes included knitting – blankets, dishcloths, sweaters and slippers – to share with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. In the winter months Veloy enjoyed curling in the local bonspiels in Endeavour. While in Melville, Veloy took leisure in bowling and golfing. When residing in Endeavour, Veloy enjoyed curling in the regular and seniors curling season.

Her and Tony enjoyed going camping to different lakes, as well as going fishing to Eldridge Lake at Lawrence and Jane's cabin. Veloy was always known to pack a wiener roast no matter what camping or mushroom picking excursion they were on.

Veloy's grandchildren and great-grandchildren were a very special part of her life. She loved to attend school events, hockey, ball games and birthday celebrations. Veloy loved spending time with the kids outside in the garden, on the prairie or just taking a little drive down a back road.

Veloy was predeceased by her parents, Roman and Anne; her husband, Tony; brothers, Norman, Mike, Andy and Lawrence; and her sisters, Pauline and Gladys.

Veloy is survived by her son, Troy (Brenda); daughter, Tricia (Brent); her four grandchildren, Chelsey (Logan), Ashley, Colby (Jericho) and Sydney (Daniel); as well as by her five great-grandchildren; Noah, Spencer, Nicholas, Benjamin and Aubree; her sisters, Mary, Nora and Jeannette; her brothers, Paul and Joe; numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces and nephews, as well as cousins.

The funeral service was held on Tuesday, July 14, 2020 in the Endeavour Community Cemetery, Endeavour, Sask. with Tony Carr officiating. Interment was held in the Endeavour Community Cemetery with Sydney Cowell, Colby Jaques, Chelsey Buchinski and Ashley Buchinski serving as the urn-bearers. Nicholas, Benjamin, Noah, Spencer and Aubree were the honorary bearers.

Memorials in memory of Veloy may be made to the Preeceville and District Hospital Auxillary or to Ronald McDonald House, Saskatchewan (1011 University Drive Saskatoon, SK S7N 0K4) as gifts of remembrance. Messages of condolence may be made to the family by visiting preecevillefuneralhome.com



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Obituary

Henry Hudy
Nov. 30, 1937 - July 12, 2020

Henry Hudy of St. Paul Lutheran Home, Melville, Sask., beloved husband of Pauline Hudy, entered his eternal rest with his daughter by his side, on Sunday, July 12, 2020 at the Pasqua Hospital in Regina. He was 82 years of age.

Henry was born Nov. 30, 1937 in the McKim district to Andrew and Lucille (nee Slafer-ek) Hudy.

Henry attended Pulaski Plains School and farmed with his dad until moving to Estevan to work on the oil rigs. He returned to the farm in 1958.

Henry married the love of his life, Pauline Burant, on April 11, 1959 at Precious Blood Church with Father John Molnar presiding. He bought his own farm in 1966 and worked hard to provide for his wife and six children.

Henry was a quiet, hard working man who was proud of his children and enjoyed talking farm talk with his boys. If he couldn't figure something out, he would leave it and think about it until he found a way to get it done. We learned a lot from watching dad fix things. We worked hard on the farm, but grew up better for it. He had a great sense of humour with a twinkle in his eye and was generous to a fault. Memories of him working for a farmer stooking wheat sheaves, just for a bicycle frame. He took us fishing, fencing and to stack bales on a rack he would never tie down. We were also his rock pickers while he pulled the stone boat. He was an avid hunter, fisherman and enjoyed snowmobiling. He enjoyed card games and family get-togethers where his grandchildren gave him a smile. We have learned a lot about life from this strong, quiet, hard working man. Rest easy, your work is done.

Henry was predeceased by his parents; brother Dennis; daughter-in-law, Cherrilyn Hudy; in-laws, Peter and Victoria Burant; sisters-in-law, Rosalyn, Dorothy and Evelyn; brothers-in-law, Albert, George, Glen, Bob, Willard and Burt.

Henry leaves to cherish his memory: wife Pauline; children, JoAnne (Bob Dolan) Hudy; Gwen (Glen) Smith; Neil (Trina Stachowich) Hudy; Andrea Rosin; Adrian (Tamara) Hudy; Travis Hudy; 16 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; sister Dorothy; sisters-in-law, Francis, Vicky, Myrtle and Anne; brother-in-law, Peter (Pat); cousin Ron.

Arrangements were by Bailey's Funeral Home, Melville.



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Obituary

Lloyd Samuel Treeby
June 16, 1929 - June 29, 2020

Lloyd Samuel Treeby passed away on Monday, June 29, 2020 at Indian Head Hospital at the age of 91 years.

Lloyd was born on June 16, 1929 in the Grenfell area. He was the child of Fred and Ada Treeby. Lloyd farmed in the Grenfell area and in 1957 he married Gertrude Lloys Pearce.

He enjoyed watching all sports and curled in many bonspiels. Lloyd and Lloys attended Hostfest in Minot, North Dakota many times.

Lloyd was predeceased by his parents, Fred and Ada; and his wife, Lloys, who died on Aug. 10, 2005.

Lloyd was a resident of Lakeside Nursing Home in Wolseley since 2009.

Sincere appreciation is extended to the staff of Lakeside Nursing Home for their compassion and care.

Arrangements in care of Tubman Cremation & Funeral Services, 1-800-667-8962. To leave an online condolence please visit www.tubmanfn.com



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Grasslands News publications will not be publishing the weeks of July 31 and Aug. 7 to give our staff a summer break.

There will be NO issues July 31 and Aug. 7

Next issue is Aug. 14

Our offices will also be closed from July 27 until Aug. 10

Obituary

Frank Schmeltzer
Sept. 5, 1926 - July 3, 2020

Frank Schmeltzer of Melville, beloved husband of Evelyn, entered his eternal rest on Friday, July 3, 2020 at the age of 93 years.

Frank was born in Grayson, Sask. on Sept 5, 1943 to Nick and Mary Schmeltzer of Killyall.

He received his education at Wallacetown School, one mile away from his parents' farm. At the age of 16 he left school and started farming with his dad. In his youth he would spend his winters trapping and hunting small animals, he would also play softball as a back catcher, passing his skills onto the third generation.

On July 15, 1966 he married the love of his life, Evelyn Lipinski, and they took over the farming operation. Frank and Evelyn were blessed with four sons, Michael, Neil, Keith and Mark.

In 1976 he studied and received his Power Engineering certificate and started working at St. Peter's Hospital in Melville, eventually taking the position of chief engineer and director of maintenance in 1983. His career at the hospital spanned over a period of 27 years. During this time he also carried on the operation of the family farm, eventually building up his herd of cattle and acquiring more farmland. He had many other interests – driving and training his horses, going on trail rides, getting to as many auction sales as he could, camping, going to chuckwagon races and rodeos, hunting with his sons, taking a leisure drive down the country roads checking all the crops, fishing and of course stopping along the way for coffee and conversations. He was involved in his sons activities, watching them playing softball, football, basketball, curling, 4-H and music, and helped whenever he could.

Frank loved to socialize, spending time at the senior's centre, playing cards, shuffleboard, and of course every Thursday afternoon taking in the dances. At the time of his passing, Frank was the president of the Melville Senior's Association in Melville. In the last year he was spending more time at home, enjoying whatever he could find on his ipad on YouTube, polka music, horse pulls or whatever else he could find.

In 2009, Frank had cardiac surgery, which took a long time for recovery, but he was a determined person and he was almost back to a normal lifestyle.

In 2010, Frank and Evelyn left the farm and moved into Melville to their present home on 10th Ave. West. Now there was more time for leisure and Frank had the opportunity to spend more time with friends on coffee row, exchanging stories from the past.

Frank is survived by his loving wife, Evelyn; sons, MICHAEL (Elissa) of Melville, children: Melanie (Evan), Nicole (Tyler) Williams and Briana (Danny), grandchildren: Jaxon, Hailey and Logan; NEIL (Deidre) of Regina, children: Kristen (Dalton), Madison (Devin); KEITH (Shannon) of Weuburn, children: Sloane, Jagger and Brogan; MARK (Dorothy) of Lloydminster, children: Chelsea (Tyvan), Cassidy and Matthew; sister, Maxine (Fred) Litzenberger; brother, Norman (Dorothy); sisters and brothers-in-law, Linda (Art) Zimmer, Gloria Lipinski, Beverly Krasowski, Adam (Joanne) Lipinski, Tony Koch; numerous nieces and nephews.

Predeceased by his parents, Nick and Mary Schmeltzer; in-laws, Adam and Clara Lipinski; sister, Rosemarie Koch; sister-in-law, June Schmeltzer and brother-in-law, Johnnie Krasowski.

Arrangements were by Bailey's Funeral and Cremation Care, Melville.



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Obituary

Frank Ortt
May 23, 1933, Grenfell, Sask. -
July 12, 2020, Calgary, Alta.



Frank Ortt of Calgary, Alta., passed away on Sunday, July 12, 2020 at the age of 87 years.

Frank Ortt was born in Grenfell, Sask. where he grew up on the family farm that he later purchased. In his late teens he played fastball for the Grenfell Gems. He went to the University in Saskatoon. He later moved to Estevan where he met his loving wife, June, of 50 years that predeceased him in 2012. Frank was successful in the oil industry and moved to Calgary in 1968. The family commuted from Calgary to Grenfell during the seeding and harvest seasons for many years.

June and Frank enjoyed their winters in Palm Springs where Frank played shuffleboard and was famous for his ice cream. They traveled frequently visiting friends and family, and spent many hours on the dance floor together.

Frank is survived by his children, Charlene (Eddie), Wayne (Sue) and Darryl (Nancy); and his grandchildren, Justin, Jenna and Caden.

He also leaves behind his loving companion and friend, Jackie Spenard; his sister Marge; and numerous nieces, nephews and extended family. He was predeceased by his four brothers and parents.

There will be a graveside service in Grenfell at a later date. Condolences, memories and photos may be shared and viewed on Frank's obituary at www.McInnisandHolloway.com

In living memory of Frank Ortt, a tree will be planted in the Ann & Sandy Cross Conservation Area by McINNIS & HOLLOWAY FUNERAL HOMES, Fish Creek, 14441 Bannister Road SE, Calgary, AB T2X 3J3, Telephone: 403-256-9575.



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–Lovingly remembered and sadly missed by Doris, Charlene, Preston, Maureen, Joey, Gary, Raquel, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.
29-1p

Card of Thanks

The family of the late Gerald Boychuk would like to thank all the people who brought flowers, cards and food. You all brought such comfort for us. Thank you to Dr. Teqball, Dr. Zorian and all the doctors and nurses who gave Gerald the greatest care ever. Thank you to Home Care for their awesome service. Also, thank you to Kim Rutzki for helping us greatly and at home. And to Bailey's Funeral Home for their professional caring service.
29-1p

The family of Doug Dawson would like to thank all their friends and neighbors for all the cards, flowers, donations of food and baking and all monetary donations to the museum and All Nations' Healing Hospital in Fort Qu'Appelle. Your kindness has made it possible to get through the early days. God bless you all.
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29-1p

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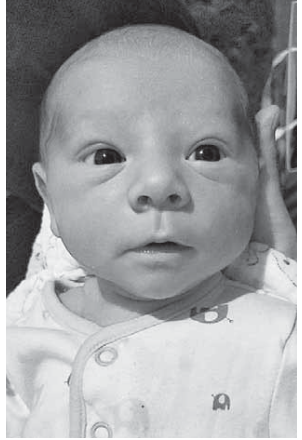
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July 14 to July 20

Traffic

A complaint of kittens being thrown from a van on Highway 22. No plate was obtained and the complainant will foster the kittens until a home is found.

A 32-year-old male was arrested for driving while disqualified in response to a disturbance complaint. The vehicle was also impounded for 30 days.

On Monday, July 20 police received an early morning complaint of an erratic driver on Highway 10 which was described as excessive speeding and all over the road. An officer patrolled and clocked a vehicle at 175km/h which matched the description provided by the caller. The officer was impeded by the normal flow of traffic and lost sight of the suspect vehicle near Edgeley. Approximately 10 kilometers down the road the officer came upon a collision at the junction of Highway 10 and 35 south.

The same suspect vehicle collided with the stop sign pole and then into power poles. Two youths aged, 15 and 14 were arrested on scene. The 15-year-old male driver was transported to a Regina hospital by STARS and the 14-year-old female was treated locally and cleared for lodging in cells. Officers began an impaired investigation which lead to identifying the vehicle was stolen from Yorkton the previous night. The duo were also reported missing by their group home. The female appeared before a Justice of the Peace and remanded to appear in Yorkton court to face numerous breach and property offences. The male was released from the hospital into the care of the group home and will be compelled to court at a later date. The investigating officer will be obtaining a search warrant for the driver's blood taken at the hospital to be analysed for blood alcohol content.

A 25-year-old male was arrested for driving while prohibited after an officer saw him driving. He was also in the presence of someone who was prohibited from being around due to criminal charges already before the court. He was held for court as he has quite a record for driving offences.

A complaint of a suspected impaired driver resulted in a seven day suspen-



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Stolen car crashes

STARS Air Ambulance transported a 15-year-old male to a Regina hospital and a 14-year-old female was treated at a local hospital after crashing a stolen car July 20 at the intersection of Highways 10 and 35.

sion and vehicle impound. The complainant was able to provide officers an up to date location of the suspect vehicle. Officers located the vehicle in a drive thru and performed a roadside screening test. The 43-year-old driver also had his nine-year-old child in the rear seat.

A reported single vehicle roll over landed at 21-year-old driver a three day license suspension and wrecked truck. The driver was not injured but had enough alcohol in his body to warrant the administrative suspension.

Traffic tickets issued for: Failure to produce registration upon request, and speeding (Speeder of the week: 158km/h, \$888 fine),

Mischief

Officers were called to deal with a male sleeping in front of the complainant's house. A 36-year-old male known to police was clearly on some type of drug. He admitted to consuming prescription medications. He would fall asleep mid way through a sentence

when speaking to officers so he was taken to the hospital to be assessed.

A 64-year-old male was observed by an officer stumbling down the street. He was arrested and held in cells to sober up.

Minor damage was caused to a vehicle during what may have been an attempt to steal the boat hitched to the truck. The matter is still being looked into.

A vehicle was heavily damaged which was located in an abandoned farm yard. The registered was tracked down who said he left the vehicle on the property as he was doing some fence work. He believes culprits tried to steal the truck, but trashed it after failing.

A complaint of fireworks being shot towards a residence is still being looked into. The suspect and complainant are known to each other and likely related to a relationship on the downslope.

A complaint of ATV's on private property was looked into. The suspect was spoken to and told to stay off private property. The suspect and owner

have had issues before.

Crimes Against the Person/Property

Officers investigated a child abduction and with the assistance of the Regina Police Service Community Services Division and Auto Theft Unit, the child was located and its father taken into custody. Police were notified by a child and family services agency that the evening prior a child was taken from the care of the legal guardian by its biological father. Police began following up on leads and were in the process of issuing an Amber Alert when a stolen vehicle was stopped in Regina which was associated to a residence where the child and father were located. The child has been returned to protective care and the father continues to remain in custody pending future court appearances.

A 25-year-old female was arrested and charged for assault on her ex boyfriend. The victim received minor injuries. The suspect was released to appear in court with conditions not to contact or go near the victim.

Police are looking for a 23-year-old female in relation to a stabbing. The 50-year-old victim and the suspect are known to each other. The victim was transported to the hospital by ambulance with non-life threatening injuries. The matter is still being investigated.

Police received a tip that a 37-year-old female was believed to be staying at a yellow house. The female was reportedly wanted for attempted murder...on herself. Needless to say, the she was not located or the yellow house.

A break and enter was reported to a rural property where part of an air compressor was stolen. The officer is reviewing trail cam footage for suspects.

A 25-year-old male was released from court on conditions to abstain from contacting a female partner. A short time after his release, the ambulance was called for a potential drug overdose. The caller was the female partner. She was arrested and the male fled to Regina and is now wanted for breaching his release order.

A 28-year-old male was arrested for breaching his release order by consuming alcohol. Officers were called to a residence in which people were fighting outside. The male was one of those involved. He was held in cells overnight and released to appear for court.

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RCMP attend car crash

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A fraud investigation is underway in possible fraudulent Canadian Emergency Response Benefit applications.

Another complaint of a fraud almost being committed. The complainant almost put a deposit on a rental property but thought it would be a good idea to check with a realtor. Good decision as the property was not for rent.

A restaurant called police after a male tried to redeem VLT's tickets that had already been cashed. When the staff tried to explain the situation, the male nodded off mid way through conversation. Sound familiar? Yup same guy from the sleeping on front lawn incident. The male was taken to the hospital and is now banned from entering the establishment.

A gas and dash was reported where almost \$80 worth of fuel was not paid for. The theft occurred two days ago, but the business owner was able

to identify a plate. This is still under investigation.

Theft of flower pots is also still being looked into. There is security footage that captures the suspects and a vehicle.

A theft of a vehicle was reported. The vehicle is a 2003 Pontiac Aztec, orange in colour with plate number 451LDS. The suspect is known to the owner.

Boat Patrols of Echo and Pasqua Lake

Officers teamed up with our local Conservation Officers and conducted boat patrols on Echo and Pasqua Lake. 25 boats and 87 sailors were checked. 5 boats warned about having liquor on-board. 5 boat operators did not have in their possession their operator license, 4 anglers did not produce their fishing licenses upon request, and one who did not possess a license at all (but was more helping his son out). One vessel had out of date

registration and one had no registration. One vessel was grossly over its capacity. Only one boat had all occupants wearing a life jacket. All the others had life jackets aboard, just not worn. All violations ended with a warning, however, future boat patrols will be more enforcement driven, with emphasis on impaired operation of a vessel. This charge and punishment is the exact same as operating a motor vehicle while impaired.

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