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Warren Mercurys players from the U7 team Raf Deogracias and Rhett Harris lead the U15 Mercurys to centre ice for opening ceremonies at the Hockey Manitoba U15C Co-ed Provincials last Friday.

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Warren hosts 2024 Hockey Manitoba U15C provincials

By Jo-Anne Procter

Nine teams hit the ice this past weekend in Warren to compete in the 2024 Hockey Manitoba U15C Co-ed provincial hockey championships.

The Roblin Stars defeated the Gladstone Lakers 4-3 to win the provincial championship. The host Warren Mercurys defeated Birtle 4-1 to claim bronze and in the consolation game Gimli Lakers defeated the Cross Lake Islanders 6-5 in overtime.

The weekend was packed with competitive hockey, a skills competition, photo booth, a variety auction and a 50/50 that was won by Joelle Sylvester (\$555).

Opening ceremonies were well attended by eight teams and an arena full of fans.

Ty Mitchell, former morning radio host for 92.1 CITI and Power 97, dusted off the microphone to introduce teams, sponsors and dignitaries to the tournament.



Jeff Beaudin from St. Eustache was picked up by a Warren hockey team to play in the Minor Bantam (U15) Provincial C tournament 47 years ago. This year his great-grandnephew Gabe Laramée from St. Eustache was picked up by the Warren U15C team to play in the Hockey Manitoba Provincials in Warren.

Beaudin's team won the championship that year and he continued to play minor hockey in Warren, winning two more provincial championships along with many league and tournament championships.

Beaudin made many lasting friendships and credits his successful junior hockey career to the coach that brought him to Warren, Ed Pawluk.

Beaudin presented Laramée with one of his provincial championship jackets before his game last Friday night, bringing back a flood of fond memories from his minor hockey days.

Beaudin spent the weekend in Warren cheering on the Warren team as well as his other great-grandnephew Koston Laramée, who played for St. Adolphe Hawks. Pictured from left: Koston Laramée, Jeff Beaudin and Gabe Laramée.



The Warren Mercurys won the U15C Co-ed provincial bronze medals. Pictured back row, left to right: Gord Noren (coach), Ryder Clare, Layne Noren, Bennett Bergthorson, Lee Hearn, Josh Tristram and Chad Tristram (safety). Middle: Rayden Chanel, Brody Lambert, Leighton Chartrand, anderson Dyck, Avery Horton and Mike Cavers (coach). Front: Tanner Heaps, Duncan Grassinger, Sawyer Park, Gabe Larmee, Keegan Martinez, Cohen Fluery, Asher Kauppila and Logan Howard. Missing from the photo are Pat Chanel (coach), Karen Tristram (manager) and Crystal Bergthorson (safety).



Multi award-winning Canadian country music artist and grandmother to Warren Mercs' Brody Lambert, Kimberley Dawn belted out O Canada at the opening ceremonies.



Players from the U7 Mercs led teams to the ice for opening ceremonies. Pictured left to right: Annika Crockatt, Felix Kuzmik, Levi Crockatt, Raf Deogracias, Rhett Harris, Krew Lindsay, Locke Lindsay, Noah Hoas and Daxton Allard.



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Kinnettes spread joy and positivity on Kin Canada Club

By Lana Meier

On Feb. 24, the Kinette Club of Stonewall and other Kin Canada Clubs nationwide came together to celebrate Kin Kindness Day. The spirit of kindness lit up the community as members embarked on a mission to spread smiles through small acts of kindness. Throughout the entire month of February, each member of the Stonewall Kinettes received bingo cards filled with kind deeds, aiming for a blackout without any freebies.

In a heartwarming gesture, crocheted worry worms were discreetly

hidden in a number of local businesses including Family Foods, Home Hardware, and Co-op Grocery Store for community members to discover. Staff members were also not forgotten; they received uplifting cards expressing appreciation and encouraging them to have an amazing day.

As part of the festivities, residents were pleasantly surprised with thoughtful gestures such as appreciation cards paired with Tim Hortons gift cards distributed throughout the community on Saturday. Kindness truly knows no bounds in Stonewall.



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New appointments to the board of the Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation announced

By Lana Meier

Agriculture Minister Ron Kostyshyn announced the appointment of a new chair, vice-chair and directors to the board of Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation (MASC) by the Manitoba government.

"Agriculture in Manitoba is growing and I am confident that the experience, knowledge and abilities of the individuals appointed to this newly formed board will play an important role in supporting agricultural stakeholders across our province," said

Kostyshyn.

The board's leadership has seen a recent change, with John Plohman taking on the role of chair and Don Kostaskey as vice-chair. Joining them are five newly appointed directors: Paul Gregory, Mary Johnson, Larry Bohdanovich, Rayna Gleich and Gurjaspal Singh Bala.

Kostyshyn emphasized that these appointments are in line with the Manitoba government's goal of bolstering the agricultural sector, which serves as the foundation of our pro-

vincial economy.

The MASC board of directors' duties include promoting a thriving and diverse rural economy through an array of financial offerings and risk management initiatives, as outlined in the Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation Act. Additionally, this provincial Crown corporation oversees emergency aid programs and delivers inspection and verification services to the agriculture sector.

Brian Brown and Kristy-Layne Carr will both continue to serve as direc-

tors for MASC, with Brown having been appointed in May 2023 and bringing valuable experience from his involvement on multiple boards. Similarly, Carr, who has been a director since September 2023, brings her expertise as the owner and operator of Rich Lane Farms.

Kostyshyn expressed gratitude to former board members for their previous dedication to MASC when making the announcement.

Rockwood approves Balmoral resident to have three chickens

By Jennifer McFee

- The RM of Rockwood will receive \$647,104.31 in per-capita funding from Municipal and Northern Relations, which it will use towards an addition to the Stony Mountain lift station project.

- Council accepted the 2024 budget from Teulon and District Handivan Service and \$3,500 levy increase for a total payable levy of \$14,000.

- The RM will extend its gravel-supply contract with Heidelberg Materials, formerly Inland Aggregates, as the south supplier. In addition, the RM will extend its gravel-supply contract with Armstrong Construction for the north supplier.

- The RM will pay \$250 to Manitoba Good Roads Association for its annual membership fee.

- Council granted permission to a Balmoral res-

ident to have three chickens at his residence. In addition, council will amend its zoning bylaw to include chickens in residential zones.

- Council will authorize a four-person team to participate in the 51st annual Interlake municipal curling bonspiel in Riverton on March 15.

- Council supports the inclusion of the RM of Rockwood as part of the West Interlake Watershed District Act and Regulation.

- The RM will provide a \$1,600 sponsorship to the Teulon Rodeo Club.

- Council defeated a proposal to pay \$300 to the Hudson Bay Route Association for a 2024 membership fee.

- Council also defeated a proposal to pay \$100 for a 2024 membership to the Teulon and District Chamber of Commerce.

- Council conditionally ap-

proved a request from a resident to have four dogs on a property on Road 12E. According to Rockwood bylaws, three dogs are permitted on a rural property.

- Council passed a resolution to destroy duplicate copies of certain municipal records.

- Coun. Lana Hintz will attend the 13th annual Red River Basin Commission North Chapter fish dinner gala in West St. Paul on March 20.

- Council defeated requested amendments to a development agreement for the operation of a rural retreat and events centre on Road 3E. The applicant had requested changes to the noise restriction and the number of attendees allowed for medium impact.

- Council authorized a 2024-25 municipal levy of \$81.60 to the Redboine Watershed District.

- Council passed first reading of a bylaw to renew the municipality's annual line of credit.

- Council approved signing the development agreement, which will allow for an increased number of dwelling units at a multi-family complex on Dufferin Drive in Stony Mountain. The conditional use order was granted Jan. 11, 2023.

- The RM will enter into an agreement with Stony Mountain Child Care Co-op for a new licensed daycare to provide up to 74 childcare spots on municipal land on School Road.



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Local teen prepares for unique education program

By Jennifer McFee

A local teen is gearing up for a once-in-a-lifetime education opportunity that will give her a taste of post-secondary life.

Samantha Martinussen, a Grade 11 student at Collège Stonewall Collegiate, has been accepted to participate in a month-long program offered by Shad Canada in July.

Geared for Grade 10 and 11 students, Shad provides university-level STEAM education (science, technology, engineering, arts and math) and entrepreneurship exposure for a limited number of students across the country. Each year, thousands of students apply and the organization accepts 1,100.

Through an option called Shad On-Campus, students live on site at one of 22 participating Canadian universities. Another option is ShadAny-where, which serves as a digital campus for students to participate online from wherever they're located.

When Samantha's mom Brenda told her about the program, she knew she wanted to apply. She submitted her application, transcripts, resumé and three references in December.

"Shad is an excellent opportunity for personal growth, developing friendships, being mentored and exposure to my career field of choice, which would be either medicine or neuropsychology," said Samantha, who lives between Argyle and Balmoral. "It shows you a different region of the country and helps you to develop a growth mindset and to grow as a person."

At school, Samantha is an honour roll student who is involved in the drama club, leadership committee, culture club, and gender and sexuality alliance. Her employment experience is also impressive, with jobs ranging from Quarry Park summer staff to customer service representative at Stonewall Florist to general farm labourer. In the community, she has volunteered at the library and the Teulon Skating Club.

Teacher Deanna Johnson provided a letter of support for Samantha's ap-



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Grade 11 Collège Stonewall Collegiate student Samantha Martinussen has been accepted to participate in the month-long Shad program, which focuses on university-level STEAM education and entrepreneurship.



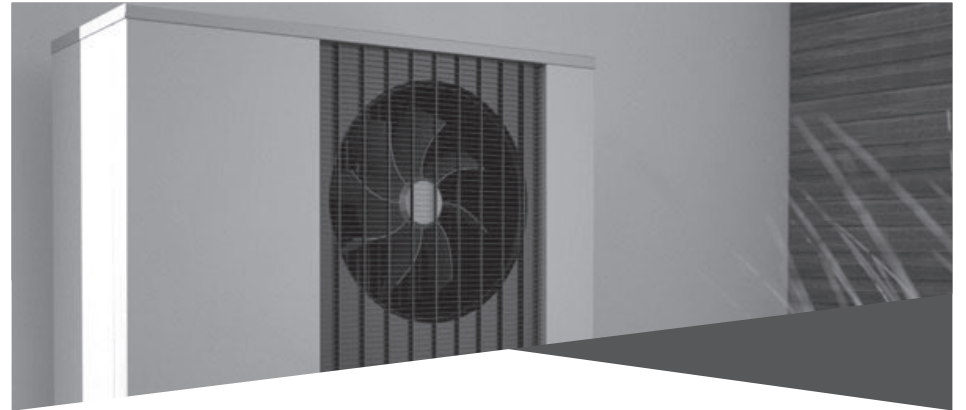
Samantha Martinussen created this pencil and alcohol marker drawing in 2023. She shared this sample of her artwork as part of her Shad application.

plication. She teaches Grade 11 chemistry at Collège Stonewall Collegiate and is also a supervisor of the school's leadership team.

"What makes Sam an excellent candidate for Shad is her creativity and

problem-solving skills. Sam enjoys being challenged and is able to use her creativity to help her solve problems. She's inquisitive and curious and is

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Hard to be green while in the red

By Cam Dahl, general manager, Manitoba Pork Council

I did not come up with the line “hard to be green while in the red,” but I wish I had. It is a brief phrase describing one of the most challenging policy aspects of sustainability. It is difficult, or even impossible, to change farming practices to improve environmental sustainability when experiencing negative margins. The idea applies to every business.

Even though this policy truism seems obvious, governments do not always recognize it. The government’s most frequent policy tool is regulation. Imposing costly restrictions and penalties on businesses is often the default action. It should not be.

Take the carbon tax, for example. The stated policy objective is to reduce carbon emissions by discouraging the use of fossil fuels. This may work when the use of fossil fuels is a discretionary expense, but heating a hog barn in winter is not discretionary. For hog farmers, energy costs are the second highest operating expense after feed. At a time when farmers’ margins are written in red ink, the carbon tax is making it more expensive to raise pigs. This is antithetical to the policy objective of reducing greenhouse gas emissions because farmers are more likely to adopt innovative business practices when their operation is profitable. The carbon tax has become a barrier to adopting innovation that could improve environmental sustainability.

The carbon tax is also making Canadian hog farmers less competitive internationally. Manitoba exports 90 per cent of the pigs raised in the province yearly, either as live animals exported to the United States or as packages of pork exported worldwide. Cana-

dian farmers are competing against producers in other countries who do not face the added cost of the carbon tax. The reduction in our competitiveness impacts jobs in both urban and rural areas, which in Manitoba equals 22,000 jobs across the province and discourages investment in every link of the industry’s value chain.

To summarize, when applied to the energy requirements for raising pigs, the carbon tax does not achieve its policy goals, and it inhibits the adoption of alternative business practices that may improve sustainability, all while decreasing the competitiveness of Canadian farmers in world markets.

The cost and ineffectiveness of the carbon tax when applied to farming operations was recognized by the Member of Parliament (MP) who introduced Bill C-234, An Act to Amend the Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act. This legislation, supported by most MPs, would remove the carbon tax from essential agricultural operations like heating a barn in winter. Unfortunately, the Senate has disagreed and amended the legislation, removing the reference to barn heating. How much will this change cost Canadian farmers? The parliamentary budget officer estimates this cost to be \$910 million annually.

There is a better way. Not all government policy objectives need to be met using a regulatory hammer, as is done with the carbon tax. Instead, governments should be adopting an incentive-based approach. The alternative policy approach is one rooted in collaboration with farmers and accepting that financial sustainability for producers must be at the foundation of any strategy.

The collaborative approach may not be the easy path for those charged



Cam Dahl, general manager
Manitoba Pork Council

with implementing government policy. Canada is a large, diverse country, and innovative practices that drive fiscal and environmental sustainability in Quebec, the Maritimes or British Columbia may not work on the Prairies. There must be enough flexibility to account for differences in climate, soils, and ecosystems across Canada. Provincial and local governments must be engaged when determining which new practices and technology will work in a specific region. While this may sound messy and complicated compared to a one-size-fits-all regulation, incentives and collaboration, instead of costly regulations, will deliver meaningful results in the long run.

The federal carbon tax is set to increase again on April 1. If this happens, Canadian farmers will be less competitive internationally and may see more red ink on the bottom line. It does not have to be this way.

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According to the Weather Network, the temperature on March 4 was -11 degrees C., but it felt like -20 degrees with the wind gusting up to 44km/hr, which was blowing the 5-10 cm of snow that fell through Sunday night into Monday morning. The system came north from Montana bringing a mix of rain, sleet and snow, which included thunder and lightning. Help the Tribune record the weather of the week and send in your photos of friends or family enjoying the outdoors. Email: news@stonewallteulontribune.ca

Rosser passes bylaws to rename certain roads

By Jennifer McFee

- At a meeting on Feb. 13, Rosser council passed second and third reading of bylaws to rename certain public roads, portions of service roads and parts of the former PR 221/Inkster Boulevard. Coun. Angela Emms was absent from the votes.
- The RM is entering into an agreement with the Canadian Corps of Commissionaires to renew the current municipal emergency co-ordinator services for one additional year.
- The RM is entering into an agreement with Winter Seeds Ltd.

for a rural water utility extension and hookup.

- Council and municipal employees selected by the CAO will be authorized to attend the 51st annual Interlake municipal curling bonspiel in Riverton on March 15. Expenses will be paid.
- Council and guests are authorized to attend the Red River Basin Commission North Chapter fish dinner gala in West St. Paul on March 20. The RM will also donate \$200 worth of Keg gift cards and \$200 worth of grocery gift cards. Expenses will be

paid.

- Council authorized the RM of Rosser to become members of the Recreation Manitoba organization.
- Council reviewed the current municipal water bylaw to ensure the appropriate water conservation powers are in place in case drought conditions cause any water supply issues from the Assiniboine River. No issues are forecasted at this time, but the RM of Rosser undertook this review as a proactive measure.

Stonewall council news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

The Town of Stonewall is teaming up with JohnQ Public Inc./JQBuilt Inc. to develop an affordable seniors housing model.

The town has identified that there's a need for housing that will allow Stonewall residents to age in place. Funding and support is available through the federal government and the Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

IN OTHER COUNCIL NEWS:

- Deputy Mayor Peter Bullivant, Coun. Kim Newman, Coun.

Walter Badger and CAO Wally Melnyk will attend a presentation about the Main Street revitalization project at the University of Manitoba on March 14. Costs will be paid according to the municipal indemnity bylaw.

- The Town of Stonewall will participate in the 2024 national edition of Communities in Bloom in the 5,001 to 15,000 population category. The registration cost is \$1,225.
- Stonewall and Area Mobility Service (SAMS) is looking to convert its fleet to zero-emissions vehicles. The town approves the organization's application submission to the FCM

Green Municipal Fund for an all-seasons pilot project to test zero-emissions vehicles and charging infrastructure. The Town of Stonewall will commit \$50,000 towards the project.

- Council gave first reading to a bylaw to designate the Anglican Church property as a site of architectural or historical value.
- Summer employment opportunities are available through the Town of Stonewall. The application deadline is March 8. Visit the town's website at www.stonewall.ca for more information.

able to apply what she has learned to a variety of situations," she said.

"She is able to look at the world through both a scientific and artistic lens, which will allow her to thrive in the Shad program. Sam is also very open-minded, a great team player and a natural leader. She values the opinions and perspectives of others and is always willing to help."

On Feb. 5, when Samantha found out she'd been accepted, she couldn't believe it at first.

"It took a while for it to sink in that I was going to be away from home in another province for a month straight this summer," she said.

"Even with my nerves, I'm still very excited. I consider myself very lucky to have been chosen for this opportunity and will continue to work hard to make the most out of it."

Successful applicants don't get to choose which campus they attend, but they get to submit their top preferences. For Samantha, one of her top preferences is McMaster University, since her mom is an alumna. Her other top picks are Dalhousie, Memorial, Mount Allison, University of British Columbia, Carlton and York.

"I really wanted to be exposed to places I wouldn't normally have a chance to visit so focused on the east and west coast, with some Ontario universities thrown in," she said. "We should find out in March where we will be placed."

She's looking forward to creating connections and sharing experiences with fellow students as well as mentors and instructors.

"Shad is a chance to develop relationships that last a lifetime with people that you may never have met otherwise and to have unique and rare experiences," she said.

The Shad program fee is \$6,850, and Samantha will also need to cover the cost of flights, transportation, incidentals and spending money.

"I received a \$500 bursary and have been saving my money from my work. I am going to try to sell some of my artwork and will hopefully come up with some fundraisers I can do at school," said Samantha, who does artwork on commission. "We will also be approaching community groups. If anyone would like to assist me with hosting fundraisers, it would be greatly appreciated as well."

So far, she has raised \$600. Her mom has also started a GoFundMe page called "Get Sam to SHAD university program" and has a bank account set up for anyone who would like to donate directly. E-transfers can be sent to martinub@yahoo.ca.

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| March 8: Travel Club Meeting 11:00 am | March 20: Texas Hold'em 7:00 pm |
| March 8: Texas Hold'em 1:00 pm | March 21: Garden City Shopping Trip (pre-registration required) |
| March 12: AudioBooks Made Easy Presentation 1:30 pm | March 21: Ukulele Club 6:30 pm (at Something Beautiful) |
| March 13: Men's Chat/Ladies Craft n' Coffee 10:30 am | March 22: Texas Hold'em 1:00 pm |
| March 13: Cards and Games 1:00 pm | March 27: Men's Chat/Ladies Craft n' Coffee 10:30 am |
| March 13: Texas Hold'em 7:00 pm | March 27: Cards and Games 1:00 pm |
| March 14: High School Musical (pre-registration required) | March 27: Texas Hold'em 7:00 pm |
| March 14: Virtual Chat 3:00 (by Zoom) | March 28: Virtual Chat 3:00 (by Zoom) |
| March 15: Quilter's Corner 8:45 am-3:00 pm | April 3: Men's Chat/Ladies Craft n' Coffee 10:30 am |
| March 15: Texas Hold'em 1:00 pm | April 3: Book Club 11:30 am |
| March 20: Luncheon (advance tickets required) | April 3: Cards and Games 1:00 pm |
| | April 3: Texas Hold'em 7:00 pm |

Luncheon

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Woodlands fire chief hands over helmet and duties

By Autumn Fehr

RM of Woodlands Fire Chief Dean Campbell and Deputy Fire Chief Debbie Buchanan will be leaving their positions on Feb. 27. In their place, Grant Palmer will take on the role of fire chief, effective the same day.

While no longer in their current roles, both Campbell and Buchanan will continue to be involved with the fire department. Campbell will now serve as the fire inspector, while Buchanan will become a firefighter.

On Feb. 28, 2023, the RM of Woodlands entered into an agreement with Silverbridge Land Development Inc. The agreement states that the developer is responsible for all costs the municipality incurs, such as engineering, legal and planning costs. Currently, there are outstanding invoices for engineering and legal fees that the municipality incurred throughout the course of the development, totalling \$1,925.35. If the past-due invoices are not paid by March 31, the RM of Woodlands will call on the security.

On June 25, 2013, an agreement was made between the RM, Silverbridge Land Development Inc. and Riddell Farm Ent. This agreement has outstanding invoices totaling \$2,637.99 due by March 31. As part of the same agreement, a resolution was passed on June 22, 2021, stating that seeding of the ditches must be completed by Oct. 31, 2021. If not completed by this date, there was a possibility for reapplication in the spring of 2022 at the council's discretion. However, if seeding is still not done by Oct. 31, 2021, the RM reserved the right to use the \$20,000 security to complete it. So far, this has not been completed. In order to ensure completion of these ditches within the agreed timeframe, the RM of Woodlands will utilize the security to seed them if they are not successfully completed by June 15, 2024.

The municipality holds security every time they have a development. The purpose of the security is so that if the developer doesn't complete something, the RM can use these funds to complete the project rather than using taxpayer dollars. In this case, CAO Kaitlyn Griffith says this developer has been working with them and intends to pay the invoices before the deadline, so they do not perceive the need to use the security.

The regular council meeting on April 9 is cancelled since council members will attend the Manitoba Good Roads Association's annual banquet and awards program. The next council meeting is scheduled for April 23 at 5 p.m. If issues arise, council can call an additional meeting. A committee

of the whole meeting is scheduled for April 16.

IN OTHER COUNCIL NEWS:

- Council gave first and second reading to a bylaw to revise and update the policy and standards for the construction of private approaches and the installation of culverts in private approaches in the RM of Woodlands. There was an administrative error that needed to be corrected in the bylaw. Council noticed the bylaw repealed itself instead of repealing the bylaw proceeding it, so the change was made. No other content has changed.

- Council appointed Michael Dola of the Rockwood-Rosser-Stonewall-Teulon Weed District as the 2024 weed inspector. Council hasn't set the 2024 weed control budget yet. In 2023, the RM spent \$23,458.21 on these services. Since 2004, the RM has spent roughly \$23,000 annually on weed control. The budget needs to be submitted by May 15. CAO Griffith says that council will likely hold a public hearing sometime in April.

- The RM of Woodlands purchased a bronze-level sponsorship for the Warren Minor Hockey U15 Provincial Tournament for \$50.

- Council will issue a letter of support for Warren Collegiate Institute's outdoor space revival project. The project is to fix up the outdoor track area at Warren Collegiate, which is a space used by both the school and community members. It is not a municipal project.

- Council authorized Douglas Oliver, Carl Fleury, Lorna Broadfoot,

CAO Kaitlyn Griffith, public works foreman Dave Kozyra and two public works employees to attend the AMM spring convention from April 9 to 11 in Brandon. The cost to attend the event is \$350 per registrant for council and the CAO, who attend the whole conference. Public works registration is \$50 per person. These costs do not include taxes, hotels and mileage.

- Council authorized Oliver, Fleury, Broadfoot, CAO Griffith, public works foreman Kozyra and two public works employees to attend the Manitoba Good Roads Association's 112th annual banquet and awards program. The banquet will be held in Brandon on April 9 for \$65 per person.

- Council authorized the purchase of a new laptop for the fire department, including accessories and setup fees, for \$1,487.55.

- Council will issue a request for quotes for the 2024 gravel hauling and spreading. Quotes are due April 19. More information can be found on the RM website.

- Council authorized Coun. Valerie Stelck, Coun. Bryan Myskiw, CAO Griffith and public works employees are to attend the Manitoba Good Roads Association Managing and Maintaining Gravel Roads Seminar being held on March 20 and 21 in Woodlands.

- Council will request quotes for septic tank pump outs for 2024 to 2026. Quotes are due April 12. More information can be found on the RM website.



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Grant Palmer, left, receives the fire chief helmet from outgoing fire chief Dean Campbell.

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Grosse Isle and Rosser students love to read

By Jo-Anne Procter

Grosse Isle Elementary School students were busy celebrating Love to Read month throughout February.

Students voted daily for their favourite books in two "Tournaments of Books," and at the end of the month it was announced that the Grade 5/6 favorite was *Percy Jackson* written by Rick Riordan and the Grade 7/8 favorite was *Beauties* by James Duthie.

Students enjoyed a Camp-out Read-a-thon, which consisted of transforming the gymnasium into a campground and completing 100 minutes of silent reading.

They had a Literacy & Winter Fun Day with Rosser School, which began with teacher read-alouds, buddy reading and bookmark origami making. That afternoon they spent outdoors skating and participating in a scavenger hunt down the Grosse Isle Trail, as well as other outdoor activities.

On Feb. 9, staff and students went to the Aviation Museum for a field trip about flight, followed by a trip to Chapters where students were able to select novels, graphic novels and informational texts for the school library.



Rosser students Devon, Gray and Holden following the scavenger hunt map on the trail during their Literacy and Winter Fun Day.

For the "I Love to Read" finale, students hung out in their very own "Starbooks Café" enjoying a good read over a cup of hot chocolate or tea in cups they designed in art class and a sweet treat while listening to music alongside their peers.

London Sherry and Lucas Riddell were both randomly drawn as the Chapters gift card winners for participating in all reading activities for the month.



Grosse Isle students Cooper and London reading in their tent at the Camp-out Read-a-thon.



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Rosser students joined Grosse Isle students Jonathan, Finn, Ava, Lily, Burke and Brooks for buddy reading during Literacy and Winter Fun Day at Grosse Isle school.



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Students were rewarded reading time in the Starbooks Cafe, including Bodi, Connor, Brayden and Jake.

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Stonewall Jets' spread literacy for I Love to Read Month



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Stonewall Jets' captain Cole Emberly and assistant captain Matthieu Meier visited Ecole RW Bobby Bend School for I Love to Read Month. The boys read *Where's My Hockey Sweater* and *The Best Goalie Ever* to kindergarten to Grade 3 students and answered many questions.

Tickets on sale for Quarry Choristers performance

By Jennifer McFee

Calling all theatre buffs and food aficionados — the Quarry Choristers are gearing up for another entertaining dinner theatre performance.

This year's show, called *Almost Paradise*, will run at the Quarry Park Heritage Arts Centre from May 2 to 5 and May 9 to 11.

"The premise of the show is that there are a bunch of different people at the airport about to go on different kinds of trips," said Quarry Choristers chair Julie Leduchowski. "Things do not go as planned and they end up stranded."

It was a collaborative effort to write the show, and the process started nearly a year ago.

"We have a group of Choristers that gets together. The show is in May, and we start in June. We get together to pick a theme or a setting. We figure out a storyline and add the music and the dialogue," she said.

"The music this year has a little bit of everything. There's some current music, some from the '70s and '80s, some older stuff, Broadway hits. It's lots of fun."

At the same time, the Quarry Choristers is a non-profit organization that donates proceeds from performances to community causes.

"Our primary goal is supporting arts groups, especially for youth in

the community," Leduchowski said. "Then, depending if we have more, we branch out from there."

Tickets are for sale online at <https://choristers.yapso-dy.com>, with payment by credit card or Paypal.

Dinner theatre tickets cost \$60 each, which includes a buffet meal by Abas Catering. Dessert matinee tickets cost \$30, which includes coffee, tea and dainties provided by volunteers from Stonewall United Church.

"All of our costs have gone up but we've decided to keep the ticket price the same as last year. We're respecting the fact that inflation is hitting everybody, so we're trying to hold the line, at least for this year," Leduchowski said.

"We're hoping for lots of support because we need to sell the tickets to cover our costs."

Evening shows start at 6:30 p.m., In addition, a May 11 matinee begins at 1:30 p.m. Doors open one hour before the show begins. The dinner performances span about three hours, while the dessert matinee might be slightly shorter.

For more information, visit www.quarrychoristers.com, call 1-844-496-2153 or email quarrychoristers@gmail.com.

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Youth Parliament of Manitoba continues to make impact

By Jennifer McFee

It was a bit of déjà vu for two alumni of Youth Parliament of Manitoba who are now both serving with the organization's senate.

Youth Parliament of Manitoba (YPM) aims to foster interest and engagement in the Canadian democratic parliamentary process among Manitoba youth aged 16 to 20.

The organization, which is a non-partisan, non-denominational registered charity, launched in 1922 and is the longest consecutively running youth parliament in Canada.

Each year, YPM hosts a five-day mock parliamentary session at the Manitoba legislative building, and all youth aged 16 to 20 are invited to sit as members who can debate issues related to youth.

On the last day of the session, the members elect a five-person executive made up of volunteers aged 18 to 25 to serve for one year. The executive takes care of administrative tasks related to YPM. In addition, the executive also names members of the cabinet, which is YPM's organizing committee.

Alumni of the organization can also continue to be involved. Last year, Alan Campbell was appointed as the honorary president, a position that usually lasts up to five years. Appointed by the YPM executive, the honorary president can serve as an advisor for planning the annual event and with operational matters between sessions. The honorary president might also help with additional tasks such as fundraising and securing grants and accommodations for the session.

In another local connection, Katie Szilagyi was asked to fill this year's role of lieutenant-governor, a position that changes annually.

They both graduated in 2003 in the Interlake School Division — Szilagyi from Stonewall Collegiate Institute and Campbell from Teulon Collegiate Institute. In addition, they both started with YPM during the 80th session in December 2001.

Szilagyi went on to achieve her PhD in law and is an assistant professor at

the University of Manitoba. She also won the Governor General's award for having the best doctoral dissertation in the humanities at the University of Ottawa in 2022.

Initially, she got involved in YPM at the urging of her Grade 11 social studies teacher, Mr. George Shadlock, at SCI.

"He was a big advocate for experiential learning and really believed in



Katie Szilagyi is serving as this year's lieutenant-governor for the Youth Parliament of Manitoba.

me," she said.

"I loved it from the very beginning. It gave me a sense of place and purpose, exposed me to a much broader, diverse group of students, and delivered me many of my very best friends."

Szilagyi was involved with YPM for the 80th to 87th sessions.

"Alan and I were backbenchers together in the 80th session. I served on cabinet from the 81st to 83rd sessions and on the executive from the 84th to 87th sessions. I was premier of the 86th session and speaker of the 87th session," she said.

"I was then appointed to the Senate and served as speaker of the Senate for the 88th session."

When the current executive reached out to ask her to be the lieutenant-governor, Szilagyi said she felt grateful for the honour.

"It was very enjoyable to return to the legislature, watch the debates, see the organization propagating and know that the students today are developing skills and friendships in the same way we once did," she said.

"YPM offered me the opportunity to find my voice, to feel heard, to develop leadership skills and to essentially run a historic not-for-profit organization in my early 20s. It is not a stretch to say that it made me the person I am today. Many of my closest friends to this day are people I met at YPM."

As for Campbell, he is known for his role as president of the Canadian School Boards Association, past-president of the Manitoba School Boards Association and board chair for Interlake School Division.

"I have been involved in politics from a very young age, so when my Grade 10 social studies teacher asked about Youth Parliament, I jumped at the opportunity. Spending five days in the Manitoba legislature in a mock



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Alan Campbell (far right) is serving as the honorary president for the Youth Parliament of Manitoba.

parliament, debating in the same chamber and committee rooms used by government and getting to make lifelong friends were among the highlights," he said.

"As a political hack, YPM offers the opportunity to truly understand the legislative development process while at the same time debating issues that are important to the youth of society — often times debating on issues that will in the future form the basis for actual legislation provincially or federally."

Campbell was in YPM from 2001 to 2005, serving in his first year as a backbencher and then in the cabinet. In 2009, he was appointed to the senate and has been the honorary president for the past two years. He

continues to stay in touch with a few fellow YPM alumni members.

"My involvement in YPM was undoubtedly one of the most impacting experiences of my life thus far. There are few youth organizations which provide its membership with opportunities to immerse themselves in meaningful debate and deliberation on important social and political matters facing society today — all entirely led and fostered through a youth lens," he said.

"I would highly recommend it to any youth who are politically interested or who may just be passionate about making the world a better place."

Visit www.ypmanitoba.ca to learn more about Youth Parliament of Manitoba.

Tribune staff loves to read



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY AMANDA MARGETTS

The Stonewall Teulon Tribune's Maxwell the Newshound and Jo-Anne Procter read to Warren Elementary Grade 1 and 2 students to wrap up I Love to Read Month last Thursday.

High School Musical coming to Stonewall

By Jo-Anne Procter

With a record-breaking 50 students involved in the cast and crew, Collège Stonewall Collegiate (CSC) is putting on an entertaining production that is set to bring back all those nostalgic high school memories.

High School Musical, originally written by Peter Barsocchini for Disney Channel, has captured hearts worldwide with its catchy songs and relatable storyline. Now, this group of young performers is putting their own spin on the beloved classic, promising a fresh take that will wow audiences.

From rehearsals to costume fittings, every student involved in the production plays a vital role in ensuring its success. Led by CSC staff Kendra Obach, Lindsey Weber, Jesse Hourie and Jennifer Greigson and music by Chase Border (guitar), Dryden Budd (drums), Don Horbas (bass) and Beth Emmers (piano), the show comes alive.

The talented cast of this year's production of *High School Musical* will include Avari Hildebaugh, who will be captivating as Sharpay Evans, president of the drama club; and Tobias Vandenburg, who is set to shine as Ryan Evans, vice-president of the drama club. Hudson Kinsley takes on the iconic role of Troy Bolton, captain of the basketball team, while Logan Rayner steps into the shoes of Coach Bolton, adding depth and humour to the show. Leah Porteous brings her musical prowess to the role of Kelsi Neilson, the mousy composer of Juliet and Romeo.

And last but not least, Daisy Uhres-Todd will enchant audiences as Gabriella Montez, the shy new



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Collège Stonewall Collegiate students rehearse for their upcoming production of *High School Musical* March 13-15 in Stonewall.

girl at school, capturing hearts with her portrayal of the lovable character.

This is a dynamic production you will not want to miss. Be sure to mark your calendars since there will be three shows March 13-15 at the Quarry Park

Heritage Arts Centre in Stonewall. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased online through the Collège Stonewall Collegiate website or can be purchased at the office at the high school by calling 204-467-5539.



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Celebrating 100 years

By Jo-Anne Procter

In 1924, Teulon had a population of 700, and the average Canadian family spent \$10.13 per week on groceries. The Montreal Canadiens won the Stanley Cup, the Roaring '20s were in full swing, and a curling club started up in Teulon.

The humble beginnings of the Teulon Curling Club (TCC) marked the start of a treasured tradition that would endure for generations — one was celebrated 100 years later with a 32-team bonspiel and banquet held last weekend.

With each slide and sweep on the ice, bonds were forged, victories celebrated and memories that would stand the test of time were created. The spirit of camaraderie and sportsmanship laid its roots deep within the community — a legacy still carried proudly by all those who call themselves members of the TCC.

The weekend kicked off with an official opening ceremony that took place on Friday evening with community members gathering to watch Elaine Good throw the ceremonial rock. At the same time, junior curlers Raeanna Powroznik and Kya Gunchoski swept it to the broom held by Irwin Helwer.

The event was filled with nostalgia. Guests were immersed in 100 years' worth of curling memorabilia including clothing, curling gear, trophies, newspaper clippings and photographs at the decorated community hall for the banquet on Saturday evening. Approximately 260 attendees enjoyed a delicious catered turkey dinner prepared by Janet Dyrda from Blue Skies Bakery with the assistance of dedicated friends.

Alan Campbell, the master of ceremonies for the evening, took a moment to reflect on the rich history of curling in Teulon. He highlighted how families have been actively involved in the sport for generations, witnessing the evolution from a two-sheet rink to the current four-sheet facility.

In the challenging times of the '90s, when many curling clubs faced closure, TCC stood firm. Their successful acquisition of a Community Places grant in the early 2000s paved the way for essential upgrades and improvements.



Doug Kiel (left) was the 99th ticket drawn in the elimination draw while his father-in-law Stu McMahon was the big winner of the evening.

This enabled the club to host the Masters Men's provincial championship in 2008, showcasing their commitment to excellence and community spirit.

Club president Curtis Benzick expressed gratitude as he thanked the dedicated volunteers who have been the backbone of the TCC for many years. Each volunteer was recognized for their crucial role in keeping the club operating smoothly and successfully.

From organizing events to maintaining the rink, every executive member plays a vital part in ensuring that curling remains a cherished tradition in Teulon. Their hard work and commitment do not go unnoticed by the community.

Guest speakers at the centennial celebration shared heartwarming stories of their family ties to the sport. Trevor King, MLA for Lakeside, praised the dedication of club members and organizers in reaching this significant milestone. His reminiscence of curling battles against families like the Goods or Stewarts added a touch of friendly competition to the evening's festivities. The deep-rooted connections forged on the ice over generations were palpable in King's words,



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY LINDSEY JACK AND JO-ANNE PROCTER

Guests of honour for the ceremonial rock throwing for Teulon Curling Club's Centennial Bonspiel included, left to right, Irvin Helwer, Michael Hepples, Raeanna Powroznik, Teulon Mayor Todd Campbell, Kya Gunchoski, Elaine Good, Lyle Willis.



Teulon Curling Club centennial planning committee members June McMahon, Laverne Kiel and Curtis Benzick accepted the Curl Manitoba plaque in commemoration of the 100th anniversary.

underscoring how sports can bind communities together through shared experiences and memories.

Selkirk-Interlake-Eastman MP James Bezan shared his pride in the tremendous achievement of the volunteers who made the TCC's centennial celebration possible. Curling has been a unifying force in Teulon, bringing people together and fostering lasting friendships and relationships. For Bezan, curling holds a special place, as it was where he met his wife Kelly when she defeated him in junior curling. Reflecting on these memories, he expressed hope that future genera-

tions, including children and grandchildren, will continue to enjoy the sport of curling for years to come. The legacy of community spirit and camaraderie built through curling is something worth cherishing and passing down through the generations.

Donna Jaramy, a former teacher in Teulon, shared her fond memories of curling in the community spanning over several decades. As a skip, she embraced the opportunity to connect with others on and off the ice, forming lasting friendships through the sport.

Funspiel stick winners Provincial finalists



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The Teulon Curling Club held their first annual stick Funspiel Feb. 23 and 24 with 20 teams taking part. Jim Webster and Ralph Nesor finished first while and Ross MacMillan and Bev Schick placed second. Lots of fun was had by everyone.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY LAURA BILLINGHAM

The Stonewall Blues won the silver medals at the Hockey Manitoba U11A Co-ed provincials in Dauphin last weekend. The Blues defeated Viriden 10-1 in their first game of the tournament, then went on to defeat Brandon 21-0, Portage 4-0 and lost 5-4 in overtime to Morden in the final game. Pictured in no specific order: coaching staff Ian Billingham, Dusty Moore, Scott Yurick and Matt Wutzke. Players Aaron Abas, Asher Grantham, Carter Moore, Colton Harrisko, Connor Van Hussen, Dane Fortin, Easton Yurick, Eric Porteous, Jack West, James Billingham, Mason Truthwaite, Max Slobodzian and Tucker Wutzke.



Patti Dola spent many hours collecting and displaying curling memorabilia for guests to see at the centennial banquet.

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Highlighting the dedication of a core group of members who consistently step up to organize and work hard for the club's success, she emphasized the importance of volunteers who offer their support both financially and through their time.

She took a moment to acknowledge those individuals who have been part of the curling club committee for an impressive 50 years, showcasing their unwavering commitment to keeping the club thriving throughout chang-



Cindy Ramage, Sherri Waluk and Patti Dola pose with their trophy and news clipping they found from the early 1980s.

ing times. Their passion and effort have been instrumental in shaping TCC into what it is today — a cherished hub for community camaraderie and sporting excellence.

In the early '80s, the TCC faced financial struggles when funds were scarce, and the ice plant broke down. To qualify for grants, matching funds were required. In a true display of community spirit and determination, 10 individuals stepped up and signed guarantees with the bank to ensure that the club could continue its operations. This act of solidarity was a pivotal moment in ensuring that the rich tradition of curling in Teulon would not fade away, an impact that is still felt today.



First event finalists, the retro team of Alan Campbell, Mike Crockatt, Lindsey Jack and Jen Michaluk.

The future of the Teulon Curling Club looks promising, with 50 active junior curlers eager to carry on the tradition. These young enthusiasts bring energy and excitement to the sport, ensuring its longevity in the community. As they hone their skills on the ice, they also build bonds that will last a lifetime.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY LYNDSEY JACK

The winners of the 32-team Centennial Mixed Bonspiel held in Teulon pictured from far left: First event - Blake Good, Carter Ives, Andrew Perrie and Jonathan Shipley; Second event - Jairus Nelson and daughter Amy, Billy Cookson, Campbell Kilpatrick and Adman Roberts; Third event - Ryan Holod, Jacqui Holod, Christine Buchanan and Trevor Buchanan; Fourth event - Perry McMahon, Andrew McMahon, June McMahon and Val Swanson; Juniors - Tristan, Sarah, Emma and Jesse; Juniors - Emilee, Kya and Raeanna.

Stonewall's Wiebe has the winning attitude

Stonewall product wins first badminton title in five years, looking toward 2028 Olympics

By Jeremiah Knight

It had been more than five years since Chris Wiebe last won a badminton title.

A winless drought that dated back to his days as a junior player allowed self-doubt to creep into the 22-year-old's game at times. A recent triumph, however, has swatted away those negative thoughts and given him new confidence to train harder and achieve more than ever before.

Wiebe, who hails from Stonewall, teamed up with Winnipeg's Kyi Nichols to win the Phil Allard Memorial doubles badminton tournament at Prairie Badminton in the provincial capital on Feb. 18.

The duo rattled off four straight wins in the 58-team bracket to capture the title. It marked Wiebe's first tournament win since the Manitoba High School Athletic Association provincial singles badminton championship in 2019.

"Winning that doubles tournament, it was pretty fun," said Wiebe. "I was like, 'OK, this is cool, I can actually win these tournaments,' because I knew I always had the potential but ... winning again felt really good and is momentum going forward. It's like the training is paying off. It's really nice to see that."

Nichols typically forms one-half of the fifth-ranked doubles pairing in the country with Dale Kinley, who, coincidentally, Nichols and Wiebe played in the championship match of February's doubles tournament. He joined forces with Wiebe, with whom he's trained a few times each week since November.

The start was less than ideal in the championship, with Kinley and playing partner Mark Shinnie (Teulon) — Wiebe's childhood friend — going up 20-17 in the first set. Wiebe and Nichols found their stride late in the first set, though, and went on to win 24-22. The second set was over in a blink, as Wiebe and Nichols proved to be too much in a 21-11 win to seal the championship.

"When you get the results you don't want, it's kind of like, 'Is the training worth it?' or 'Am I not training enough?' and I think that was my



Chris Wiebe, 22, says he will decide in the coming months whether to continue playing international badminton tournaments recreationally or pursue a spot on Canada's national team for the 2028 Olympics in Los Angeles.

big thing too (before) — not training enough," Wiebe said.

After playing in the 2023 Canada Winter Games in Prince Edward Island, Wiebe took an eight-month hiatus from badminton to grow his business. In November, he returned to tournament play and by December he entered in his first international event — the Canadian International Challenge.

Wiebe lost his opening match but was inspired in the process. He saw what it would take to reach heights he had only dreamed of before.

"Meeting everyone from other countries is just awesome. Meeting people from Spain and Brazil and just talking to previous top-50 players is really cool," he said.

"It made me realize that I want to do the international stuff more and that's part of the reason why I started my business is because I want it to make me money so that I can be able to play tournaments again."

Wiebe has since dedicated himself to training three times each week to hone his skills. He's never trained so much, he said.

It's also the most intentional training he's ever done. In the next year, Wiebe said he'll decide whether he wants to continue playing recreationally or make a push for Canada's national team in time for the 2028 Olympics in Los Angeles.

While Wiebe's aspirations are ambitious, Kinley said he has the right attitude to make it happen.

"The biggest thing for him to do something like that is the consistency and playing as much as he can," said Kinley, whose Interlake Badminton Club was where Wiebe first learned how to play as a seven-year-old. "If he can get the ability to get the constant training then that's always when he's



TRIBUNE PHOTOS SUBMITTED

Chris Wiebe and Kyi Nichols defeated Dale Kinley and Mark Shinnie to win the Phil Allard Memorial doubles badminton tournament at Prairie Badminton on Feb. 18. Pictured left to right, Dale Kinley (Stonewall), Kyi Nichols (Winnipeg), Christopher Wiebe (Stonewall) and Mark Shinnie (Teulon).



Emalia Sinclair (Warren) and Kyi Nichols won the mixed doubles event. Pictured, left to right, Paul Brown, Kyi Nichols, Emalia Sinclair and Jeanette Ding.

performed his best. There's no rocket science to doing well in anything you do. If you put the work and the time in, it's going to go better.

"He's always hard-working, very energetic, just fun to be around. So it makes it pretty easy to work with him and he's always trying to learn and get better," he continued. "He's always soaking up what he can and get the most of his experiences."

Wiebe's attention will be undivided from his next test, which comes at

the provincial singles championship, hosted at Prairie Badminton from April 26 to 28. Needless to say, he feels as ready as he ever has.

"Getting ready for the April singles — feeling good, feeling consistent, getting all my shots over, having the confidence and certainty that I can play and it's just nice to be rewarded with a tournament win where I can feel confident going into the future tournaments," said Wiebe.

U18 AAA male Lightning even with Wild in playoff series

By Brian Bowman

The Interlake U18 AAA male Lightning lost 2-1 to the Winnipeg Wild on Sunday evening in Teulon.

Cole Swanson scored for Interlake while Cole Babych and Tegan Kurtz replied for Winnipeg.

The best-of-five series is now tied at a win apiece.

Last Friday, Interlake scored a pair of third-period goals to snap a 2-2 tie en route to a solid 4-2 road win at the Hockey For All Centre.

Brandon Burak, Jeremy Kawiuk,

James Franklin and Mason Munday scored for the Lightning. William Marceus and Carter Kingerski answered for the Wild.

Alex Myers stopped 27 shots for the win.

Game 3 of the series was played this past Tuesday but no score was available. Game 4 is set for Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

If necessary, a series-deciding Game 5 will be played Saturday (5:45 p.m.) in Winnipeg.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY LANA MEIER

Lightning captain Brandon Burak scored in the first period to lead Interlake to a 4-2 win over the Wild in Game 1.

Provincial medalists



Cameron Nesbitt

By Lana Meier

Four skaters from the Stonewall Skating Club competed in the Skate Manitoba Provincial Championship in Altona this weekend.

Lacey Learning, coached by Leigh Nesbitt, won silver medals in three different events: Creative Improv, Star 2 elements and Star 2 Freeskate.

Gaia Turner is coached by Keesha McCutcheon and was awarded gold in Creative Improv and Star 3 elements, as well as bronze in Star 4 elements and Star 4 Freeskate.

Cameron Nesbitt, who is coached by Tanya Pilat, placed 6th in Star 5 Freeskate while Anna Hoff, coached by Leigh Nesbitt, won gold in Star 4 Freeskate and Silver in Star 4 elements.



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Lacey Learning, Anna Hoff, Gaia Turner

Provincial champions



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY LANA MEIER

The Warren Mercurys won the Hockey Manitoba Under 11 Rural A2 Provincial banner this past weekend in Stonewall. The weekend was lots of fun and very competitive for all teams. Warren defeated the Morden Vigier 3-2 in overtime to win the gold medals. Warren faced off against Springfield beating them 2-1 and Ste. Anne 15-0 to complete their round-robin play on Friday. Warren then defeated Springfield Holme 4-1 in the semi finals.

The Stonewall Blues lost their first game 4-1 to Springfield but beat Morden Derksen 2-1 in round-robin play. The Blues defeated MacDonald 6-4 in the semi finals but lost 2-0 to Springfield in the Consolation final.

Pictured Warren Mercurys, left to right: coaches Pat Chanel, Jan Pedersen and Derek Anderson; back row: Jake Mulligan, Orren Pedersen, Tyrone Cole, Buster Miller, Brenna Chanel; front row: Rylan Harris, Lachlan Anderson, Kaleb Koss, Madden Hueging, Milo Deogracias and goaltender Bodi Hoas.

Bingeworthy curlers hit the ice at ladies bonspiel



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY LAURIE DEPREZ



The Stonewall Curling Club ladies bonspiel was held Feb. 23-25 with 22 teams indulging in the “Bingeworthy” theme. In the first event, Marlene Lang, Pamela Kok, Jackie Hendrickson and Diane Roeland (with Megan Pauls from St. Vital Curling Club absent from the photo) emerged victorious over the Janice Marchant team. The second event saw Jodine MacDuff, McKenzie Stewart, Leah Hawryluk and Brennley Vodden from the Stonewall Curling Club emerge victorious against Laurie Ellwood, also from the same club. Meanwhile, in the third event, Patti Ulrich, Brenda Michel, Nicole Goshawk and Jill Proctor from St. Vital Curling Club secured a win over Haley Cvar’s team from Argyle Curling Club in the final of the second event. The Jodine MacDuff team also won for best costume.

Team Good wins the Balmoral Open Bonspiel



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY KYLE LOEHMER

The Balmoral Curling Club recently hosted its yearly Open Bonspiel, welcoming 12 teams to compete on March 1 and 2. The winners of the A-Event, Team Good, included Taylor McIntyre, Hannah Fogel, Justine Good and Sam Good. Team Stewart consisting of Gale Ruchkall, Diana Holloway, Brian Holloway and Neil Stewart won the B-Side, while Team Loehmer, comprised of Lyle Loehmer, Michelle Loehmer, Dylan Lucas and Kyle Loehmer won the C-Side.

U13 AA Stonewall Jr. Jets advance in playoffs

By Brian Bowman

The U13 AA Stonewall Jr. Jets are moving on in their playoffs.

Stonewall will start its next series, which is a best-of-five affair, on Wednesday against Brandon, which finished the regular season in first place. The Jr. Jets, meanwhile, placed fourth during the regular season.

The Stonewall and Brandon series

should be an entertaining one.

“The series is anticipated to be a good one and I do believe we match up OK with them,” said Jets’ coach Shaun Dalglish. “We only had one game with them during the regular season and it definitely wasn’t one of our best. I’m looking forward to getting some redemption there in the playoffs. I feel we have the kids in a

really good spot for this next series.”

Stonewall had a great effort in winning an exciting three-game series 2-1 against the St. Vital Vics Red in the quarter-finals.

“Both teams were evenly matched and we were fortunate to come out on top on the positive side,” Dalglish said, adding his club has enjoyed a lot of success this season, especially

considering the players are from a smaller community compared to other teams.

“All three games (the first two were 5-4 each way) and we had to come back after losing the first one and we ended up winning the final 3-2.”

Wildcats ousted from WSHL playoffs after pair of OT losses

By Brian Bowman

Overtime wasn't too kind to the Warren Collegiate Wildcats' hockey team.

Warren gave Murdoch MacKay Collegiate one heck of a battle in their best-of-three semifinal series but were swept 2-0 after a pair of 3-2 OT losses.

In Game 2 last Wednesday, Colton Bruce and Ethan Shymko scored power-play goals for Warren while Tyson Pruden, Garrett Martin and Presley Ostlund replied for the winners.

On Feb. 26, Wildcats' goals came from Dylan Riddell and Bruce. Murdoch MacKay markers were scored by Pruden (two) and Mason Clement.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER
The Wildcats' Conaly Chrusch battles along the boards.



Warren Collegiate's Quinn McKnight screens the goalie while Ethan Shymko scored a goal against Murdoch MacKay.

Jets taken down by Twins in MMJHL action

By Brian Bowman

The Stonewall Jets were doubled 10-5 by the Ft. Garry/Ft. Rouge Twins on Sunday.

Karson King (two), Matthieu Meier, Austin Manaire and Gavin Holod scored for Stonewall.

Twins' goals were tallied from Sloan Tremblay (three), Ethan Gibson, Dean Gorchynski, David Balshaw, Darlen Medwick, Hunter Livingstone, Matt Lizotte and Nick Gilberto.

Last Friday, the Jets lost 6-2 to the Charleswood Hawks in Winnipeg.

Charleswood broke open a close game with three unanswered goals in the third period.

King and Peyton Bateman scored for the Jets while Matt Carlson (two), Cam McDonald, Nathan Vigfusson,

Nicholas Guberman and Brayden Stevenson replied for the Hawks.

The Jets topped the Pembina Valley Twisters 2-1 in a shootout last Thursday.

This was a humdinger of a shootout as Rylan Slatcher popped the lone goal.

After a scoreless first period, Stonewall's Brody Stovin and Pembina Valley's Brody Clark traded second-period goals.

Liam Johnson made 32 saves for the win.

It was a great victory.

The Jets closed out their regular season with a home game with the River East Royal Knights this past Tuesday but no score was available.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY LANA MEIER
The Jets' Rylan Slatcher scored in the shootout to give Stonewall the 2-1 win against the second-place Pembina Valley Hawks in MMJHL action last Thursday.

Warren Curling Club hosts annual men's bonspiel



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The Warren Curling Club recently welcomed 13 teams for their annual Men's spiel on Feb. 24-25. On the A-side, Craig Nichol, Ryan Smith, Riley Nichol and Devin Smith emerged victorious against the Laurie Hogg rink. Meanwhile, Dwain Lecoq, Jason Deprez, Jeff Macmillan and Jeff Deprez (with Tyson Langrell absent from the photo) clinched the B-side win against the Janke rink. Lastly, Rick Holod, Buddy Johnson, Chad Malfait and Vern Mankewich (with Gueno Chicouene missing from the photo) triumphed on the C-side after defeating the Ian Jones rink.

Mercs trail Morden in SEMHL playoff series

By Brian Bowman

The Warren Mercs have some work to do against the Morden Bombers.

Morden took a 2-0 lead in their best-of-five seminal series after a 5-2 home win last Saturday.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY RICK HIEBERT

Mercs goaltender Mitch Adamyk and teammate Matt Jacobucci keep a close eye on the shot by Morden Bombers' Jory Mullin. Mullin would go on to score a hat trick in his teams 5-2 win.

Mercs' goals came from Patrick D'Amico and Chase Faulkner in the first period while Jory Mullin (three) and Logan Christensen (two) replied for the Bombers.

On Feb. 28, Morden started the series with a tight 1-0 win as Jay Fehr scored a second-period goal.

Game 3 will be played Friday at 8 p.m.



Bombers Steve Mullin tries to stop Mercs Patrick D'Amico from controlling the puck.

League champions



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY HAYLEY MINNIE

The Stonewall Blues won the Eastern Manitoba Female Hockey League U15 'B' Division Champions 2023-24 banner this past weekend. It was a clean sweep for the girls, who won the best of three in two games against Springfield by scores of 3-1 and 4-0. Other teams in the league included MacDonald and Ile Des Chenes. Pictured back row, left to right: Ben Cameron (coach), Adam Sherry (coach), Mackenzie Zahariuk, Olivia Hagen, Bethiney Flett, Annika Reesink, Everly Sherry, Julia Harrisko, McKenna Farmer, Riley Swanson, Brooklyn Waldbauer, Emma Hennessey, Kate Halleux, Dallas Minnie (coach) and Jason Sugimoto (coach); front row: Kianna Walker-Ross, Jordyn Chetyrbok, Payton Farthing, Abigail Minnie, Sophie Fumerton, Sophia Potter and Eleanor Sugimoto.

WCI Zone 5 champs



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The Warren Collegiate Wildcats won the Zone 5 junior varsity boys' basketball playoffs in Gimli. Warren defeated St. Laurent 71-30, Gimli 72-44, Fisher Branch 80-52 and Arborg 73-37. Warren will play in the provincials at Immanuel Christian March 7-9. Pictured back row: Kristy Braun (assistant coach), Daniel Koss, Chase Hnatuk, Connor Grenko, Ashton Chartrand, Ty Olson, Liam Boonstra and Jodie Chartrand (coach). Front row: Conaly Chrusch, Ashton Baldwin, Sam Corbett and Kade Schedler.

Senior curling champions



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Selkirk Curling Club hosted 11 teams in their annual seniors curling bonspiel Feb. 28 and 29. A team from the Argyle Curling Club went undefeated in five games throughout the bonspiel winning the first event 3-2 in the final game. Pictured left to right: Henry Fast, Ken Klimpke, Ray Mason and Audrey Klimpke.

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8				4				
1	2	3						8
4				5		2		
	8				7	4	9	
2				8				6
9					5			
			2				5	1
				4	9			

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Level: Intermediate

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7	9	8	6	4	9	2	1	4
5	6	8	3	2	4	6	7	9
1	5	9	8	7	6	5	4	2
6	9	5	3	8	7	4	9	2
3	6	4	7	2	6	9	8	5
8	7	2	7	5	1	6	9	4
4	8	7	9	6	5	3	2	1
6	7	9	4	3	5	1	4	6
5	4	3	1	2	7	8	6	9

Sudoku Answer

D	L	B	T	S	T	S	T	E
S	A	V	S	E	C	O	N	E
T	S	I	R	E	N	I	N	I
N	N	I	D	T	I	P	I	D
A	E	L	E	S	A	V	A	E
S	E	S	T	U	N	O	D	P
R	R	O	D	R	E	P	E	R
G	R	O	G	S	D	R	A	D
C	E	D	B	O	T	S	R	V
N	I	N	A	R	A	V	L	P
V	T	O	A	V	H	T	O	S
A	T	C	I	T	A	R	P	E
R	L	E	A	N	E	R	P	I
C	H	C	I	S	D	S	A	V

Crossword Answer

X CROSSWORD

CLUES ACROSS

- Chaps
 - Currently fashionable
 - Collision
 - More slim
 - European city
 - Implicitly
 - The side of something that is sheltered from the wind
 - The Mount Rushmore State
 - Gold or silver wire cord
 - Muscles along insects' diaphragm
 - Trent Reznor's band
 - Sweet juicy gritty-textured fruit
 - Broken branch
 - Indicates ten
 - Expression of annoyance
 - Brings together
 - Ancient city in Thrace
 - Sailors' spirit
 - Looked into
 - Muckraking woman journalist Rheta
 - A type of cast
 - One's responsibility
 - Where golfers begin
 - Make a mistake
 - Semitic Sun god
 - Ancient Italian-Greek colony
 - Beheaded
 - A place to stay
 - Unwise
 - Most supernatural
 - "Dennis" is a famous one
 - Ointments
 - Exam
 - Leaked blood
- CLUES DOWN**
- Baseball managers

	1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	
9				10			11			12
13				14		15				
16			17		18					
19		20		21					22	
23			24		25				26	
	27			28		29		30		
		31			32		33			
	34				35		36		37	
38				39		40		41		42
43				44			45		46	47
48		49	50					51		52
53							54		55	
56								57		
58									59	

- assemble it
- Revised
- Mountain is a popular kind
- Takes to civil court
- Pouches
- A type of veil
- Chants
- Boston hoopster
- Elongated appendage
- Sailboat
- 2017 Oscar-winning film
- Actor Gosling
- Monetary units
- Assembly
- Russian pop duo
- Embellished with expressions
- Infrequent
- Temperature unit
- Hydrophilic amino acid
- Honk
- Legislative body
- Swinish
- Russian assembly
- Take over for
- Put in advance
- Felt
- Dutch cheese
- Witnesses
- Strong insects
- Gasteyer and de Armas are two
- Ancient people of Scotland
- Cheerless
- Sick

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TOWN OF STONEWALL MUNICIPAL NOTICE OF INTENT

The Heritage Resources Act (Section 26) – Form 12

TAKE NOTICE that on February 28, 2024, the council of the Town of Stonewall gave first reading to By-Law 13-24 to designate as a municipal heritage site under *The Heritage Resources Act*, the lands and premises commonly known as **The Anglican Church** in the Town of Stonewall.

The land is a portion of the land described in Certificate of Title No. 1857978/1 and is outlined in the map attached to By-Law 13-24 as Schedule "A".

A copy of the proposed By-Law can be inspected at the Town Office at 293 Main Street, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday, and on the municipal website at: www.stonewall.ca

A public hearing will be held in Council Chambers, Town Hall 6:35 PM, Wednesday, April 17, 2024

A written objection may be filed with the Chief Administrative Officer, at the Town Office located at 293 Main Street prior to the commencement of the hearing. At the hearing, Council will hear any potential taxpayer who wishes to make a presentation, ask questions, or register an objection to the proposal.

All objections, written or verbal, must be filed prior to the adjournment of the hearing and must include the name, address, and property description of the person filing the objection and the grounds of their objection.

If there is no objection, Council may resolve to adopt the proposed By-Law, or not to proceed with it.

Dated at the Town of Stonewall this 29th day of February A.D. 2024 and issued pursuant to Section 26 of *The Heritage Resources Act*.

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