

RECORD PHOTO BY DAVE BAXTER A fundraising event in Selkirk last Thursday evening presented an opportunity to take flight and get a bird's-eye view of the city and some of its landmarks including the Selkirk Bridge. For more photos, see page 14.

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Fentanyl use continues to rise across Manitoba

RCMP finding new ways to deal with the deadly drug

By Lindsey Enns

The use of what's being dubbed one of the most deadly and dangerous drugs on the market right now is rising across Manitoba, according to RCMP.

Cpl. Scott Hanson says the illegal use of fentanyl has risen "drastically" over the last year across the province.

"It's the most dangerous drug I've seen on the streets in my police service," said Hanson, who has been a member of the RCMP for 16 years and for more than 10 of those years has been directly involved with drug enforcement. "We are actively engaging every fentanyl file we can. Every one of them is being investigated."

Hanson said over the past year he and a team of experts have led nearly five investigations involving the powerful synthetic opioid narcotic, typically used for terminal cancer patients, and they have made seizures during each of those instances.

"It's certainly not like we're seeing with cocaine importation. We're seeing it in much smaller amounts," he said, adding RCMP have seized anywhere from 10 to 40 grams of fentanyl at one time. "Putting those amounts of dosages on the street are very dangerous for the residents of Manitoba."

Fentanyl, depending on its purity, can be diluted by any drug distributor, Hanson explained.

"That's where you see the cost benefit to the drug trafficker," he said. "There's money to be made there and that's why we're dealing with this problem."

In mid-September, RCMP released a video highlighting some of the dangers fentanyl and other opioids pose





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ABOVE LEFT: RCMP say the use of fentanyl is rising across Manitoba. Estimated to be 100 times more potent than morphine, fentanyl is a highly potent and addictive synthetic opioid which is absorbed into the body very quickly and comes in many forms such as a patch, powder (alone or mixed with other drugs), as a liquid or in tablet as seen in the picture above. ABOVE RIGHT: Near the beginning of this year the province announced it was investing \$500,000 to create a new task force to lead a co-ordinated Manitoba-wide response to growing concerns over the illegal use of fentanyl.

to first responders and the public.

The video, which has been viewed more than 35,000 times on YouTube, features real life accounts of RCMP officers who came in contact with fentanyl while on duty.

Some of the symptoms officers described feeling included sleepiness and/or drowsiness, a slower heartbeat, trouble breathing, nausea, dizziness, pinpoint pupils as well as mood alterations.

An increase in overdoses and deaths related to fentanyl and its use across Canada is one of the reasons RCMP chose to release the video publicly, according to a release.

Although he has come in contact with fentanyl while on the job, Hanson said he has never had any adverse reactions to it.

He added drug enforcement officers have received advanced training to deal with such substances and take extra precautionary measures, which include wearing double gloves, long sleeved shirts and full face masks.

"We're never working with fentanyl alone," he added. "We always have a

partner ... my partner monitors my actions and can administer first aid."

Hanson added recently RCMP officers have been given naloxone kits, which can be used to counteract the effects of fentanyl on themselves or others who are in medical distress due to fentanyl exposure.

In January, the province announced it was investing \$500,000 to create a new task force to lead a co-ordinated Manitoba-wide response to growing concerns over the illegal use of fentanyl.

Hanson, who is also a member of the task force, said they are gathering information on the number of deaths, overdoses, seizures and other activity linked to the drug. They plan to release that information to the public sometime in the near future.

"We want to get an accurate picture of what the actual problem is in Manitoba ... with fentanyl," he said. "It's just trying to piece together the entire picture so we know exactly what we're dealing with. We're not only talking about deaths, we're talking about overdoses and fentanyl related contacts from our frontline responders."

According to the Canadian Centre on Substance Abuse, at least 655 deaths in Canada from 2009–14 had been linked to fentanyl.

Information obtained by the *Record* through a Freedom of Information request earlier this year stated that three people were sent to the Selkirk emergency room in 2015 because of a fentanyl overdose.

The Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority said it didn't have a reporting system in place that tracked fentanyl overdoses prior to 2015.

Hanson admits the fentanyl problem in Manitoba and across Canada is a difficult one for police to get ahead of.

"It's just an extremely dangerous drug and I can't say that enough," he said. "People just have to really understand that if they're using fentanyl you just don't know what you're actually using. You just do not know the purity level.

"The best way to not overdose is to abstain from using it."





RHA looks to hire local docs to fill nearly 35 vacancies

Selkirk's new hospital nearly complete: CEO

By Lindsey Enns

Doctor recruitment and retention continues to be a challenge for the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority.

The RHA's CEO Ron Van Denakker said last week they are still trying to fill 25 to 35 physician vacancies across the region.

"We would need about 25 to ensure minimum coverage at all of our ER's and in primary health care," Van Denakker said. "Our intent is to solve the ... physician vacancies across the region with homegrown local docs to provide long-term stainability."

Van Denakker also gave an update on Selkirk's new hospital to a crowd at the Selkirk Biz breakfast speaker series last Wednesday morning.

He said they plan to start slowly testing their new systems in January 2017 but won't start officially moving in until sometime in mid-June.

"Lots of tweaking needs to happen which takes a significant amount of time," he said.

The new hospital's exterior and interior are now nearly complete, he said, adding he believes nearly all of the current staff at the Selkirk and District General Hospital will be moving to the new facility.

Although he couldn't provide exact numbers, he said the new hospital has already starting hiring additional staff.

"There are things that they are going to be doing in the new hospital that is different than what they are doing today," he said.

He added teams have been meeting on a weekly basis to ensure things will run smoothly during the transition.

Selkirk's new \$120 million hospital will house an expanded emergency department, Cancer Care program,



RECORD PHOTO BY DAVE BAXTER

Selkirk's new 180,750 square foot hospital is seen in this aerial photo taken last Thursday evening. The Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority's CEO says the new facility is nearly complete.

and an MRI machine when it opens its doors in spring 2017.

Something else that will be new at the hospital is visitors will have to pay for parking. At Selkirk's current hospital, drivers don't have to pay to park their vehicle.

Van Denakker said paying for parking is a common practice in most regional hospitals across the province.

Although he couldn't say exactly what they will charge for parking, he said it will be comparable to other hospitals across Manitoba.

"I can't think of a hospital that I've gone to, that's not a small hospital ... where people don't pay for parking," he said.

Parking dollars will help pay for security and maintenance of the parking lots, he said.

"To maintain the new facility's parking lot ... it's going to cost money," he said.

The new 180,750 square foot Selkirk Regional Health Centre being built

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along Easton Drive will include: • 65 acute care beds including 45 medical, eight surgical, eight family

planning, and four ICU/SCU beds. • An emergency department service in excess of 29,000 (projected) patients

per year with two trauma rooms, 13

exam and treatment rooms, one isolation room, and four minor treatment rooms.

• Three operating theatres, each with at 600 square feet, and two endoscopy suites.

• A full diagnostic imaging department with digital imaging for CT, fluoroscopy, ultrasound, mammography, general radiology, and an MRI diagnostic scanning.

• An ambulatory care outpatient clinic, and an integrated same day surgery and PACU department.

• An eight bed hemodialysis unit adjacent to a nine stretcher Cancer Care chemotherapy unit.

Van Denakker said the RHA is also open to working with the upcoming Easton Place Medical Centre, which plans to open a medical clinic in spring 2017.

"Our intent is to sit down and work very closely with Easton to ensure that we're complimenting one another but not competing with one another," he said. "Our focus is around teaching and training and growing our primary health services within this area to not only focus on Selkirk but to support the physicians needs across the rest of the region."





A little slice of pumpkin paradise in St. Andrews

By Lindsey Enns

Stepping onto the Schwabe's farm, it's easy to see why it's such a nice location to pick out the perfect pumpkin.

But as Melody Schwabe will tell you, looking for a round, bright orange pumpkin with a strong green stem isn't as popular as it used to be.

"I like a pumpkin with character," Schwabe said with a smile while searching through a trailer full of pumpkins her and her family grow on a portion of their 30 acres of farmland in St. Andrews. "Some of the scars on it you can put into your carving. You can carve a lot on its side, use the stem as a nose ... and I find a lot of people are doing that now.

"They want ones that have some green or aren't the perfect pumpkin." But whatever type of pumpkin you're looking for, Schwabe suggests inspecting the stem to ensure it isn't too soft and look for any blemishes or soft spots.

For the last 10 years Schwabe Pumpkins has offered a place for local and area children and their families to come at no cost to take pictures with a variety of fall backdrops, pick up some freshly farmed seasonal veggies, and of course, purchase a pumpkin.

This year the popular pumpkin





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ABOVE RIGHT: Melody Schwabe of Schwabe Pumpkins adjusts one of the many displays at the local pumpkin patch last Thursday. The popular pumpkin patch is now located at 1160 Meadowdale Road off Highway 8 and is open seven days a week until the end of October. ABOVE LEFT: Some of the nearly 25 varieties of pumpkins available at Schwabe Pumpkins in St. Andrews.

patch has moved from their former location along Henderson Highway in East St. Paul to 1160 Meadowdale Road off Highway 8, approximately 23 kilometres west of Selkirk, giving visitors more room to roam around in a picturesque fall atmosphere.

"It got busier and busier on Henderson so we decided to move here to have more space," Schwabe said while walking through the pumpkin patch on a sunny morning last Thursday. "Here it's a lot nicer and we're the last house on the road."

Schwabe said their displays, which include everything from a turkey made out of a hay bale to a skeleton sitting behind the wheel of a vintage truck, are geared towards younger children.

"We don't put up any scary faces or anything like that it's all fun stuff,"

she said."We have a small hay bale maze for the children, a hay bale mountain, a tire mountain ... and different photo o p p o r t u n i t i e s around so that people can take some nice pictures and make some memories while they're here."

One of the more popular displays lets parents measure how tall their children have grown since last fall.

"Some people have been coming since their kids were like one so it's become a tradition," she said.

Being so close to Oak Hammock Marsh also has its perks. Schwabe said they often have geese flying over their property, which the kids seem to really enjoy.

This year they've also set up a large barn with various seasonal veggies, including 12 different types of squash and nearly 25 varieties of pumpkins as well as places to take photos when the weather isn't cooperating.

Schwabe Pumpkins officially opened for the season on Sept. 17 and will remain open until Halloween.

They are open seven days a week from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. but sometimes extend their hours when the weather is nice.

"We love doing this and seeing people come and enjoy it," she said. "We have put in a lot of work this year and it feels really good to see people enjoying it."





Things heat up at open house



RECORD PHOTO BY DAVE BAXTER Narol Fire Department firefighter Daryl Lucyshen blasted flames with a fire extinguisher to show residents who came to the Narol Fire Department open house last Saturday how to properly use a fire extinguisher. The department's open house, which took place at their headquarters on Henderson Highway, featured fire safety tips and displays as well as a barbeque and the chance to go inside some of the department's fire trucks and other vehicles.

Giant pumpkin turning heads



RECORD PHOTO BY DAVE BAXTER

Anyone driving down Henderson Highway in St. Andrews recently may have noticed an extremely large pumpkin sitting on the side of the road. Curt Webb, who sells pumpkins from his pumpkin patch business located at 4570 Henderson Highway, is currently displaying a more than 700-pound pumpkin that he grew on his property this year. He said the giant pumpkin has been getting a lot of attention since he put it out, with some drivers stopping to take a second look and even take pictures with the giant vegetable.



Kid-friendly social helps raise over \$24K for Selkirk family

By Dave Baxter

A kid-friendly social in Selkirk over the weekend helped raise more than \$24,000 for a local family going through a difficult time.

A hog and grog social last Saturday saw residents pack the Selkirk Golf and Country Club and raise \$24,381.50, which is all being donated to the Schellenberg family of Selkirk. On July 28, two-year-old Brenna Schellenberg was diagnosed with Medulloblastoma, a rare form of brain cancer found in young children.

She is currently receiving chemotherapy treatments in Winnipeg.

Brenna's mother Candace said the last few months have been an extremely difficult time for her and her family, but the way the community has stepped up to support them has eased some of that pain and stress.

"It pushes us to work harder every single day," Candace said. "It makes every bad day that much easier to get through knowing how many people are behind us, and how many people are sending her their love and support and positive thoughts.

"We have the best friends, family and community that there could ever be. It takes a village, and our village



RECORD PHOTO BY DAVE BAXTER

Friends and family members of two-year-old Brenna Schellenberg, who is currently battling brain cancer, and the rest of the Schellenberg family wore "Go Team Brenna" T-shirts at a kid-friendly social at the Selkirk Golf and Country Club last Saturday. The event helped raise nearly \$25,000 for the Selkirk family.

has stepped up and is really looking after us."

She added close friends and family decided to organize Saturday's social and did all the work to make it a reality and a success.

"They just said we are putting on a social for you and that's what they did," she said.

Local businesses, Winnipeg businesses, and individual community members stepped up with social prize donations, and the social ended up giving away 60 regular and 14 grand prizes.

Candace said the money that is being raised is important because both her and her husband have had to stop working to take care of Brenna as well as take her to medical appointments and treatments in Winnipeg.

"It's a full time job for both of us and we have two other kids as well," Candace said. "We take turns back and forth at the hospital and one of us will stay overnight while the other stays home and gets the kids to school and then we are both at the hospital during the day to help with Brenna."

She added one of Brenna's upcoming treatments will likely mean she will have to stay in the hospital for at least three months, so the couple will be spending even more time at the hospital.

However, Brenna's strength through all of this has helped keep Candace and her husband Jason strong.

"When she is good we are good and we thrive on her progress and her strength," Candace said. "She truly is our hero and her strength is so admirable."

The Go Team Brenna committee, which is made up of friends and family members of the family, has organized a number of fundraisers to help support Brenna, her parents Jason and Candace, and her sister Keira and brother Caleb.

The committee is currently selling Go Team Brenna T-shirts and is challenging community members and businesses to wear "Go Team Brenna" T-shirts on Friday, Oct. 28.

The T-shirts are \$20 and \$10 from the purchase of each shirt will go to the Schellenberg family.

Information on how to get a Go Team Brenna T-shirt can be found by calling Shelly Leonard directly at 204-485-3489.

The committee has also organized other fundraisers to support Brenna and her family including a Spook-Tacular Extravaganza Halloween event at Selkirk Park on Saturday, Oct. 29.

The Halloween themed event will include a pumpkin carving contest, face painting and other Halloween activities for children and families.

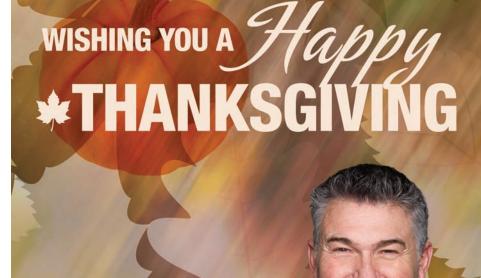
A Meat Draw and More Fundraiser is also being organized for Brenna on Saturday, Oct. 22 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Gordon Howard Senior Centre.

The event will include a performance by Laurie Sutherland and a luncheon and silent auction, and for more information and tickets contact Roberta at 204-785-0109.

Local hypnotist and entertainer Matao along with special guest magician El Toddo are also hosting a show on Saturday, Oct. 22 at Happy Thought School in East Selkirk at 7 p.m., with proceeds going to the Schellenberg family. Tickets are available by visiting matao.ca or by calling Karen at 204-485-7973.

A garage sale event also helped raise just under \$16,000 for the local family late last month.





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Zebra mussels spotted along the shores of Lake Winnipeg

Inspection sites are now available in both Selkirk, St. Clements

The province is once again reminding boaters to stop at inspection stations for zebra mussels and other aquatic invasive species after piles of them were spotted along Lake Winnipeg last week.

Several news outlets last week were reporting that piles of zebra mussels were found along the shores of Beaconia and Patricia beach.

Zebra mussels have also been found in other parts of Lake Winnipeg, the Red River and Cedar Lake north of Lake Winnipegosis.

Highway inspection stations have recently been set up at Grand Rapids, Eriksdale, Swan River, The Pas and the RM of St. Clements.

There is also an inspection station with a decontamination unit at the Selkirk Park boat launch and an inspection station, but no decontamination unit, at the St. Vital Park boat launch.

"As we near the end of open water season, we ask that Manitobans take extra precaution to ensure they are not transporting aquatic invasive species when moving watercrafts," Sustainable Development Minister Cathy Cox said in a release last Friday. "The best and most effective measures to reduce the spread of AIS come from Manitobans taking action to clean, drain and dry their watercraft and other vessels, and dispose of water



Piles of zebra mussels are seen here along the shores of Patricia Beach last week. Inspection sites for aquatic invasive species have now been set up in both St. Clements and Selkirk Park in Selkirk.

and bait in a way that does not move unwanted invasive species to another water body."

It is illegal to possess or transport aquatic invasive species such as zebra mussels in Manitoba.

Everyone is required to do their part and ensure that before removing any watercraft from the shore of the water body they:

• inspect watercraft and water-related equipment;

• clean and remove any aquatic plants and AIS from the watercraft, trailer and all water-related equipment;

Correction

In the Sept. 29 edition of *The Selkirk Record* on Page 4 the photo caption for the "New Nova House set to open in January 2017" story should have read that so far 1,100 dolls have been made for Nova House's Faceless Doll Project. They are aiming to have 1,200 dolls made to represent the number of Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women across Canada. Incorrect information appeared in the previous caption. The *Record* apologizes for the error.



• drain all water from the watercraft including motor, bilge, bait buckets and any compartments; and

• completely dry all water-related equipment and any hard-to-drain compartments that have contacted the water before it is used in any other body of water.

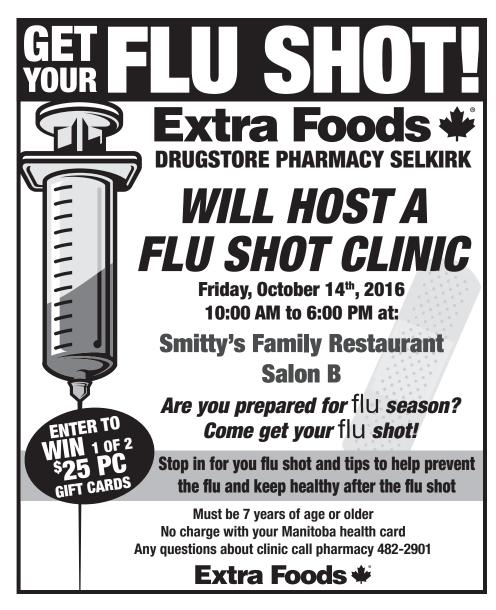
The province recognizes that as people prepare to move their boats to winter storage it may not be possible to find or remove all zebra mussels before leaving the shore.

In that situation, a transportation authorization can be requested, which will allow the movement of a watercraft that may contain AIS.

Extra measures are required for control zones which are areas where AIS have been found or expected to be spread. All water-related craft or equipment leaving a control zone water body must be decontaminated before being placed into another water body. Also, before leaving a control zone, all live bait must be disposed of in the trash.

When transporting watercraft on land, remember the drain plug and all other valves or other devices used to drain water must be removed or left open. It is the law in Manitoba to clean, drain, dry and dispose.

Boaters can get more information on how to obtain a transportation authorization or to find when the watercraft inspection program is operating online by visiting manitoba.ca/stopais.



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Welcome once again friends.

> ARNIE WEIDL

Lately, I have been meeting some pretty remarkable people from Arborg. A few weeks ago I met and shared with you Kevin Lamoureuxs' Molson Lake fishing story. Late last week I happened upon Tony Sorokowski on the Hnausa pier a man who has spent his life educating kids in the Arborg area.

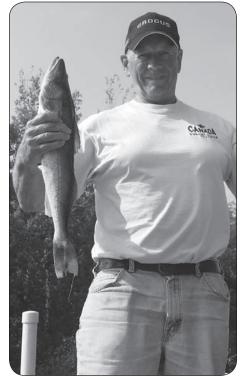
He was sitting in his truck, his fishing rod stuck in a pier fitting taking refuge from the waves' spray that was being kicked up by the warm gusting wind. As I drove alongside him he rolled down his window showing a generous smile and I called out asking if he had an unusual fishing story.

Immediately this thin, white haired fellow, given to speaking rapidly and forcefully began telling of a time years ago when he would take his family to the Duck Mountain area and try for trout in the East Blue Lake. His natural talent for story telling totally engaged me.

His eyes flashed from side to side as he punctuated each remark with a nod of his head and a pointed finger. It seems the East Blue Lake is 190' deep and try as they might they could not catch the large trout they knew were there. So, being a teacher he started casting about for information and learned if given the chance trout will seek 2C to 10C water. Tony got his hands on a submersible thermometer and found that depth temperature then with heavily weighted line and a special willow-leaf leader with a small hook and worm bait his family started catching those trout summer after summer for years.

Smart man.

Speaking of good catches, it's really getting good at the Pine Falls pier area. I was there and got to talking to Wayne Wedge and Eugene Chandl of



RECORD PHOTO BY ARNIE WEIDL Wayne Wedge of Winnipeg with one of the pickerel he caught out of the Winnipeg River at Pine Falls.

Winnipeg and one can see from some of the catch Wayne showed me, it's never been better.

Every once in a while I run into a couple of long time good hearted buddies who are constantly joking around with one another. Dwayne Stewart and Ken Gunn from Winnipeg who I met on the Red River bank fishing by the Selkirk Steam Plant were just such a couple who couldn't wait to tell us their funny story.

Both men, who had defined weathered faces, were fairly tall and thin. Dwayne had short grey hair and a goatee while Ken's graving hair was covered with his favorite cap (so he said). As we lightheartedly got to know each other it became very obvious that these two guys were always looking for the fun in life. Now, imagine this.

They were boat fishing on Water Hen Lake past Fairford on an early spring, full-sun hot, no wind day and they were sweating. Dwayne was actively working his line, jigging and casting while at the other end of the boat Ken put his line in the water and promptly fell asleep.

Dwayne jigged hour after hour, the sun burning him and the stillness was only broken by Kens' snoring. Finally, Dwayne couldn't take Kens' noise anymore and stretched his leg toward him giving him a little kick. Ken awoke, half lying in the boat, sat up bewildered raking the sweat off his face with his hand inquiring, "what's going on, you catch anything yet?" Dwayne looked at him with a gladyou-could-join-me smirk and merely shook his head from side to side. Then Kens' expression became alert and rolling over on his side one arm on the boats' gunwale he tested his rod. He sat up smartly and started to reel in rapidly, water spraying off his line as it came in.

Within seconds a giant pickerel rose breaking the water and with only a small ripple it rolled over showing its' white belly as Ken brought it alongside. He grabbed it by the gill and effortlessly plopped it onto the floor of the boat. Pondering the fish for a moment Ken got a drink of water, baited his hook, cast out and promptly fell back asleep again. Dwayne, amused at Kens' effortless luck, grinned then went back to working his line muttering to himself,"if he wasn't my buddy, I'd toss him overboard!"

See you next week gang, bye now.

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CFIB survey urges province to freeze minimum wage

Staff

The Canadian Federation of Independent Business (CFIB) released a new survey last week that they say debunks myths about minimum wage and outlines ways for the government to help low-income Manitobans without raising it.

CFIB said in a press release put out last week that the Manitoba government is currently reviewing its minimum wage policy, but they claim new data provides "ample reason to think twice about raising the minimum wage,"CFIB said in a release last week.

Minimum wage in Manitoba currently sits at \$11 per hour and was last raised in October 2015 by the province's previous NDP government.

"We urge the Manitoba government to freeze the minimum wage and consider other ways to actually achieve the goal of helping low-income earners, such as providing additional income tax relief and improving training opportunities for them," CFIB Director of Provincial Affairs for Manitoba Jonathan Alward said in a press release. "Our survey results show that 11 minimum wage increases in the previous 10 years have negatively impacted small business growth and employment."

The CFIB's recently released Employment and Wages Survey claims 81 per cent of Manitoba small business owners disagree with the idea that government mandated minimum wage increases are the best way to increase employment and wages for low-income earners.

The study claims that 48 per cent of Manitoba small business owners reported profit losses after previous government mandated minimum wage increases in the province, and 43 per cent were forced to raise prices on their products or services.

The report also claims that 81 per

Manitoba support reducing personal income tax rates as a way to help low income earners.

"Given the obvious shortcomings of minimum wage policy, government shouldn't consider increasing the minimum wage until it has exhausted its ability to assist low-income earners through tax relief and training initiatives, especially for key sectors affected by minimum wage policy, such as accommodation, food services and retail," Alward said in a press release.

Manitoba's op-

position New Democratic Party (NDP) shot back against the survey, saying Manitoba's current PC government must work towards raising the minimum wage.

"The Pallister Government must commit to raising the minimum wage this year to ensure workers are compensated fairly and can make ends meet," NDP MLA Tom Lindsey said in a release. "Anyone who works hard and earns a minimum wage should be able to put a roof over their head and afford their basic needs. We raised the minimum wage every year after consulting with employers and employees to help

cent of small business owners in hard-working

St. Andrews Lock and Dam to close Oct. 14

Submitted

The St. Andrews Lock and Dam will be closed to marine vessels for the season as of midnight on Friday, Oct. 14.

Navigation through the lock will cease on this date and the lock will reopen in the spring.

Staff will begin raising the dam's control curtains on, or soon after, this date. As a result, water levels in the Red and Assiniboine rivers, in the vicinity of the city of Winnipeg and north to Lockport, will be lowered gradually over the next two to three weeks as the water is released. Should winter conditions set in, the curtains will be completely lifted as required.

Owners of vessels, barges and all property on the Red and Assiniboine rivers and their tributaries are hereby advised to protect their property.

Manitobans support themselves." On Oct. 1 the previous NDP govern-

ment increased the minimum wage to \$11 and claim that increase "put an additional \$445 per year into the pockets of full-time hard-working minimum-wage workers after taxes."

"That's \$400 less to buy food or pay for rent, which would force minimumwage earners to cut corners on other necessities," Lindsey said. "The best way out of poverty is a good job that pays a living wage.

"Increasing tax benefits does little or nothing for low-income people."

The NDP said the minimum wage was at \$6 per hour when they first took office in 1999.

"While the NDP government raised the minimum wage every year, it also reduced and then eliminated the nine per cent small business tax, the first province to do so," Lindsey said. "A balanced approach works well for workers and employers."



The annual seasonal flu vaccine is available to all Manitobans at no charge. It will offer protection against four seasonal flu strains.

An annual flu vaccine is especially important for those at increased risk of serious illness from the flu, their caregivers and close contacts.

If you are 65 or older or have a chronic illness, you should also get a pneumo vaccine. One pneumo vaccine may give you a lifetime of protection.

To get your free flu vaccine, contact your public health nurse, doctor, pharmacist or call Health Links – Info Santé at 204-788-8200 or toll-free 1-888-315-9257.

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Tourism awards recognize those putting Interlake on the map

By Natasha Tersigni

The Interlake Tourism Association (ITA) held their 15th Annual Members Awards Dinner recognizing various people and organizations that have worked throughout the year promoting local tourism last Thursday evening in Lockport.

A few months ago the ITA put a call out for nominations from the public. After all the nominations were collected a panel of judges looked at the nominations and then decided on the winners. Awards were handed out in eight different categories during the evening including Community Futures East Interlake Community Economic Development Award; Community Futures West Interlake **Community Economic Development** Award; Non- Member Interlake Tourism; Volunteer of the Year Award; Event of the Year Award; Partnership Award; Innovation Tourism Award and Interlake Award of Distinction.

The Volunteer of the Year Award, presented to an individual for their outstanding contributions to their community, was shared by Beggi Anderson and Louise Machinski. Anderson was nominated for the award for his commitment and dedication to the Arborg and District Multicultural Heritage Village.

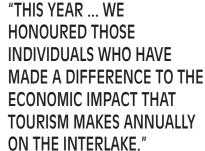
"A quiet man, not wanting praise, he goes about keeping the village beautiful with well-kept lawns, flowers and walkways at their best, maintaining this as a beautiful destination that both new and returning visitors enjoy. He is a real diamond among the many volunteer jewels that the Heritage Village has attracted," said award presenter and Mayor of the RM of St. Clements Debbie Fiebelkorn.

As both owner of the Bridgeview Bed and Breakfast and a long-time community volunteer Machinski was honoured for work with various organizations.

"Understanding the importance of



Louise Thompson, left, and Joy Sul received the Partnership Award for the continued collaboration of **Skinners Restaurant and Skinners** Locks Market.



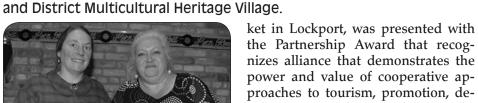
partnerships with local business, educating staff at tourism info sites on customer service and promoting the entire area while keeping a successful business going are some of the things that showcases Louise as a go-to-gal that gets things done. Being a face of tourism by delivering info or manning a booth at events gives her immense value for her volunteer time," added Fiebelkorn.

The Interlake Award of Distinction, that recognizes the exceptional leadership that helps the Interlake and Manitoba realize distinction as a high-quality tourism destination, was presented to the Arborg and District Multicultural Heritage Village. The working village is dedicated to preserving and showcasing the history of the area that has evolved into a provincial tourism destination that continually attracts visitors to the Interlake.

The Homes for the Holidays House and Heritage tour, a three-day event that included tours into nine pri-



RECORD PHOTOS BY NATASHA TERSIGNI Interlake MLA Derek Johnson, right, presented the Interlake Award of Distinction to Florence Barylsky, left, and Pat Eyolfson of the Arborg



the Partnership Award that recognizes alliance that demonstrates the power and value of cooperative approaches to tourism, promotion, development or delivery in the Interlake and in Manitoba.

The Non-Member ITA Award, open to any Interlake business or group, was presented to Bay River Development. Located on the Fisher River Cree Nation, the development's main goals are to drive tourism to their community and grow the local economy.

This year, the ITA partnered with Community Futures East and West Interlake for the Community Economic Development Awards that recognizes a municipality, town, group or business that has undertaken a community project in the last 18 months that has or will have significant and long-term economic effects on the community. The Community Futures East Interlake award went the Central Interlake Training Centre; a community training centre in Arborg that will provide needed training opportunities to local youth. Steep Rock Beach Park was presented the Community Futures West Interlake Award for the improvements made to the park's infrastructure and services.

"This year at our 15th Annual 'Celebration of Stars' we honoured those individuals who have made a difference to the economic impact that tourism makes annually on the Interlake. The people who make the festivals come alive with meaning, those who welcome our visitors to their businesses and the ones who keep the heritage of the region alive and well," said Interlake Tourism Manager Gail McDonald.



Shelly Manley-Tannis, left, and Heather Hunter received the Innovation Tourism Award for their unique Homes for the Holidays House and Heritage tour that started in November 2015.

vate homes and heritage locations throughout the Red River North area in November 2015, was presented with the Innovation Tourism Award that recognizes a business or organization that has developed or expanded a new or existing tourism product.

Event of the Year Awards were presented to the Lakeside Quilters Show and Sale (budget under \$5,000) and the Grettir Lobsterfest in Lundar (budget over \$5,000).

Skinners Restaurant and Skinners Locks Market, a weekly Sunday mar-



New Canadians Fundraiser raises \$2K for refugee family

By Dave Baxter

Yaya Ramadan says Selkirk and area residents have been a big part of the reason he and his family have been able to adjust to their new lives in Canada.

The 24-year-old, along with six other members of his family including his wife Zara and their six-month-old daughter Maisoune came to live in Selkirk back in July.

Before coming to Canada, the family spent 11 years living in a refugee camp in Sudan.

The Red River Churches Refugee Team (RRCRT), a group of volunteers from more than 17 local churches raised money to help bring the family to Canada, and the group is now working to support them while they adjust to life in Selkirk.

About 120 local and area residents packed the Selkirk Legion last Saturday night for the New Canadians Fundraiser, a bud and spud event that raised more than \$2,000 to help support the family.

Speaking through an interpreter, Yaya said the people of Selkirk and area have made it possible for his family to adjust to a new country and a new way of life.

"The help we've received around here I really appreciate and I find the people of Selkirk are very friendly

towards my family," he said through interpreter Albert Harb."We love and appreciate that all these people are here to support us."

The family includes mother Ache and her three sons Yaya, Habib and Awad and her daughter Saida, plus Yaya's wife Zara and baby girl Maisoune.

RRCRT treasurer Lorne Nicol confirmed on Sunday the event raised more than \$2,000, but also said it was the first time the entire family came out together for a public event.

"We worked to raise money, but we also worked to just get the family out and let people meet them and the family seemed to really enjoy themselves," Nicol said.

Nicol said it is important to continue to raise money for the family while they settle in Selkirk and take on the many challenges that come with leaving for a new country.

"They came with one suitcase between them," Nicol said. "They had nothing when they came."

Nicol said that since they started raising money last spring the RR-CRT has raised about \$50,000 of their \$100,000 goal, and he believes they will have enough money to bring another refugee family to the area by next spring.



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Yaya Ramadan, seen here with his wife Zara and their six-month-old daughter Maisoune say Selkirk and surrounding area residents have helped them adjust to their new lives in Canada.

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RM of St. Andrews Indemnity report to come out next month, mayor says

By Dave Baxter

The mayor of St. Andrews says the RM has handed over all of their indemnity information from 2015 to an auditor, as they look to get to the



bottom of allegations that councillors overcharged thousands of dollars on their indemnities for 2015.

Earlier this year the *Record* reported that a report compiled by retired chartered accountants Glen and Karen McKenzie of St. Andrews alleges the seven members of St. Andrews council overcharged \$5,998.57 on indemnities in 2015.

Mayor George Pike said the RM decided after the report came out to have an auditor look at their indemnity numbers for 2015 and see if the numbers the auditor comes up with match those allegations in the McKenzie's report.

"We have sent all the information to our audit company and they will present that in the year-end budget," Pike said on Monday.

Pike said he expects results from the auditor to come back to council by November and he said the public will be able to see those results.

He added they plan to hold a"special meeting" once those results arrive.

The municipality is also working to make changes to their indemnity bylaw that Pike said would make how that bylaw works far more clear to residents.

During a recent council meeting, St. Andrews went to first reading on their new indemnity bylaw, which proposes some changes to the existing bylaw.

Pike said one of the proposed changes would be that councillors could no longer charge an hourly rate when they attend charity events such as curling or golf tournaments.

He said the bylaw changes would also make what councillors can and can't charge for in their indemnities far more clear to residents.

"We want to put the policy and bylaw together so it is easier reading and understanding for the public," Pike said. "It's to clarify things better because some looking at it may not understand it fully and that is where there can be misunderstandings or disagreements."

Pike said he does not yet know when the second reading for the new bylaw will take place, but he said when they have a date they will let residents know and residents will be given the chance to speak at the meeting.

Manitoba's population grows by over 22K over last 12 months

Staff

In the 12 months ending June 30, Manitoba's population increased by 22,147 people or 1.71 per cent, the largest annual growth in Manitoba's population on record, according to the province.

• Manitoba welcomed 17,238 im-

migrants over the 12 months ending June 30.

• Total net migration was a recordbreaking inflow of 15,451 individuals from other jurisdictions. This net inflow marks the eighth consecutive 12-month period with a net inflow of more than 8,000 migrants, with four of those 12-month periods more than 10,500.

• Manitobans gave birth to 17,372 babies over this period. This is the highest number of births for a July to June period since 1989-90. Births have increased 3,626 or 26.4 per cent, compared to a low of 13,746 in 2001-02.



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St. Andrews woman wins over \$2K at golf ball drop

By Dave Baxter

Hundreds of golf balls fell from the sky in Selkirk last week and one of those balls helped make a St. Andrews woman more than \$2,000 richer.

Selkirk Biz held its second annual High Time Ball Drop fundraiser at the Selkirk Golf and Country Club last Thursday.

The fundraiser saw balls sold to residents for \$10 each and on Thursday those balls were put in a bin and sent up into the sky in a helicopter provided by Prairie Helicopters, which is based in Gimli.

George Hacking of Century 21 was strapped to the side of the helicopter with the door wide open as he dropped hundreds of golf balls to the ground, with the one that landed closest to a Selkirk Biz flag being declared the winner.

The event helped raise \$6,540 and that cash was split three ways between the winner, Selkirk Biz, and the Selkirk and District Community Foundation.

After the balls were dropped, ball number 219, which was purchased by Pat Wur, was declared the winner.

Wur was called at her St. Andrews home, which is walking distance from the golf club, and asked if she could

walk over to the club, but she wasn't sure why.

When she walked in, Wur was met with applause and the news that she was the winner of the High Time Ball Drop and she screamed with joy when she learned she had won \$2,180.

Wur said she consistently supports local fundraisers, but never supports them with the goal of winning a prize.

"I always buy tickets for charities or fundraisers, really anything to support good causes," Wur said. "It's just something I think is important, but this is the first time I've won big.

"You buy tickets and you think it would be nice to win, but I mostly do it to help good causes."

Wur could not wipe the smile off her face as she accepted her cheque from Selkirk Biz last Thursday.

"You have no idea how excited I am," Wur said. "This is totally awesome."

Selkirk and District Community Foundation (SDCF) also now has \$2,180 more dollars because of the Ball Drop, and will put that money towards the work they do to help out local organizations.

"It's just fantastic that they recognize us as the charity of choice, and it goes towards great projects," SCDF executive director Bev Clegg said.

Crews launch cable ferry



RECORD PHOTO BY BRETT MITCHELL

After three failed attempts on Sept. 23 to move a new 156-tonne cable ferry into the Red River near the Selkirk Slough area, provincial crews were successful last Tuesday afternoon. The new ferry will eventually head to Norway House First Nation area. The province says the \$3.1-million ferry named Gilbery Laugher will replace the aging C.F. James Apetagon, which has been in service since 1977. The plan is to keep the ferry in Selkirk for the winter before it heads to Norway House in spring of 2017.



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The second annual Selkirk Biz High Time Ball Drop saw Bev Wur's golf ball land closest to a Selkirk Biz flag. The St. Andrews resident won more than \$2,000 during the event last Thursday evening.



A bird's-eye view



RECORD PHOTOS BY DAVE BAXTER The Selkirk Biz golf ball drop event was also a chance to get a bird'seye view of the City of Selkirk last Thusday. A helicopter from Gimlibased Prairie Helicopters cruised high above Selkirk last Thursday, giving a view from the sky of local landmarks such as the Marine Museum and Selkirk Park as well as residential areas.



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Fire Prevention Week Oct. 9 to 15 Burn survivor hopes her story helps motivate others

By Lindsey Enns

After Jamie Evans was severely burned during a cooking accident, doctors never believed she would live long enough to share her story of survival.

When she was 12, Evans was home alone cooking dinner for her younger sister at their family's home in Grande Prairie, Alberta when her shirt suddenly caught fire.

"When I recognized I was on fire I was in shock," Evans said, adding she quickly remembered to stop, drop and roll but it wasn't enough to put out the flames."I finally pulled myself off the floor, fell down a flight of stairs at which point I grabbed a phone and called for help."

But on this particular day, a series of prank calls were being made about false fires so an operator informed her that no help was on the way.

"I tried to exit my house ... but I couldn't unlock to the door to get outside," she said." Conveniently with the winds outside that day, I would have died if I got out that door."

At this point a major portion of her family's home was on fire and her little sister was hiding from the flames.

"So I ran through the patio screen door where I started yelling for help," she said, adding later she was told her neighbours could here her screaming from six blocks away."I was on fire for just over 30 minutes by the time they were able to extinguish the flames."

Evans was then flown to Edmonton in an air ambulance and had to be revived once in the air and twice during surgery in hospital.

After waking up from an induced comma, Evans was told nearly 80 per cent of her body had been severely burned and 40 per cent of her burns were considered "third deep," which means it went straight to the bone.

More than half of her body had to be skin grafted, she added.

"They thought that I would never walk again, that I would never breathe without a ventilator, that I wouldn't have children and my quality of life would be quite badly dimin-





SUBMITTED PHOTO

Jamie Evans and her husband Glenn of Lockport are seen in this July photo while on vacation in New York City. Jamie is a burn survivor who hopes sharing her story helps raise awareness during fire prevention week.

ished," she said, adding two and a half months later she was able to walk out of the hospital and climbed a mountain within a year.

Today the 35-year-old is now a mother to five children and continues to share her story of survival to help raise awareness during Fire Prevention Week, which is on Oct. 9 to 15.

"We all have the potential to be a burn survivor or a burn victim depending on the situation," she said. "But with a little bit of prevention we



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"I'M KIND OF ONE OF THOSE MEDICAL MIRACLES THAT THEY DON'T KNOW HOW TO EXPLAIN."

can prevent injuries from happening." Evans, who currently lives in Lockport and is a vice-principal at a school in Winnipeg, said she hopes sharing her story helps motivate others who have suffered any type of injury.

Evans said the burns on her body serve as a lifelong reminder of "how quickly an action can become a consequence."

"I'm kind of one of those medical miracles that they don't know how to explain but I had great doctors ... and

a very supportive community and family so that's what carried me through."

Since her accident, Evans has shared her story of survival with thousands of people across the world. She has made presentations

through the Canadian Burn Foundation and the Alberta Burn Rehabilitation Foundation.

"I talk about being a survivor and the different pieces of my life that I continue to thrive in," she said. "The fire didn't consume me that day so I move forward everyday."

"It was pretty traumatic ... but never once did I feel sorry for myself," she said."I was very grateful to be alive."

Selkirk Fire Department Chief Craig Fiebelkorn said this year's Fire Prevention Week theme is check your smoke alarms monthly and to change battery operated ones regularly.

Fiebelkorn added he gives all burn survivors credit for being brave enough to share their stories.

"They're basically reliving their pain," he said. "It scars you for life both mentally and physically."

The Selkirk Fire Department will also be visiting all of the elementary schools in the area during Fire Prevention Week.

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Finally, consider investing in a fire escape ladder if your plan involves exiting from a second or third-floor window.



We can't always anticipate carbon monoxide detector However, when it comes to fires in the home, we can take preventive measures to ensure our loved ones and ourselves come through unscathed. Here are three essential steps to ensure the safety of your family in the event of a fire.

1. CHECK YOUR SMOKE DETECTORS Fire alarms are by far your greatest ally when it comes to fire safety. The fact of the matter is, smoke detectors save lives. Make sure alarms are installed on every floor and near every bedroom, and test them regularly by holding down the "test" button. Never disconnect a fire alarm that goes off frequently — when cooking, for example. Instead, open a window or turn on a fan.

2. CREATE A FIRE ESCAPE PLAN A well-rehearsed fire escape plan will go a long way in keeping everyone calm and collected should a fire break out in your home. A good plan will map out two house. It will also indicate the emergency. location of every smoke alarm,

when disaster will strike, and fire extinguisher. Finally, your plan must include a designated meeting place that's safe and easily accessible at all times. Try to meet at a place where the firefighters will see you as soon as they arrive. **3. REHEARSE YOUR PLAN**

Smoke can engulf your

home in as little as three minutes, which doesn't leave you with much time to get out. That's why rehearsing your fire escape plan at least twice a year is so important. Create a realistic scenario — location of fire, where everyone is, etc. — and then put your plan into action

- Set off the smoke alarm
- Evacuate your home as quickly as possible

• Have everyone gather at the designated meeting place • Review your plan and

make any necessary changes

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St. Clements looks for ways to boost recycling

By Dave Baxter

The RM of St. Clements says fewer than half of its residents are currently recycling, so the municipality is now asking residents what they can do to increase those numbers.

"Our recycling numbers are very low compared to provincial averages," St. Clements CAO DJ Sigmundson said.

Sigmundson said the provincial average for recycling in Manitoba sits at about 75 kilograms per person, while St. Clements sits at only about 25 kg per person.

"So we are quite a bit lower, and even quite a bit lower than many other RM's that sit at about 50 kg per person," he said.

This month St. Clements residents are invited to learn more about potential improvements to garbage and recycling services and are also asked to share their views through an online survey that can be found at rmofstclements.com/trash.

St. Clements currently offers no curbside pickup, but some residents contract pickup from a private company for about \$14 per month, but that private pickup does not include any recycling pickup.

"So that's where we think a lot of it just gets thrown in the trash," Sigmundson said.

Sigmundson said those who want to throw away both garbage and recycling separately must go to one of their transfer stations and separate the garbage and recycling themselves.

He believes that lack of convenience is also a big reason many residents are not recycling.

"When we compare ourselves to other urban centres and other rural areas that are doing better, they have more recycling opportunities like curbside pick up or recycle depots," he said. "We know there are models out there in other RM's that allow residents to recycle easier than our current model does."

St. Clements currently operates a landfill near Libau and four transfer stations that process household and commercial garbage and recycling.

The RM said in a statement released last week "the price of operating the transfer stations and landfill has increased dramatically due to higher hauling costs and tougher regulations and environmental requirements."

With increased operating costs for operating their landfill and transfer stations Sigmundson said he believes this is the right time to hear from residents, and decide what options for waste management the municipality should use moving forwards.

The survey will be open to St. Clements residents on their website until the end of October, and Sigmundson said they expect results back by the middle of November.

He said options moving forward could include curbside pickup and he said that could also include recycling as well as compost, but they want to collect residents input before making any decisions.

Everyone who is from St. Clements and who fills out the survey will have their names put in a draw to win an iPad.

Sigmundson said anyone with questions about waste management in St. Clements can also call him directly at 204-482-3300.

Trio facing drug trafficking charges after stop in RM of St. Clements

Three Winnipeg men are now facing drug trafficking charges after they were pulled over for speeding in the RM of St. Clements.

On Sept. 19 at around 3:00 a.m., Selkirk RCMP stopped a vehicle for speeding southbound on Highway 59 near Road 81 North in St. Clements.

Three males were in the vehicle and initial investigation revealed the driver was being deceitful regarding his identity.

The driver was then arrested for obstructing police and searched. Baggies of white powder believed to be cocaine was located on the driver. The driver and the passengers were arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance for the Purpose of Trafficking.

Zuhair Mohammad, 21, of Winnipeg has been charged with Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking, Possession of Property Obtained by Crime and two charges of Failing to Comply with Conditions of an Undertaking.

Delano Wilson, 20, of Winnipeg has been charged with Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking, Possession of Property Obtained by Crime and one charge of Failing to Comply with Undertaking Conditions.

Awrangzaib Seerat, 29, of Winnipeg has been charged with one count of Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking.

Mohammad is being remanded in custody. Seerat and Wilson have been released. Their court date is scheduled for Oct. 13, 2016.











Royals win Westwood Collegiate JV girls' tourney

By Brian Bowman

The Selkirk Royals have had a great start to their volleyball seasons, already winning several tournaments.

Last weekend, it was the Royals' junior varsity girls' team that celebrated a tournament title.

Selkirk spiked its way to a tournament championship after defeating Brandon's Vincent Massey 2-1 at Westwood Collegiate. After losing the first set 25-21, the Royals stormed back to win 25-12 and 15-12.

"It was really good," said Royals' head coach Victoria Sherwood. "We came out slow in that first set and looked a little uncertain but they picked it up in the second set and showed a lot of heart and character.

"They really took it to them in the second and third sets."

In the third set, Selkirk was the first team to reach eight points but then had some trouble with its passing, which allowed Vincent Massey to close the gap.

To reach the final, Selkirk spanked Westwood 2-0 by scores of 25-9 and 26-14.

"They did really well in the semifinals," Sherwood said. "We had played Westwood earlier in the round robin and it wasn't one of our best games. We made a lot of errors in that first game, so we told them that this game was their chance to make up for that.

"They really cut out their errors and played a great game."

Selkirk was certainly great in pool play, compiling a perfect 8-0 record in sets. The Royals swept Brandon's Vincent Massey (25-14, 25-16), Fort Richmond (25-9, 25-2), Tec Voc (25-16, 25-5), and Westwood (25-18, 25-23).

"Everyone was able to get in at least one game



RECORD PHOTO SUBMITTED

The Royals' junior varsity girls' volleyball team captureed the Westwood Collegiate tournament title last weekend.

this weekend and everyone did really well," Sherwood said. "After our first game, which was a little shaky against Westwood, they completely changed it around and played a great round robin.

Selkirk started its season by placing fifth at a Miles Mac tournament and then the Royals swept Garden City 3-0 in its KPAC opener last Thursday.

"There has been a lot of improvement already," stressed the Royals' head coach. "Our communication has improved a lot. We were very quiet in our first tournament but now they are really starting to work together as a team."

This year's edition of the Royals has some pretty good height and several players which are multisport athletes that possess a lot of athleticism.

"We also have two very good setters (captain Brooke Johnstone and Bella Benson), so we have lots of options to put out on the court with different girls," Sherwood stressed.

Tri-S youth soccer ends successful outdoor season

Submitted by Daniel Racicot

With all the rain and storms that caused many game cancellations and rescheduling this past summer, the weather finally cooperated and the 2016 outdoor soccer season ended on its expected dates.

The Tri-S 16U girls' rec soccer team - consisting of players 14-16 years old - had a great season. The season started really well as they competed in the Phoenix Soccer Slurpee Cup and ended up winning the gold medal after handing Kirkfield Westwood their first loss of the season in the final by a score of 4-2.

"The passing and communication between the girls was impressive during the tournament and, after that, they were unstoppable," said coach Melissa Doucette.

It was Doucette's first year as a Tri-S outdoor coach although she has been part of the indoor program for a couple years.

The Tri-S 16U team that nudged their way into the playoffs started playing their best soccer at the right time. They were tied with the No. 1 team in the playoff round robin and beat them to advance to the Winnipeg Youth Soccer Association Cambrian Cup finals, which were held Sept. 24 against Kirkfield Westwood.

"The girls came out strong but we had two quick goals scored on us and

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The Tri-S 16U girls' soccer team reached the finals of the Winnipeg Youth Soccer Association Cambrian Cup on Sept. 24.

Steelers sweep weekend road trip

By Brian Bowman

Jake Dudar has been playing in the Manitoba Junior Hockey league the past four seasons.

But Sunday evening was special one for the veteran forward.

Dudar recorded his first-ever MJHL hat trick, to go along with two assists, to lift the Selkirk Steelers to an 8-4 win over the Kings in Dauphin.

It was Selkirk's third victory in as many days last weekend.

"It was an awesome weekend," said Dudar, who previously played in the MJHL with the Virden Oil Capitals. "With a three in three, the last couple of games are going to be tough on the body with all of the playing."

Despite playing a lot of hockey last weekend, Dudar and the rest of the Steelers were firing on all cylinders Sunday against Dauphin. Selkirk led 4-2 after 40 minutes and then turned a close game into a rout with four goals in the first 9:45 of the third.

Cole McCartan, Taylor Fisher, Brad Castellano, Ryan Pruden, and Conner Barley scored Selkirk's other goals. Graeme Hore (two), Daniel Chartrand, and Kyle Oleksiuk replied for Dauphin.

Brett Friesen made 29 saves for the win. The Steelers started the weekend with a 4-3 victory over the Natives in Neepawa on Friday.

Dane Derewianchuk gave Neepawa a 1-0 lead just 10 seconds into

the contest and then Selkirk's Dallas Starodub tied the score at 1-1 a minute later.

Fisher and the Natives' Justin Metcalf traded goals before Selkirk grabbed a 4-2 lead on goals by Starodub, on the power play, and Carter Barley.

Neepawa's Brad Marshall made it a one-goal game at 17:09 of the second period.

Friesen made 25 saves for the win.

On Saturday, the Steelers blanked the Swan Valley Stampeders 6-0 as Hayden Dola made 42 saves for the shutout. Starodub led Selkirk with two goals and an assist while Bronson Kelly, Adam Withers, Braden Shea, and Nathan Halvorsen also tallied.

Getting six points on a three-game road trip early in the season is a big plus for the Steelers.

"It's a good time for the guys to come together and gel as a team," Dudar said. "Getting put in those situations is good for us both on and off the ice. It was an overall good weekend."

Selkirk (5-1) will have a home-andhome series with the defending-MJHL champion Portage Terriers (4-1) this weekend. The Terriers will visit Selkirk Friday and then the same two teams will hook up Saturday in Portage la Prairie.

This weekend will be a real good test to see where Selkirk stands with the MJHL's elite. Dudar is confident the Steelers have the team to go deep in



RECORD FILE PHOTO BY LANA MEIER

The Steelers' Jake Dudar recorded his first-ever MJHL hat trick last Sunday during Selkirk's 8-4 win.

this year's post-season.

"With this team that we have, we have a lot of experience and we have brought in some guys that have won before and won championships," he said. "What we obviously have with the nine 20 year olds, is a lot of experience that other teams don't have.

"Come playoff time, I think that will help us big time.

Varsity girls place fifth at home tournament

Staff

The Selkirk Royals placed fifth at their annual Royal Rumble Invitational varsity girls' volleyball tournament at the Comp.

Selkirk defeated Winnipeg's Vincent Massey 2-0 by scores of 25-16 and 25-20 in the fifth-place game last Saturday. The Royals earned a spot in that game after beating Steinbach 2-0 (25-12, 25-14).

Selkirk began the A-side playoffs with a tough 2-1 (21-25, 25-23, 15-6) loss to the Westwood Warriors.

The Royals finished first in their pool with a 6-1 record in sets. The Royals swept Crocus Plains (25-21, 25-20) and Glenlawn (25-20, 25-19) and edged Fort Richmond 2-1 (23-25, 25-20, 15-2). The Royals started their KPAC schedule with a solid 3-0 sweep over the River East Kodiaks on Sept. 26. Selkirk won the match by scores of 25-14, 25-20, and 25-23.

Selkirk then defeated the Garden City Gophers 3-0 (25-13, 25-13, 25-8) on Sept. 28 in Winnipeg. In boys' KPAC action, Selkirk also swept Garden City 3-0 by scores of 25-9, 25-23, and 25-22 on Sept. 28.

Both Selkirk varsity teams played at MBCI last night but no scores were available at press time. Miles Mac will visit the Comp next Wednesday in KPAC action.



Strike Force ousted from MMSL playoffs

By Brian Bowman

It's hard enough to win a playoff soccer game against a team of 11 players. And it's even tougher when the opposition has the referee on their side.

The Tri-S Strike Force had their stat: son end abruptly with a disappointing 4-1 loss to Mobb United in Manitoba Major Soccer League Division 5 action.

Many of the game's calls went against Tri-S but the Strike Force were quick to congratulate the winners. "They're an awesome team," complimented Tri-S player/coach Kris Pellaers. "They're really, really good and they have moved up (a division) every single year. But we can keep up with those guys."

Mobb United scored early in the game on a penalty kick and then increased their lead to 3-1 at the half. Billy Anderson scored the Strike Force's lone goal.

The playoff loss left a bitter taste in the mouths of the Tri-S players after they enjoyed a very good regular season. Tri-S posted a 10-4-4 record and finished in the third place in the 10team division.

"We had an awesome season," Pellaers stressed."We put together a nice run at it but we just had a disappointing finish. You could tell that we had a month layoff."

In two earlier meetings between Tri-S and Mobb United this season, the Strike Force posted a win and a tie.

"To beat them is pretty good because they are a real good team," Pellaers said."We know that we can beat them and we have proven it." Pellaers expects most of the Strike Force's roster to return next season.

"I'm excited about next year," he said. "(The Interlake Impact) will move up from the division below us, so it's going to be another good battle with that team. I'm looking forward to another great season, if we can build on (what we did this year)."

In the other Division 5 semifinal game, fourth-place Elmwood FC upset first-place Inter Milan 2-0.

Elmwood FC and Mobb United met in the divisional final Tuesday evening but no score was available by press time.



Tri-S Strike Force Tony Sidorov, left, controls the ball while being pestered by a Mobb United player during playoff action.

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Tri-S' Jordan Bekkering , left, looks to make a play against Mobb United during Division 5 semifinal action. Mobb United won the game 4-1.

Anderson, Boonstra selected to Team Manitoba rosters

Staff

Two local hockey players - Brooke



Anderson and Matt Boonstra - have been selected to Team Manitoba's U18 girls' and U16 boys' rosters.

Anderson, a talented 5-foot-3 forward who plays for both the Selkirk Royals high school team and the Winnipeg Avros, was one of 20 players named to Manitoba's final girls' roster. She is from St. Andrews.

Groot, meanwhile, is a 5-foot-10 defenceman from Garson, who currently plays for the Eastman Selects of the Manitoba AAA Midget Hockey League.

Team Manitoba's rosters were announced Tuesday after a seven-month process of the Program of Excellence, the selection and development process for Team Manitoba.

Manitoba's U18 roster includes two

goaltenders, six defencemen, and 12 forwards. The roster includes U18 Team Canada players Ashton Bell (Westman Wildcats, Deloraine) and Corinne Schroeder (Balmoral Hall, Elm Creek).

Team Manitoba will be competing at the U18 National Championships from Nov. 9-13 in Regina. This tournament includes eight provincial and regional teams, including Alberta, Atlantic, British Columbia, Manitoba, Ontario Blue, Ontario Red, Quebec and Saskatchewan.

Manitoba's U16 roster, meanwhile, includes two goaltenders, six defencemen, and 12 forwards. The final roster includes 2016 WHL Bantam Draft first- and second-round picks Trent Miner (20th, Vancouver Giants), Cole Muir (33rd, Regina Pats), Eric Fawkes (40th, Seattle Thunderbirds) and Ben McCartney (43rd, Brandon Wheat Kings).

Team Manitoba's U16 squad will compete at the 2016 Western Canada Challenge Cup from Oct. 19-23 in Calgary. The Western Canada U16 Challenge Cup is a four-team roundrobin tournament and skills combine with Alberta, B.C., Manitoba, and Saskatchewan serving as a major showcase for top Western Hockey League prospects and Hockey Canada's U17 Program of Excellence.

Team Manitoba's U16 staff features Selkirk's Kyle Prystupa (Director of Operations), Alfie Michaud (Goalie Consultant), and Brenna Cyr (Athletic Therapist).



Royals very good in WWHSHL preseason play

By Brian Bowman

The Selkirk Royals have reached their goal of advancing to the Winnipeg Women's High School Hockey League's "A" division.

And they did it in convincing fashion last weekend.

Selkirk finished with a perfect 3-0 record at a preseason tournament, outscoring their opposition by a whopping 19-1 margin. The Royals stomped Garden City 7-0, defeated PCI 3-1, and whipped West Kildonan 9-0.

No goal scorers from the three games were available. Jodi Clifton played all three games in goal for Selkirk.

"We played really well," said Royals' head coach Noah Cain. "I was happy with what I saw. We have some strong players and I saw some good chemistry, too, which was encouraging." Selkirk played really well in a very fast-paced game against Portage, Cain noted. The Royals outshot the Saints by a pretty good margin.

"I was really happy with that game," Cain stressed. "Just the speed of it. They are going to be in the 'A' division as well and that was a realization for me that that's what is going to be the level of hockey that we will be playing this season."

Cain was very impressed with the play of forwards Cienna Palmer and Maggie Medock. Both are Grade 10 players new to the Royals' program.

"They played some really good minutes for us," Cain observed. "It's exciting to see the chemistry that they are already bringing to the team."

The WWHSHL regular-season schedule was expected to be finalized this past Tuesday evening. The regular season will begin next week.



RECORD PHOTO BY LANA MEIER

The Royals' Brooke Anderson battles for the puck during Selkirk's 7-0 win over Garden City last Saturday night

Fishermen look ready for KJHL regular season



RECORD PHOTO BY BRETT MITCHELL Selkirk's Sean Loutit is sent flying while trying to score against St. Malo during preseason action last week

By Brian Bowman

The Selkirk Fishermen look like they are ready for the Keystone Junior Hockey League regular season.

Selkirk closed out its preseason Sunday evening with a convincing 6-2 road victory over the North Winnipeg Satelites.

Dawson Courchene led Selkirk with two goals while Drayton Mendrun, Milan Horanski, Gordie Longbottom, and Kale Ilchena also tallied.

Jesse McIntosh and Nico Lisi replied for North Winnipeg.

On Sept. 27, the Fishermen were edged 6-5 by the St. Malo Warriors at the Selkirk Rec Complex.

Selkirk led 4-1 after 20 minutes but St. Malo scored three unanswered goals in the third for the comeback win.

Auzzie Loewen, Harley Hoydalo, Kaden Kotowich, Talon Kelly, and Horanski scored for Selkirk.

Robert Guimond led the Warriors with two goals while Ben Olson, Jonathan Kostek, Jordy Hill, and Riley Hunter also tallied.

Selkirk will open its KJHL regular season with a pair of home games this weekend. Arborg will visit the Selkirk Rec Complex Saturday (7:30 p.m.) and then Lundar will be here Sunday afternoon (2:30 p.m.).



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couldn't recover," Doucette said. "The wind and rain also played a factor. At halftime, we regrouped and they gave it everything they had. The final score ended up being 3-0 for Kirkfield Westwood but I am so proud of these girls.

"They fought until the last whistle blew and still came off that field smiling. That says a lot about the character of this team."

The Tri-S Soccer Club, meanwhile, had four other teams competing in the WYSA league and, although the U12 girls, U10 girls, U11 boys, and U9 boys' developmental teams do not keep statistics, the development of the players

was evident as they played their final games of the season.

Daniel Racicot, the Tri-S club president, wanted to thank all the players, referees, parents and, especially the coaches, for a very good season.

"As always, there are challenges but overall the season was a success," he said. "Our coaches put in hours of work every week to work on developing the players' skills. Although our club is small and we often combine age groups to form teams, at the end of every season we seem to be well respected in the league and the teams improve a lot."

Several talented, young athletes

played a lot of soccer this past summer.

"It was a very busy year for some players as the Manitoba Summer Games and MSA Regional Festivals were added events for many players and coaches this summer," Racicot explained. "As far as development goes, I think the fact that we had three current players, and one former one, invited into the Manitoba Soccer Pre-Prospects Centre in Winnipeg is great.

"We also had six Premier (League) girls from last season leave our program as we did not have enough players to form a team this season. Not only did they make Premier teams in Winnipeg, four of them made the FCNW Provincial Cup teams and

three will be heading to the nationals this week. Good luck girls."

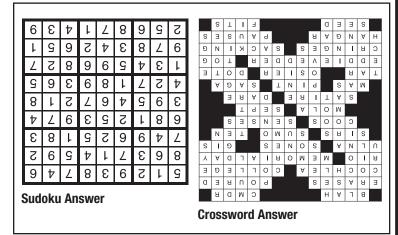
The Tri-S club is now preparing for the indoor WYSA season and teams started practicing last week. Racicot is asking the public to visit the www. trisssocer.com website for some exciting new programs starting in November.

"We will be starting the Tri-S Regional Pre-Prospects Centre, using Manitoba Soccer technical staff, as well as a program for six and seven year olds," he noted. "The Pre-Prospects would be every second Wednesday and we are looking at Tuesday evenings for six and seven year olds to register to learn and have some fun."



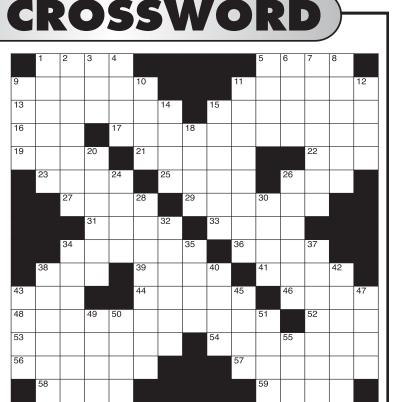
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- 17. A day to remember fallen soldiers
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- 21. Bypass surgery pioneer F. Mason
- 22. Judo garments
- 23. Gentlemen
- 25. Large wrestler
- 26. Large integer
- 27. Makes a soft sound
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- 33. Clan
- 34. A form of comedy
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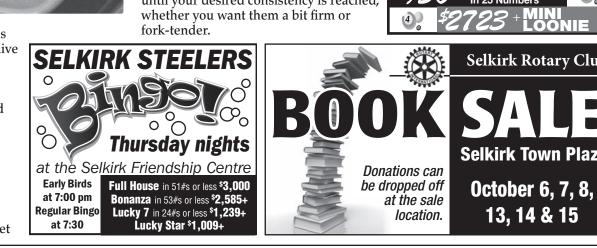
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Sis, Louis, Ashlee, Chase, Candice, Riley and Adri-Anne



Steve Lister December 11, 1919 – October 8, 2008 In loving memory of a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather No longer in our lives to share, But in our hearts you are always there. Silent thoughts of times together, Memories that will last forever. Each of us have our own special way, Of remembering you with love today. We miss you lots!

-Love from your wife Elsie, children and families

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Lena Meger October 6, 2013 Many a day her name is spoken, And many an hour she is in our thoughts; A link in our family chain is broken, She has gone from our home But not from our hearts. Love and miss you, Mom. -Love, Doug, Tanis, Roger, Kim, Michele, grandchildren and great-grandchildren

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Les Clifford (Dryden) January 3, 1975 – October 8, 2014 Forever in our hearts He's only a thought away. -Love Mom and Dad (Al); brothers Dean (Medea), Kevin (Lindsay),



Arnold Cromarty April 2, 1904 – October 12, 1997 I never forgot you Gramps. Every day you are in my thoughts. Love you and miss you, Gramps! -Your grandson, Stephen

OBITUARY

Jordan and families



Eva Isabel Hulme (nee Fawcett) February 7, 1933 - October 3, 2016 With great sadness we announce the passing of Eva Hulme at the Selkirk General Hospital, at the age of 83 years.

Eva, wife to Bob; mother to Marylin (Eric) Allan and Penny Hulme; grandmother to Nicole (Derek) Boonstra and Greg (Catarina) Allan; great-grandmother to Whitney Boonstra and Eloise Allan; sister to Margaret (William) Veldkamp, Lillian (Al) Groening and Lloyd (Susan) Fawcett. Eva was predeceased by her parents Verna and Albert; sister Sandra (Lawrence) Crowe and brother-inlaw Gordon Streick.

Eva spent her youth in the Rosendale/MacGregor area, later moving to Winnipeg and then Libau. She was an extremely hard working woman and was blessed with a green thumb and a love for animals especially dogs. She always had a devoted canine at her

side even during these years of retirement. She took a great deal of pride in the accomplishments of her grandchildren and was particularly proud to be a great-grandmother.

A memorial service will be held on Thursday, October 6, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. in the Gilbart Funeral Chapel, 309 Eveline St, Selkirk, MB., with reception to follow in the Gilbart Reception Center. Interment will take place at a later date.

In lieu of flowers please consider donating to the Humane Society or CancerCare Manitoba or a local charity of one's choice.

A special thank you to the staff at the Selkirk General for their kindness and support during this difficult time.

Gilbart Funeral Home, Selkirk in care of arrangements. www.gilbartfuneralhome.com



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OBITUARY

Amelia Kynman On October 1, 2016, Amelia Kynman took her final journey at the age of 92.

A world traveller, Amelia began her life long love affair with travel in 1950. Together with friend, Nancy Halford, she was one of the first women to hitchhike unescorted across Europe. In the decades to follow, Amelia would continue to tour visiting numerous countries including China, Tibet, Mexico and her birthplace in Poland.

She is survived by sons Tom and George Kynman and her three grandchildren Talbot, Zelda and Ellice Kynman.

A private memorial will be held by her family at a later date.

As per her wishes, Amelia was laid to rest with her late husband, George Herbert (Bert) Kynman at St. Clements Anglican Church Cemetery.

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OBITUARY

Ralph Ogilvie Robertson, B.A., M.D., (FRCS) Canada & United Kingdom January 12, 1927 – October 4, 2016

Lovingly remembered, Ralph Ogilvie Robertson passed away peacefully at Selkirk General Hospital on Tuesday, October 4, 2016, with his family by his side.

Ralph was born in Selkirk, Manitoba, the eldest of five children, to John and Agnes (Nan) Robertson. He is survived by his wife Edna (nee MacLean) of 57 years from Reading, England, daughter Elizabeth and partner Percy, son Ian and wife Pamela, grandchildren Jennifer, Jordan, Maclean, Victoria, and Tabitha, sisters Suzanne Greer (Larry) and Diane Fiebelkorn (the late Leonard), brothers Jack (Evelyn) and Doug (Tony), and 14 nieces and nephews.

Ralph loved everything Scottish - the island, its history, old churches and castles and its Presbyterian Kirk. For nearly 20 years, he played the organ at his beloved church, Knox Presbyterian, followed by 6 years at St. Cle-

ments Anglican Church. Ralph attended Queen's University, first receiving his Arts degree, then later, his degree in medicine. He completed his post-graduate training at Oxford, England. Ralph started his private practice in Selkirk in 1961 and was one of the founders of the Selkirk Medical Clinic. He loved medicine and was a dedicated physician for many years. Following his retirement from private practice, he worked for Manitoba Health for a number of years.

Edna was at Ralph's side for 57 years, supporting his career and raising their family. During the last years of his life, her unwavering love and dedication to Ralph's wellbeing was unparalleled.

The family thanks all those who have been involved in the compassionate care provided in his last few years, including friends, neighbours, the doctors, nurses, and staff at the Selkirk General Hospital, and the staff with Manitoba Home Care.

A celebration of Ralph's life will be held at Knox Presbyterian Church, 341 Eveline Street, Selkirk, Manitoba on Friday, October 7, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. followed by a luncheon.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Knox Presbyterian Church. Gilbart Funeral Home, Selkirk in care of arrangements.



Allan and Penny ra and Greg (Caonstra and Eloise lian (Al) Groening

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