

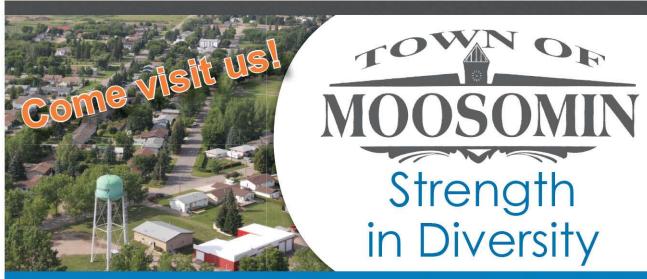
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Moosomin has a wealth of tourist services, including a wide range of accommodation options, including three new hotels built in the last few years, a wide variety of dining options, and some one-of-a-kind local stores.

Moosomin has first class recreational facilities including a water park and swimming pool with a 31 metre waterslide, baseball diamonds, fastball diamonds, rodeo grounds, football field, soccer field, mini golf and much more. The town is also located close to Moosomin Regional Park and Moosomin Lake, and Pipestone Hills Golf Club, which opened its brand new club house last spring!

Moosomin is a growing regional centre with a full complement of professional services, first class medical facilities and a solid local economy.

Come visit us and see all we have to offer!

Upcoming Events

For up-to-date news or events and happenings, please check out our various social media accounts!

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How to vacation close to home this summer

If ever there was a time to explore your own backyard, this is it.

While Covid-19 has forced a non-traditional summer upon the Prairies, the silver lining lies in the fact that we must learn to appreciate our very own local attractions and take advantage of them more than ever before.

This will be a quieter summer. There will be no fairs, rodeos, fireworks, music festivals, or other large celebrations.

But it's also a chance to spend time with family

and friends in small gatherings and foster a new appreciation for all that our local area has to offer.

This is the summer to buy a tent or camper and spend some much needed down time around a fire at a local campground, or a peaceful evening paddleboarding or boating on your local lake. This is the summer to take your kids or grandkids by the hand and walk down to the local ice cream shop on a beautiful summer day.

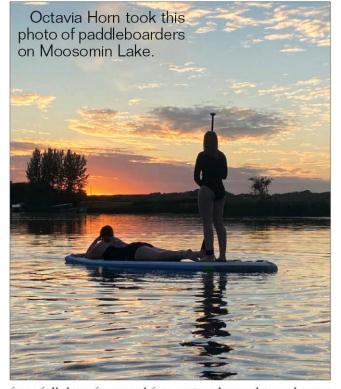
This is the summer to finally spend more time fishing than you ever had before, or checking out your local museum and discovering all of the little treasures it has to offer.

This is the summer to explore your local businesses, from your food stores to your hardware stores to your clothing stores, and find out what an unique selection they offer.

This is the summer to take the kids to the local pool



Teresa Minty submitted this photo of Corbin Minty's first time fishing in the Qu'Appelle River near Tantallon.



for a full day of sun and fun, or to relax and spend some time with a few friends at your local golf course and appreciate what a great job your local golf club has done in maintaining the course.

This is the summer to go out for lunch or supper and linger on the deck over drinks at your local restaurants.

This is the summer to rent a cabin and spend a week camping, biking, or boating with the kids, or spend time around a campfire with friends looking at the stars.

No, it's not going to be a traditional summer, but it's still summer, and we can't forget that! And there are still plenty of ways to enjoy it and to make the most of the beauty and wonder of your very own back yard and everything that your local area works so hard to offer to make life here as great as possible!











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See you this summer at Moosomin Regional Park

Moosomin Regional Park is nestled in the Pipestone Valley 15 kilometres southwest of Moosomin.

The lake, beach, campground and trails make this park a great spot for swimming, fishing, boating, camping and hiking.

The park features full service RV sites—secluded or beach side, group or drive-through sites. Also available are a variety of tenting and unserviced sites. The park has picnic sites for any size of group, including three sites with large shelters with power and water.

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Get close to nature. We have picturesque hiking trails with lots of wildlife and beautiful lakeside views.

A large sandy beach and swim-



ming area with sun shelters provides an enjoyable place to spend some of your summer hours. A large playground is available right on the beach for children to enjoy.

The Moosomin Regional Park also has paddleboard, canoe, and kayak rentals available through the summer months.

The Moosomin Regional Park Store will provide you with a restaurant, a selection of groceries, beach toys, fishing supplies and bait, gas, ice, and both soft and hard ice cream!

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The pool is a junior Olympic sized facility with a 102foot waterslide and a diving board.

Adjacent to the water is the Little Tots Rainforest Waterpark and a covered picnic area.

The pool also has a hot tub, as well as a rock climbing wall and a 12-foot-high inflatable waterslide for little tots to enjoy!

Ongoing renovations to the Moosomin pool are improving this facility for residents and visitors alike, and the pool can also be rented for events such as birthday parties.

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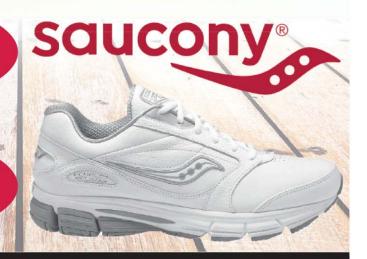
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Discover history at Moosomin's museum

The Moosomin Museum is a perfect space for any history buff to check out a few of the historic items of southeast Saskatchewan.

The museum is located just off Park Avenue in Moosomin—stop in for a trip to the past!

The museum features history from Moosomin and the surrounding area with two old churches, antique automobiles, and a shop with vintage artifacts to display.

According to Museum President Dennis Barry, "The artifacts range from old farm equipment to furniture originally built in Moosomin, and various others."

In addition to the collection of quality vintage vehicles, there is also an array of old farming machinery—including tractors and combines.

A highlight of the museum's collection is the restored Fundge Snowplane.

Snowplanes were built to glide over the snow, powered by a rear propeller. Two of the major snow plane manufacturers in North America were at Moosomin and Spy Hil. The Fudge snow plane, started by Robert Fudge, was made in Moosomin in a factory at the corner of Main and Broadway. Lorch snow planes, named after Karl Lorch, were made in Spy Hill.

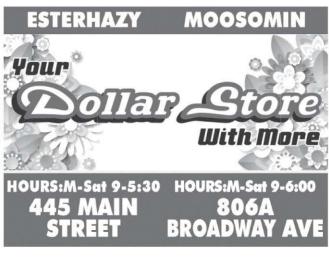


The snowplanes were a popular mode of winter transportation when it was more difficult to clear roads in winter

Inside the museum, you can check out many historical relics including photos, Second World War gear, classic books, hospital equipment, military items, and uniforms.

All items have been donated by members of the com-

The museum is open Tuesday to Sunday afternoons from 1-5 pm in July and August.









Other great things to do in Rocanville this summer:

- Visit the Rocanville Museum
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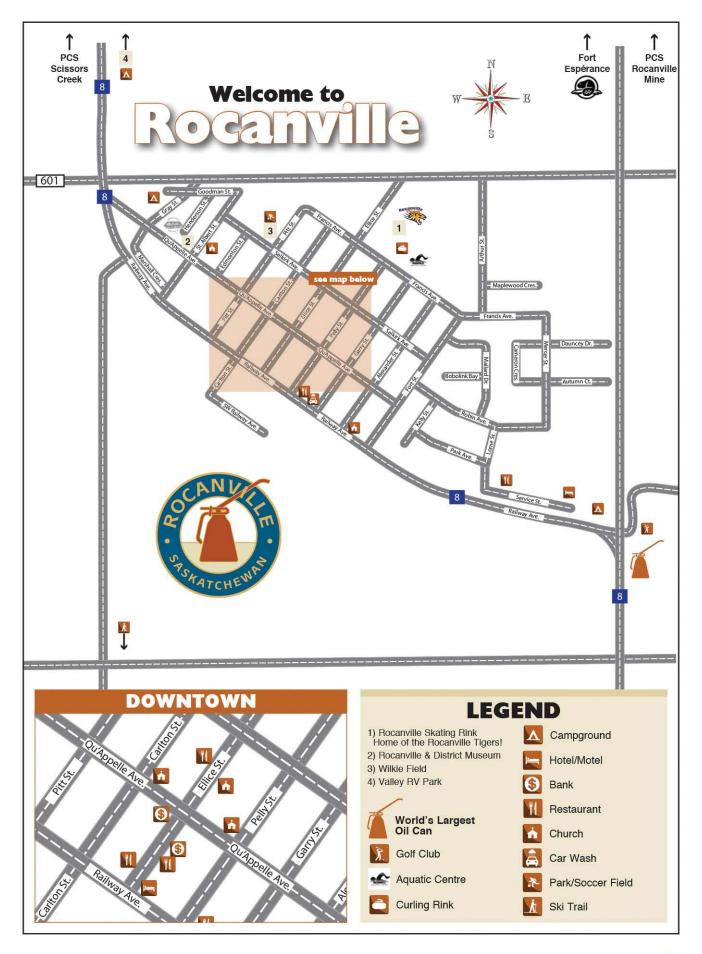
The Rocanville Aquatic Centre





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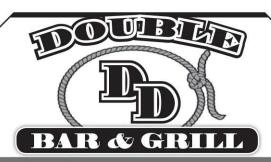
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People enjoying the lake during the week of swimming lessons.

Tucked in the shallow valley containing Beaver Creek, Welwyn Regional Park is a hidden treasure for people who love a quick and easy getaway to

treasure

the outdoors.

The park is located a little more than a kilometre north of the village of Welwyn along the 600 Grid Road that leads to Potash-Corp Rocanville.

It includes Welwyn Lake, a reservoir open to swimming, fishing, and boating, and 40 campsites (some with electrical) on a hill just south of the lake.

The lake was built with the damming of Beaver Creek in the mid-1960s. Welwyn Lake is fed by springs and run-off coming from the west. In the past, anglers have caught pike and perch there.

The park is well treed with poplar, oak, willow, and birch trees, while hazelnuts, saskatoon bushes, chokecherries, and cran-berries have been found along the banks of the reservoir.

During one week over the summer, swimming lessons are provided at the park with a registered instructor.





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Some scenes from the threshing demonstration at Rocanville Museum Day last year.



Walk through history at Rocanville Museum

For those interested in prairie history, you won't be disappointed with a stop at the Rocanville and District Museum. This large agricultural museum boasts an extensive collection of gas and steam engines, a restored CPR station, a school building, general store, an old church, and antique farm machinery and tools.

The museum also sells the famous Symons Oilers as souvenirs. Based out of his machine shop in Rocanville, Ernie Symons sold his oilcan, the Symons Oiler, throughout North America and around the world. Starting with his first 24 oilcans in 1924, production reached its peak during the Second World War. In 1943, Symons delivered 65,000 of his oilers to the Department of Defense for use on military vehicles, including ships, planes, and submarines. With 32 workers on the job that summer, he usually had orders for 50,000 to 60,000 units to be filled.

Symons then spent \$500 securing patents in Canada, the United States, Great Britain, and France. Containers of different sizes with different features were added in later years. With its "wire fence" handle and trademark design, Symons developed an oilcan that is still considered the standard by many today.

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The threshing demonstration at Rocanville Museum Day.

Walk through history at Rocanville Museum

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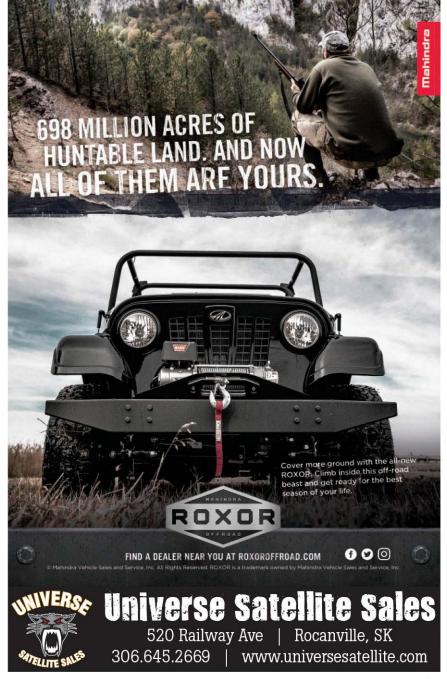
On display at the museum are steam engines, threshing machines, stoves, washing machines, grain mills, chinaware, small personal items, household items, tools, switchboards, First Nations artifacts, military items, school desks, and many other items of former years.

There are all sorts of interesting displays at the Rocanville Museum, including a display from when the Kraft Celebration Tour came to Rocanville, and a display dedicated to the time that Rocanville Museum participated in the world record breaking Harvest for Hunger in Langenburg.

The old school at the museum has also been modified and turned into an active and historical kids' area with lots of fun stuff for kids to do.

Rocanville Museum also hosts a Museum Day every year in September to help with finances. The day always starts with a pancake breakfast and ends with a barbecue beef supper. Demonstrations of pioneer life are held throughout the day, and there is entertainment and a threshing demonstration in the afternoon.

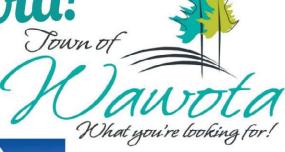
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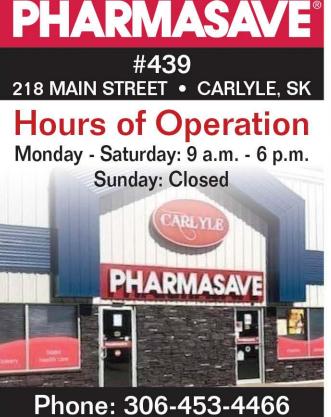












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Moose Mountain Provincial Park, the resort village of Kenosee Lake, and White Bear Lake on White Bear First Nation provide the perfect destination for a summer getaway.

Located less than an hour southwest of Moosomin on Highway 9, the area is an easy drive for a day trip or a weekend.

The area includes: Two excellent 18-hole golf courses, riding stables, a mini-golf facility, a casino with high calibre entertainment, cabarets and bars, a year-round luxury resort, restaurants, a large waterslide complex, and tennis courts.

Of course, camping, hiking, and fishing are a given at any provincial park, and Moose Mountain is no exception.

There are a number of events offered in the park during the summer. The events are primarily held for school groups during May and June, and once the tourism season begins in July and August, events are held every day for park visitors.

Some of the student and youth activities include camping, geocaching, orienteering, hiking, and pond studies.

Some of the activities held at the park during the summer include canoeing, kayaking, and hiking. There is also a solar oven in the park which is used for baking as well as kids' crafts.

The artists' colony at Moose Mountain Provincial Park features well-known artists showing their work, restaurants and bars like the Moosehead and the Bar Bar are well worth a visit, and the Red Market Barn just north of Kenosee attracts huge crowds for Sunday markets all



The beach at Kenosee Lake

summer.

One of the largest draws to the White Bear First Nation is the Bear Claw Casino, which features regular entertainment, however White Bear also offers cabins, a beach and a lake for tourists who want to make it a vacation destination, as well as a recently renovated hotel at the casino.

Need to keep the kids busy? There is plenty for children to do in the Moose Mountain area. The Kenosee Superslides offer a full water park with everything from kiddie slides to a free-fall plunge. The Superslides are easily a place where you can spend all day long playing in the bright sun and cool water.

And at the end of the day, there's the Prairie Dog Drive-In just south on Highway 9. Check out the Moose Mountains!



The Kenosee Superslides are one of the major attractions in the Moose Mountain area.





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Esterhazy has lots to offer!

Esterhazy is a beautiful and bustling town located on Highway 22. From its diverse business sector to numerous local attractions, Esterhazy is a town with a lot to do over the summer months, or all year round!

Some of the major attractions in Esterhazy include a golf course, regional park and campground, pool, potash interpretive centre, walking trails, museum, historic flour mill, and Kaposvar historical site.

While some sites may be closed or on limited hours this summer due to Covid-19, Esterhazy Rec Director Brenda Redman says there's still lots going on.

"We have a Farmer's Market every Friday from 9 am to 1 pm at the SN Boreen Centre parking lot and we are following the Saskatchewan guidelines for reopening Saskatchewan and it's going very well," she says. "We're having people come out every day and more and more vendors coming out every Friday, so that's exciting!

"Our pool is opening July 1 and will be open from 1-5 pm and 6-8:30 pm for public swimming. But we're also offering lane swimming from 11 am to 12 pm and Aquatone from 12-1 pm Monday to Friday. Public swimming is Monday-Sunday.

"I know our golf course has been busy. Monday night is Ladies Night, Thursday night is Mens Night, and I know the seniors go every day, so that's been busy. And then right by the golf course is our gorgeous walking trails. You really have got to come up and walk them to take in all the beauty and the nature that we have around."

Both the golf course and trails run through the valley on the north side of Esterhazy, making them scenic and enjoyable.

"It's so scenic and it's picturesque—it's just beautiful to come and golf here," she says of the town's nine-hole golf course.

Redman adds that the campground at the regional park is located right between the pool and the golf course "so it's in the perfect spot."

"We also have a new dog park and it's called Unleashed and it's off our main highway in the historical park. There are benches to sit on and trees for shade and it's very nice. We have two sections. We have a section for smaller dogs or timid dogs and we have a section for

those that roughhouse with all the other dogs, and we have two separate entrances for them. It has been very popular."

Redman says the town has been putting a big focus on beautification lately.

"I don't think our historical park has looked prettier. Also another exciting thing that we have done is we are enhancing our town, beautifying our town, and we have done some little things just to make it look really pretty. We painted the rocks all around the historical park white. The trees are all trimmed. It's really such a pretty park right now, and we have a beautiful walking trail through there that dogs can walk on too. We have dog waste stations all along the way and all over town. They can certainly come out and enjoy a nice little walk through there or sit on one of the benches."

Some other attractions that Esterhazy offers include:

SASKATCHEWAN POTASH INTERPRETIVE CENTRE

The Saskatchewan Potash Interpretive Centre offers visitors an opportunity to learn the unique history of development—how potash is mined and refined, the uses and contribution of this important mineral.

ESTERHAZY MUSEUM

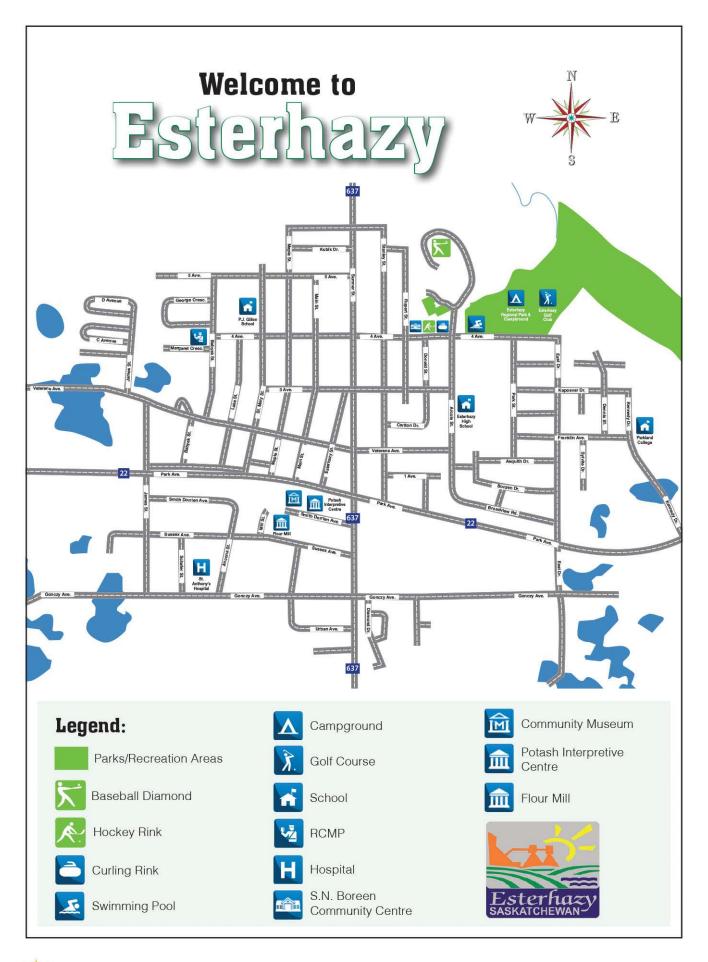
The museum houses the tourism office for the area and is involved with town promotions. Tours are offered. There are also seasonal and specialty displays to compliment local interest and activities.

ESTERHAZY FLOUR MILL

This is the only fully equipped flour mill remaining in Saskatchewan that combines an elevator and a mill. Designated as a provincial heritage property in 2005, it also joined the family of national historic sites in 2007 with its designation as a National Historic Site of Canada.

KAPSOVAR HISTORICAL SITE

Kaposvar, one of the first Hungarian settlements in Western Canada, was established in 1886. Kaposvar Historical Society preserves, restores and maintains the Kaposvar Historic Site.





The Esterhazy Pool open for 2020! This year the pool will be open with Covid-19 restrictions in place, but the town is looking forward to another great pool season!



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A car show hosted at the Elkhorn Antique Automobile Museum.

Take a drive back in time at the Elkhorn Antique Automobile Museum

The Elkhorn Auto Museum, located just off Highway 1 in Elkhorn, Manitoba is a good place to stop for a quick drive into history.

The museum has been running each summer since 1967. Most of the automobile collection was donated by Isaac Clarkson, who passed away in 1971 at the age of 58.

There are over 90 vehicles on display, ranging from a 1908 Reo to a 1976 Jaguar. Automobiles aren't the only items to see at the museum. There are First Nations artifacts, guns, licence plates, spark plugs, tools, oxen yokes, bicycles, and household items on display.

A separate building houses farm equipment such as tractors and threshing machines. Most of the tractors have steel tires

There is also an old farm house from the early 1900s that has been restored by the museum committee and moved onto the museum grounds, as well as an old school building at the museum where people can view old maps, desks, and posters.

One of the biggest events held at the museum each year is the Elkhorn Museum Day on July 1. The day usually includes a parade, a threshing demonstration, demonstrations of pioneer life, and many activities at the museum grounds.

The Automobile Museum is wheelchair accessible and even provides wheelchairs for people to wheel around the displays.

The museum is open seven days a week from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. until the end of September. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$2 for students. Preschoolers are free.

Be sure to check out the Manitoba Antique Auto Museum while in the area!



Above: Kids playing in the sand with cars on display at the background during a Canada Day celebration. **Below:** The annual threshing demonstration held on Canada Day each year.









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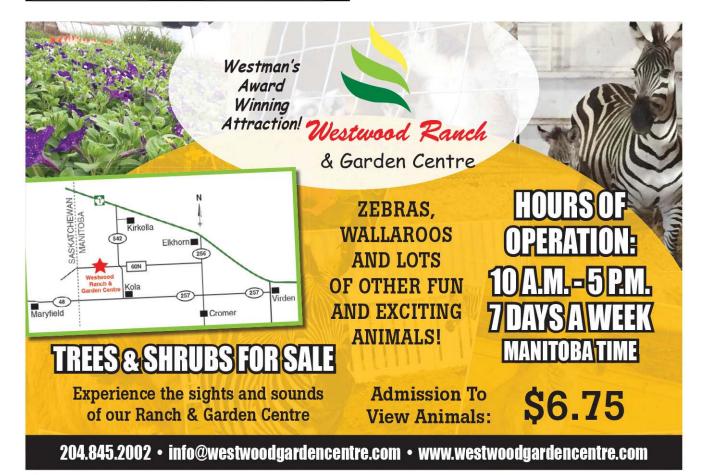
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Some of the animals at Westwood Ranch and Garden Centre.
Clockwise from top left: A peacock, a lemur, an ostrich and a zebra.



Westwood Ranch and Garden Centre a unique prairie destination

If you take a drive southwest of Elkhorn, Manitoba or southeast of Moosomin you will come across a unique business unlike any other in the region.

At Westwood Ranch and Garden Centre you can shop for plants in the greenhouses there, or spend your time hanging out with zebras, lemurs and ostriches, or let your children play on Westwood's indoor 30-footlong assault course, a large bounce tent with obstacles.

Westwood Ranch and Garden Centre is just what its name suggests—it's a greenhouse that also features exotic animals as well as a range of other activities for people to have fun with.

"It's a double stop shop," says owner Mark Humphries. "The parents usually go off with the kids and pick plants and then they can be entertained afterwards with the animals and everything else. It makes for a good day out."

In addition to the greenhouses at Westwood, there is a small zoo on site that features everything from exotic animals to farm animals, as well as a gold mine where kids can sluice for gold, an assault course, a full outdoor play area, a model train display, and a small gift shop and concession. While the assault course, outdoor play area and some other activities will likely be restricted this year due to Covid-19, the animals will still be on display.

Westwood's animals include zebras—which Humpries says are the only zebras in Manitoba or Saskatchewan—lemurs, ostriches, emus, parrots, lots of different farm animals, including sheep, pigs, goats, and horses, miniature ponies and foals, exotic birds, fish, a rabbit village that kids can go into, jumping horses, donkeys, a bearded dragon, and wallaroos.

Westwood Ranch has grown in popularity over the year. Aside from daily vistors, Westwood Ranch also does school and corporate tours, as well as tours for people with disabilities, as the location is wheelchair accessible. Humphries says they have had up to 9,400 visitors some summers. Westwood Ranch is open seven days a week. More information can be found on their ad on Page 32, at www.westwoodgardencentre. com or by calling 204-845-2002.



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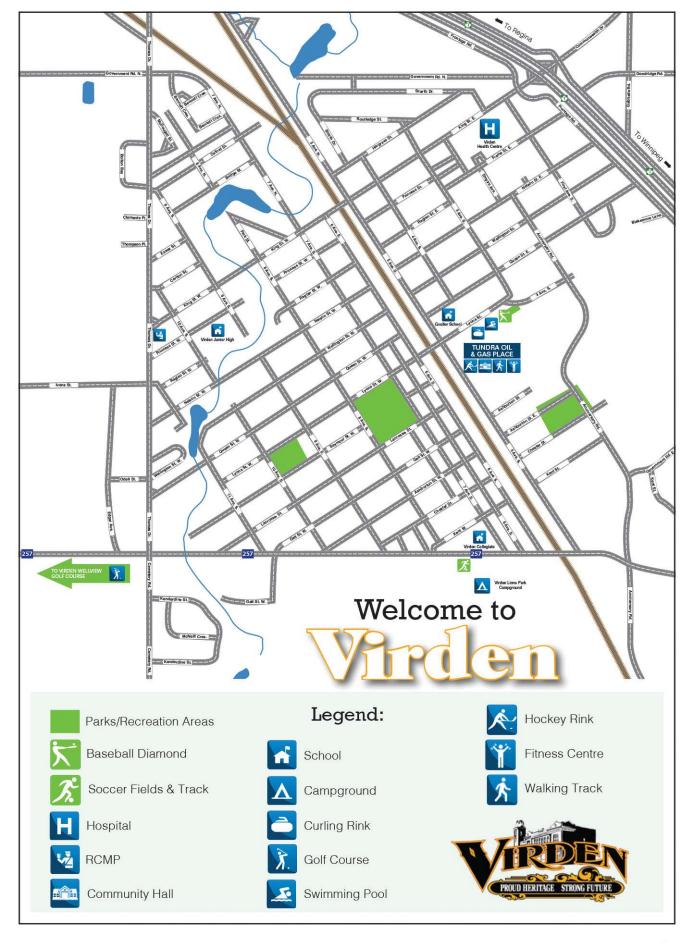
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Above: Aspen Grove Campground is a cozy campground located on the Trans-Canada Highway between Virden and Oak Lake that has an outdoor heated pool, horseshoe pits, sand volleyball court, mini golf course, and outdoor shuffle board and checker board, among other things.

Left: Parc P'tite Fourche in St. Lazare offers camping right at the forks of the Assiniboine and Qu'Appelle Rivers. St. Lazare is a unique francophone community nestled in the valley where the Qu'Appelle and the Assiniboine meet.

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Virden full of heritage buildings

Virden is well known for its many restored heritage buildings, dating back to the early 1880s. Architectural styles are varied with most of the heritage being of either fieldstone or brick construction. Many of the structures are unique in Western Canada, in architectural style and purpose. Examples include the Aud Theater, which is unique in style as an example of a restored turn of the century opera house. Another example is St Mary's Anglican Church, whose unique fieldstone construction exemplifies 1800s English style construction using abutments and high pitched roofs. Virden's unique history as an early railroad center has also left the community with a central business district, rich with heritage brick buildings, constructed at the turn of the century. Following is a bit more detail on just a few of the heritage buildings that make Virden unique:

Canadian Pacific Railway Station

Located at 425 - 6th Avenue S, the Čanadian Railway Station was constructed in 1900 after the original wood frame station burnt in 1899. It has been restored and declared a heritage building in 1994. Its unique fieldstone and overhanging eaves style was common with many rail stations in larger centers. In the early years, many new immigrant farmers and businessmen would have first disembarked from the train at this location and passed through the doors of this station. Today, it houses community based organizations including the Virden and Area Arts Council and the Virden Chamber of Commerce. Also included is an art gallery and a separate board room area.

The Aud Theater - 228 Wellington Street

The Aud Theatre was built in 1911 as part of the municipal building. The building was open to the public on February 29, 1912. The building consisted of a government telephone exchange room, new court room, three large offices, and the opera house, costing \$32,500. The population at this time was about 1,500. The Aud Theatre was built by W.T. Manser. The comedy "the Misogynist" was the first to play in the theatre. The Great Eastern Sign Painting Co. of Toronto supplied the 22x30ft curtain. During the '30s and '40s the Aud was a movie theatre. The ceiling on the stage was originally 40ft high but it was lowered to 24ft to save heat. The building was originally heated by steam which was replaced with electric heat in 1984-85 after the renovation and re-opening in 1983. When the theatre fell into disrepair it closed as a movie theatre and the town council was preparing to demolish it. A local steering committee was formed to save it, and after substantial renovations, it was re-opened in 1983. The lower level consists of 257 seats and the upper level consists of 210 seats. The majestic curve of the balcony gives the audience a panoramic view of the stage. On either side of this are two double decker boxes or loges which add an air of sophistication.

St Mary's Anglican Church - 633 9th Street

This structure is a great example of fieldstone construction. Much of the stone for the fieldstone construction came from along the top of the Assiniboine River Valley. The first church was a frame structure built by Clayton and Sons in 1885. This was the first church building in Virden. Masonry work was done by Mr. Saul of Carberry with carpentry done by Mr. Harrington of Winnipeg. Walter Chesterton, a Winnipeg architect, designed this notable structure while building the school across the street. The cloister and fence were added in 1952. The church features two stained glass windows created by famous artist and sculptor Leo Mol. The church also features a stained glass medallion window. This window was presented by the city of Brugge, Belgium to honor the 12th Manitoba Dragoons.



St Mary's Anglican Church in Virden is a unique example of fieldstone construction.

Photo illustration by Kevin Weedmark

Goulding House

Located at 677 - 9th Avenue, this house is today a private residence. Built in 1893 by Dr. Goulding, the fieldstone house represents a prime example of early prairie architectural designs with bi-level verandas and upper look out.

Virden Pioneer Home Museum

Located at 390 King Street, and Established in 1970, the museum holds over 6,000 items relating to the Victorian era of Virden's history as displayed in the main house. The original home itself was constructed in 1888 and the three additional annexes were constructed at a later date to display items from subsequent eras depicting our local heritage and culture.



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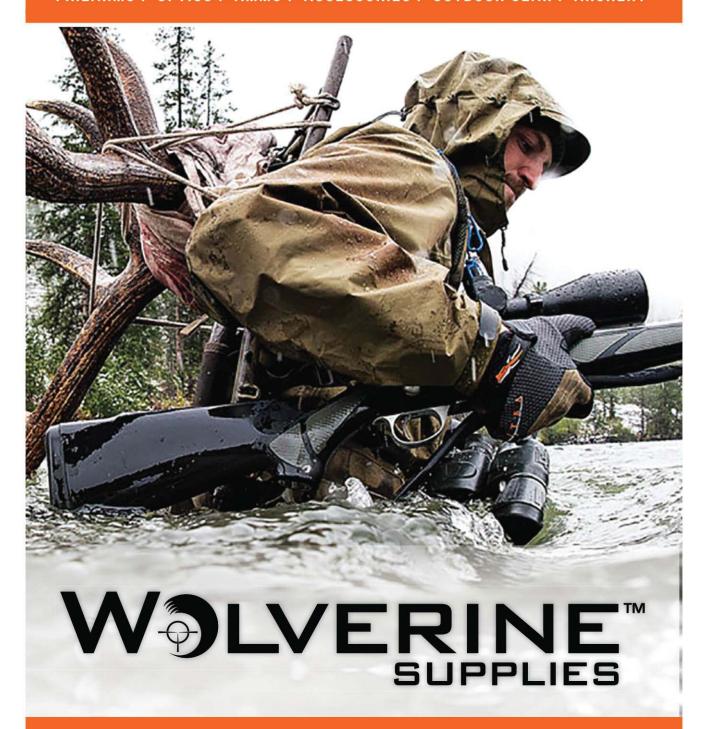
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New clubhouse open at Pipestone Hills

The Pipestone Hills Golf Club's new club-house is open for its second season.

The golf club purchased the former Tourism Saskatchewan Building from the provincial government and moved it from the Manitoba-Saskatchewan border to the golf course, nestled in the Pipestone Valley just south of Moosomin, and built a large addition on the north side of the building, and lots of decking.

The former tourism building includes washrooms and the kitchen, and the addition includes the seating area. Large decks also wrap around all sides of the

building, making for a great way to enjoy the outdoor beauty of the Pipestone Valley setting.

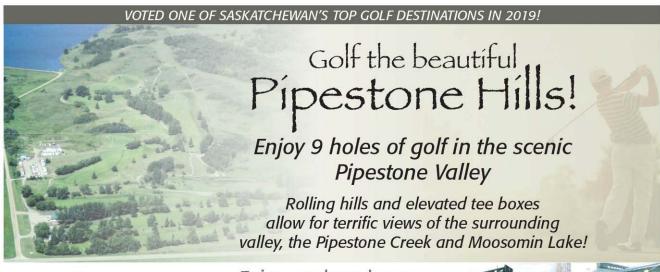
"To get to this point, it has been countless, countless volunteer hours," says Ferrell Horn, a member



of the committee that helped fundraise for the new clubhouse.

"We're hoping it will attract people who haven't been here before—golfers and just people coming to eat and enjoy the valley. It has so much natural beauty. If people just want

to come out and enjoy a coffee and the valley and the sun, or come out for breakfast, they're very welcome. We've been asked about weddings and meetings and events like that, and I think there's a lot of potential to host events like that in this facility."





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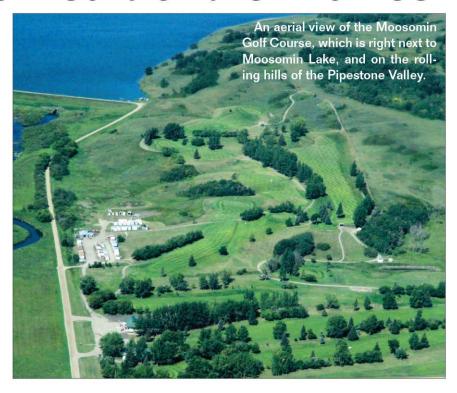
The Pipestone Hills Golf Club by Moosomin is a nine-hole, par 35 facility in the hills of the Pipestone Valley, located along Highway 8 several kilometres south of Moosomin. The rolling hills of the valley and the blue waters of Moosomin Lake create a picturesque setting for a quick game or a day at the club, and this year a new and beautiful clubhouse has opened at the golf course. For more information or to book a tee time, phone the clubhouse at 306-435-3511.

About 25 kilometres north of Moosomin on Highway 8, the Rocanville Town and Country Golf Club hosts open fairways and large grass greens for a nine-hole, 3,046-yard, par 35 outing. For more information or to book a tee time, phone 306-645-2640.

Wapella, just west of Moosomin, has a nine-hole, sand green course. Contact the town at 306-532-4343 for more information.

Only a 40-minute drive south of Moosomin, the Redvers & District Golf and Country Club welcomes golfers with a beautifully redone clubhouse. Contact (306) 452-3345 for more information.

The Carlton Trail Regional Park golf course is located about 40 kilometres north of Rocanville on Highway 8. Carlton Trail has nine holes on rolling terrain with PGA style



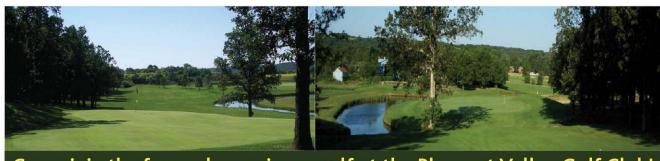
grass greens, and is located within the beautiful park which features bird-watching, nature trails, fishing, and swimming. Call 306-534-4724 for more information.

Esterhazy Golf and Country Club is a nine-hole golf course located on the northeast side of the town of Esterhazy. The course features a club house with a great restaurant and

reasonably priced golf cart rentals.

To the south, golfers are just an hour away from the Golf Kenosee in the Moose Mountain Provincial Park. Sitting in a 40,000 hectare park on the highest plateau in the southeast, Golf Kenosee is nestled in a forest of poplar, ash, fir, and white birch in Moose Mountain Provincial Park.

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Come join the fun and experience golf at the Pleasant Valley Golf Club!



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Both courses are accessible from Moosomin by going south on Highway 8 to Highway 48. Turn west and travel through Wawota to Highway 9 and turn south.

Further east, enjoy a round at Oak Lake Island Resort's 18-hole championship golf course, or head north to charming Sandy Lake for nine holes in the morning, followed up by nine holes in the afternoon on the rolling greens at Elkhorn Resort at Clear Lake.

Well known for its high quality grass greens, Whitewood Golf and Country Club offers a challenging and enjoyable experience that even the most avid golfer will enjoy. A thick growth of trees lining most fairways and strategically placed water hazards add to the challenge of this nine hole course.

The Virden Wellview Golf Club was established in 1892, making it Manitoba's oldest active golf club.

The Pleasant Valley Golf Club, nestled in the Pembina Valley near Pelican Lake, is an 18-hole championship course that offers elevations rising up to 125 feet. this course is proud of its rolling greens, tree lined fairways, and winding creek!

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Redvers welcomes visitors!

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The tourist booth and campground are located on Highway 13 beside the landmark statue of the Red Coat Mountie on his horse.

The log cabin is famous for its homemade Saskatoon pie and ice cream! Enjoy a slice of pie while you visit, or take a whole pie home with you!

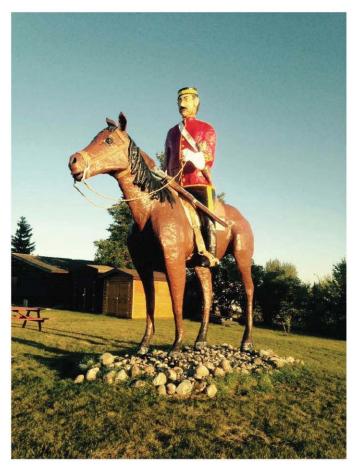
The small gift shop previews local crafts and Saskatchewan souvenirs.

The cabin will be open from 11 am to 5 pm each day this summer.

The campground is open until the September Labour Day long weekend. Travelers can enjoy clean washroom and shower facilities and have access to onsite internet communication services. Both serviced and non serviced sites are available at the campground. A secluded picnic area is available for large gatherings, with a playground and shelter close by.

Starting on July 22, there will also be farmers markets held at the campground on Wednesday afternoons!

For reservations or more information contact 306-452-3276.







Redvers golf & country club

Redvers Golf and Country Club was organized in 1966 by 14 original members, who were given a lifetime membership for only \$5 each. The land for the course was generously donated by Howard Wright, and each hole was built by volunteers, originally being sand greens.

In 2000, work began on installing grass greens and an irrigation system, and was completed and ready for use in 2001. By 2004, irrigation was installed on all fairways.

In 2013 it was decided that construction should begin on a new and modern clubhouse. The new Clubhouse was completed and open for business in 2014, with its new location behind the Recreation Centre on Methuen Street. GPS was set up on the course, and yearly improvements are being made.

The Golf Course is an asset to the community as it brings in many visitors and creates a dozen jobs yearly. Redvers is proud to have one of the best nine-hole courses in Southeast Saskatchewan.

The golf club is open from April to October from 9 am to 10 pm week days and 8 am to 10 pm weekends.







Kipling worth exploring this summer!

Driving by, Kipling may appear to be just another small town in Saskatchewan. However, if you take the time to tour around you will see that it has many of the amenities that you would find in a larger center, but with the smalltown advantage!

During the summer months, residents enjoy watching ball games, going for a dip in the pool that is located next to the campgrounds, a soak in the hot tub after a work out at the local gym, or an afternoon of golf at the town's nine-hole grass green course.

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Janet Blackstock located on the side of Balfour Drugs on the corner of 6th Ave and Main Street. They can also visit our famous paperclip house at 503 Main Street, now a restaurant and known as The Paperclip Cottage. Afterwards, take a stroll on the town's Heritage Walking Tour or visit the museum grounds and take a short trip out to view the Century old fully restored Bekevar Church.

The twin-spired church in Debrecen, Hungary, influenced the design of the Bekevar Presbyterian Church, located eight miles southeast of Kipling. The church was the cultural center of the Hungarian community for many years. The church is still used for special occasions. Guided tours are available throughout the summer months.





Town of Kipling Saskatchewan





• Kingswood Golf Course 9 holes, grass greens



Self Guided Walking Tour



www.townofkipling.ca





The picturesque community of Bird's Point Resort Village is located on the north shore of Round Lake in the eastern Qu'Appelle Valley. With its lakeshore location, the village offers year-round attractions and events for the whole family including swimming, boating, fishing, excellent birdwatching and much more.

Above: The beach at Bird's Point.

Right: Round Lake nestled in the rolling hills of the Qu'Appelle Valley.





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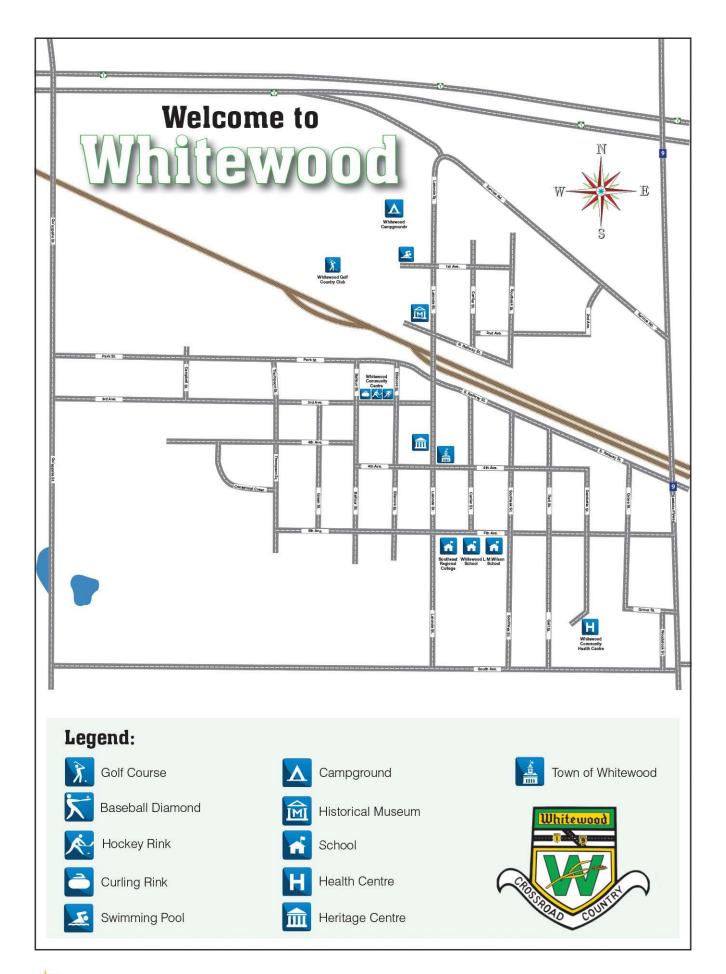
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Whitewood excited about new attractions

The town of Whitewood is excited about some new attractions that is has to offer visitors this summer.

"Whitewood has undergone a Park Rejuvenation Project and welcomes visitors to come stop by for a visit," says Rec Director Ryan Dale.

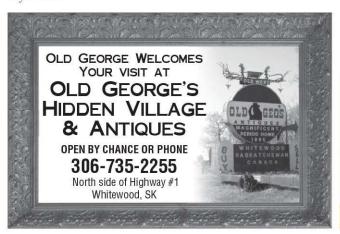
A new 1 km walking trail loops by the town's dog park, ball diamonds, golf course and campground. "The trail connects the walker to nature during its path," says Dale. "Both this and our dog park are located west of the flag garden at the north end of town."

The dog park was set to be finished by July 1. "Our dog park (called Whitewood Livestock Dog Park) is public and has an area for big and small dogs to be separated if necessary," says Dale.

"Our Campground which is right in the middle of all of these amenities is also open for bookings with rates starting as low as \$24 a night!"

The town also boasts a nine-hole golf course. Known for its high quality grass greens and reasonable prices, Whitewood Golf and Country Club offers a challenging and enjoyable experience that even the most avid golfer will enjoy.

"We welcome visitors to each of these new attractions!" says Dale.





The walking trail, left, campground, above, and ball diamonds, below.





Visit Whitewood this summer and enjoy the following attractions!

NEW DOG PARK

Located west of the flag garden on the north end of town.

Areas for large and small dogs

WALKING TRAIL

1 km of trail that loops by the dog park, ball diamonds, golf course, and campground. Connects the walker to nature

CAMPGROUND

Our campground is right in the middle of all of these amenities and is open for bookings with rates starting as low as \$24 a night!

WHITEWOOD GOLF COURSE

Nine-Hole grass green golf course with a thick growth of trees lining most fairways and water hazards

Whitewood has undergone a Park Rejuvenation Project and welcomes visitors to stop for a visit!

For more information call 306-745-4415 www.townofwhitewood.ca

Old George's Museum and Hidden Village

Growing up on a farm just south of Dubuc in the 1950s, George Chopping, like all kids at the time, had dreams in life. "I wanted to go around the world, own a museum, and own a motorcycle," said Chopping.

And now he does own a museum-Old George's Museum and Hidden Village on the outskirts of Whitewood, just off Highway 1.

It all started in 1984 with a visit to a friend in Whitewood. "I saw this antique house on my way back to Dubuc, and I thought, 'That would be perfect for a museum.' I've always wanted one," said Chopping. "So I pulled over, knocked on the door, and asked the owner if he would sell the house."

Chopping bought the house and in 1985 moved his belongings from Dubuc to Whitewood. "We moved 10 threeton truck loads, seven van loads, five car loads, and a bit of miscellaneous other things . . . We also moved a 90×30 barn." Chopping says they moved a total of 1,340 boxes.

The house became known as Old George's. The name originates from Chopping's escapades as a bottle collector and member of the Parkland Bottle Collectors Club in 1978.

"I had been collecting bottles over the years, and I was writing a book about bottles I found on the Canadian Prairies," said Chopping. "Because I had been working on it for a while, and had yet to finish it, a member started giving me the gears at a meeting. "He was laughing and said, 'Hey, Old George! Are you ever going to get that book published?"

Chopping put a lot of work into making Old George's what it is today. "When I first owned the house, I did 99 hours of sandblasting, and put up 990 square feet of brick wall," he said. "I also painted the walls, and built a deck."



The house, which has 17 rooms and four fireplaces, is also his home. The rooms, from the basement to the attic, are comprised of intricate displays of nearly every antique you

"Eighty per cent of the items are from Saskatchewan, 15 per cent are from Manitoba, and five per cent are from Alberta. A few other things are from B.C., the Harbour in Toronto, and other travels I have been on," said Chopping. His oldest item is a 1636 land title deed from England.

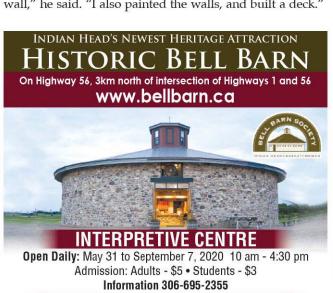
Chopping says he doesn't have a favorite item because there are too many to choose from. But, he does say that he is keen on anything related to pioneers and hard times.

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POSTPONED DUE TO COVID-19

An abundance of attractions in Westman

There's no shortage of places to go and things to do in Western Manitoba. From museums and lakes to provincial and national parks, the Westman region offers visitors the chance to spend summer exploring.

Here are some star attractions in the Westman region to take in this summer:

- Riding Mountain National Park at Wasagaming
- The Sandhills Casino at Carberry
- The Farmery Estate Brewery at Neepawa
- Spruce Woods Provincial Park at Carberry
- The Riverbank Discovery Centre and Trail System in Brandon

- Westman Reptile Gardens at Douglas
- The Souris Swinging Bridge
- The Manitoba Agricultural Museum in Austin
- The RCA Museum at Shilo
- The Brandon General Museum and Archives
- The Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum in Brandon
- Margaret Lawrence Home in Neepawa
- The International Peace Garden in Boissevain

For more information on everything that Western Manitoba has to offer, visit tourismwestman.ca











The award-winning RCA Museum is located only 27 km from Brandon, Manitoba. With 5 galleries in 24,000 square ft, it is one of the largest military museums in Canada.

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204.765.3000 poste 3570 www.rcamuseum.com

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Make the Weyburn region your number one destination of choice to enjoy a Staycation in 2020!

We know this much is true; if physical distancing is our new reality, what better place to visit than a small city with loads of outdoor activities and parks. Weyburn stands out in this regard, so those who are looking to make a short trip this summer should visit this welcoming and beautiful place. This is your personal invitation to explore our rich history and experience our beautiful parks and trails, all while keeping you and your family safe.

While most events and facilities are cancelled due to the Covid-19 pandemic, Weyburn has many amenities for visitors to enjoy. We were named the Best Place to Live on the Prairies by McLean's Magazine for three years in a row due to our high quality of life, low crime rate and numerous amenities for a community of our size. As our restaurants and tourism operators gradually re-open, they will be eager to serve you in the hospitable fashion that is the "norm." Take a glance at our dining guide on our Tourism Weyburn website to get a feel for the delicious variety of options ranging from quaint cafes to upscale full-service restaurants. In addition, our accommodations guide allows you to navigate the perfect spot for your overnight stay.

Shopping is a passtime, right? Many of Weyburn's unique shops offer one of a kind items that will surely tempt you to remove that credit card from your wallet. Our local stores give you the variety and customer service that the online space lacks. Take a walk within our beautiful downtown where you will be greeted by welcome signs on their door.

Fill your soul with fresh air within Weyburn's numerous parks and green spaces. The "gem" of our community, centrally located within the city, is Jubilee park. This park boasts acres of pristine space where you can perfect your "social distancing." Jubilee park is located adjacent to a new future elementary school and recreation and culture centre currently under construction and set to open in the fall of 2021. In addition to Jubilee park, Riverside campground and park is worth checking out. Sites are currently available for booking within this full-service campground, which is easily accessible from Highways





39 and 35.

Physical activity is so important to the health of the community and Weyburn ranks atop the best in our fully accessible walking path system. Weyburn's picturesque Tatagwa trail system and parks are an ideal place to walk your dog, go for a run, ride your bike, or boost your happiness by simply observing nature's beauty. Tatagwa Parkway consists of two areas—the Signal Hill Nature Habitat and the Red Coat Nature Habitat, which are protected from vehicle traffic. Picnic tables and park benches are placed throughout the parkway.

Take a walk back through time and enjoy the history of Weyburn virtually on our Crocus Tour. This newly launched, app driven tour enables the history of Weyburn to come to life. Walk, run, drive or bike the short 5 km route and learn everything you wanted to know about the rich history of our community in a narrated format. This is a perfect safe activity to enjoy with family members of all ages.

Looking for a short road trip outside Weyburn's city limits? There are numerous exciting stops to make. Book a tee time at the Weyburn Golf Course and enjoy a round of golf on the course that is the home of Graham Delaet. Venture to Nickle Lake Regional park, where it's like arriving at an oasis in the middle of the Saskatchewan Prairie. Take a quick drive to Mainprize Regional Park, known for its unique link-style golf course and prize walleye catches. This list could go on and on.

As you plan your Staycation this summer, make sure to plan ahead by visiting our website at www.weyburntourism.com where our digital Tourism Guide is located. Put a visit to Weyburn and area at the top of your list this summer and stay safe!



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Boundary Dam, Estevan



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#ExperienceEstevan



Experience Estevan this summer!

There's no shortage of things to do in the Estevan area, which is home to some great fishing, a beautiful regional park, great golf, and much more! The city invites visitors to experience some of these great amenities on offer over the summer months.

"One of the most unique experiences in Estevan is largemouth bass fishing," says Rebecca Westling, Destination, Marketing and Communications Consultant. "We are the only place in Saskatchewan where a person can come and fish for largemouth bass. The reason is because the Boundary Dam Reservoir does not freeze over and it makes it a great habitat for the

Westling says fishing was one of the first activities that people could get outside and do during the Covid-19 quarantine in the spring, and she points out it's an activity that is natural for social distancing while at the same time allowing people to go outside and enjoy the peace and tranquility of nature while participating in a relaxing pastime.

Westling says Estevan's parks also make the city unique.

"Woodlawn Regional Park is quite well used," she says. "There is a day park that people can go to along the Souris River. There are walking trails, and people kayak and canoe down the river, and they fish in the river as well. There is a dog park right nearby."

Kayak, canoe and paddleboad rentals are all available right at the park, the river is also a great place to do some shore fishing.

"Woodlawn Regional Park has two sites," she continues. "There is the Souris River site that's used for camping and is right near the TS&M Woodlawn Golf Course. And then there is the Boundary Dam site, and that's on the Boundary Dam reservoir. The reservoir has fishing and swimming and beach volleyball.

"The TS&M Woodlawn Golf Course is an 18-hole course. It has a newly developed back nine. They have a really nice clubhouse."

Due to Covid-19, this summer there are strict cleaning procedures in place at the golf course, and golfers must call ahead to book a tee time.

Westling points out that people should keep in mind that golf is another great sport to get outdoors and enjoy a beautiful outdoor space while social distancing.

"We have another course called Hidden Valley Golf and RV Resort," she adds. "It's a nine-hole course. It



Above: Kids enjoying one of the splash pads in Estevan. **Below:** Fishing for bass at Boundary Dam.



is a very mature course and has been well used in our community for many years."

There are also three splash pads at various locations around the city that people can take advantage of this summer—at Royal Heights Veterans Memorial Park, Padwick Park, and a brand new splash pad at the Dennis Moore Centennial Park.

Westling says the city will also have its playpark programs starting after the Canada Day weekend. This dropin programming for children includes crafts in the morning, and fun in the paddling pool in the afternoon. There will be four parks that will be used for the program—Churchill Park, Rusty Duce, Hillcrest and Hillside. The craft portion of the program runs from 10 am to noon, and the swimming runs from 1-5 pm each day. Kids can come and go as they please, with organizers asking that younger children be supervised by a guardian.

More information on everything Estevan has to offer can be found at estevan.ca.





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