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Rural Municipality of  
**PINEY**



**August 2023**

## MONTHLY REMINDERS

**The RM Office will be closed on  
Monday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023**



### Fall Hunting Lease

*By-Law No. 123/2017*

As of August 15<sup>th</sup>, you can purchase a Fall Hunting Lease that will allow you to hunt on RM land from **September 1<sup>st</sup> to November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023**. Leases are for hunting purposes only; recreational use will not be allowed. No permanent structures may be erected on municipal land; only temporary structures will be allowed and must be removed before the end of the lease. No trees are to be removed and no trails are to be made on RM land. Vehicles are only permitted on land during the retrieval of harvested game.

The **cost of a Fall Hunting Lease is \$500.00** for one (1) permit that allows up to five (5) individuals permission to access one parcel of RM land during one regular season.

**POSTPONED**

### Upcoming Council Meetings

The RM of Piney council meeting on August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 has been postponed until Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 7pm.

The RM of Piney council meeting scheduled for Tuesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 has been cancelled.

### Community Club Grant Reminder

2024 community organization grant application deadlines are as follows:

Recreation Grant – Due by September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Large Grant – Due by October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023

Cultural & Identity Grant – Due by October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023

Events Grant – Due by January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024

### New Landowners

*2023 Property Taxes*

The RM of Piney property tax bills are printed in May by the Province and were mailed out in July. Depending when you purchased your property, your tax bill may not have been changed by the province in time and therefore you may not receive a copy of your bill. Please note it is the landowner's responsibility to contact the RM office to confirm whether taxes are owing, even if a tax bill has not been received.

2023 Property Taxes are due on Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> by 4:30pm. If the payment is not met by this deadline, the total amount left owing will be subject to a 1.25% penalty on the first of each month, following the due date, until the taxes are paid in full. Please contact the RM office at 204-437-2284 with any questions you may have.

### Added / Reduction Taxes

Any added and/or reduction tax bills for 2022 and/or 2023 will be mailed out shortly. If you receive an added/reduction tax bill from us, read the cover letter supplied, as it will state your new total owing that will be due on October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

**Manitoba** 

**Board of Revision**

*September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023*

If you have any discrepancies with your 2024 assessments, please put your request in writing to meet with Manitoba Assessment at the upcoming Board of Revision on Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Requests must be submitted by letter or email to the RM office no later than 4:30pm on September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 addressing your assessment concerns.

### Garbage Along Road Ways

*Public Works Message*

The RM of Piney has been receiving a number of complaints about garbage and/or debris along municipal and provincial road ways, mainly on route to the waste disposal sites. The RM would like to ask that when hauling garbage to the waste disposal sites, please make sure you properly secure your load and that there are no loose items that can fall out of your vehicle during transport.



# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



## Support Local This Summer

With summer in full swing, Sunrise Corner wants to remind everyone that supporting local means more than just shopping locally. It also means moral support. Here are some no-cost, online ways to support our local businesses.

**Follow Local Businesses** – Many local businesses use social media to market themselves, and it's easy to like and follow their pages. The more people who follow and comment on posts, the more exposure the business gets which can translate into more sales.

**Share a Post With a Friend** – Have you seen something on a local shop's social media page that is just what a friend or family member is looking for? Don't just tell them about it, share the post to their social media page. Your friend and the business will appreciate your thoughtfulness. And the online engagement improves the visibility of the page so even more people see it.

**Write a Review for a Local Shop** – If you've had a great experience with a local business, write a review on their Facebook page. Just click the "Reviews" tab near the top of their page, rate them and write a few words about your experience. It lets the business owner know they're appreciated and gives others a reason to shop there. (On the other hand, if you're not completely satisfied with the product or service, speak with the vendor directly rather than hashing it out online.)

**Repost Local Business Post** – Has your favorite local business shared a post about an upcoming event or special promotion? Repost it on your page so all your friends can see it. Wouldn't it be great to know you may be the reason a local business owner gets a few new customers?

**Post About a Local Product** – If you've bought something made by a local baker, maker, artisan or artist that you absolutely love, write a post about it on social media. Don't forget to include a product photo and tag the maker; it's as simple as adding the @ symbol in front of their social account name. Your friends will be more likely to buy the product – and that's a gift every small business loves to receive.

Whether they have a bricks and mortar location, sell online, or sell their wares at farmer's markets and vendor pop-ups, local businesses are essential to our communities. Let's invest a few moments to show our appreciation.

Monique Chenier  
[monique@sunrisecornermb.ca](mailto:monique@sunrisecornermb.ca)

# UNsung HEROES IN THE RM OF PINEY

It's hard to believe that we are more than half-way through the year, and well into the summer activities that are run by our community halls. These fun-filled community activities rely heavily on volunteers who plan, organize and run them. Woodridge has a very strong base of volunteers who give selflessly of themselves. Our Unsung Heroes for August are Stan and Janet Letkeman.

Since they called Woodridge home 12 years ago, these two retirees have chosen to fill their time donating their services to the Community. Stan has served on the Community Hall Board for many years, and is currently the Secretary. Woodridge has numerous community activities over the course of the year, such as the Annual Fall Supper, the Christmas Craft Fair, Summer Fun on the Ridge, or their 2nd annual Car Show on the Ridge. This dynamic duo is involved in every one of those events. When Woodridge has its Cemetery Clean Up or Town Clean Up, they are there. They are organizing, working behind the scenes, or assisting in the many tasks needed to make an event successful.

Stan is the Chair of Woodridge's Citizens on Patrol and is the volunteer Supervisor of the Green Team. He is involved in keeping the Hall grounds mowed and maintained. Stan shops for the Hall's needs, and keeps the highway information board updated. Janet has been heavily involved in the Seniors Congregate Meal Program, and is co-chair for the Annual Fall Supper (Sept. 16, 2023). They are both part of Woodridge's latest fundraiser, the Fill the Freezer Meat Raffle.

They welcome newcomers into the community and are always ready to lend a helping hand. Whether it is doing logistics, flipping burgers, or helping in the canteen, these two are shining examples of volunteers who love their community and love what they do. There are so many wonderful activities throughout the RM of Piney. Why not buy advance tickets for Woodridge Fall Supper/Freezer Raffle to support Woodridge and the volunteers who tirelessly give of themselves? Thank you Stan and Janet for everything you do.

Sharon Bernard



## Coming to Your Community Métis Mobile Clinic

August 25, 2023  
10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Woodridge Community Hall  
69 Denis Street

### Offering:

- Blood sugar testing
- Cholesterol levels
- Foot Care (limited seat available 4) – Please Book Early
- 5-minute health "check ins"
- COVID -19 vaccines including boosters.

Vaccine appointment/Foot Care

contact: 1-833-390-1041 Ext. 3 or  
[clinicinfo@mmf.mb.ca](mailto:clinicinfo@mmf.mb.ca)



For paid employment and volunteer opportunities  
in Sunrise Corner, visit:

[www.sunrisecornermb.ca/workfinder](http://www.sunrisecornermb.ca/workfinder)



# PROTECTIVE SERVICES



## Sprague RCMP

In recent months, several people have attended the homes of Sprague RCMP members to seek police assistance. I would like to take a few minutes to explain to everyone that you will get the best, and most efficient police response by using the phone. Firstly, we have telecoms/911 operators who are ready to take your call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. They are trained to gather the necessary information in great detail, and very quickly. They proceed to dispatch the gathered information to the closest on duty police officers over the police radio so they can all hear the call. This is especially helpful if it's a serious call so multiple units can get rolling. The telecoms operators even send the location of the calls straight to the map we have on our in-car computers!

Prior to starting our shifts, we need to gather and load up all of the equipment that we require to respond to a call. This can be a very lengthy process. We have several items on our duty belts to load. Such as: our service pistol, magazines, pepper spray, extendable baton, taser, portable radio and hand cuffs. We also need to load and secure other important equipment into our police vehicles. Such as, additional firearms, body armour, approved screening devices and our duty bags. Our duty bags contain several important items including the relevant paperwork we may require on a call, bug spray, exhibit bags, and personal protective equipment that we must carry with us at all times.

To recap: If there is no police officer at the detachment, you will get a better and faster response by phoning as opposed to attending one of our homes. If you come to my home in the middle of the night, I would have to find my pants, a pen and paper and ask you a bunch of questions to gather the required information. I would have to find my keys, go to the detachment and put on my uniform. I would have to go to the secure room and load up everything that I need. I would need to conduct a pre-patrol inspection of my vehicle, and log in with telecoms over the police radio. There is also the high likelihood that I simply wouldn't be available. Enjoying a "beverage", or being alone with the kids while my better half is on a well-deserved night out.

In all seriousness, public safety is of the utmost importance to us. In considering the above, and in order to provide the RM of Piney with the fastest and most efficient police response possible, I have asked that all RCMP members working out of the Sprague office direct any person who attends their home, to call one the numbers below.

**For all non-emergency matters including Criminal Record Checks, contact the Sprague RCMP Detachment at (204) 437-2041. Should you require immediate Police assistance, call (204) 437-2222 or 911 in the case of an emergency.**

Cpl. Kevin Bruce  
Sprague RCMP

## EXAMPLES OF RECYCLABLE ITEMS

These are types of recyclable materials accepted in your recycling program:



Aluminum food and beverage containers



Glass food and beverage containers



Steel food and beverage containers



Newspapers and flyers



PET #1 plastic food and beverage containers



Magazines and catalogues



Gable top containers



Boxboard



Paper directories



Residential corrugated cardboard



Aseptic packaging



HDPE #2 plastic containers



#4, #5 and #7 plastic containers

## Recycling

Recently, the RM of Piney has been noticing that recycling stats have been significantly declining for all three waste disposal site locations. If we each do our part by recycling, we are making another step in the right direction of keeping our environment clean and safe.

Here is a list of other less frequently recycled items you may find in your kitchen that can also be recycled:

1. Beverage cartons from milk, juice, and soup
2. Food tins, sweets, and biscuit tins
3. Milk and yogurt bottles
4. Detergent and liquid soap bottles
5. Tissue boxes
6. Soap dispenser bottles
7. Sauce and jam jars
8. Vinegar and oil bottles
9. Plastic disinfectant bottles
10. Household cleaner bottles
11. Paper towel and toilet paper rolls

Lids and labels do not need to be removed; just ensure they are empty. Plastic, glass, and metal containers can be cleaned if you have the time. A quick rinse is always appreciated and helps avoid contaminating other materials, reduces unpleasant odors and the development of mold.

Recycling will help better the environment, even if it is one can at a time!

All information provided to you by [www.simplyrecycle.ca](http://www.simplyrecycle.ca)



# HAVE YOU NOTICED BROWN TREES IN YOUR AREA?

## Manitoba Conservation Information Sheet:

### Jack Pine Budworm

Destructive Forest Pest

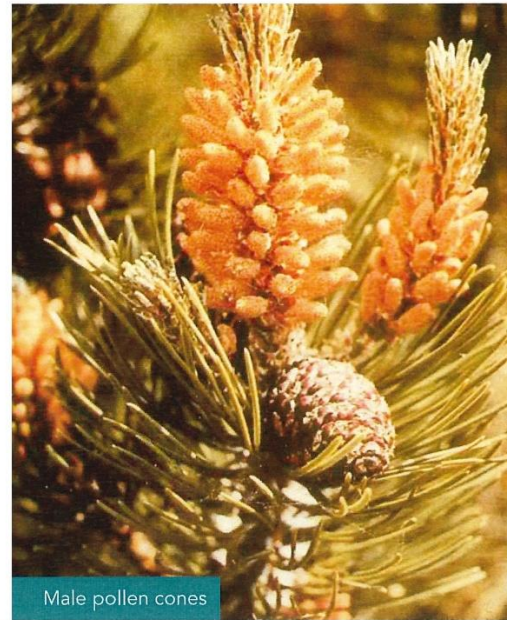
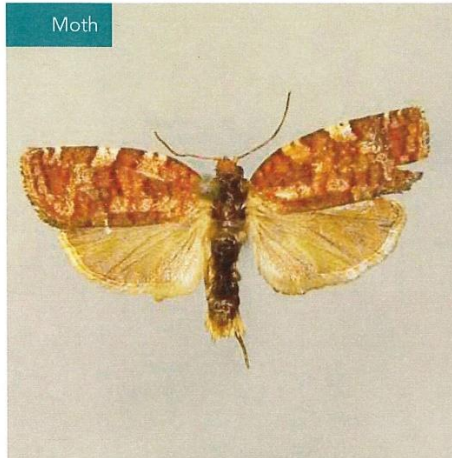


### Management

Outbreaks often last two to four years. Weather conditions, parasites and predators are contributing factors to population decline. A reduction in pollen cone production following sustained severe defoliation often causes population collapse. Without the nutritious pollen food source there is a high mortality rate in young larvae.

Insecticide application is sometimes necessary to protect high value forests against top-kill, timber volume loss and mortality during severe outbreaks. At present, a bacterial insecticide, *Bacillus thuringiensis* subspecies *kurstaki* (Btk) and tebufenozide (Mimic) are the only insecticides registered in Canada for jack pine budworm control. Timing of application coincides with the elongation of the shoots and formation of the needles.

Moth



Male pollen cones

For more information on jack pine budworm call:

#### The Tree Line

204-945-7866  
or Toll Free 1-800-214-6497

or write:

**Manitoba Conservation**  
Forestry Branch  
200 Saulteaux Crescent  
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3J 3W3

[manitoba.ca/conservation/forestry](http://manitoba.ca/conservation/forestry)

### Description of Life Stages

The adult moth has a wingspan of 15-to-28 millimeters ( $\frac{1}{2}$  to 1 inch). The rust-coloured forewings have silverywhite patches. The hind wings are grey-brown.

Light green eggs are deposited in long masses on the needles. Approximately 40 eggs are laid in two rows which overlap, similar to shingles on a roof.



A mature larva is 20-to-22 millimetres long ( $\frac{3}{4}$  to 1 inch). Its head is shiny reddish-brown to black. The reddish-brown body has yellowish sides and two rows of white dots along the back. There are six or seven stages called instars during larval development.

Moth





**J**ack pine budworm, *Choristoneura pinus Freeman*, is a destructive insect that attacks pines in central and northwestern Ontario, Manitoba and Saskatchewan and in the Great Lakes region. Severe outbreaks seriously affect the growth and quality of vast areas of pine.

This insect prefers jack pine, but red pine, Scots pine, lodgepole and occasionally white pine and black spruce that grow with jack pine can also be attacked.



The pupa (transition stage from larva to moth) is approximately 12 millimeters long (½ inch) and is pale green when first formed. Later it becomes dark reddish-brown.



## Life Cycle

The female moth lays its eggs through mid July to early August. The eggs hatch in seven to 10 days. The larvae emerge and spin a silken cover under bark scales or between pine needles. Then the larvae molt without feeding and remain under the silken cover until the following spring.

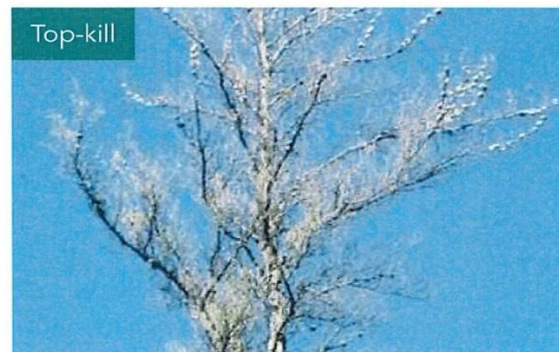
They emerge in late May and early June when the male cones of jack pine produce pollen. Young larvae feed initially on pollen. The majority then move to the new foliage when it is well developed. Needles are seldom consumed entirely, but are often clipped at the base and webbed together. The accumulation of this feeding debris gives pine trees a scorched appearance in mid-summer.

Feeding lasts for approximately six weeks. Pupae develop among the needles or between webbed shoots from early to late July. Moths emerge in July and early August, mate and lay eggs. There is one generation per year.

## Damage

During light and moderate infestations, damage is restricted to a partial loss of new foliage, particularly in the upper crown of the tree. When populations reach epidemic proportions, much of the current foliage is destroyed.

Trees may die after two to three years of severe defoliation. Top-kill, reduced tree health and substantial growth loss are the common forms of damage. Reduced vigour makes trees susceptible to secondary diseases and insects. In heavily infested forests, tree mortality or serious deformity can occur.







**Sprague Fest / Show & Shine Car Show**

**Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

8-11am – Car Show / 8-10am – Pancake Breakfast  
 Followed by Basketball Tournament / 10:30am – Parade Starts  
 Noon – Children’s Bouncers & Wood Carving  
 Beer Gardens / Horseshoe Tournament / Bingo  
 8pm-1am – Sprague Fest Social (Tickets \$10)

**Piney Regional Chamber of Commerce**

**September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

Monthly Meeting hosted at Prevost Perennials  
 75099 Road 2N in South Junction

**Piney Annual Fall ATV Derby Fundraiser**

**Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023**

10am – 3pm at the Piney Community Hall  
 All Hands \$5.00 each / Food available at the Hall and along Trail

**Wampum Salam Lutheran Church Fall Fundraiser**

**Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

Pinegrove Seniors in South Junction

**Vassar Pool Public Swim**


Please check the Vassar Community Pool Facebook Page for the weekly public swim pool schedule. For more information, contact Vassar Pool at 204-437-2214 or message them on Facebook.




**29<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CARRICK DAYS**  
**SAT. & SUN. AUGUST 12 & 13, 2023**  
**MAIN ST, CARRICK, MB**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 12**

**GATES OPEN - 11 AM**  
 ADMISSION \$5.00  
**PARADE - 12 NOON**  
 ALL FLOATS WELCOME  
**LEGENDARY HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT**  
 FOR THE CARRICK TROPHY CUP  
 REGISTRATION AT 1 PM  
 FREE! NEW KIDS PLAYGROUND  
 FREE! INFLATABLE BOUNCING TENT  
 FREE! DUNK TANK + CONCESSION + \$5/\$5 DRAW  
 CARRICK BEARS FOOD CANTEN + DI REGGAE GRILL  
 CARIBBEAN FOOD PLATE + FILIPINO PORK PLATE +  
 SILENT AUCTION + BANDS + CONTINUOUS  
 ENTERTAINMENT ALL DAY & EVENING



DARREN LAVALLE  
COUNTRY JUNCTION  
1 PM



THE DUMPSTER FIRES  
EVENING

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 13**

FREE ADMISSION  
**BREAKFAST - 10 AM-12 NOON**  
 SERVING A CARRICK SKILLET BREAKFAST  
 WITH FRESH COFFEE & BEVERAGE \$5.00  
**BEAN BAG COMPETITION - 12 NOON**  
**CARRICK GOT TALENT COMPETITION**  
 12 NOON - ALL ARE WELCOME!  
 1<sup>ST</sup> PRIZE: \$50 2<sup>ND</sup> PRIZE: \$25 3<sup>RD</sup> PRIZE: \$10



**SATURDAY, 10 PM**  
**SPECTACULAR CANFIRE FIREWORKS**

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

**MAKE CARRICK GREAT - COME TO CARRICK**  
**NO DOGS ALLOWED**



**Southeast Farmer's Market**

**Fridays - July 7 to Sept 1**  
**3:00 – 8:00 pm**

**Pine Grove Seniors Center**  
**South Junction, Manitoba**

**Rain or Shine**  
**Variety of Local Vendors**



**New Vendors Welcome**  
 For more information call  
 Jen - 204-423-2223  
 Shawny - 204-437-2600  
 Join Southeast Farmer's Market on Facebook

**If you can't make it, bake it or grow it...  
 You can buy it at the Farmer's Market!**

**VASSAR BALL TOURNAMENT** **August 18th, 19th, 20th**

**FRIDAY NIGHT DANCE!**  
 Featuring:  
**Good N' Dusty! \$10**  
**SATURDAY OPEN AIR DANCE with DJ Pitura! \$10**  
**Sat. Gate Fee \$5**  
**Sun. No gate fee**  
**Weekend camping available \$20.**  
**Canteen Available.**

**Saturday Slo-pitch. 7 MEN, 3 WOMEN. \$300/Team**  
**Sunday Fastball \$300/Team**

**Sunday Activities**  
**8:00-11:00 Pancake Breakfast @Hall**  
**11:30 Cornhole Tournament**  
**11:30 Kids Hit, Run and Throw Comp. \$5/Child 6-14yrs**  
**11:30 Bounce House.**  
**12:00-2:00 Bingo**  
**2:00 Open mic/Karaoke**

**Ball registration contact Jeremy Culleton culleyjj@gmail.com or 204-437-3168**  
**Cornhole registration contact Karen Theriault- krtheriault5@gmail.com**  
**E-transfers made to vassarrecentre@gmail.com**

**Questions!? Contact us on Facebook!**