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Hours: Monday – Friday
8:30am – 12:00pm
12:45pm – 4:30pm



Need to Contact your Councillor?

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May 2024

MONTHLY REMINDERS

Burning Permits Required

April 1st – November 15th

Open fires are prohibited from April 1st to November 15th except under a burning permit or in an enclosed approved fire pit. Call MB Conservation at 204-437-2348 (Sprague) on either Mondays or Wednesdays, or contact 204-346-6110 (Steinbach) to obtain a burning permit.

No burning is allowed before 6:00pm or when winds exceed 15 km/hr unless authorized by MB Conservation.

Fire Pit Regulations

Fire pits shall be fully enclosed and constructed of masonry, concrete, heavy gauge metal, or a non-combustible material;

- The outdoor fire pit shall not exceed 100cm in depth and shall be over 15cm in height when measured from the surrounding grade to the top of the pit opening;
- Fire pit openings shall not exceed 107cm in diameter or an area of 0.89 square meters;
- In use fire pits shall have continuous adult supervision;

A means of extinguishment shall be readily available. Fires must be completely extinguished before leaving the site.



**The RM Office will be on closed on
Monday, May 20th, 2024**

Credit Card 2% Service Charge

Effective July 1st, 2024, the 2% credit card service fee will be re-instated for all credit card payments processed through the RM office.

Road Weight Restrictions

65% WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS STILL IN EFFECT!



Building Inspector Message

Building season is well under way in the RM of Piney. With construction in full swing, I ask building permit holders to please give me a 24-48 hour heads up for inspections, especially during the summer, so I can accommodate your project timelines.

Just a reminder that any building over 108 sq. ft. must apply for a building permit BEFORE the work is commenced. If a build is started prior to a permit being applied for and signed off on, a By-Law Enforcement Officer will be contacted, and double fees will be charged.

Before a building application can be accepted, zoning must be approved, which can take up to two weeks before this process can be completed. After that time, I will be in contact with the applicant to schedule the first inspection.

We encourage our ratepayers who are planning a project to contact 204-380-9624 for any questions you may have. For our current Building Permit Application, please visit: <https://rmofpiney.mb.ca/our-services/building-inspections/>

Gary Hora
Municipal Building Inspector

*“To the world, you are a mother, but to
your family, you are the world.”*



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Value of a Summer Job

At last month's Green Career Symposium, we welcomed nearly 150 students from Ross L Gray and Shevchenko Schools. Visitors to our booth were asked if they had started thinking about a summer job. We directed them to WorkFinder on the Sunrise Corner website that lists paid work and volunteer opportunities. There are currently a dozen seasonal jobs listed in a wide variety of roles with more being added in the coming weeks as local organizations get notification of their Green Team and Canada Summer Jobs grants.

There are many considerations that should be factored into the decision on where to apply for a summer-job. Does one take a job for the money, the career prospects or the experience? Here are five elements to think about when contemplating the benefits and outcomes of a summer job.

Career exploration. Summer jobs can help high school students explore different career paths that might interest them. Working with a business, not-profit or government entity is invaluable in learning how different workplaces operate and how leadership is structured. The summer job experience can also help to narrow down interests to make a post-secondary education direction easier to choose.

Skill development. Employment helps develop critical skills like time management, communication, teamwork, and decision making that are transferable to future education and career pursuits. The experience demonstrates first-hand what skills are needed for future career path planning.

Resume building. Working in a field of interest adds relevant professional experience to a resume that will help land future jobs and internships. Experience can help move a resume to the top of the pile for full-time career opportunities.

Connections. The summer job experience helps develop a network of connections who may serve in a mentorship role or help land a job after graduation. Learning from someone who has built a career in the field is invaluable.

Self-confidence. Working in real-world situations boosts self-esteem. Seeing results of the work develops accountability and pride in a job well done. Earning a paycheque gives youth a sense of achievement and helps develop valuable financial skills such as budgeting and money management.

Summer jobs can and should be an important first step towards a fulfilling career. Everyone is encouraged to visit WorkFinder for all kinds of job and volunteer opportunities at www.sunrisecornermb.ca/workfinder. Listings can be filtered by seasonal, full-time or volunteer, depending on what kind of opportunity you are seeking.



Monique Chenier
monique@sunrisecornermb.ca

PROTECTIVE SERVICES



Sprague RCMP

I hope everyone is enjoying the start of spring! With the weather starting to warm and the snow gone, it is once again a popular time for recreational riding on dirt bikes and ATV's.

It is not uncommon for us to receive reports of people riding these on other people's private property. I caution you to be informed of public trails versus private property. In some of these instances, damage can be done to the property and that is not something we like to see. I also encourage you to make sure the vehicle is maintained as breaking down on trails can be troubling, especially with lack of cellphone service out here. With that being said, make sure to have a great time, be safe, and wear a helmet. Thank you!

For all non-emergency matters including Criminal Record Checks, contact Sprague RCMP Detachment at (204) 437-2041. Our admin for Criminal Record Checks work from Tuesday to Thursday 9-5. Should you require immediate Police assistance, call (204) 437-2222 or 911 in the case of an emergency.

Cst. Mitchell Butler
Sprague RCMP

Transit Update

"Igniting Connections" Transit initiatives have progressed to literally having wheels on the ground and the ability to rent a community shared vehicle intended for groups to travel together.

BPP Rent & Ride Inc.

Have you seen the **BPP Rent & Ride** red van driving around? Senior organizations and groups are the current focus in the RM of Piney and Buffalo Point First Nation partnership region for this transportation option. Just "bear with us" as we work through operational and logistical items. An application is expected to be available soon for those organizations or groups interested in becoming an Approved User. Once approved, you can reserve a vehicle, authorize your driver and go where you and your fellow community members want/need to go, within Canada. It's all about *Bringing People Places!*

"This project is funded in part by the Government of Canada."

BPP Rent & Ride will be at the Buffalo Point Health Fair on May 9th. If your group would like a presentation or details on this project, email admin@bpprentride.ca or call 204-905-1768 to be added to the follow-up list.



Wildfire Community

Preparedness Day - May 4th, 2024

Wildfire Community Preparedness Day is a national campaign that encourages citizens to take actions that increase their home, neighborhood and community's resilience to wildfire.

Wildfire Community Preparedness Day is always observed on the first Saturday in May. In 2024, it will take place on Saturday, May 4. Residents of all ages all over the country are encouraged to come together at any time from May to October to host events and work on projects that raise awareness of wildfire risk and increase their resilience to it.

The RM of Piney has received funding for this event and will be addressing the community in our monthly newsletters with FireSmart™ information.

All information has been provided to you by:

<https://firesmartcanada.ca/>

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Wildfire Scenario Planning

The RM of Piney is excited to announce that over the next eight months they will be conducting a scenario planning process to look at wildfire disaster management. This process will help prepare the Municipality to prevent, and mitigate wildfires as well as to respond in the event of a wildfire. We are looking for individuals who are willing to participate in the planning process. Individuals will be compensated for their time, but must be willing to participate in three (3) half day sessions at the RM of Piney municipal office. If you are interested please reach out to Martin Van Osch at 204-437-2284 or Allison Driedger at 204-392-3849 or email bluestemdevelopment@gmail.com. Participants will be selected based on availability, place of residence and knowledge of the local area.



May 5 – 11, 2024

Emergency Preparedness Week

GetPrepared.ca

Everyone has a role to play in an emergency. Emergency Preparedness Week is an opportunity for you to take action to ensure you are prepared to protect yourself, your family and your community during an emergency. This year, the theme is *Be Prepared. Know Your Risks*. The intent of the theme is to encourage Canadians to understand the risks in their area and learn what actions they can take to protect themselves and their families.

Information provided to you by:

https://www.getprepared.gc.ca/cnt/rsrscs/ep-wk/index-en.aspx?utm_source=gq-web&utm_medium=gq-features&utm_campaign=epweek2023





TICKET NO. 001108

**You are the March winner of the
Recycling Incentive Program**

Congratulations!

Please contact the RM office to claim your prize!



Recycling Bin Bags Available!

The Bin Bag is designed to help Manitobans recycle when on the move in the province. The Bin Bag is a light-weight, structured yet collapsible, recycling bag with fabric handles making it easy to carry. With extra capacity to store more recyclables, the Bin Bag is reusable, ideal for those who spend longer periods of time away from home.

Bin Bags will be given out on a first come-first serve basis. The RM of Piney office has a limited number available, so stop by today so you are ready for your next camping trip!

DON'T FORGET TO BRING ALL BLUE BAGS TO A COMMUNITY RECYCLING BIN OR YOUR LOCAL TRANSFER STATION TO RECEIVE A TICKET TO BE ENTERED TO WIN MONTHLY PRIZES THROUGH OUR RECYCLING INCENTIVE PROGRAM.

Well Water Testing - May 23rd

Seine Rat Roseau Watershed District will be supplying pickup for well water testing, at the provincially subsidized cost of private well water testing is **\$25.00**, including tax (regular rate is \$30.00). Each location is eligible for one sample per well per year; you must be the owner of the well; and this must be first sample since April 1st of 2024.

Payments must be exact cash or cheque ONLY, with cheques made payable to Horizon Lab Ltd.

Only samples that are accompanied by correct payment and completed forms will be accepted.

Water sample bottles & application forms can be picked up in advance at the RM office. **Water samples must be taken on the same day as the drop-off. You can drop your water sample off at the RM office in Vassar prior to 10:00 am, along with your completed Chain of Custody and SRRWD Application forms on the either Thursday, May 23rd or Thursday, June 27th.**

For details, visit www.srrwd.ca or call 204-326-1030.



Notice to All Dog Owners

The RM has received a high volume of dog complaints related to running at large and barking. If you are a dog owner, you have legal responsibilities under the Animal Control By-Law.

Per By-Law No. 118/2016

Responsibility of owners regarding dogs:

7(1) No owner shall:

- a) Permit his dog to run at large. When a dog is found running at large, it's owner shall be deemed to have failed or refused to comply with this subsection;
- b) Permit his dog to bark or howl or in any other way unduly disturb the quiet of any person or persons anywhere in the Municipality;
- c) Permit his dog/cat to defecate on any public or private property other than the property of its owner. Where a dog/cat defecates on property other than the property of the owner, the owner shall cause such excrement to be removed forthwith;
- d) Permit his dog/cat to damage public property or private property other than that of the owner. Where public property or private property other than that of the owner. Where public or private property has been damaged by a dog/cat its owner shall be deemed to have failed or refused to comply with this subsection;
- e) Permit his dog/cat to pursue, bite, wound or worry any person or animal, whether or not on the property of the owner;
- f) Permit his dog/cat on any school ground/playground;



Care Partner Support Groups
Tuesday, April 30th, 2024 at 10:00am
 Service to Seniors in South Junction

Free Financial Literacy Workshops
Wednesday, May 1st and May 9th, 2024 at 1:00pm
 Piney Regional Senior Services in South Junction

Woodridge Community Cleanup
Saturday, May 4th, 2024 (Meet at the Hall for 9:00am)
 Clean up volunteers will be treated to a hotdog lunch
 Dress for the weather; Wear gloves & a safety vest

Stay & Play
Tuesdays, May 7th, 21st, and 28th from 9:30 – 11:30am
 RLG School Library (*families with kids 5 & under*)

Piney Regional Chamber of Commerce Meeting
Thursday, May 9th, 2024 at 7:00pm
 RM Piney Council Chambers in Vassar
 Guest Speaker: Noel Linsey, Executive Director of Eastman Tourism, will share marketing tools & programs available to tourism-related businesses & organizations

Parent Drop In
Friday, May 10th and May 24th, 2024 from 10-11:30am
 East Borderland Primary Health Centre

Piney 3-person Archery Shoot Out
Thursday, May 23rd, 2024 at 7:00pm
 Indoors at the Piney Hall
 Free event, Contact R. Schwegel at 431-996-5686



Exercise for Fun & Health
Mondays & Thursdays at 9:00am
 Pine Grove Seniors Club in South Junction

Meet Your Neighbours Coffee Groups
Mondays at 1:00pm
 Pine Grove Seniors Club in South Junction
and
Thursdays at 1:00pm
 Evergreen Seniors Club in Sprague

Floor Curling, Pickle Ball & Archery
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays
 Piney Community Centre

Woodridge Wellness Wednesdays
Every Wednesday from 1:00 – 4:00pm
 Woodridge Community Club

Kids Club
Every Wednesday from 7:00 – 9:00pm
 Sprague Community Fellowship (*kids 5 & up*)

CRA In-person Support Clinic & Service Canada
First Tuesday of the Month from 10:00am – 3:00pm
 East Borderland Primary Health Care Centre in Sprague

Piney Kite Carnival
June 23rd, 2024 from 11:30am – 1:30pm
 Curling Rink Field in Piney





Sandilands Community Club May Events

May 4th, 2:00 PM

Annual General Meeting (Members Only)

May 4th, 4 :00 PM

Community Clean Up

May 10th, 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

“Playtime In The Park” Resumes

May 18th-19th 9:00 Am- 5:00 PM

Community Wide Yard Sale

Find us on Facebook!

Or Contact Us For Details:

sandilandscommunityclub@gmail.com



Salem Lutheran Church of
Wampum & Community Ladies

QUILT SHOW & SALE

Tuesday, May 7, 2024

10:30 am – 1 pm

Evergreen Seniors Club

Sprague, MB



Soup, Sandwich, Pie & Coffee

Quilt Raffle

50/50 Draw

No Early Sales

EVERYONE WELCOME



SOUTHEAST FARMER'S MARKET MOTHER'S DAY MARKET & PINEY ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY TEA

SATURDAY, MAY 11

PINEY COMMUNITY CENTRE - PINEY, MB

11 am to 3:30 pm

FARMER'S MARKET VENDOR TABLES

Baking, Crafts, Plants, Preserves, Sewing & More

LUNCH

FREE WILL OFFERING FOR LUNCH

Proceeds donated to Piney Area Food Bank

RAINBOW DRAW & 50/50 DRAW

DOOR PRIZE DRAWS

GAMES – 1:30 pm

Happy Mother's Day!



Coming to Your Community

Métis Mobile Clinic

Thursday, May 16th, 2024

10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Woodridge Community Hall

69 Denis Street

Offering:

- Blood sugar testing
- Cholesterol levels
- 5-minute health “check ins”
- Foot Care (limited seat available) – Please Book Early

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Vaccine appointment/Foot Care

contact: 1-833-390-1041 Ext. 3 or

clinicinfo@mmf.mb.ca

**Woodridge Community Club and the
Woodridge Firefighters Association present the**

**3RD ANNUAL FUNDRAISING
CAR SHOW
ON THE RIDGE**

Bring it all . . . cars, trucks, race cars, Rat Rods,
motorcycles, semi-trucks, tractors and 'projects'

**Saturday, May 25, 2024
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

(Rain Date: Sunday, May 26, 2024)

**Car Show registration opens at 8:00 a.m.
M.A. Querel Community Park
Woodridge, Manitoba**



Vehicle Registration: By DONATION
includes a souvenir dash plaque and draw ticket for prizes

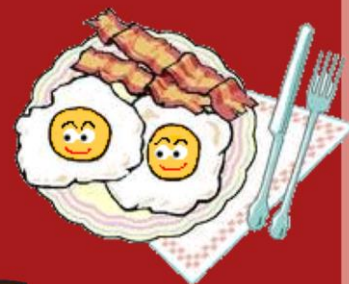
Public Admission: FREE

For more info or directions, go to www.woodridgecommunityclub.com
or call/text LARRY CLAVELLE at 204-304-1265

Planned events include: Car Show with trophies,
Tail Gate Swap Meet (bring your own table), BBQ Lunch,
Beer Garden, Silent Auction and 50/50 Draw.

NET PROCEEDS AND DONATIONS WILL GO TOWARDS THE PURCHASE OF A
MARK-3 PORTABLE WILDFIRE PUMP AND FORESTRY GEAR BACKPACKS FOR THE
FIRE DEPARTMENT AND COMPLETING THE COMMUNITY CLUBS NEW ICE RINK SHELTER

**SPRAGUE COMMUNITY CENTRE
FUNDRAISER
SATURDAY- JUNE 1ST
PANCAKE BREAKFAST- 8:00AM
-11:00AM
FREE WILL OFFERING.
COME VISIT WITH FRIENDS AND
ENJOY A GREAT BREAKFAST
EVERYONE WELCOME.**



50/50

**2024 Piney ATV Mud Run
Saturday June 8th, 2024**

Admission to Grounds - \$5.00 per person
15 years and under - Free



Mud Run Registration

Registration 9:00 - 11:00 am
Racing Starts at 12 noon sharp

ATV Classes

- Youth 1 - 0-125cc (age max 6)
- Youth 2 - 0-300cc (Age max 12)
- Stock A (0-800cc)
- Stock B (801-1000cc)
- Pro A
- Pro B
- Women's (anything goes-no SXS)
- Open (anything goes)
- SXS (anything goes)

Corn Hole

Tournament

Registration at 2:00 pm

**Beer Gardens
Free Camping
Hot Food**

For information call Wally Gushulak at (431) 205-1248



**Texas hold'em
Tournament**

SPRAGUE COMMUNITY HALL

JUNE 1ST: SATURDAY

REGISTER: 11:00AM

\$30.00 ENTREES

3 RE-BUYS UP TO FIRST BREAK

LICENSE NO: LGCA426-TH-44057

CONTACT: GLORIA VAN DYK- 204-437-5032

(FOOD FOR PURCHASE IS AVAILABLE)

2024 Green Career Symposium

Supporting a greener future!



A huge **THANK YOU** to everyone who made the 2024 Green Career Symposium a success!

A special mention goes to all the Exhibitors and Presenters who took the time to educate our youth and the community!

Access Credit Union
Bluestem Development
Border Land School Division
Buffalo Point Development Corporation
Canada Border Services Agency
Canadian Armed Forces
Canadian National Railway
Chartered Professional Accountants
Climate Connection
Clearview Co-op
Community Futures Triple R
Easy EV Inc.
Eco-West Canada
Evolve Energy Inc.
FPM
Manitoba Crime Stoppers
Maple Leaf Agri-Farms
MB Conservation

Nature Conservancy of Canada
Nelson River Construction
Piney Regional Chamber of Commerce
Prairie Shore Botanicals
Premier Tech Horticulture
Prevost Perennials
Red River Valley Technical Vocational Area
Rural Municipality of Piney
Rural Municipality of Stuartburn
Royal Canadian Mounted Police
Safe Workers of Tomorrow
Seine Rat Roseau Watershed District
Service Canada
Southern Health
Stitched-Art
Sunrise Corner
Vita Community Child Care Centre Inc.
World Financial Group

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Manitoba  Special thanks to the Province of Manitoba for providing funding for the event.  Manitoba

