

Phone: 204-437-2284 or
204-437-2060

office@rmofpiney.mb.ca

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



Rural Municipality of
PINEY

Need to Contact your Councillor?

Wayne Anderson: 204-527-0569

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June 2024

MONTHLY REMINDERS

Well Water Testing – June 27th

Seine Rat Roseau Watershed District is supplying pickup for well water testing, at a cost of **\$25.00**, including tax.

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 & forms can be picked up at the RM office. **Samples must be taken on the same day as the drop-off day, June 27th, and are to be dropped off with a completed Chain of Custody and SRRWD Application forms, at the RM office in Vassar prior to 10:00am.**

Dust Control

Dust control is now available through the RM. The product is Magnesium Chloride, but we do not guarantee the dust control product being used. For safety reasons, maintenance of RM roads takes priority over any dust control application.

Requests for dust control are to be made by **pre-payments of \$310 plus GST no later than Friday, June 28th, 2024.** Applications consist of 5 meters of road width x 100 meter strip. The area to be serviced must be staked out prior to application. The RM is not responsible for replacing dust control applications.

Be Aware of All Burn/Travel Bans

Currently, there are no burn bans in place within the RM of Piney.

Updates will be posted on our Facebook page and website, in our Newsletters, and on our info line at 204-437-2845.

Canada Day Office Closure

The RM office is closed on Monday, July 1st, 2024.



Credit Card 2% Service Charge

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



RM OF PINEY FOREST TOURS

The RM of Piney will be hosting three forest tours with our knowledgeable tour guide, Bob Austman. Tours will be provided rain or shine, but we ask that you come dressed for the weather. This is an interactive immersive event so be prepared for some light hiking.

Saturday, June 8th from 1:00 – 3:30pm
FORESTRY 101 – WISDOM IN THE WOODS

Saturday, August 24th from 1:00 – 3:30pm
BECOMING FIRESMART

Saturday, September 21st from 1:00 – 3:30pm
WELCOME TO NATIONAL FOREST WEEK

For Ages 12 & Up (only 15 spots available)

All participants are to meet at the Piney Community Hall for all three tours. Participants will need to supply their own transportation to and from each touring site.

Please call Carrie at 204-437-2284 or email: carrie@rmofpiney.mb.ca (To participate, please RSVP by the prior Monday of each tour)

Happy Father's Day



A father is someone you look up to no matter how tall you grow.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Summer Festival Challenge

With those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer nearly upon us, it's time to plan some fun weekends. Sunrise Corner Tourism would like to challenge everyone to attend a local event you've never been to before – and for good measure, invite family and friends to come out with you. You're guaranteed to make memories that will last a lifetime.

Top Picks for June:

Music Grooving. Gardenton's outdoor stage is the place to be for rock, country and folk music and delicious homemade perogies at the AC Music Festival.

Nature Lovers. Commune with nature at easy hiking events. Sign up for Adventures With Nature Norm for tall-grass prairie tours or Forest Walks with local resident Bob Austman.

Mud Puddling. The Piney ATV Mud Run encourages competitors of all ages take their off-road vehicles through a challenging mud pit for good clean fun.

Shop 'Til You Drop. You're sure to find unique handmade goods and treasures at Craft Markets, Bake Sales and Community Garage Sales throughout the region.

Revisit History. Go back in time with exhibits, local music and free food at the Sprague & District Historical Museum Annual Picnic.

July's Must-Do Events:

Celebrate Canada. Enjoy two incredible events with South Junction's Canada Day Family Celebration and Vita Canada Day's two days of activities for the entire family.

Need for Speed. Cheer on your favorite go-cart racing team at the award-winning, family-friendly St-Labre 200.

Applaud Culture. Gardenton Ukrainian & Multi-Cultural Festival is a whirlwind of colour, music and dance from cultures around the world.

Get Active. South Junction's Family Slo-pitch Tournament has family teams vying for bragging rights and Woodridge's Fun Run on the Ridge is the precursor to their family-friendly Summer Fun on the Ridge.

Places to be in August:

Community Gatherings. Carrick Days, Sprague Fest and Middlebro Family Fun Day each offer family-friendly activities for all age groups.

Appreciate Nature. Prairie Day is a celebration of the unique and endangered tall-grass prairie right in our backyard.

Play Ball. For more than 50 years, the Vassar Ball Tournament has been a must-attend event for slo-pitch and fastball players, and more recently, competitive corn-holers.

Horse Around. Celebrating their 20-year anniversary this year, Sundown Gymkhana is the place to be for equine competitions and downhome family fun.

Bookmark the Sunrise Corner event calendar to keep in-the-know about upcoming festivals this summer.

<https://sunrisecornermb.ca/event-calendar/>



Monique Chenier
monique@sunrisecornermb.ca

National Indigenous Peoples Day



On June 21, for National Indigenous Peoples Day, we recognize and celebrate the history, heritage, resilience and diversity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis across Canada.

PROTECTIVE SERVICES



Sprague RCMP

Hope you are all enjoying the start of the summer and the copious number of ticks that come with it!

We have had an increasing number of calls regarding property owners calling about dogs not being tied up. Make sure that if you are not with your dog, that it is tethered or in a fenced in area. Many of these callers are fearful of these completely unattended dogs; the proper course of action is to issue a complaint through the RM of Piney. Once a complaint is logged through the RM office, a letter will be sent to the property owner. They take complaints like this seriously and will act according to their procedure. Make sure that your animals are in good care and health. More information on this can be found on the RM website: www.rmofpiney.mb.ca. If there are criminal aspects that have resulted from a dog owners actions, please contact the RCMP. Thank you!

For all non-emergency matters including Criminal Record Checks, please contact the 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 you can call (204) 437-2222 or 911 in the case of an emergency.

Cst. Mitchell Butler
Sprague RCMP

WHAT'S ACCEPTED IN THE BLUE BIN

✓ RECYCLABLES



Empty Beverage Containers



Plastic Containers 1-5



Metal Containers



Flat Cardboard & Paper

✗ WASTE



Food Waste

Plastic Bags & Wrap



Disposable Cutlery

Disposable Plates



Soiled Food Containers

Take-out Cups



Styrofoam Containers

Diapers & Dog Waste

A recycling triangle doesn't mean it's accepted. Check with your local municipality to be sure.

RecycleEverywhere.ca



MUNICIPAL ROAD WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS HAVE BEEN LIFTED

AS OF: MAY 31ST, 2024

**This excludes Road 6N*

WORK ZONES ARE A SIGN TO SLOW DOWN

Please Slow Down for our Workers

During the year when our Public Works employees are out working on the roads, limit your speed when passing workers to 60 km/hr.

The Traffic Safety Act states "No person shall drive a vehicle on a highway at a speed greater than 60 km/hr when passing a highway worker or flag person; or any highway equipment occupied by a highway worker, whose presence on the highway is marked in a manner determined in the regulations made by the board." The definition of highway includes all municipal roads.

Kindly reduce speed when meeting or passing our workers. Thank you!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sprague Community Centre Fundraiser Saturday, June 1st, 2024

Pancake Breakfast from 8:00-11:00am
Texas Hold'em Tournament Registration at 11:00am
Sprague Community Hall

Piney ATV Mud Run Saturday, June 8th, 2024

Registration from 9:00-11:00am with racing at noon
Corn Hole Tournament Registration at 2:00pm
Curling Rink Grounds in Piney

Southeast Farmers Market June 8th, 2024 from 10:00am – 2:00pm AND

**Every Friday from July 12th to September 6th
from 3:00 – 8:00pm**

Pine Grove Seniors Center in South Junction

Piney Regional Chamber of Commerce Meeting Thursday, June 13th, 2024 at 7:00pm

RM Piney Council Chambers in Vassar
Guest Speaker: Genni Hibbert, Farm Credit Canada

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

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

**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



**SCHOOL'S
OUT FOR
summer**

Summer Job Opportunity:

**Come Join Our Team.. At the
VASSAR COMMUNITY
RECREATIONAL CENTRE**



*Enjoy the fresh air
Learn new skills
Work flexible hours*



*VCRC is anticipating 4-6 full time and part time
positions for the summer.*

**For details or to apply, please send a resume and
cover letter to vassarrecentre@gmail.com**

Jobs are sponsored by:

**Canada Summer Jobs Program
Urban/ Hometown Green Team Program,
Metis Employment and Training**

Preference will be given to employees who can:

- **PROVIDE LIFEGUARDING AND INSTRUCTING SERVICES.**
- **PERFORM GENERAL MAINTENANCE AND UPKEEP (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO GRASS CUTTING, PAINTING, JANITORIAL WORK)**
- **ORGANIZE/ DIRECT YOUTH PROGRAMMING.**
- **BE ORGANIZED AND ARE ABLE TO DEAL WITH MONEY.**

Applicants:

- **Must indicate if they are returning to school in the fall.**
- **Must be legally entitled to work in Canada**
- **May indicate if they are Red River Metis**
- **May need First Aid/CPR and Child Abuse Checks**

Closing Date: June 7th, 2024

Please Note: Positions may be filled as applications are received & will remain open until all positions are filled.



Thank You
FOR
Your Support!

Thank you to everyone who takes the time to support our community events. A lot of time and effort go in to making a community event become a reality. All that dedication is made worth it when our fellow community members take the time to participate in these events.

Thank you!!!



JOIN US FOR OUR
ANNUAL YEARLY PICNIC

LOCATED AT THE

**SPRAGUE & DISTRICT
HISTORICAL MUSEUM**

SUNDAY, JUNE 09, 2024

STARTING AT 12:30 P.M.

EXHIBITS IN SIX BUILDINGS AND OUTDOORS

CELEBRATE WITH US.
ENJOY GREAT LOCAL MUSIC

DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR CAMERA

FREE ADMISSION
HOTDOGS, COFFEE, JUICE & DAINTIES SERVED
DONATIONS ACCEPTED

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN LAWN CHAIR AND IF INCLEMENT WEATHER
LUNCH WILL BE SERVED INDOORS.
We are wheelchair accessible.



Woodridge
FLEA MARKET

Saturday, June 15th

10am - 3pm

M.A. QUEREL COMMUNITY PARK
(Denis Street, next to Woodridge Community Centre)

BBQ Lunch available for purchase

Vendors . . . \$10 registration fee

Bring your own table, tent or whatever you need for your space

Sell all day, Buy all day

FREE PUBLIC ADMISSION



Book Sale

AT THE SPRAGUE COMMUNITY HALL

WEDNESDAY - SATURDAY

JUNE 19 - JUNE 22

WEDNESDAY - FRIDAY

FROM 9AM-7PM

SATURDAY FROM

9AM - 1PM

Fundraiser For East Borderland Personal Care
Home & Senior Housing Phase III.
Book Donations may be dropped off at EBPHCC
(East Borderland Primary Health Care Centre).

Call Tina at 204-437-2772

Volunteers Needed To Help With Sales



Coming to Your Community

Métis Mobile Clinic

Friday, June 28th, 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 seats available) – Please Book Early

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Vaccine appointment/Foot Care
contact: 1-833-390-1041 Ext. 3 or
clinicinfo@mmf.mb.ca

HAPPY
**CANADA
DAY**

**AN EVENING OF FAMILY FUN!
JULY 1ST 2024**

SOUTH JUNCTION COMMUNITY CLUB

**8:30 PM – MEET & GREET
LOCAL ENTERTAINMENT &
FARMERS MARKET**

FREE COFFEE, JUICE, CANADA DAY COOKIES, MINI FLAGS, PINS, ETC.

HOT DOGS FOR SALE IN CANTEEN

10:30 PM (APPROXIMATELY) - SINGING OF O CANADA
FOLLOWED BY FIREWORKS

50/50 DRAW AT 10:15 PM

GROUND FOGGED FOR MOSQUITOES

**Free
Admission**

EVENT MADE POSSIBLE WITH GRANTS
FROM CANADIAN HERITAGE &
THE R.M. OF PINEY.

OTHER DONATIONS TO HELP FUND THIS
EVENT CAN BE MADE ON JULY 1ST AT THE
SOUTH JUNCTION C.C. GROUNDS



 Government
of Canada  Gouvernement
du Canada



SPRAGUE FEST AND



SHOW & SHINE CAR SHOW

SATURDAY AUGUST 10, 2024

Sprague fest email address: spraguefest.ss@gmail.com

INFORMATION ABOUT EVENTS CALL: 204-437-2210; 204-437-2334; 204-437-4683

FREE ENTRY FOR ALL EVENTS EXCEPT DANCE

PANCAKE BREAKFAST 8-10 A.M. (FREE WILL DONATION)

PARADE: REGISTER 10: A.M. STARTS 10:30 (CALL-204-437-2390)

CAR SHOW 11 A.M.- 4:00 P.M. (INFO: CALL 204-380-2811 or 431-275-6357)

SILENT AUCTION: OPEN ALL DAY: DRAW AT SOCIAL LICENCE 383

CONCESSION STAND ALL DAY

"ALL FUN AND GAMES FOR CHILDREN": 11:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.

FACE PAINTING FOR CHILDREN: 12:00-2:00

WOOD CARVING DEMO: 1:00-2:00

BEER GARDEN: 12:00 NOON TO 1:00 A.M. LICENCE W135340

GAMES: PICKLE BALL: HORSE SHOE: CORN HOLE: START 1:00 P.M.

BINGO Lic#426: Starts at 2:00 p.m.

SOCIAL (\$15) MUSIC: "GOOD & DUSTY" 8 p.m.-1 a.m.

ALL PROCEEDS SUPPORT THE SPRAGUE COMMUNITY CENTER



WILDFIRE COMMUNITY PREPAREDNESS

FireSmart™ Home Ignition Zone

The Home Ignition Zone is the area within 30 metres of your home and structures. It is made up of three priority areas: The Immediate Zone, Intermediate Zone, and Extended Zone. The Home Ignition Zone shows how you can minimize your home and property's vulnerability to wildland fire by addressing threats in each of the three priority zones, starting with the most vulnerable area, the Immediate Zone, and working your way outward.

IMMEDIATE ZONE (0m – 1.5m)

The Immediate Zone is a non-combustible area that starts at the house and extends to a 1.5 metre perimeter around the home and attached structures, including decks. Reduce the chance of wind-blown embers igniting your home by starting with these proactive steps:

- Choose non-combustible building materials when constructing or renovating your home.
- Clear vegetation and combustible material down to mineral soil and cover with non-combustible materials like gravel, brick, or concrete.
- Avoid planting woody shrubs or trees. If any are present, prune and maintain them regularly.

INTERMEDIATE ZONE (1.5m – 10m)

Elements in the Intermediate Zone are managed so they don't transmit fire to your home. There are many actions you can take to reduce your home's vulnerability in the Intermediate Zone.

Implementing FireSmart principles to your regular yard work routine will make a big impact in reducing your risk to wildland fire. Measures taken within 10 metres of your home will have the biggest impact. Fire embers may seem small but should not be underestimated. An estimated 90% of homes damaged or destroyed by wildland fire are ignited by sparks and embers. Regular maintenance and cleaning in the corners and crevices of your home and yard where needles and debris build up will leave nothing for embers to ignite. Remember to remove any windblown leaves under decks, as well as any flammable debris from balconies, and patios. Maintain a 1.5 metre non-combustible surface around your home and any attachments, like decks.

EXTENDED ZONE (10m – 30m)

The goal in the Extended Zone is not to eliminate fire, but to reduce its intensity. If your property extends into this zone, there are many proactive measures you can take.

Thin and prune evergreen trees to reduce hazards in this zone. Regularly remove accumulations of fallen branches, and dry grass/needles to eliminate potential surface fuels.

*All information has been provided to you by
FireSmart Canada:*

www.firesmartcanada.ca

THERE'S MORE! Learn about other programs and resources online.



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IS YOUR FAMILY
PREPARED?

Your Emergency Preparedness Guide

72 Hours: Is Your Family Prepared?



IS YOUR FAMILY
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If an emergency happens in your community, it may take emergency workers sometime to reach you. It is your responsibility to be prepared to take care of yourself and your family for a minimum of 72 hours.

These steps will help you take care of your loved ones during an emergency.

Step 1. Know the Risks

Although the consequences of disasters can be similar, knowing the risks in your region can help you better prepare. In Manitoba, we will have dealt with flooding, storms, power outages, wildfires, train derailments, and auto accidents.

Step 2. Make a Plan

Every household needs an emergency plan. It will help you and your family know what to do in case of an emergency.

Plan for Specific Risks

Public Safety Canada offers brochures on specific risks, such as earthquakes, power outages, floods and severe storms.

Neighbourhood Safety Plan

To help make sure everyone is taken care of, assign "block buddies". Set a yearly reminder to update your emergency plan, and on this day, review your contacts, practice your emergency evacuation plans, change batteries in your smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detector. Restock the batteries, food & water in your emergency kits as needed.

Emergency Exits

Draw up a floor plan of your home that shows all exits. Plan main and alternate exit routes from each room.

Meeting Places

Identify safe places where everyone should meet if you cannot go home.

Make Copies of Important Documents

Make copies of birth and marriage certificates, passports, licenses, wills, land deeds and insurance. Take photos of family members in case a lost person's record is created. Keep them in a safe place, both inside and outside your home.

Workplace

Learn about the emergency evacuation plans in place and what you will need to do. It is essential to have basic supplies at work, like water and food that won't spoil, in case you need to stay put for a while. Check with your employer about workplace emergency plans, including fire alarms, emergency exits, meeting points, and designated safety personnel.

Children

Ask your children's school or daycare about their emergency policies. Find out how they will contact families during an emergency and what type of authorization they require to release your children to a designated person if you can't pick them up. Make sure the school or daycare has updated contact information for caregivers and designated persons.

In case of an evacuation, remember that pets are not allowed in some public shelters or hotels. Prepare to take your pets with you to a relative or friend or take steps to identify pet-friendly hotels or pet boarding facilities in your area.

Safe Home Instructions

Make sure you have a working carbon monoxide detector, smoke alarm, fire extinguisher and well-stocked first aid kit. Make sure you have a fire extinguisher on every level of your home, including one in your kitchen. Teach children how and when to dial 9-1-1 as well as how to call the designated out-of-town contact.

In an Emergency

Follow your emergency plan / Get your emergency kit / Make sure you are safe before assisting others / Listen to the radio or television for updates / Local officials may advise you to stay where you are / Follow their instructions / Stay put until all is safe or until you are ordered to evacuate.

Evacuation Orders

Authorities will not ask you to leave your home unless they have reason to believe that you may be in danger. If you are ordered to evacuate, take your emergency kit, your wallet, personal identification for each family member and copies of family documents with you. Bring a cellular phone and charger with you. Use travel routes specified by local authorities. Take pets with you. Lock your home. Follow instructions from authorities. If you go to an evacuation centre, register your personal information at the registration desk. Do not return home until authorities advise that it is safe to do so.

Step 3. Get an Emergency Kit

In an emergency, you may need to get by without power or tap water. Be prepared to be self-sufficient for at least 72 hours. Have food, water and a battery-operated/crank flashlight as well as all your families' essential documents and wallets. Make sure your kit is easy to carry and everyone in the household knows where it is.

*All information has been provided to you by The Government of Canada:
<https://www.getprepared.gc.ca/cnt/rsrscs/pblctns/yprrdnssgd/index-en.aspx>*