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12th Annual Vintage Snowmobile Poker Derby

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DEADLINE!

**Deadline—Monday 9am
prior to release.**

Weather Outlook

**Wed Jan 29 -1
Cloudy**



**Thurs Jan 30 -1
Partially sunny**



**Fri. Jan 31 -10
Cloudy**



**Sat. Feb 1 -7
Flurries**



**Sun. Feb 2 -7
Cloudy**



This year the Birtle firefighter's annual Vintage Snowmobile Derby will be held on **Sunday February 23rd** at the Birtle Fire Hall. Registration is from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. The trail winds itself through the Birdtail Valley for a scenic ride of the Birdtail area.

We are hoping for a good turnout again, as this is a fun day and a chance to see the snowmobiles of yesterday. After the ride the snowmobiles are put on display. Everyone can and is encouraged to vote on the machine they like the best. The votes are counted and a trophy is awarded as the People's Choice for the most favourite snowmobile.

This derby is one of the fundraising events held annually by the firefighters. The funds raised are used to buy specialised equipment for our fire department. Our most recent project was the completion of our forced air drying rack for our turnout gear, purchase of a utility shed, 1/2 inch impact wrench, 3 air bottles and 2 support struts for stabilizing vehicles or structures.

The equipment purchased this year totaled \$11,966.78 dollars. This was all purchased with money that was donated to our equipment fund as well as raised by the department members through events like the Vintage Snowmobile Derby and our annual Pancake Breakfast.

The members of the fire department will once again be out looking for your support of this derby, through the sale of silent rider tickets which makes you eligible to win a cash prize



and prizes for our raffle table. A raffle table is set up with prizes that are donated by local and surrounding area businesses and also by individuals who donated prizes. Draw tickets are sold on the raffle prizes at the derby.

Last year's pay out was 1st for riders and silent riders \$755.00 each, 2nd place for each \$453.00 and 3rd place for each was \$302.00.

If you have a Vintage Snowmobile of 25 years or older bring it down and come for the ride with us, or if you like just come down in the afternoon and join us for a coffee and see the old snowmobiles as they come back from the trail and are on display. This always brings back memories and stories of our early snowmobiling days.

Hope to see you there.

TWIN VALLEY TREASURE Hunt

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Birtle Elementary School is One of the 9 Projects Selected for Grant Allocations

We are incredibly grateful to the Birtle and District Foundation for selecting Birtle Elementary School as one of the successful project recipients for the 2024 grant allocations. The generous donation we received will go towards the installation of a double saucer swing on our playground. We are excited to announce that we are already over halfway to reaching our fundraising goal, and we look forward to having the swing installed as soon as the remaining funds are raised.



Last year, the Birtle and District Foundation also supported the installation of our solar crosswalk, which was completed in August 2024. This ongoing support plays a crucial role in enhancing both our school and the larger community.

Thank you again to the Birtle and District Foundation for their continued commitment to enriching our educational environment and improving our community projects.

Birtle & District Foundation



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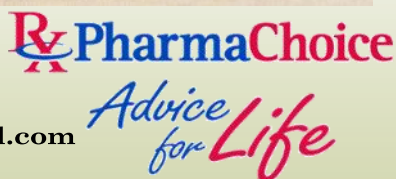
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On January 26th Birtle Fire Department was called to a barn fire, upon arrival we quickly rescued this little guy and extinguished the straw that was on the floor. I'm happy to report that no animals were harmed and this little guy still has a place to keep warm.

ISABELLA NEWS - By Linda Clark

Jan 21 2025

Our Isabella community extends its deepest sympathy to Amy and Jamie Bell, Spencer, Corbin and Reagan on the death of Amy's mom and their grandma Connie Ellis. Connie died on December 21, 2024 at the Elkwood Manor PCH in Elkhorn. We also extend our sympathy to Amy's dad, Harry Ellis and her sisters Stacey and Craig Lane and Kari and Steve Haggarty and their families.



Don Clark and Julie Moroney, Victoria BC shared the news of the death of their oldest brother Brian Clark on January 14th. We extend our sympathy to Don and Julie and her family. Brian was raised at Isabella, the oldest son of the late Russell and Eileen Clark, moving to Victoria with his family in the early 70's. He spent a large part of his career in the Yukon managing an airport.

He loved life up north enabling him to participate in his favorite sport of fishing. Several of us will remember Brian's return visits to Isabella on his Harley Davidson.

A successful Buck Night was held in the Isabella Hall on Friday evening with a good crowd in attendance to enjoy the supper, and for the many prizes available. This evening was organized by the Dushnicky family. Well done folks!

**Open Pickleball
Starts up again this
Thurs Jan 9th
6:00 to 7:30pm**

**Birtle Elementary.
Everyone welcome.
We have extra paddles.
No cost program.**



**New Hours
at the Birtle Value Shoppe**

**Monday - 1:30-4:30
Wednesday - 1:30-4:30
Thursday - 4:30-7:30
Friday - 1:30-4:30**



We would like to invite the Communities of Miniota, Arrow River, Beulah, Isabella and Crandall to an information meeting regarding "reactivating" our Age Friendly Initiative in our Municipality.

**On: Tuesday Feb 4th at 1pm
Miniota Hall**

**Why should you attend?
Your presence, your voice and your actions
have the power to make a difference to
encourage healthy lifestyles, inclusion,
accessibility and a supported age group.**

Presentation by Marg Fraser "our local Consultant with Manitoba Association of Senior Communities" followed by a discussion session.

**AGE FRIENDLY
Manitoba**

For more info contact Martyn at 204-842-3460
recreation@myprairieview.ca

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SIX LITTLE STORIES WITH LOTS OF MEANINGS

- Once all villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer, all the people gathered, but only one boy came with an umbrella. That is faith.
- When you throw babies in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them. That is trust.
- Every night we go to bed without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but still we set alarms to wake up. That is hope.
- We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. That is confidence.
- We see the world suffering, but still, we get married and have children. That is love.
- On an old man's shirt was written a sentence *I am not 80 years old; I am sweet 16 with 64 years of experience." That is attitude.

Have a happy day and live your life like these six stories. Remember - Good friends are the rare jewels of life, difficult to find and impossible to replace!!



Everyone should know about: PAP TEST



Women Wellness Clinic Date:
Cervical Screening

March 4, 2025
9 AM – 3 PM

Location: Birtle Medical Clinic

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Call: 204-842-3990

 PRAIRIE MOUNTAIN HEALTH

**Valley Services for Seniors
Birtle Drop-in Centre
Valley Recreation**

Presents the singing group:

*Three's
Company*



**Tuesday, Feb 18th
Birtle Drop-in Centre
2:30pm**

Coffee, Tea and Dainties served.

\$5.00 per person.



Holistic Highlights

with Zoey Jebb



Locally Made Skin Care Products available in Birtle!

A new shop has popped up in Birtle's CDC Building and the products are worth checking out!

Made with natural ingredients right here in Prairie View, Natural & Rooted offers simple, clean skin care products for the whole family.

From soaps and lotions to serums and hydrosols... traditional products with ingredients like grass-fed tallow and locally grown herbs... "skin care your ancestors used".

Check them out on facebook or at www.naturalnrooted.com

Wellness Made Easy

Never underestimate the power of a good "cat stretch" after a restful night's sleep.

Simple and gentle movements like spinal twists, knee-to-chest hugs and full-body stretches, done while still lying in bed, can take just a few moments but their benefits can last throughout the day.

Stretching in the morning is a great way to wake up your muscles and rehydrate your fascia. It has been shown to improve blood flow, reduce stiffness and pain, and boost your mood.

It's extra helpful to stretch before placing any load on your muscles. So, go ahead and stay in bed a few more minutes - just don't fall back asleep!



Delicious & Nutritious

Breakfast Banana Split

Cut a banana in half lengthways and lay out both slices with some yogurt in the middle.

Add toppings like granola, fruit, nuts, chia or coconut flakes...

Bonus: this is a great "treat" for kids and they will love picking their toppings and making their own!

Mindful Moments: Body Scan

A body scan is a technique where you bring awareness to different parts of your body. You can practice it for a few minutes while sitting or lying down:

1. Start by bringing your attention to your feet. Notice any sensations, such as tension, heaviness or warmth.
2. Slowly move your attention up your body - your calves, knees, thighs, and so on - paying attention to how each area feels as you go.
3. Notice any areas of tension or relaxation. But don't judge. Just notice.
4. If your mind wanders, gently bring it back to the body part you were focusing on and continue until you have "tuned in" to your whole body.

This practice can help release tension and promote relaxation while strengthening your mind-body connection.

Wishing you Wellness

- Zoey

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All we ask is that you take a picture while enjoying the trails and TAG us on Facebook or Insta. This will help us promote the trail and our area. We hope you have so much fun!!



12th Annual Vintage Snowmobile Derby & Show Sunday, Feb. 23, 2025 Birtle, MB

For more info. call
Kevin 204-773-6405
Or
Butch 204-773-6413



Registration 11 AM—1 PM @ Birtle Fire Hall

This ride is intended for vintage sleds 25 yrs. or older

It has been created with the Vintage Snowmobiles in mind
The ~ 20 mi. long trail will be well marked with some of it winding through scenic Birdtail Valley

**There will be a Vintage Sled display area in front of the Fire Hall
For your enjoyment**

Riders: \$10.00 or 3/\$20.00
Silent riders: \$5.00 or 3/\$10.00



50% Payout

Lunch will be provided after the ride at the Fire Hall

Door prize will be drawn at lunch!!

Proceeds go to the Birtle Fire Department *Special Equipment Fund*

Birtle Lab Hours

8:30-3:00

Wednesday, January 8 2025

Wednesday, January 15 2025

Wednesday, January 22 2025

Wednesday, January 29 2025

BIRTLE NEWS - By Jan Fleury

Jan 14 2025

Joan McDonald spent Christmas in Selkirk with her son Murray and Graeme McDonald. They were joined by her granddaughter Megan & Brett and great granddaughter Violet and grandson Mark for the celebrations.

Congratulations to the winners of the Prairie View Christmas light up contest for 2024. Winners are Birtle - Pat Barnes and Scott & Rachel Zarn, Miniota - Patrick and Tracie Cousins and Rod McKean and Mandy Sanders, Foxwarren - Harris and Joy Toole and Allan and Linda Butler and the Prairie View rural - Dave and Heather Lelond.

Last weekend saw several teams of horses and sleighs embark on the trails at Riding Mountain National Park. Attending teams were Dan Shawluk, Clayton Kunzelman, Jim Lane, Norman Graham and Kelly Graham. Besides the beautiful winter scenery, they enjoyed a lunch cooked on the open fire-pit.

Congratulations to the Shoal Lake/Birtle Eagles U13 hockey team who competed in the Tournament of Champions in Elkhorn last weekend, losing their first game in the final. Birtle players are Griffin Bell, Denny Tomiski, Rhett VandenHeuvel, Lincoln Koroscil, Claire Corr and Jacey Lane.

Jan 21 2025

Hopefully everyone has survived our adverse weather over the past few days! The storm last Friday followed by extreme cold warnings resulted in many events being cancelled. Relief is on the way!

The students at BCI have had much success of late. Both the boys and girls curling teams won their Zone and advanced to the Provincial Championship in Beauséjour in February. The mixed team also did well at the Zones. The Varsity girls basketball team attended a tournament in Russell on Sunday and

finished first in their pool. Congratulations to all and good luck in provincials to the curling teams.

Jan 28 2025

The annual Lions Journey for Sight snowmobile ride arrived in Birtle last Friday and fueled up their sleds and loaded them on the trailers before proceeding to the Birtle Curling Club where the Birtle Lions Club hosted a supper and presented them with a generous donation towards their cause. They left after the meal to proceed to Shoal Lake where they were spending the night. For those who are not aware, this fund raiser was started in Birtle years ago by the Birtle Lions Club. It started out of Flin Flon and journeyed south from there and this starting point remains today with a few changes in the route. All the proceeds go to the Lions Eye Bank.

The Birtle Fire Department were called to a barn fire last Sunday where they rescued a calf and extinguished the straw that was on the floor. No animals were harmed and the building will serve to keep them warm. This item was also featured on Global News on Monday evening. Thank you to all the volunteers for your service.

Myrtle Lane, along with Liz Finch and Laura Sala, enjoyed watching the Jets game against Calgary last Sunday. Myrtle was fortunate to win tickets purchased from a Manitoba High School Rodeo Assoc. raffle.

The longest month of the year has finally come to an end and it has been quite the month weather wise. Windy and warm, windy and cold, with lots of storms and school closures.



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LANDFILL HOURS
 AS OF OCTOBER 1ST

BIRTLE LANDFILL

TUESDAY	1:15-3:15PM
WEDNESDAY	3:00-5:00PM
THURSDAY	1:15-3:15PM
FRIDAY	3:00-5:00PM
SATURDAY	10:00AM-12:00PM & 1:00-4:00PM

The Miniota Community Centre is starting 2025 off with an online 50/50 fundraiser! The Raffle will run from now till our Annual Spring Steak Night Fundraiser which will be held Friday April 11, 2025.

The proceeds from the 50/50 will be split between our Facility Expansion Project and the ongoing maintenance of our current facility. Thank you and good luck to everyone!



Miniota Community Centre

The Facility Enhancement Committee, along with the MCC board, would like to extend a HUGE thank you to TUNDRA OIL & GAS for their generous donation of \$100 000! These funds will be put towards Phase Two of our project, installing artificial ice. Phase two is scheduled to start in the spring thanks to generous donations like this!

Our committee is very appreciative of Tundra's support and the excited faces in the photo show it! Thanks again!!



GRAND OPENING

Aleksandra Fashion Designer

I invite you to an open house at my studio on February 1st, 12:00 PM, 684 Main Street, CDC. I'm preparing honey cake and surprises.



BIRTLE LIONS CLUB - JOURNEY FOR SIGHT

Journey for Sight would like to send out a huge thank you to the various volunteers, groomers and the many many others that never get recognized for the work they do behind the scenes to make this event the success that it is. It really does take a community of good hearted people to make things run so smoothly.

As of the most recent count without the donations sent directly to the Eye Bank, the Journey for Sight riders (and there were only 11 for most of the ride) raised a whopping \$31,000+!!!

What an amazing feat! The generosity of Manitobans is phenomenal!!!!

Thank you thank you from the bottom of our hearts!!! Keep up the awesome work you all do.

Birtle Lions Club members came out to support and welcome some of the Journey For Sight Riders. Following a delicious Chinese Food Supper a presentation in the amount of \$3,000 was donated to the 2025 Journey for Sight Ride.

Making the presentation on behalf of the club was (left to right) President Lion Ryan Kirkpatrick and Lion Fred Barteaux to Randy Ewankiw, accepting on behalf of the Journey for Sight Snowmobilers.

Thank-you to all the riders and support crew who are working towards making the 2025 Ride a success.



LANDFILL HOURS

AS OF OCTOBER 1ST

MINIOTA LANDFILL

TUESDAY	3:00-4:30PM
FRIDAY	10:00-11:30AM & 3:00-4:30PM
SATURDAY	9:15AM-12:00PM

Let's Celebrate Class of 1975!
 If you graduated from the Birtle Collegiate 50 years ago next June we want to hear from you! Contact Heather at heathermiller_dtm@shaw.ca Let's see YOU next June (2025)!

CLASS OF 1975

SNOW PLOWING PRIVATE PROPERTIES

Snow from private driveways/lanes cannot be left on the municipal roadway or shoulders.

Piles of snow left on or near the road can freeze and create a hazardous situation for vehicles and snowplows. Piles of snow also increase the chance of drifting on the roadway.

ACCIDENTS AND DAMAGE CAUSED BY SNOW PILES PLACED IN THE ROADWAY MAY RESULT IN LIABILITY TO THE PROPERTY OWNER.

Exciting New Classes For FEBRUARY and MARCH 2025



Mixed Media with Dar

Use a variety of techniques on a framed hard canvas

(The picture shows the technique we'll be using - however, we'll be doing a different bird scene with many ideas to choose from.)



February 7th, 2025
from 1 pm – 4 pm.

Registration fee: \$85
Instructor: Dar Strong

Where: 671 Main Street, Birtle Manitoba

To Register: Register online at www.birtlearts.ca/currentclasses. Click on the class poster and the registration form will pop up. You can also call 204-842-3846 or email info@birtlearts.ca. The Registration Fee must be paid to secure your spot. E-transfer to info@birtlearts.ca (and note what class you are paying for in the message area.) Or mail cheques payable to "Birtle Centre for the Arts" Box 460, Birtle, MB ROMOCO Refunds can be issued up to one week before the class.



Cricut for adult beginners

Learn how to use your Cricut machine. Bring your own Cricut machine and laptop with updated Cricut software.

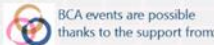


February 6th, 2025
from 10 – 11 am.

Registration fee: \$20.00
Instructor: Colette Livingstone

Where: 671 Main Street, Birtle Manitoba

To Register: Register online at www.birtlearts.ca/currentclasses. Click on the class poster and the registration form will pop up. You can also call 204-842-3846 or email info@birtlearts.ca. The Registration Fee must be paid to secure your spot. E-transfer to info@birtlearts.ca (and note what class you are paying for in the message area.) Or mail cheques payable to "Birtle Centre for the Arts" Box 460, Birtle, MB ROMOCO Refunds can be issued up to one week before the class.



Mosaics for adults

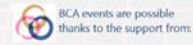
Design your own mosaic tray



Three Wednesday afternoons, starting March 5th, 2025 from 1 pm - 3 pm. Registration fee: \$50. Instructors: Pat and Shirley

Where: 671 Main Street, Birtle Manitoba

To Register: Register online at www.birtlearts.ca/currentclasses. Click on the class poster and the registration form will pop up. You can also call 204-842-3846 or email info@birtlearts.ca. The Registration Fee must be paid to secure your spot. E-transfer to info@birtlearts.ca (and note what class you are paying for in the message area.) Or mail cheques payable to "Birtle Centre for the Arts" Box 460, Birtle, MB ROMOCO Refunds can be issued up to one week before the class.



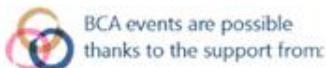
Birtle Centre for the Arts
Creating Community

Valentine's Day Kids' Craft

FEBRUARY 12TH, 2025
3:30 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.

Registration Fee: \$10.00/person
Where: 671 Main Street, Birtle, MB
Instructor: Sally Donald

To register, please visit us online at www.birtlearts.ca/currentclasses. Click on the class poster and the Registration Form will open. For further information, call 204-842-3846, or email info@birtlearts.ca. Fees must be paid in full to secure your spot. E-transfer to info@birtlearts.ca (and note which class you are paying for in the message area.) Mail cheques to Box 460, Birtle, MB, ROMOCO. Refunds can be made up to one week prior to class.



Open Sewing Studio

Have a sewing project to work on, or want to get started on one?

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Every third Saturday
January 18, February 15,
March 15, and April 19

9:30am to 12:30pm
\$5.00 drop-in fee.

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Sewing experience required, but assistance is available.

For more information please call Shirley Barteaux at 204-847-0675



THE VALUE SHOPPE



STORIES OF DAYS GONE BY

Written By Laurie Harvey Parobec

Another Foxwarren hockey/rink story as told by my dad, George Simms.....

The first organized hockey in Manitoba was a Junior A league in Winnipeg. Then a decision was made for a Junior B league for rural Manitoba. Up until that time there was just home & away games, where you would play at a neighbouring town and then that town would come to Foxwarren to play. There were no leagues. In 1944, in the Junior B league, Foxwarren lost to Shoal Lake in the finals. In 1945 Foxwarren defeated Teulon in the final to win the Baldy Northcott Trophy. The game was played in Winnipeg. With 4 minutes left in the game the score was 4-2 for Teulon but Foxwarren won in overtime with a score of 5-4. That was the first time that the Foxwarren team had played on artificial ice. In 1946 Foxwarren lost to Teulon in the final round. Glenn Breakey (brother of Evelyn Simms) played on the team that year. In 1948, the year Clarence (George's brother) was in Grade 12, Andy Low thought there was still enough good players to enter a team in the league. Clarence was going to school in Russell then and he told Andy the names of some guys he should get from Russell and Andy trusted him. Clarence played on the team and there were 3 players from Russell, two from Binscarth and someone from Rosssburn. In the wintertime the road from Rosssburn to Russell was quite often blocked so Carmen Ryan would take his plane and pick up the guy from Rosssburn for the games. In the playoffs, they were to play two games and team with the most goals would win, but it ended up in a tie. The referee didn't know what to do when it was tied so he made a call to



someone and it was decided that they would play a third game. It was supposed to be on neutral ice but Melvin Graham negotiated that they would play in Shoal Lake and Foxwarren would get two thirds of the gate. Foxwarren won the game. Then they went on to play Neepawa. That was a long way to travel so someone got the idea that they should rent a train. The local CPR station agent was asked and his reply was "Rent a train? Whoever heard of renting a train?" Melvin Graham contacted someone he knew and managed to arrange to rent a train to pick them up. The train started in Inglis and picked up players and fans along the way. Mom and dad and I went. Delmar Bamford was there too. They won against Neepawa and the train brought them all back. They played another team after that. I can't remember the name of the town but they ended up winning the championship and the Baldy Northcott Trophy. It was after that year that they began having organized leagues for minor hockey.

I found this photo of the Foxwarren team in 1948.....the team that took the train to Neepawa to play and won the championship. Please let me know if we have any of the names wrong or if you know the 2 players whose names we don't have.

Back row: Edgar Armitage (backup goalie), Ron McGranachan, Tom Fowler, ? , Andy Low, Marshall Glasman

Middle Row: Jack Mather, Clarence Simms, Bob Anderson, Spud Lougheed (goalie)

Front Row: Ernie Woodhouse, Don Smith, ? , Bill Low, Tom Tibbatts



VALLEY SERVICES for SENIORS

Tuesday Wednesday Thursday 9-4pm PH: 204-842-3296

Valleyserviceforseniors@gmail.com

Facebook: Valley Service for Seniors-Birtle

Weekly Activities

Tuesday 9-10 Walking
10-11 Exercises
11 Coffee

Wednesday 9-10 Walking
9-4 Office and home visits

Thursday 9-10 Walking
10-11 Exercises
1:30 Floor Curling

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Miniota Curling Club
2024-2025



Open Curling

Monday Afternoons at 1:30 pm
Thursday Evenings at 7:30 pm

Fees:

1 Time per week: \$150 for full season
\$75 for half season

2 times per week: \$185 for full season
\$90 for half season

Drop in: \$15 per time

Junior Curling

Thursday's at 5:30 pm
Ages: 8 and up

Fees: \$60 or full season
\$30 for half season

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Greetings from the Birtle Breakfast Group in Brandon.

We meet at Smitty's (north hill) first Tuesday of each month. 9 am

Come join us for some great reminiscing.



MINIOTA HAPPENINGS

From the desk of Linda Clark

Jan 14 2025

Stan and Bonnie Bryant are excited to announce the arrival of a great grandson, Koen Leslie, born on December 27th to Claudia Bryant and Lance Brown of Virden. Koen is also welcomed by his big sisters Scarlett and Ivy and grandparents Dean and Denise Bryant and Les Brown.

Congratulations to the Miniota Elkhorn U11 hockey team who brought home Gold from the Rosburn hockey tournament on the weekend!

My apologies on a reporting error: The Light Up Prairie View winners for the town of Miniota were Patrick and Tracie Cousins and Rod McKean and Mandy Sanders. Next year Ted and Anna!

“Do your little bit of good where you are. It’s those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world.” Desmond Tutu

Jan 21 2025

Sympathy is extended to Stan and Bonnie Bryant and their family and Sheila Lockhart and her family on the death of their brother-in-law, Colin Campbell of Abbotsford BC. Our thoughts are with Judy(Bryant) Campbell and her sons and their families on their loss.

We also extend sympathy to Gerry and Dorothy Gow and their family on the death of Dorothy’s brother Bill Rowan, formerly of Elkhorn.

Congratulations to both the girls and the boys curling rinks from the Birtle Collegiate Institute, on successfully placing first in zones last week at Hamiota. Curling from Miniota were: Tiffany and Lexi Brown, Quinn Bryant, Carson Brown, Baker Bryant and Aiden Lewis. Both the boys and girls rinks go on to provincials at Beausejour next month. Good luck!

The Valley Vipierz Volleyball team playing out of Birtle travelled to Regina this past weekend for their first tournament. Miniota players are Reese Lelond, Quinn Bryant and Tiffany Brown and the assistant coach is Tricia Lelond. The Vipierz came home with the bronze medals. Congratulations!

A very busy weekend once again at our community centre with the open curling bonspiel and the Skunkies hockey tournament. The bonspiel was played on points with each rink curling 3 games. Winners were as follows: 1st Trevor Clark 2nd Jason McKenzie 3rd Jason Heaman 4th Anesha Heaman 5th Nick Young and 6th Murray Foster. Six teams entered in the tournament with A side going to Miniota, B Side to Kenton and C Side to Elkhorn. Lots of good food and fellowship despite the cool temps.

“Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time.” Thomas A. Edison

Jan 28 2025

The Miniota United Church Women held their annual meeting on January 21st at the church. All annual reports were accepted. Catering prices and the budget were set for 2025. Two

fundraisers dates were established with April 27th for a roast beef supper and October 19th for the turkey supper. The executive for 2025 is as follows: Chairperson Linda Clark, Vice Margaret Still, Secretary Beth Lelond, and Treasurer Kerrie Williams. Representatives were appointed to plan World Day of Prayer for March 7th with the Miniota ACW.

A busy time for the rink as the U11 Provincial Playoffs were held at the Miniota Community Centre this past weekend with teams participating from Rivers, Hamiota, Birtle, Tri Valley, Shoal Lake, and Miniota. Placing for Provincials were Shoal Lake for Division ‘B’ and Rivers for Division ‘C’. Our local Miniota players finished third in the ‘C’ Division. Congratulations to all the players and coaches!

“Your purpose isn’t to gain the approval of the world, but to be a light in it.” Author Unknown



Grants 2025

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BIRTLE LIONS CLUB GENEROSITY CONTINUES

Birtle Lions Club kicks off a New Year with a generous donation to the recently formed Valley Viperz 15U all girls regional Volleyball Team. Our \$3,000 donation will go towards equipment purchases.

Making the presentation on behalf of the Club is President Lion Ryan Kirkpatrick to parent volunteers Tracy Howe and Adrienne Chartier (left to right).

We wish the team a fun and successful season!

When you drive into Birtle from the west you will also notice that the Welcome To Birtle Sign has been updated and looks fantastic. They would like to thank our local Public Works Crew for assisting with putting up the new signage.



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