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The weather was perfect Saturday morning May 27 when this first group of 2 km runners set out at the beginning of Carman's annual Boyne Book It Fun Run. There were 164 registrants for this spring's event, including a big group of Carman Cool Cats, a Grades 2 to 5 running club. See pg. 8 and 9 for more coverage.

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# Vote for your Yard of the week before June 30

#### By Lorraine Stevenson

A summer initiative to recognize beautiful yards is returning to our community this year.

Carman and Dufferin Communities in Bloom will highlight five yards in town during each of the five weeks of July, plus a yard in the RM and two local businesses.

CIB organized Yard of the Week last year as part of Year of the Garden 2022 celebrations, highlighting beautiful yards in town and the RM on CIB's Facebook page and in this newspaper. Yard of the Week was very well-received and CIB wants to do this again, said Paula Learmond, CIB volunteer.

Things will be done a little differently this year. Last year volunteer judges did a tour of an assigned section of town and made recommendations to CIB. This year CIB is asking everyone to participate by voting for the yards they think most deserve recognition.

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Vanderveen's Greenhouses to case your vote, said Learmond.

"We will get a good cross section of choices if we open up the selections to everyone in the Carman and Dufferin area," she said.

In addition, in August CIB will also highlight a yard in the RM, plus two local businesses deserving of recognition.

Votes will be accepted up to June 30. Ballots will then be counted by Learmond and other CIB volunteers to determine which yards to highlight.

Curb appeal, shade trees, and well-kept lawns and flower beds are all features to look for when deciding which yard you'd like to vote for, said Learmond. The size of the property is not relevant, and even the smallest yards are most certainly eligible.

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"We are really looking forward to the choices for Yard of the Week in Carman and the one yard in the RM of Dufferin," said Learmond. "I hope that this is an event that will continue on for years to come. Every yard is unique, whether it is featuring flowers, trees and shrubs,



STANDARD PHOTO BY LORRAINE STEVENSON

CIB volunteer Paula Learmond is co-ordinating the Yard of the Week recognitions this summer and encourages people to vote for a yard that deserves special recognition.

or vegetable gardens so please take the time to make a choice."

Similar to last year, a photo will be taken with permission of homeowners in their yards for publication in this newspaper and on CIB's Facebook page. Homeowners will also receive a hanging floral basket donated by Vanderveen's Greenhouses Ltd.



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# New title sponsor for Dufferin Agricultural Society Exhibit Hall



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Carman Ford is the official title sponsor of the Dufferin Agricultural Society's Exhibit Hall, providing essential funds to help during the Carman Fair while, helping drive future efforts to make the Exhibit Hall accessible for all events throughout the year. Left to right: Kim Knutson (Exhibit Hall Committee member), Jenien Holtland and Marcy Vandenbos (co-directors of the Exhibit Hall Committee), Bob Wall, Paul Jansen (Carman Ford), Nathan Krahn (KB Marketing).

#### By Ty Dilello

Exciting times are ahead for the Dufferin Agricultural Society's (DAS) Exhibit Hall as it welcomes a new title sponsor. Carman Ford, known for its commitment to community development, has stepped up as the official title sponsor, providing necessary funds to run the DAS Exhibit Hall during the Carman Fair and helping drive future efforts to make it accessible for all events throughout the year.

The Exhibit Hall hosts many community-based programs, including Youth for Christ Back Door camp and Book it Fun Run, as well as private and corporate functions. During the Carman Country Fair, it hosts one of the largest exhibitions of its kind in Canada, playing a vital role in showcasing local talent and encouraging community engagement.

"A huge thanks to Carman Ford so that the Exhibit Hall can be back to its former excellence," said Marcy Vandenbos, director of the DAS Exhibit

#### Hall committee.

The DAS Exhibit Hall committee has long believed that the Exhibit Hall should be open to everyone. This inclusivity is made possible by the commitment of sponsors like Carman Ford, who understand the importance of supporting local talent.

The DAS Exhibit Hall committee, comprising of Marcy Vandenbos, Jenien Holtland, and Kim Knutson, continues to work tirelessly to ensure that the Exhibit Hall remains a platform for showcasing the talents and achievements of all community members. KB Marketing also had a hand in helping out and keeping the Exhibit Hall running smoothly.

From children's Lego creations and finger-paintings to photography, sewing, and woodworking projects, the hall embraces diversity and welcomes entries from people of all ages and skill levels.

"For many junior exhibitors, the prize money is essential in allowing

them to re-invest in their arts, crafts, and artisan projects," said Jenien Holtland, co-director of the DAS Exhibit Hall committee.

In addition to providing opportunities for the younger generation, the Exhibit Hall also dedicates a section exclusively for adults aged 60+. This senior section showcases skills in crafts, woodworking, quilting, and more, highlighting their invaluable contributions to the community.

Entry into the Exhibit Hall is made simple, with the convenience of online submissions. Access to the prize list, entry forms, and online registration are available at www.carmancountryfair.ca. The deadline for inperson entries is July 10 at 5:00 PM, while online entries will be accepted until 10:00 PM.

The DAS Exhibit Hall Committee deeply thanks Carman Ford for their invaluable sponsorship. This year's Carman Country Fair will occur from July 13-15. Carman Ford has stepped up to become the official title, sponsor of the Dufferin Agricultural Society's Exhibit Hall, providing necessary funds to run the DAS Exhibit Hall during the Carman Fair and help drive future efforts to make the Exhibit Hall accessible for all events throughout the year.



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## Flashback...rebuilding an airplane one stitch at a time

#### By Dennis Young

In the 1960s, many Carman and area men showed keen interest in aviation, with several owning their light aircraft. Working together, they could rent land and build a sod airstrip outside town.

In the fall of 1962, four local pilots took on a project of recovering and renovating a Piper J-3 found in Minnesota that needed new wing fabric before it could fly again. Ivor Milne, Allen Johnston, Howard Bennett and Jack Hetherington began towing the fuselage behind their car with the wings mounted on top.

Following a formal inspection of its tubing and the wings, the men learned to stitch fabric before the covering process. The high-quality cotton cover came in a slip-on form pulled over the wings and cut to fit in preparation for doping. Doping is using a 3M glue to hold the cover in place, then wetted down and allowed to dry. After a second coat, the wing section was ready for stitching.

That involves many hours of meticulous work. First, a particular ny-

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make our bones weak.



PHOTO SUBMITTED Jack Hetherington with the rebuilt piper.

lon thread is run every 4-6 inches from the top of the rib, through the wing, around the bottom of the rib, up through the wing again then tied. Then, several more coats of doping, one with an aluminum additive to keep the fabric from deteriorating in the sun, are done before sanding begins with wet sandpaper.

The last of nine coats after sanding is a coloured dope to give the wings a finished look. The fuselage, tail surface, elevator, rudder etc, were all done in the same doping manner, except there was no stitching. The craft was now ready for reassembly, starting with the landing gear.

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Tv Dilello

The cabin lining, instrument panel, gas tank, windshields, control cables, engine mount and 65HP continental engine were put into place. With interest peaking, more able bodies jumped on board to assist in the project in Milne's garage. It would take some nine weeks to do such, guided by a WW1 aircraft mechanic Bill Thompson.

Application to the Dept of Transport was filed for a license under the new ultra-light category, enabling owners to do their own work on planes rather than licensed engineers. So mainly for those who wish to build home-built aircraft. One of the stipulations is it must be test flown for 75 hours within a radius of 25 miles by a pilot who has logged over 200 hours of flying time. Each flight must be recorded, and each flight must be solo.

A commercial pilot, Albert Colpitts, did the test flights and was seen flying the cub whenever weather was favourable, providing the hours required to register this Piper for those four dedicated aviators.

## Redboine Watershed offering well water testing Submitted by Redboine Watershed District

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# Nine Lives Fashions will continue under new ownership

#### By Ty Dilello

On June 1, Nine Lives Fashion will undergo changes and a new name as store owner Marge Warkentin has sold her business to Michelle Weir and Tracey Falk of Evensong Shoppe. The clothing consignment store will now operate as "Evensong Closet" going forward.

The Nine Lives Fashion clothing consignment store has been in Carman for nearly 30 years. From its humble beginnings as "Twice Treasured" in a basement one Christmas, it has moved three times over the years.

Warkentin was the third owner of the business after Dorothy Axdal and Margaret Riddell. Warkentin and her husband Dale purchased Nine Lives Fashions 13 years ago in 2010. When they bought the business, they also purchased the building that housed Women's World and moved the consignment business into that space at 40 First Street SW.

Now that she's moving on from the business, Warkentin has many fond memories to look back on over the past 13 years.

"The best part of the job is meeting the customers and consignors and the friendships," said Marge Warkentin. "I have enjoyed the challenge of the business and appreciate the many new things I have learned."

In recent weeks, Warkentin has been reminded by many people how important her business is to the people in Carman and its surrounding area. Thanks to Warkentin, many young families have been able to afford good quality clothes for their kids.

"Our nearly 400 consignors have received payment for clothing and accessories that they no lon-



Marge Warkentin of Nine Lives Fashion is retiring after 13 years of owning her clothing consignment store.

ger need or want," said Warkentin. "We have kept many, many items out of landfills, which has been good for the environment. And for some of our customers, Nine Lives has been a fun place to come on a regular basis and meet up with friends and do a little shopping."

Warkentin is also delighted with the success of Nine Lives' Jewelry Donation Program. By May 31, they will have raised over \$25,000 through donations, which have returned to our community, supporting local agencies. This year it is going to the school lunch programs in the Carman public school. Still, throughout the years, it has helped the Splash Pad, Boyne Regional Library, Habitat for Humanity, and the Carman Community Pathway, to name a few.

Selling Nine Lives Fashion and moving on to retirement will be a huge change for Warkentine, but she is also looking forward to it.

"The goal that Dale and I had was that we would be able to sell the consignment business and the property at the same time to the same people, as I really wanted the business to continue. We were very happy that Michelle Weir and Tracey Falk, owners of Evensong Shoppe, decided to purchase these from us and are ready to combine their business with this one."

Warkentin also believes that Evensong will be a great partner to carry the business forward under a new name and continue providing excellent services to the people in Carman.

"We believe these two businesses will work well together in this location. We believe the customer base of each store will complement each other. Michelle and Tracey are young and will bring their own ideas and plans to make this combination work successfully. It will be good to have the various spaces in this building filled and useful once again."

Warkentin says she will miss the people she encountered in her business, including employees, customers, and consignors. However, now with a

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# 6 The Carman-Dufferin Standard Thursday, June 1, 2023 PVHS hosts Steps for Pets walk June 17

#### By Lorne Stelmach

The upcoming Steps for Pets walkathon in support of the Pembina Valley Humane Society is about raising both funds and awareness.

Just as vital though is even just building a sense of community around the work done by the regional organization, say directors.

"It's really important to us. It's our biggest event of the year, so we're hoping to make it a fantastic one," said Caitlin Parr, fundraising chairperson for the humane society. "It really helps to keep our doors open ... it is fundamental to our organization's well-being, and we're trying to make it like a giant community party."

Set for Saturday, June 17 in Morden Park, Steps for Pets is one of the humane society's main annual fundraising events.

It is a fun, social event where people can meet dogs of all breeds, sizes, and personalities. You don't need to have a dog to participate—just come and enjoy a three kilometre walk and help raise some money.

The funds raised by the walkathon support the work of the humane society to provide veterinary care of the animals, ensuring they are all spayed or neutered, vaccinated, and tattooed before they find their new homes.

"It's going to be a really fantastic day. Last year we had 50 registrants. This year we're hoping we could double that," said Parr. "Last year was record-breaking. Normally this event would make over \$10,000. Last year, it brought in over \$16,000, so we would love to break that record again."

There are a number of extra features and perks as well to attract people for the afternoon.

"We have these amazing swag bags," noted Parr. "If people register at Canada Helps for the walkathon, and they make a minimum donation and are one of the first hundred registrants, they'll receive a swag bag worth over \$250 in different vouchers and prizes."

And the agility demonstration that went over so well last summer will also be back following the conclusion of the walk.

"The dog show by Extreme Dogs last year was a great success ... it should be another good one," said Parr. "And



The Pembina Valley Humane Society's annual Steps for Pets walk takes place in Morden Park on Saturday, June 17.

we have over 20 different vendors of pet-related items ... and there will be food by Oba Yo."

Participants can register online at pvhsociety.ca to collect pledges as an individual or as part of a team. Those who still prefer paper pledge forms are able to print them off the PVHS website or pick them up at a participating retailer. Walkers can also do a combination of both online and paper pledges.

Registration on the day of the walk starts at 1 p.m. The walk begins at around 2 p.m.

# **Gimli International Film Festival looking for volunteers**

#### Submitted by GFF

The highly anticipated Gimli International Film Festival (GIFF) is back, bringing the magic of cinema to the picturesque shores of Lake Winnipeg. Mark your calendars for July 26-30, as GIFF promises to deliver an unforgettable cinematic experience for film enthusiasts of all ages.

Early bird tickets for this year's festival will go on sale on June 1, offering an exclusive opportunity to secure your spot at discounted rates. Regular tickets will be available for purchase starting July 1st, ensuring everyone has a chance to join in on the excitement. be a part of the festival. Engage with industry professionals as you contribute to the success of this renowned event. Not to mention receive your complementary GIFF Volunteer Film Pass, merchandise, and other exclusive invitations to events as a token of appreciation!

Volunteer roles include pre-event set-up, site management, box office operations, guest services, hospitality, venue operations, event tear down, transportation, and more. Your minimum commitment of 12 hours will make a significant impact on the festival. By joining the GIFF volunteer team, you'll gain valuable experience,



connect with talented individuals, and contribute to one of Manitoba's most unique summer experiences.

For more information on volunteering, tickets, and all things GIFF, visit the official website at gimlifilm.com. Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to be a part of Manitoba's most unique summer experience!

GIFF is also calling for volunteers to

# **Manitobans encouraged to host Lemonade Stands for Hope**

#### Submitted by CancerCare Manitoba

It's the season for lemonade stands and this summer CancerCare Manitoba Foundation is asking Manitobans to host a stand for a good cause. Lemonade Stands for Hope is the perfect opportunity for kids, teens, and anyone young at heart to create hope and raise important funds for CancerCare Manitoba. Families, friends, businesses, community teams, leagues or groups can all host a lemonade stand! Upon registering, stand holders will receive supplies to host their stand including a free starter kit, online donation page, and tools to help them promote their stand.

"My daughters and nephew hold their lemonade stand on our driveway each year and seeing all of our family, friends, and neighbours coming together to support the kids is so special," said Nikki Phaneuf. "A couple of years ago a young girl we know was diagnosed with Leukemia and the kids wanted to do something to help...so we held a lemonade stand and have been doing it every year since."

Getting started is easy!

Register your stand online at LemonadeForHope.ca

Pick up your free starter kit from the Foundation at 825 Sherbrook Street

(Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

Host your Lemonade Stand for Hope anytime over the weekend of July 14-16, or anytime this summer

Manitobans are encouraged to rally their community to support their lemonade stand while they raise funds for crucial research, patient care, and support services at CancerCare Manitoba. All funds raised from Lemonade Stands for Hope stay in Manitoba and help cancer patients and their families.

# Winkler clinic soon to offer monthly ophthalmology service

#### By Ashleigh Viveiros

A Winkler eye doctor is opening up his clinic to an ophthalmologist this fall to ensure local residents no longer need to travel for treatment.

Starting in September, Clarity Vision Centre will begin hosting Dr. Frank Stockl of Winnipeg's Aqua i Laser for one day every month to administer Avastin.

The drug, which is injected into the eyeball, is used to treat macular degeneration, diabetic eye disease, and other problems of the retina, slowing vision loss.

Currently, local patients who need this injection—which is covered by Manitoba Health—must travel to Winnipeg for it as often as once a month.

"If we can get this injection clinic to full capacity of 90 injections every four weeks, over the course of a year that's 1,080 trips there and back for mainly elderly patients in our area," says Dr. Andrew Aiken, who runs Clarity Vision.

Patients generally require a driver to get them home after an injection, so that's two people affected by all those trips into the city.

"I think it's going to save a substantial amount of money and time for a lot of people," Aiken says.

Aiken is offering Stockl the use of his Main St. facility and staff for the monthly clinic. They're going to start with 40 injection appointments at the first one Sept. 18 and then hopefully build up to the full 90 in the months to follow.

"There's more than 90 people needing this each time, so there will probably be a bit of a waiting list," Aiken acknowledges, but it's a start.

Avastin was originally used as a drug to treat colon cancer. For the last 30 years though, eye doctors have been using it "off label" for eye conditions based on medical evidence of its efficacy.

"That was a huge breakthrough," Aiken says. "Before the '90s these patients would just essentially be left to go blind. There would be no treatment at all ... now we have these injections that can stabilize, maintain vision."

Aiken has been trying to bring ophthalmology services to the Pembina Valley for some time now.

"This area has supported me in an amazing way and you always want to try to pay it back," he says, noting he's also been heavily lobbying for cataract surgery to be done locally.

"I have been propositioning the government for about four years now and hounding people," Aiken says, sharing optimism that those proposals have been heard and may yield results.

He points in example to the small community of Swan River, which secured a cataract surgical program



STANDARD PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS

Dr. Andrew Aiken of Clarity Vision Centre in Winkler is opening up his facility to host a monthly Avastin injection clinic starting this fall.

over a decade ago.

"What the community did is they fundraised the money, put it into the hospital, and now they have it and surgeons have that option.

"The wait times for cataract surgery are not due to lack of surgeons, it's due to lack of operating room time and the funds to pay the surgeons," Aiken says, noting, however, that most of these surgeries for low-risk patients don't need to be done in a hospital operating room, but rather could make use of other clinical settings in a community.

He urges community members who hope to see this service come to the area to write letters to their local MLA or the provincial government to let their voices be heard.

# BTHC gift shop reopens after three years

#### By Lorne Stelmach

The recent reopening of the gift shop at Boundary Trails Health Centre has been welcomed by both visitors and the volunteers who oversee and operate the space.

BTHC Auxiliary members on the committee that oversees the gift shop have it back in business finally after a three-year absence.

The little store that greets people just inside the main entrance of the regional hospital was shut down in spring of 2020 as a result of pandemic restrictions.

"We closed the day before we would have had to because we were concerned about having the volunteers dealing with all the cleaning and everything," said committee member and manager Jo-Anne Robbins. "We were thinking we would be back maybe in a few weeks."

The gift shop plays an important in supporting the BTHC Auxiliary's efforts to help cover the costs of hospital equipment purchases that might not otherwise be funded.

Proceeds from the shop are added to the funds raised by the auxiliary overall through their various other fundraisers.

The auxiliary provided over \$22,000 for various pieces of equipment in 2019 and over \$40,000 in 2020.

"We've been able to contribute towards some pretty valuable equipment," Robbins said. "It's things that the staff have requested but it doesn't come up in the regular budget.

"Many years ago they bought a doll to practice resuscitation on," she noted as an example. "That was one of the early purchases, I think. Then just recently we paid for repairs on it."

The gift shop is now open from 2-5 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

"It's staffed entirely by volunteers," Robbins said. "There used to be two shifts a day ... we'll see if there is a need for that then we'll look at it.

"It hadn't had a good going through for quite some time. Things have



STANDARD PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH

From left: BTHC Gift Shop committee volunteers Mary Anne Krashel, Jo-Anne Robbins, Mary Lilke, and Dawne Mackling at work last week. The shop reopened this spring for the first time since early 2020.

changed ... it's taken a bit of work, and now we will be ordering some new stock," she added. "It's exciting. We kind of missed the place ... it's a lot of work sometimes but we enjoy it."

# **Boyne Book It Fun Run supports accessibility**

#### By Ty Dilello

A very successful Boyne Book It Fun Run was held on the morning of May 27 with 164 registered runners/walkers and over 50 volunteers throughout the course.

The Fun Run included a 2km, 5km, and 10km run, through Carman on various trails and neighbourhoods. Proceeds will go towards a new dock at Ryall Park through the Boyne River Keepers.

Alexander Hartmann of Elm Creek came in first place in the 2km event with a time of 8:42. Nate Phillips of Carman won the 5km race with a time of 19:56, and Tim Penner of Winkler won the 10km event with a time of 40:51.

"The weather was just perfect for such an event with overcast skies that helped keep the heat under control," said organizer Michelle Froese. "We had participants ranging in age two all the way to 77, so this really was an event for everyone."

Some of the fun parts of the event included a delicious pancake breakfast, a selfie station, and an awards ceremony.

"I can't say enough about the excitement we feel on race day," said Froese. "Every single person that helped out in any way is so appreciated by our community."

The planning has already started for the 2024 Fun Run event, and the organizing committee wants to continue listening to feedback and improve the race as they see fit.

The full race results of all participants can be found here: https://results.raceroster.com/v2/en-US/results/ tjp96nha9pku9sbf/results?subEvent=.



STANDARD PHOTOS BY LORRAINE STEVENSON

Left to right, Kenedie George, Lexi Morgan, Brooklyn Hetherington and Aspen Vanderveen were doing warm up stretches in anticipation of Carman's annual Boyne Book It Fun Run on the morning of May 27.

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Carter Bryson proudly displays his medal seated here with his father Sam Bryson and Boyne Book it Fun Run's Nathan Strange.





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Sheryl Reimer was among the Carman Kinettes' volunteers busy in the Carman Arena kitchen Saturday morning cooking up a big pancake breakfast to feed the hungry participants after their run.

Eleven-year-old MacLean grabs a Bovne Book It Fun Run medal as he completes his 5 km run.



Organizers timed the awards ceremony perfectly to the weather, as muchwelcomed rain began falling on the roof of the DAS grandstand following the run and pancake breakfast. Awards were handed out to first, second and third-place winners in the two, five and 10 runs. Here Karissa Murphy (1st) Avery Hartman (2nd) and Kara Bryson (3rd) receive their respective awards in the Female 10 km category.

## **Against the Radical Gender Ideology**

### Max Bernier's Plan for a Healthy Society

On May 23rd I announced my official policy to combat the radical gender ideology, pushed by Cultural Marxists, which is overtaking our schools and media.

In a time when leftist activists encourage children to mutilate their bodies and sterilize themselves in an attempt to "transition" to the opposite sex, concrete action is necessary to protect our children.

## Here is my policy:

### A PPC Government will -

• Modify the Criminal Code to outlaw the use of puberty blockers, cross-sex hormones, and any form of bodily mutilation on minors with the goal of "transitioning" to another sex.

· Any person encouraging minors to "transition" will be held criminally responsible.

• Remove the ban imposed by Bill C-4, the socalled "conversion therapy bill", that is preventing parents and counselors from helping minors who suffer from gender dysphoria accept their body.

 Strictly enforce section 163.1(1)(b) of the Criminal Code in order to remove inappropriate pornographic content from schools and libraries.

 Protect women's spaces—bathrooms, changing rooms, shelters, and prisons -from intrusion by biological men.

 Maintain separate competitions for women in which biological men cannot participate in sports regulated and funded by the federal government.

 Abolish federal programs that fund sex change operations for civil servants and prisoners.

• Finally, a PPC government will repeal Bill C-16, the bill that added gender self-identification as ground for protection against discrimination.

Ask the Conservatives about this issue — they won't do anything about it. They're too scared to protect our children from predators in school and they will not fight back against the dangerous cult seeking to abolish basic biological reality.



Authorized by the Chief Agent of the People's Party of Canada



#### **By Geoffrey Bird**

Villages and towns along the Normandy coast will fill with visitors this week to commemorate the 78th anniversary of the D-Day landings on June 6. Flags will fly to welcome and acknowledge those who fought in the Great Crusade. Over the summer, hundreds of commemorations will take place to mark 80 days of battle.

While not the only contribution by Canadian service men and women, D-Day takes a prominent place in Canada's cultural memory of the Second World War.

As a researcher of war heritage, I have observed and participated in commemorations in Normandy over the years. My focus has been on how the region, as a memorialized landscape of war, is managed and interpreted. I am also interested in the meaning people draw from the histories and stories told at these sites of memory.

## The politics of remembrance

The politics of remembrance refers to the many voices engaged in how war and the fallen should be memorialized and remembered — from the challenges and opportunities associated with memorial design, speeches by heads of state and war art, to the interpretation of a war heritage site.

Politics of remembrance evolve with new interpretations of the past to suit present-day ideological needs. While expected, the politics of remembrance illustrate how the past can unify or divide people in the present. And the forces at play seem to be changing three issues point to a new politics of remembrance.

The passing of veterans: There is the inevitable passing of Second World War veterans. With less than 20,000 veterans remaining, in their passing we lose the voice of witnesses.

New generations will become entirely reliant on learning about the Second World War through various secondary means, like museums, schools, local commemorations and books and films. More funding to support communities to remember and commemorate is important.

Canadian war heritage overseas under threat: In the early 2000s, the Juno Beach Centre was established in Normandy, but it is currently under threat due to condo development. The centre's mandate was ambitious to not only teach about what happened in Normandy and Canada's wartime involvement, but of Canada as a nation.

Veterans realized the importance of a commemorative hub in Europe for Canada's Second World War story. That vision, and the centre itself, warrants a national effort to protect and preserve this cornerstone of Canadian heritage overseas.

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A moral obligation to remember

Inherent in the politics of remembrance is the belief among many that there is a moral obligation to remember.

The meaning of remembrance is open to interpretation because each person's experience with and connections to war, military and civilian, are different.

Remembrance for the post-veteran generations involves learning about history and trying to comprehend the what, how and why remembering is relevant today. Visiting sites of war memory, such as Normandy, assist in gaining new perspectives while acknowledging that remembrance is also a journey to imagine the past and its context.

Standing in the footsteps of soldiers triggers many reflections, including on the violence of war, responsibility, camaraderie, sacrifice, liberation and freedom. People often think about what they would do, as hard as it is to imagine.

Geoffrey Bird is a Professor of war heritage, memory and culture, Royal Roads University







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Nine Lives Fashion has been purchased by Michelle Weir and Tracey Falk of Evensong Shoppe. The two who will take over the store and give it a new name, "Evensong Closet."

little more free time on her hands, the Warkentins plan to travel and spend time with their children and grandchildren.

"Our summer will be quite full," said Warkentin. "And I am also hoping to have more time to read a few books in my hammock, which is still in its box."

The community is welcome to stop by Nine Lives Fashions on Wednesday, May 31 from 2-4 p.m. to celebrate Marge. There will be coffee and refreshments.



# Prairie Independence to provide private health care

#### By Ty Dilello

Kaitlin Peirson-Webber has recently started a homecare company called Prairie Independence Care Co that is slated to begin services in September.

This small business has been a seed in Peirson-Webber's head for a number of years and is finally coming to fruition.

"I was inspired to go in this direction by my husband, who is an entrepreneur himself - he suggested it quite a while back, but I hesitated thinking that I could never do something like that," said Peirson-Webber. "In the last eight months or so, it became a more serious question to myself - that is, why not try? It's what I know how to do and what I'm good at, taking care of others."

Peirson-Webber also draws inspiration from her grandmother Laura Skeavington, who was a Labour and Delivery Nurse at Carman Hospital for her whole career.

"I believe the drive and passion to care for others really is a calling and seems to be in our genetics."

Peirson-Webber has 14 years of experience working in the town of Notre-Dame-De-Lourdes at the care home there, as well as Boyne Lodge Prairie Independence Care Co est. 2023 Arivate Rural Homecate.

and St. Claude Pavilion (long-term care) for a short time. She is a certified Health Care Aide and is currently taking many additional courses to increase her skills and knowledge.

"I have really loved my job, but I am finding it increasingly difficult to work shift work and weekends while raising a family," said Peirson-Webber. "Running my own business allows me to create my own hours, which is the most important part to me."

Prairie Independence will offer services such as activities of daily living (cooking, light cleaning, bathing, medication reminders, exercising,

errands, trips to

the city for day

surgeries or other

appointments, re-

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AIRPORT DAY Carman (South) Airport Sunday, June 10 9:00 am - 1:00 pm Free Admission



Pancake Brunch \$10, 6-16 \$5, under 5 free Kids' activities, glider display, flight simulator, spray aircraft 1.5 miles south of Carman traffic lights





STANDARD PHOTO BY KAITLIN PEIRSON-WEBBER

St. Claude's Kaitlin Peirson-Webber has recently started Prairie Independence Care Co that is slated to begin providing private homecare services in September

especially important to me because I find it incredibly special, and I am so honoured when I get to be someone's support at the end of their life."

Prairie Independence plans on servicing the area that is within a 30-minute radius of St. Claude, which includes other communities including Treherne, Notre Dame De Lourdes, Miami, Elm Creek and Carman. She hopes that her business grows and she can help as many people as possible.

Although Peirson-Webber is not going to start providing her services until September, the intake process has already begun. If you'd like more information, please check out the website www.prairieindependencemb.ca or visit the Prairie Independence Care Co Facebook page.

## > WATER TEST, FROM PG. 4

will be offering a well water testing program the first two Tuesdays in June. Landowners can pick up testing supplies and drop off samples at various locations within the district. The landowner is responsible for the cost of the lab test, and RBWD will transport the samples into the lab in Winnipeg at no additional charge. To better understand well water issues and what to do about them, please get in touch with the Redboine Watershed District at 204-526-2578 or email admin@redboine.com.

Water is a precious resource. How we manage this resource will determine our economy's and health's future.



# **Genesis House hosting Women Talking screening**

#### **By Ashleigh Viveiros**

Genesis House is hosting a free screening of an acclaimed film in the hopes it will get people talking about violence against women and the local resources available to victims.

The shelter is screening *Women Talking* at the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall in Winkler on Tuesday, June 13 at 7 p.m.

The film, an adaptation of a book by Miriam Toews directed by Canadian filmmaker Sarah Polley, follows a group of Old Order Mennonite women discussing their future in their community after multiple accounts of sexual assault come to light. It drew inspiration from the real-life attacks that occurred in a Mennonite colony in Bolivia in the late 2000s.

*Women Talking* was nominated this year for Best Picture and won for Best Adapted Screenplay.

"We've been toying with the idea of screening it, not wanting to stir the pot too much but also not wanting to deny that this movie, this story, is out there," says Ang Braun, Genesis House executive director. "While the movie itself is fictional, we know that there were similar events that happened as to what's depicted."

The movie grapples with themes of sexual assault, faith, community, and justice—weighty topics that a panel of local community members will discuss after the screening.

"There will be a panel of folks that do some work with survivors of domestic violence out there, talking about how some of those pieces in the movie might resonate locally," Braun says, noting they're still firming up who the panelists will be, but they're hoping for a range of viewpoints and expertise. "What we're hoping for is the focus to look at the perspective of the kids, the perspective of the women, and then the perspective of the men as well."

Braun has seen the film and found it really resonated with her—especially the characters' discussion around the meaning of forgiveness.

"One of the women in the movie says, 'They mistake forgiveness with permission.' That has just



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Women's Talking screens at the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall Tuesday, June 13. Genesis House will be hosting a panel discussion afterwards.

stuck with me so much," she says, noting forgiveness is a big thing in the Mennonite culture and in the Christian faith, but it's not a license for continued abuse.

"It's a hot-button topic at the shelter, too, and always has been," Braun adds, sharing how many victims of domestic violence grapple with perhaps forgiving their abuser while also making it clear they have no interest in reconciling with them. "You can forgive them, but it doesn't necessarily mean you want to go back."

In some cases, as depicted in the movie, faith can further complicate matters in a domestic violence situation if a woman feels she can't morally leave a relationship or knows that doing so might mean losing not just her home but her community as well. "That's a core theme of the movie," Braun says. "It's very powerful."

Admission to the showing is free and advance registration is not required.

Donations can be made that night in support of Genesis House's Low German programming, which includes translated resources and support to make it more accessible to women seeking help.

Braun hopes the event fills the concert hall, "not just because people want to show their support for Genesis House, but because they want to show their support for the Low German families that have really been the foundation for building our community."

# Fire and travel restrictions due to high fire danger

#### Submitted by Manitoba government

The Manitoba Wildfire Service advises Level 1 Fire and Travel restrictions have been implemented due to high fire danger in the southeast portion of the province.

The boundary of the restricted area is from east of Provincial Road 302, south of the Trans-Canada Highway, west of the Ontario border and north of the U.S. border. The restricted area includes Moose Lake, Birch Point, Marchand and Woodridge provincial parks. Refer to Zone 1 of the Fire and Travel Restriction map found at www.manitoba.ca/wildfire for more information.

Level 1 Fire and Travel restrictions include the following:

- motorized backcountry travel in-

cluding ATVs and other off-road vehicles is prohibited from noon to 7 p.m.;

- motorized backcountry travel to access a remote cottage via forestry road, private road or trail between noon and 7 p.m. requires a travel permit issued by the Department of Natural Resources and Northern Development;

- industry and outfitters should contact a Manitoba Natural Resources and Northern Development office for more information; and

- wayside parks remain open.

As a further wildfire prevention measure, provincial burn permits issued under the Wildfires Act in the restricted area are cancelled and will not be issued until fire danger conditions improve. Burn permits for essential agricultural, municipal or industrial operations may be considered with the approval of a conservation officer and will include a site inspection with strict conditions. Contact a Department of Natural Resources and Northern Development office for more information.

Many municipalities have proactively implemented burning restrictions this spring, so refer to local municipal offices or view the interactive Current Municipal Burning Restrictions map at https://www.manitoba. ca/wildfire/burn\_conditions.html for more information. The province will not issue any burning permits within or in areas bordering any municipality where burning restrictions

are already in place.

In areas where ATV use is allowed, riders are reminded to protect against wildfires. Anyone using an ATV is asked to stay on developed trails, ensure the ATV has a working spark arrestor, check areas around the engine and exhaust frequently, and carefully remove and extinguish any debris from these areas. Operators are also reminded to be prepared by carrying a fire extinguisher, axe and shovel.

Sparks from trailer chains, lawnmowers and other outdoor equipment contacting hard surfaces can cause dry cured grasses to ignite. Take precautions, maintain equipment and be aware of hazards in work areas.

To report a wildfire, call 911 or the TIP line (toll-free) at 1-800-782-0076.

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# Vance Nevada reflects on 30 years of wrestling

#### By Lorne Stelmach

A Manitoba born professional wrestler is set to bring his career to an end, but Vance Nevada is hitting the ring for one last tour.

Nevada, who was born Vern May in Souris, returns to the keystone province this month for a four-stop commitment which has a dual agenda that includes promoting his latest book (*Un*)*Controlled Chaos*, an encyclopedic reference of pro wrestling history in Canada.

The tour also commemorates his 30-year career milestone and will mark his final in-ring appearances in Manitoba before he retires later this year. Stepping out of the ring for good wasn't a difficult

decision for Nevada. "When you get up from the mat after being body-

slammed and drop kicked, you realize that this was much more fun in my 20s," he said in advance of his stop in Morden June 8 with Canadian Wrestling's Elite Cruel Summer Tour. "And my recovery time is much longer. I had a match in Prince George recently, and my shoulder was still suffering.

"I definitely am bearing the scars of it ... but being able to transition out of an active in-ring role, I would say I'm pretty fortunate in that many wrestlers don't get the opportunity to go out the way they want to, and I'm going to be able to do so pretty much intact."

Having spent most of his three decades in professional wrestling's squared circle as a villain, the man known as Mr. Beefy Goodness, Nevada hasn't necessarily endeared himself with the fans.

Behind the scenes, however, he has become one of the sport's most respected historians and mentors to a generation of emerging talents.

His book (*Un*)*Controlled Chaos* takes a deep dive into the betrayals, backstage conflict, court room showdowns, and the broken nose of a future Canadian prime minister in addition to the mayhem that has played out between the ropes.

His access as a wrestler offers a unique insight into the critical turning points of an industry that has often been much maligned.

This work—his third book—has been well received by the wrestling community and has been among the top selling wrestling titles in Amazon in recent months.

Now 47, Nevada recognizes the sport is one for young men and knew it was time to take his final bow.

A lower back spinal fusion, a fully torn ACL ligament, and a degeneration of the vertebrae in his neck are all contributing factors in wrapping up a career that has included more than 1,600 matches



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Vance Nevada, a.k.a. Mr. Beefy Goodness, is wrapping up his 30-year career as a wrestler this year by taking part in Canadian Wrestling Elite's Cruel Summer Tour, which is in Morden June 8.

and 46 championships—an all-time Canadian record.

"It's time to close this chapter," says Nevada, who added he is glad to be able to make a final go of it in his home province. These days he calls Wetaskiwin, Alberta home.

"Manitoba is where I first discovered professional wrestling and learned the ropes, literally. I still have a lot of strong support there and I am looking forward to visiting in June and reconnecting with old friends and colleagues."

He recalled first being drawn to wrestling at age 10 because of the way wrestlers would act and talk, especially the so-called bad guys. "They say things that are over the top ... particu-

"They say things that are over the top ... particularly the villains would say things that are so outrageous," Nevada said. "For me, the first villain who really drew me in was Paul 'Mr. Wonderful' Orndorff and the things he would say about Hulk Hogan."

There were many standout characters at the time, he added, with people like Rowdy Roddy Piper, who was also born and raised in Manitoba.

It was another Manitoba connection then that became a pivotal moment for him. He was doodling a wrestling scene in high school when a classmate told him about a cousin who was a wrestler by the name of Chi Chi Cruz. Nevada knew Cruz lived in Los Angeles, but was blown away to learn he was originally from Hartney, Manitoba.

"In that moment, all of a sudden this idea that you could actually become a wrestler became a real goal."

He came to love the opportunities that wrestling afforded him, even the bad as well as the good. For example, he recalled a winter tour on the ice roads to northern Manitoba, where some communities didn't have hotels so he may have been in a sleeping bag in the gymnasium.

"I think the industry is very unique, and some of the things we experience, for the average person, it would be why would you ever want to do that," said Nevada.

"But over the course of that, pretty rough conditions, you also get to see first hand a lot more of the country than most people will ever see," he added. "There's also the camaraderie you build when you're sharing those experiences with others from all parts of the world. It's really an unbreakable bond."

He sees a number of factors coming into play in terms of the appeal of professional wrestling.

"First of all, there's the unpredictability of what we do in the ring ... doing the types of things we're doing and taking the types of risk that we take all in the name of show business," he said. "You're engagement and your participation as a fan also has an influence on how the evening is going to play out."

And he added it does seem to have more appeal now in many smaller centres.

"In the bigger cities, there's so much competition for the entertainment dollar ... when you get into the rural markets, you might be fortunate to have a movie theatre, but the opportunities for live entertainment are few and far between," he suggested.

"The numbers that we're seeing now for independent wrestling across Canada, particularly across western Canada, are phenomenal. It's great to get into those communities."

The Winnipeg-based CWE tour also includes stops in Neepawa, Winnipeg, and Souris. For Nevada, these appearances are sandwiched between campaigns to Prince Edward Island at the end of May and Vancouver Island at the end of June.

In Morden, local wrestling fans can enjoy a night of wrestling action headlined by WWE alumni 'The Masterpiece' Chris Masters, CWE champion 'The Zombie Killer' MENTALLO and two time CWE tag team champion Sammy Peppers. Advance tickets are available at Giant Tiger or online at cwetickets. com

## Manitoba RCMP celebrates RCMP 150 milestone with contest giveaway for youth

#### Submitted by RCM

Today marks the historic 150th Anniversary of the RCMP in Canada, and in honour of this momentous occasion, the Manitoba RCMP is launching a contest to give away 150 Back to School prize packs. Every child under the age of 14 who lives in Manitoba can enter!

How? It's easy! Simply write us an email, as long or short as you like, about what the Royal Canadian Mounted Police means to you. We would also love to hear about any positive experiences you may have had with a Mountie! The prize pack consists of a backpack filled with items to start out the next school year:

- 1 backpack with RCMP 150 logo
- 1 lunch bag with RCMP 150 logo
- 1 colour-changing water bottle with RCMP 150 logo
- 1 Stetson-wearing, polar bear stuffed toy

- 1 sticky-note notebook with RCMP 150 logo filled with various sticky notes

- Limited edition "RCMP 150" stickers and tattoos - 1 RCMP 150 ballpoint pen

Send your email to: DRCMP150-D150GRC@rc-

mp-grc.gc.ca.

Please also include your name, mailing address, and phone number.

Note: we cannot accept any attachments, therefore, the message must be written within the body of the email.

The contest closes June 30, 2023, so get those emails sent in!

Good luck to everyone that enters! Due to the number of entries anticipated, we can only reply to those that are selected for a prize pack.



# Scotswood Links has busy summer ahead with tournaments

#### **By Ty Dilello**

One of the finest courses in southern Manitoba, Scotswood Links in Elm Creek, has several upcoming golf tournaments over the summer that are sure to fill up fast.

"The course looks great this summer, which we're really excited about," said Sasha Magne, Marketing Director of Scotswood Links. "The greens are in excellent shape as well.'

The Scotswood Ladies' Open is slated to take place on June 11. The tournament will consist of playing all 18 holes and following a stroke play game format, where all players are simply playing each hole to have the lowest score.

Tee times start at 8 a.m., with entry fees of \$35 for members and \$45 for non-members. Participants can register for the event by visiting the Scotswood Links website and clicking "shop," then "shop by departments," and then "tournaments."

The Scotswood Men's Open is on June 24. The tournament will also consist of playing all 18 holes and will also follow a stroke play game format, with tee times starting at 8 a.m.-entry fees: \$35 for members; \$45 for nonmembers.

Their Men's and Ladies' Senior's Open will be held on Aug. 21 with a 10 a.m. shotgun start. The tournament will also consist of playing all 18 holes, following a stroke play game



format, and is open to teams of any combination of men/women but is limited to individuals over 50.

Finally, the Scot Scramble will be held on Sept. 23 with an 11 a.m. shotgun start. The tournament will follow a scramble play game format, where a team of four players hits a tee shot each, and the players decide which shot they like better. The players then play from that spot. The Scot Scramble is open to teams of any combination of men/women. And food will be served on the course.

Scotswood Links is also trying to get the word out about its venue as they're looking to host weddings and events. The course has a 3,000-squarefoot banquet hall that can host 180 guests comfortably.

Scotswood takes on various events, including weddings, corporate events, celebrations (birthdays, an-



STANDARD PHOTO BY SASHA MAGNE

One of the finest courses in southern Manitoba, Scotswood Links in Elm Creek, has several upcoming golf tournaments over the course of the summer that are sure to fill up fast.

niversaries, Christmas parties) and more. They have a new patio area perfect for cocktail hours or a refreshing spin on an outdoor networking space. And the course is currently working on a new ceremony site which should be up and running for the 2024 wedding season.

"We have added quite a few new features this year, including a portable

outdoor bar, and now offer planning packages ranging from signature styling to complete wedding planning," said Magne.

Anyone interested in hosting an event can contact Scotswood's Event Manager, Sasha Magne, by email at sasha@scotswoodlinks.com or by phone at 204-296-9924.

# **Former Pro Vigier holding hockey camps**

#### By Ty Dilello

Hailing from Notre-Dame-de-Lourdes, J.P. Vigier carved out a professional career from 1999 to 2012 that saw him play several seasons in the NHL with the Atlanta Thrashers and in Switzerland's National League A for Genève-Servette HC and SC Bern.

Since retiring from hockey, Vigier has dedicated much of his time to helping the next generation of young players in Manitoba. His passion is to develop young athletes to strive to the next level while gaining positive attributes and becoming leaders in hockey.

Throughout July and August, Vigier will hold hockey camps for players of all ages at the Dakota Community

Centre (Jonathan Toews Sportsplex) in Winnipeg. Vigier's Summer Hockey Development programs offer a unique on-ice experience that will push player development and build off of learned skill sets.

Vigier will also hold a hockey school at the Sanford Arena from Sept 5-14, from categories of U15 to U9. This camp focuses on skating, speed, agility, passing and shooting in a safe and fun environment.

After playing hockey in the Notre-Dame-de-Lourdes area as a youngster, Vigier was named the Most Valuable Player in Zone IV High School hockey league, kickstarting his career. He made the MJHL's Portage Terriers at age 17, and after three years with the Terriers, Vigier earned a full scholarship to Northern Michigan University.

In his junior year at Northern Michigan, he was named to the All-CCHA Second Team and helped his program reach the NCAA Tournament. After four years at Northern Michigan, Vigier graduated with honours with a degree in Physical Education.

After graduating from college, Vigier sought to try and make it as a hockey player, so he started playing in the International Hockey League in 1999 with the Orlando Solar Bears. Vigier played parts of two seasons with the Solar Bears, helping them to win the IHL's Turner Cup in 2001.



STANDARD PHOTO SUBMITTED Notre-Dame-des-Lourdes' J.P. Vigier once skated in the AHL All Star Game as Continued on page 16 a member of the Chicago Wolves.

# **McLaren Custom Grills partnership off to a great start**



The McLaren Custom Grills Large Ceramic Clay Kamado style barbecue is the perfect grill for NASCAR fans that are looking to host a race day feast. With 346 inches of stainless steel cooking surface area to utilize, hosting a game day party of 10+ people is never out of the question. Equipped with a dual adjustable bottom vent and an adjustable top vent, achieving the perfect cooking temperature is a breeze.

#### By Ty Dilello with files from Tobie Christie

McLaren Custom Grills, a Winnipeg-based BBQ company with Roland roots that specializes in custom BBQ grills for sports fans, has recently partnered with Richard Childress Racing to sponsor world-renowned NASCAR driver Kyle Busch and the No. 8 team in the NASCAR Cup Series.

McLaren Custom Grills is owned by Roland's Mike McLaren, who has been making solid moves in the BBQ business over the past few years.

It was in September of 2020 when McLaren first pulled out his welding tools inside his house garage, and the very first custom sports-themed barbecue was born. Fast forward a few years, and McLaren Custom Grills now owns patented sportsthemed barbecues for every major sports league, officially licensed by the NBA and NASCAR legend Kyle Busch.

The current sponsorship with Busch began in March. Part of the agreement meant that Mclaren and his team could provide the paint scheme for Busch's car, the No. 8 Chevrolet Camaro.

"Kyle's sponsorship team called me as I was getting out of my truck, and I honestly thought it was a joke," said McLaren. "But I hopped in my truck and drove 23 straight hours to their headquarters in North Carolina. And I just sealed the deal in the room with them."

Busch is currently driving the No. 8 McLaren Custom Grills Chevrolet in select races during the 2023 season as part of the multi-race partnership.

"Both Richard Childress Racing and Kyle Busch have wide-reaching fan appeal, so we can't wait to cater to their passionate fan base with our custom grills," said McLaren. "We believe this race team partnership is the perfect platform for our custom grills and can't wait to see the McLaren Custom Grill Chevy on the track this season."

In addition to their partnership with Kyle Busch's NASCAR team, McLaren Custom Grills is also the Official Barbeque Grill of the NBA, as they make custom grills for all 30 teams.

It was a magical day when Busch won his first



STANDARD PHOTO BY HAROLD HINSON/HHP FOR CHEVY RACING

After a dramatic victory at Talladega for Kyle Busch, McLaren Custom Grills has seen an influx of traffic on their website, which has caused it to crash, likely as a result of an endorsement from the two-time NASCAR Cup Series champion.

race at the Talladega Racetrack in late April when he was sporting his new McLaren's Custom Grill sponsored car.

So, it goes without saying, that when Kyle Busch parked his No. 8 Chevrolet Camaro at the startfinish line after winning Sunday's 196-lap contest in spectacular fashion, interest was piqued about the two-time champion's brand-new sponsor. Even further than that, an endorsement from one of the most popular drivers in NASCAR, who has spent the last year as a hot-button topic after leaving Joe Gibbs Racing, will certainly make the phone ring off the handle.

"Just a great day for another new sponsor at [Richard Childress Racing] with McLaren Custom Grills," Busch said on the frontstretch after the race. "If you ain't got a custom grill yet, these McLarens are pretty bomb. You have to check them out."

Well, it appears that the millions watching the GEICO 500 broadcast on FOX listened to Kyle Busch's call-to-action and flooded the website of McLaren Custom Grills, which the company says caused its website to crash. Posting to Instagram – while in victory lane, apparently – the company said: "Our website is currently down because of the overwhelming amount of interest. Don't worry, we're working on it and it will be back up in no time."

"It happened within three minutes of him crossing that finish line. It seems like everybody wants a piece of McLaren Custom Grills now. It's growing a lot quicker than I expected."

Needless to say, the partnership between Busch and McLaren Custom Grills has gotten off to a fantastic start, not only with the victory, but with tons of exposure for a brand that has looked to enter the sports world through deals within NASCAR and

#### the NBA.

"It happened within three minutes of him crossing that finish line. It seems like everybody wants a piece of McLaren Custom Grills now. It's growing a lot quicker than I expected."

If you're interested in a custom grill, please check out their website at mclarencustomgrills.com.

## > VIGIER HOCKEY, FROM PG. 15

Vigier also made his NHL debut during the 2000-01 season as a member of the Atlanta Thrashers, playing in two games with the big league club. Following the 2000-01 season, Vigier joined the Chicago Wolves of the American Hockey League and helped them win the Calder Cup in 2002, scoring 14 points in 21 playoff games.

Vigier split time between the Wolves and Atlanta Thrashers for the next two seasons before becoming an NHL regular during the 2003-04 season. When it was all said and done, Vigier played in 213 NHL games, scoring 23 goals and 23 assists for 46 points over six seasons.

After his time in the NHL wrapped up, Vigier took his talents to Switzerland, where he played an additional five seasons with Geneve Servette and Bern SC. He also represented Canada three times as a member of Team Canada at the 2007, 2008, and 2009 Spengler Cup tournaments, with the highlight being a Spengler Cup championship in 2007.

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**Carole Jean Anderson (Fletcher)** April 9, 1940 - May 19, 2023

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She leaves to mourn her four children, Kent (Monique) Anderson, Lana Charban, Marni (Gerald) Stewart, and Darryl Anderson; grandchildren Dana (Tyler), Mark (Andrea), Cody, Tiana, Riley (Alaya), Bryce (Karley), Shawn (Brooklyn), and Cory; greatgrandchildren Kellan, Brigette, Killian, Cohen, Lainey, Axton, and Beckett; and son-in-law Scott. Carole is survived by her siblings Florence Fletcher, Neil (Cheryl) Fletcher, Shirley (Peter) Fletcher, and Wally Fletcher. She is also survived by her husband Al's family Verna Lamond, Lenora (Bob) Kirkup, Vince (Stacey) Anderson, sisters-in-law Ellie Anderson, Donna Anderson, and many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Carole was predeceased by her husband Alvin Anderson; parents Nelson and Jean Fletcher; and by her husband's parents George and Evelyn Anderson, and brothers Harley and Adrian. A memorial service was held at the Carman Pentecostal Assembly on Friday, May 26, 2023 at

1:30 p.m. Interment took place in Greenwood Cemetery, Carman, MB. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Operation Smile, 375 University Ave., Suite 204. Toronto, ON M5G 2J5.

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He was predeceased by his mother Agnes (née Blaikie) and father Henry, his wife Gretchen (Peutert), his mother-in-law Ida Peutert and brother-in-law Kenneth.

Dave is mourned by his daughter Reena (Will) Thiessen; his granddaughters Ravvin and Moira Spearman and Jessie (Rick)

and Kylie Thiessen and his great-granddaughter Nikki. Many people are feeling his loss deeply as he was easy to make friends.

We would like to thank Poteat-Wakefield Funeral Directors of Albany, Georgia and the Coroners Office for their kindness in this difficult situation. The family would like to thank the community of Roseisle for their care and compassion.

A Celebration of Life will be held at the Roseisle EMC Church on Saturday June 17, 2023 at 1 p.m. All Semis and Hot Rods are encouraged to join in Dave's last ride to his place of rest.

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