



MAY EDITION

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RM OF EAST ST. PAUL

Legion members honoured with King's Medal

Five members of the Henderson Legion #215 were recognized for their contributions to community and country with a Kings Coronation Medal presented during a ceremony March 23.

In total, 16 Legion members, from various Legions, were honoured with a medal, as well as three Hong Kong veterans.

Recipients of the medal are those who have made a significant contribution to Canada or to a particular province, territory, region or Community of Canada.

The East St. Paul recipients are:

L. Paul Dartnell – A Navy veteran and retired Winnipeg police officer, Paul has dedicated his life to service. He has been a Legion member since 2015 and leads Remembrance efforts, organizes historical displays and supports veterans through fundraising.

Known as a “military artifact whisperer”, Paul helps families donate memorabilia to museums and even facilitated the return of medals to Belfast.

His commitment ensures military history is honoured for future generations.

Gordon Machej – A 20-year Legion member, with 13 years on the Executive Committee, where he held numerous positions.

Gord currently is treasurer/chairman. He is actively involved in capital projects, like the new bar, closing of DeVries, the Wall of Honour and Remembrance, and renovations of the lower halls. He is active in Remembrance Day programs and all fundraising for the Legion. Gord is currently Zone 64 Commander.

Shaun McIntosh – Shaun joined the military in 1982 in Chilliwack B.C. In 1986 he graduated with a BE in mechanical training.



Above, Left to right: Shaun McIntosh, Nicole Fanshaw, Stephane Guindon, Paul Dartnell, and Gordon Machej. Below with Mayor Carla Devlin and Coun. Brian Duval.

He was then posted to Winnipeg for air navigator training and in 1987 graduated top of class. He was posted to Trenton for further navigator training and 47 Squadron Air Force Lyneham, England. In 1997, he was posted to Winnipeg where he held numerous positions. He retired as a pilot after 41 years of service.

Shaun has received the Canadian Decoration 2nd clasps: the Canadian Peace Keepers Service medal; the Special Service NATO designation and Gulf of Kuwait medal with clasp; and 2 non service Medals from the Kuwait and Saudi governments for service during Gulf wars.

Nicole Fanshaw – In 2007 Nicole graduated from Red River College with a diploma in Hotel and Restaurant Management and has been in the industry for 35 years.

She's the owner of Lee's Restaurant located in Legion #215 and an active Legion member since 2007 and has served on the executive committee. In 2012 Nicole reintroduced snow golf and in 2014 Canada Day Family Fun Day. Nicole assisted in our Veterans Keepsake Calendar and 24 of #215 veterans by honouring their stories and sacrifices. Nicole's grandfather served in the Second World War.

Stephane Guindon – Stephane was with the St. Johns Ambulance from 1974-1979. From 1982 - 1987 Stephane trained and completed in First Aid competitions and won 1st place



across Canada in 1985.

From 1980-1987 he was an Algonquin Regiment Infantry machine gunner. 2010 to present, CIC Branch Supply Officer; training officer and CO from 2014 - 2019 at 1226 FGH Cadets. Stephane is a volunteer at FGH Museum and Sunny Mountain Daycare and is on the Board of Directors at the RehFit Center. Stephane joined the Legion in 1986 and is currently on the executive committee at #215. Stephane is an avid military collector and novice historian and is currently working on a book regarding the military in Manitoba.

New Fireworks Bylaw approved by RM council

The East St. Paul Fire Department would like to notify residents that a new process has been put in place by the RM Council regarding the use of fireworks in the municipality. This new process is covered in the Fire Prevention and Emergency Response By-Law 2025-01 under section 6.5 and was made in consultation with the fire department.

The main change made in the updated by-law is there is now a ban on all residential fireworks. Permits will only be issued to certified personnel (licensed professional companies) using fireworks during public displays benefiting the community at large as part of special events.

There are many reasons why a change was needed regarding the use of fireworks in the municipality. These include:

- Most of the residents were unable to meet the terms and conditions specified in the permit such as lack of adequate safety zones, making a fire base at least 25 feet from the nearest building, setting off displays only on the property authorized just to name a few.
- Residents ignored weather conditions and set off fireworks during windy periods and dry ground conditions which constitutes an extreme fire hazard.
- Fireworks are explosive and can result in serious injuries if not handled properly or by persons not familiar with the danger.
- The RM received many complaints regarding the noise from fireworks including the impact on pets and other animals.

You can view the updated section regarding the use of fireworks below. If you have any questions regarding the changes in the by-law covering fireworks, email the administration office at info@eaststpaul.com and someone will respond to you.

Fireworks

6.5 Sale of Fireworks - No person shall display for sale, sell or offer for sale fireworks within the Municipality.

6.6 The storage of fireworks and the disposal of unused fireworks shall be in compliance with The Explosives Act Canada.

6.7 No person shall purchase fireworks, set off, or otherwise ignite any fireworks in or above the Municipality.

6.8 Permits Requirements:

(1) The Fire Chief or designate may authorize permits for certified personnel to light fireworks during public displays benefiting the community at large as part of special events.

6.9 Conditions under Permit - The following conditions shall apply to the firing or setting off of fireworks or holding of a fireworks display under a permit issued pursuant to subsection 6.7:

- (1) The display of high-hazard fireworks shall be carried out under the direct conduct and supervision of a person approved by the chief inspector of explosives.
- (2) A display under either subsection 6.9 (1) or (2) shall be conducted in a manner consistent with all safety procedures specified in regulations issued pursuant to the Explosives Act Canada and continue only while:
 - (a) All proper precautions are being observed in order to keep spectators at a safe distance from the location where the fireworks are being set off: and
 - (b) All proper precautions are being observed in order to protect public and private property; and
 - (c) Proper fire extinguishing equipment is available.
 - (3) No display shall be held without compliance with the distance restriction as set out in The Explosives Act Canada.
 - (4) All unused fireworks and debris shall be removed and disposed of in accordance with the provisions of The Explosives Act Canada.
 - (5) Where the display is to be held on or above municipal property or on or above property over which the Municipality has possession or control, the person to whom the permit is issued shall, prior to holding the display, deposit the following with the Fire Chief, or designate:
 - (a) A written undertaking by the person to indemnify the Municipality for any liability that the Municipality may incur as a result of damages arising out of the fireworks display;
 - (b) An insurance policy containing provisions including the amount of liability coverage acceptable to the Council, which provided for the protection and indemnification of the Municipality in respect of any liability that the Municipality may incur as a result of damages arising out of the fireworks display.

6.10 Right of Appeal

An applicant denied a permit pursuant to this Part by the Fire Chief may appeal the refusal to Council so long as such appeal is made in writing and directed to the Municipal Office within seven (7) days of refusal by the Fire Chief.

Water sprinkling restrictions begin this month



The RM's sprinkling restrictions begin the last Saturday of May – this year May 31 – and end on Sept. 30.

Sprinkling, or watering, regulations apply to residents on the municipal water supply.

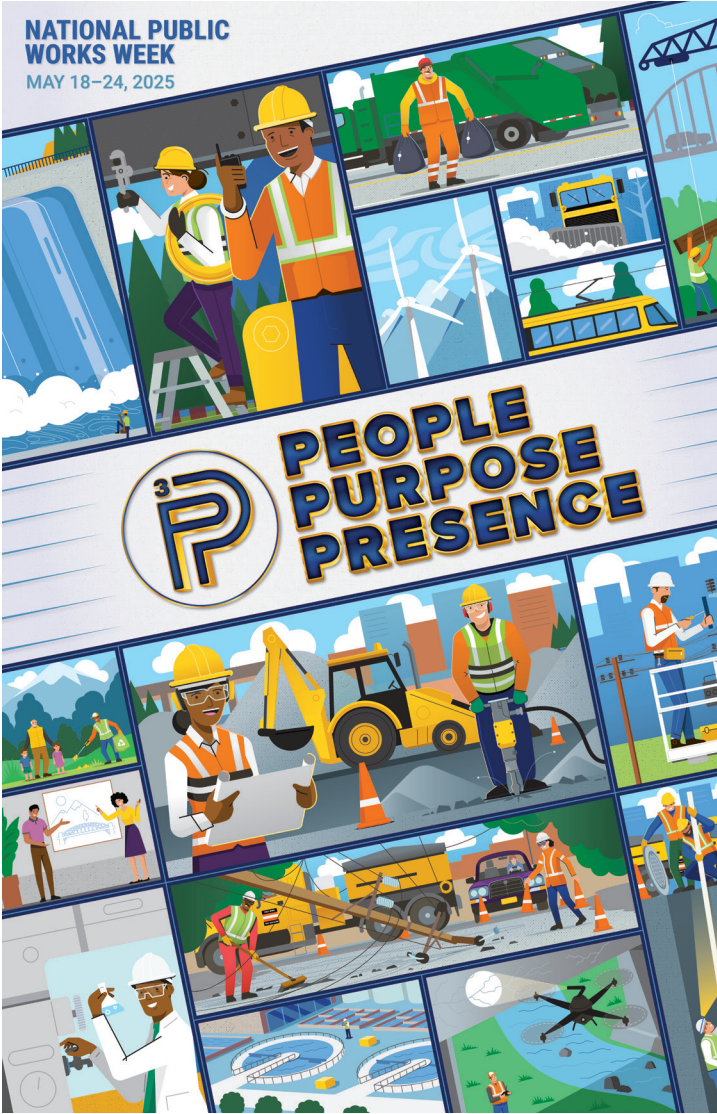
Yard sprinkling is permitted between 4 am-9 am and 7 pm-10 pm for even numbered addresses on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays and for odd numbered addresses on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

If you have installed a new lawn, either with sod or turf or by seeding, or if you have new landscaping on a substantial part of your yard, you can apply for a permit from the RM which will allow you to water outside of restricted times.

The permit costs \$30 for a single-family dwelling and is valid for 21 days after it has been issued.

It must be displayed prominently while in effect.

A second permit may be issued, once per calendar year.



Come check out the ESP Fire Department Open House June 7

The East St. Paul Fire Department will be hosting an open house on Saturday June 7, and all residents are invited. The event will run from 10 am to 2 pm at the fire hall located at 2127 Camsell Avenue (beside the administration building).

There's plenty to see and do for all ages, and activities will include:

- Static displays of fire department vehicles and equipment
- Public access to the fire hall
- Children's firefighter challenge
- Face painting for children
- Vehicle extrication demonstration
- Fire safety trailer sponsored by Manitoba Firefighters Burn Fund
- BBQ lunch of hamburgers/hot dogs and refreshments will be provided free of charge from 11 am to 1 pm

There's lots of parking available in the lot on the west side of the fire hall.

Your East St. Paul Fire Department members are cordially inviting all of our residents to come out and visit us. We look forward to seeing you!

If you have any questions, email us at fire.department@eaststpaul.com or call 204-668-0064 and leave a message.



Please!



Don't put yard waste in with regular garbage & recycling – Yard waste should be put in a separate container/paper bag and placed on the curb on collection day.

See garbage & recycling info on eaststpaul.com



May 4 – 10, 2025

Emergency Preparedness Week

canada.ca/get-prepared

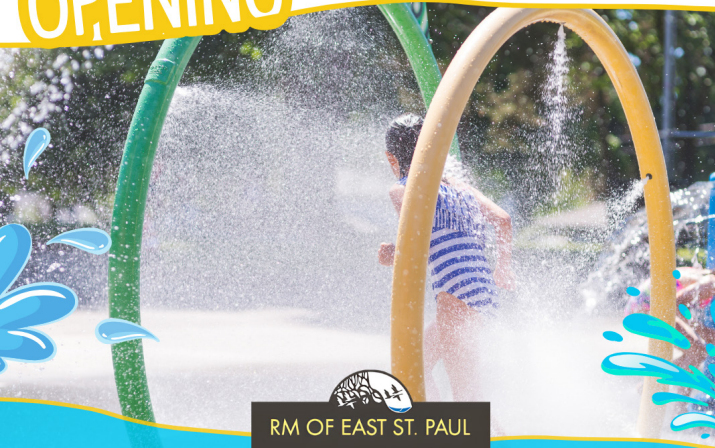
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GRAND OPENING EAST ST. PAUL SPLASH PAD



RM OF EAST ST. PAUL

JOIN US ON SATURDAY
MAY 24, 2025 AT 12:00 PM
266 HODDINOTT RD

OPENING CEREMONY

FREEZIES

Saturday MAY 10th 8PM

MOTHER'S DAY DANCE with RAINBOW BAND

Rock the Duke Box!

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH #215
215 Maxwell King Drive | East St. Paul MB | 204-338-4867

GOT STUFF?

Please consider donating to my Thirteenth Annual Parkinson's Community Garage Sale. All proceeds from the sale go to U of M Parkinson's to support Manitobans living with a Parkinson's diagnosis (exercise classes, voice programs, dance, boxing, etc.)

Donations may be dropped off at
Birds Hill United Church
•Wednesday May 7th from 1PM-5PM
•Thursday May 8th from 9:30AM-4:30PM

GARAGE SALE
2105 Burton Avenue
FRIDAY, MAY 9TH, 2PM – 6PM
SATURDAY, MAY 10TH, 9AM – 3PM

For more information: Louise at 204-661-5776

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ESP DAY 2025

ACTIVITIES

Parade	X-Treme Dogs
Rock Climbing Wall	Fubuki Daiko Drum Show
Laser Tag	Night Market Sip & Shop
Foam party	Kids Karaoke
Petting zoo	Live Wrestling
Inflatable Bouncers	The Holly Davidson Band
Carnival games	Fireworks

More Info 

Free Entry!
266 Hoddinott Rd

Saturday June 21, 2025

Logos: HARRY'S, Patti's WHOLESALE FOOD SERVICE, OTF EAST ST. PAUL, SCU, EAST ST. PAUL'S LEGION, HARMONY CHIROPRACTIC, JONESY'S RESTAURANT - LOUNGE, CentralBark, Imperial

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Councillor Corner - Ward 3

Brian Duval

There still exists some misunderstanding and misinformation in our community regarding the now defunct Plan 20-50 and the pending Bill 4 of the Provincial Legislature. The following brief history will hopefully help in providing clarity on how we arrived at today's status.

Bill 37 was introduced in 2019 by the then PC government. The Bill calls for the following three basic items pertinent to this discussion:

- 1) The establishing of a process for applicants to submit an appeal to the Municipal Board which will have the authority to either approve, or overturn, a local council's decision on a development application. This received many objections from the municipalities as it, in effect, removes the autonomy of RM councils.
- 2) The creation of a Capital Planning Region, consisting of the mandatory participation of the City of Winnipeg and the 18 surrounding municipalities. This was officially formed on January 1, 2023, with a governing board consisting of the Mayors/Reeves of the region.
- 3) The creation and adoption of an overall Capital Region Development Plan.

For the purposes of brevity, we will further discuss No. 3.

In June 2019 the Province awarded the contract to create the Capital Region Plan to an organization called the Winnipeg Metropolitan Region (WMR). The WMR has existed for several years and consists of a small staff led by an Executive Director and is governed by a board whose members consist of Mayors/Reeves of the regional municipalities. Its mandate was to foster coordination and cooperation between the member municipalities, and it eventually transformed into The Capital Planning Region as mentioned in 2) above, but maintaining its original name, the WMR.

The Plan came to be known as Plan 20-50. While the Plan overall contained clauses of merit, one raised serious concerns for the majority of member municipal councils – the mandating of minimum residential densities.

The concern over mandated densities was raised immediately during the early consultation stage of preparing the Plan. Vigorous objections were raised over the next several years at many consultation sessions, open houses, workshops, changes, draft versions, public hearings, etc. Please be aware your council was very active in voicing concerns during this time. Despite these objections, the



density requirement clause remained.

In August 2024 the new NDP government announced member municipalities would have the option of withdrawing from the WMR. In effect this cancelled Plan 20-50, which officially occurred on Dec. 19, 2024, by resolution of the WMR Board. The staff at WMR, led by a new Executive Director, is now tasked with preparing a replacement Plan with a deadline of Jan. 1, 2027.

The process for withdrawal by a municipality is contained in Provincial Legislation called Bill 4. There are two options available for withdrawal, one before and one after the next municipal election in October 2026, each with slightly different processes. Your council's position is the Bill requires rewording for clarity purposes.

Bill 4 is now at the report stage during which comments, concerns and objections will be heard by the Province. Note that withdrawal cannot occur until the Bill moves on from the report stage and achieves Royal Assent.

The importance of East St. Paul having a participating role in decision making by the WMR cannot be ignored. However, we must also protect and preserve the distinct character of our community.

In short, Plan 20-50 is dead, and any references to it are redundant. Furthermore, a decision on remaining, or withdrawing, from the WMR cannot be made responsibly until the replacement Plan is presented and reviewed.

Artist of the Month



Elma Rauser

Artist/Photographer, whose work can be seen in the ESP Municipal Office for the month of May.

An avid student of life and the world around her, Elma Rauser's passion is to recreate the sensations and details of scenes that she has captured by camera or those moments in time when she encounters wildlife while on a hike into Manitoba's Provincial Parks, Prairie scenes on roads less travelled and the mountain ranges to the west.

Her enthusiasm for understanding and becoming absorbed by her subject matter is as evident as her range of works, from portraits of children and adults enjoying experiences in nature to the rusted and well used relics of days past which she finds in abandoned farm yards or lakebeds.

Elma's strong connection to the outdoors and nature acts as fuel for her creative inspiration, gathering source photography and sketches. Her desire to capture a unique perspective often leads her to seek unusual vantage points, from waist high snow to wading through a murky creek at dusk.

Born in Southern Manitoba, Elma's first explorations in art came through sketching and illustrating catalogues at her father's manufacturing business. In later years, she painted with various mediums from pastel, charcoal, watercolour to acrylics, oils and photography.

Her work can be seen in private collections throughout Canada, United States, Germany and Switzerland. She participates in several local art associations and shows and was a founding member in Manitoba Art Expo. Several of her works are available in Limited Edition.

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ESP DAY 2025 PARADE APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN
Be part of the fun, Be part of the community
SATURDAY JUNE 21, 2025
Parade runs down Hoddinott Rd from Birds Hill School to ESP Farmers Market grounds
More information & parade application available at www.eaststpaul.com

EAST ST. PAUL FARMER'S MARKET
302 Hoddinott Rd
10AM - 2PM
Sundays
June 8 - September 28, 2025
Join us weekly to shop your favorite local products from over 50 vendors

Come Support your local Legion!
ONLINE 50/50 DRAW
at the ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION HENDERSON #215
DRAW ON JULY 1st, 2025
Royal Canadian Legion Henderson #215 is so appreciative of all your continued support throughout the years! It is through your continued patronage that we can continue to be here to serve you and host events such as this 50/50 draw. Purchase your tickets quickly and easily online! Find out if you're the winner from the comfort of your home or live at Henderson Legion #215 on July 1st!
If you have any questions, please contact Michelle by phone 204-338-4867 or email at barmgr215@shaw.ca