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Macklin Skating Club Presents the 2025 Ice Carnival

#### LONG LIVE ROCK & ROLL

Friday March 14, 2025

Doors open at 6:30pm, Show Time is 7:00pm Macklin Arena

Raffle tickets, goodies, photo booth, guest skater

This Skating Carnival has been sanctioned by Skate Saskatchewan-Canada 2024-2025



# WORLD

August 1, 2, 3, 2025

\* ONLY 320 TEAMS AVAILABLE Four person co-ed Team

\*\*Registration open April 1, 2025\*\*

#### TWO WAYS TO ENTER:

#### **\$200.00 Entry Fee**

1. E-transfer to: macklinbunnock@gmail.com

Time stamped after 9:00am April 1st. Anything sent prior to 9:00 am will be returned.

Memo must include: Captain Name, phone number & email address (if available, include other team member names)

Deliver in person to: Macklin Town Office at 5001 Press Avenue starting at 9:00am.

#### NO MAIL-IN FORMS WILL BE ACCEPTED!

- \$200.00 Entry Fee
- Entry forms will be included in the April Newsletter and/or can be found on the Bunnock Social Media pages (FB/Insta) & Town Office
- A receipt verifying your registration will be emailed to you upon receiving your paid entry.
- Team members (other than the captain) do not have to be registered until Registration on Friday, August 1st.

\*ENTRY FEE IS NON-REFUNDABLE\*

To view colored copies of the newsletter online, check out the Town of Macklin website: www.macklin.ca

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Hi All, From St. Joe's

#### Town of Macklin Office Hours:

Monday to Friday 9:00am-12:00pm | 1:00pm—5:00pm Box 69 SOL 2CO | P: 306 753 2256 | F: 306 753 3234

Town website: www.macklin.ca

Chamber Website: www.macklinchamber.com https://www.facebook.com/macklinchamber

Email: macklinhometownconnection@outlook.com

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> \*\*If you would like to receive your quarterly water bill by email, please submit your email address to admin@macklin.ca

#### **ISAMAN CHOPEK LLP &**

The New Horizon Town & Country Center are once again offering a FREE 2024 Income Tax Preparation for **NON-TAXABLE SENIORS** 

> At the Macklin Town Office Thursday, March 21, 2024

In-Person by appointment only

Please call Town of Macklin @ 306-753-2256



#### **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

(stay tuned as new events are added or dates change)

**Soccer Registration** March 6 March 14 **Skating Carnival** 

Happy St. Patrick's Day —New Horizon Tea March 17

March 20 First Day of Spring

March 26 Free Seniors Tax Preparation



#### **WASTE COLLECTION**

Tuesday - Residential & Business Friday - Business & Industrial Park

REMINDER: Free residential RECYCLE pickup on Tuesdays

Recycle and/or Garbage Items must be:

Maximum size of 30" x 36" bag, Maximum Weight of 20kgs or 44lbs. To ensure pickup, do NOT place bags behind vehicles.

Ensure bags are visible!

#### TRANSFER STATION HOURS

#### OCTOBER 1—APRIL 1

(Macklin Residents only)

Tuesday: 4:00 - 6:00pm Thursday: 4:00 – 6:00pm Saturday: 11:00am - 3:00pm

\*\*Electronics and Glass

\*\*Please tape or wrap bin disposal have been loose cardboard\* suspended.

#### **Notice of Preparation of Assessment Roll Town of Macklin**

Notice is hereby given that the assessment roll for the Town of Macklin for the year 2025 has been prepared and is open to inspection in the office of the assessor during regular office hours from:

March 3, 2025 - May 5, 2025

A bylaw pursuant to section 214 of *The Municipalities Act* has been passed and the assessment notices have been sent as required.

Any person who wishes to appeal their assessment is required to file a notice of appeal with:

The Secretary to the Board of Revision Kara Lindal of Western Municipal Consulting Box 149 Meota, SK SOM 1X0 by the 5<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025.

An assessment appeal of \$75.00 must be paid to the Town of Macklin for each appeal.

> Dated this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2025 Chris Lamontagne, Assessor



IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY. please call the Town office at 306-753-2256. \*\*YOU WILL BE DIRECTED TO THE 24HR ON-CALL CONTACT.\*\*





## **ATTENTION**

## **FUNDRAISING**

## **GROUPS!**

From **Friday, May 23** to **Friday, Sept. 19**Delta Co-op will be hosting our 2nd annual

#### **Fundraising Fridays!**

Registration is now open for service groups, teams, clubs, schools, etc. to sign up to have a Friday fundraising BBQ at lunch time at any of our Grocery locations.

#### **COOL FACTS!**

Product is at cost to you! (not retail)
Everything is provided, including the float!

Registration is first come, first serve.

#### **Delta Co-op Grocery Locations**

UNITY 306-228-3031 | MACKLIN 306-753-2221 | WILKIE 306-843-2655

Amanda Roth Heather Stang Craig Winterhalt

## SIGN UP TODAY!





#### MADAC Trip-of-Month—February 2025

#### Canmore, AB — Tim & Christy Veller

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#### **Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings**

Every Thursday at 8:00pm

United Church Basement (4901 Telegraph St.)
If you need assistance, please call 780-753-7589 or 306-514-7887

#### **Local Church Services**

Sacred Heart Parish Denzil: Wednesday - 11:00 AM

Sunday - 9:00 AM

St. Donatus Parish: Saturday - 5:00 PM

St. Mary's Parish Macklin: Monday/Wednesday/Friday 9:00 AM

Tuesday at St. Joseph's Centre 11:00 AM

Thursday at Villa Marie 9:30 AM

Saturday – 7:00 PM Sunday – 11:00 AM

Macklin United Church: Sundays—11:00 AM

Evesham Anglican/United: Sunday Service/Sunday School 10:00 AM

#### **SUMMER STUDENT EMPLOYMENT**

The Town of Macklin requires two summer students to fill the position of Maintenance Employees.

These positions are suitable for post-secondary students.

Applications will be received until 5:00 pm on

Friday March 21, 2025.

#### **CONTRACT OPPORTUNITY**

The Town of Macklin requires an individual to fill the position of "Maintenance Supervisor" for the summer months.

This contract position is a three day per week or 24 hour per week position and includes the organization and supervision of summer maintenance staff.

The successful applicant will be a responsible adult with strong commitment to the maintenance of trees, shrubs and flowers.

The successful applicant will be required commencing May 1, 2025 until approximately August 30, 2025.

Sealed contract tenders will be accepted until **Friday, March 21, 2025.** The lowest, or any tender, will not necessarily be accepted by Council.

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#### Macklin & District Food Bank

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#### **Macklin & District Crime Watch Division**

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- Jesus is Lord -



Hello there!

Yay Warmer weather is FINALLY here!!

Our Kinette Club is having a great 2025 so far! We had 3 young ladies come out to our Feb meeting and "Check it out", plus we've heard of other ones in the Community wanting to do the same. It never hurts to come and sit in on a meeting to see if this club would be a good fit for you! Our next meeting is Monday March 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm in the top room of the Communiplex ~ Come one & Come All!

We had a great few days of BINGO's. We helped at the Villa Bingo, we held a Banger Bingo for the adults and a Toy Bingo on Family Day for the kids! All were well attended, lots of Prizes were won, and a lot of money was raised for TeleMiracle! Speaking of TeleMiracle we will have several from our club attending and working in various areas: Answering Phones, Food Services, Treasury, TM Teddy, and Security. There's so much that goes on behind the scenes that people don't realize!!

We also bought Coffee at the Pepper Tree and at Martha's for our National Day of KINdness on Fri Feb 21<sup>st</sup>.

We are starting to plan our Community Garage Sale so keep an eye out on that in the near future.

Recent Donations were: \$250 to the Prairie Sunset Music Festival, \$500 to STARS, and \$250 to the Ronald McDonald House.

VICTOR FLORIAN SCHECK Aug. 18, 1946—Dec. 1, 2024

The family of Victor Scheck extend their heartfelt thanks to all the wonderful people who brought food, visited, called, included us in their prayers, sent flowers, cards, and charitable donations.

We have much appreciation for Denis and Carol, Stacey, Macklin

Ambulance Service, Dr. Malan, The Provost Hospital staff and the Mazankowski Heart Institute for their compassionate care of Victor.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the funeral service, the lovely luncheon and all who came to the service. A very special thank you to Fr. Santhosh Thekkekulam for the beautiful service. To Gregory's Funeral Home, Jeremy and Shinell, we can't thank you enough for helping us through this difficult time.

Kathy,
Lorianne & Bill, Brenda, Curtis, Cindy & Ray
and families

# St. Joseph's Integrated Health Centre

Looking for employment in the Health Care Field?

We have a variety of work available in the following fields:

Continuing Care Assistant
Housekeeping
Kitchen

If you are interested or would like more information, please email your resume to:

hhrmacklin.admins@saskhealthauthority.ca





#### **Swimming Pool Employment Opportunity**

The Synergy Credit Union Aquatic Centre is now accepting applications for full- and part-time positions.

The successful applicant for **Head Guard** must be at least 18 years of age, have current NLS, First Aid, CPR-C, WHMIS and a pool operator's course. LSI and LSIT would be an asset. A minimum of two years of pool experience is preferred. This position requires a self-motivated individual to perform staff management and other duties. Applicants for positions of **Junior Lifeguard** must be a minimum of 15 years of age and have their Bronze Cross Certification, current First Aid and CPR-C. **Senior Lifeguards/Instructors** require NLS and LSI

All positions include lifeguarding, pool maintenance and other related duties.

certificates as well. Preference will be given to more experienced

applicants.

Position of Head Guard will tentatively commence mid-May and other staff on May 20, 2025 although we may consider applicants that are available later in the summer. Applications will be accepted until **March 13, 2025.** Competitive wages offered.

Questions can be directed to Donna Lynn McIntyre at (306) 753-7779. Forward resumes to:

Synergy Credit Union Aquatic Centre P.O. Box 305, Macklin, SK SOL 2CO or email to dlmci63@hotmail.com

# Wildrose Barber Shop

#### 5116-50 St. ~ MAIN ST. ~ Provost, Alta.

\* Across from The Provost News



#### **OPEN**

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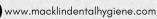






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- ❖ TAKE OUT
- OFF-SALE BEER AND LIQUOR





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#### RCMP MACKLIN REPORT January 21 — February 17, 2025

Macklin Detachment: (306) 753-2171

#### Monday – Friday 8:00am – 12:00 noon

- RCMP received a report of a vehicle collision with a deer. There were no injuries. Reported for insurance purposes.
- Members are investigating a complaint of harassing communications.
- Police received a complaint of a vehicle colliding with a residence.
   There were no injuries. A traffic ticket and a roadside suspension were issued to the vehicle driver.
- A 20-year-old male from Macklin was charged with Impaired Operation of a Motor Vehicle and Flight from a Peace Officer after Members initiated a traffic stop. Two traffic tickets were also issued to the vehicle driver.
- RCMP received a report of a break and enter at a residence in Evesham
   but there was insufficient evidence to proceed.
- A 34-year-old male from Macklin was charged with Possession of Property Obtained by Crime and Fail to Comply with Release Order Condition after Members received a complaint of a break and enter at a residence.
- Members conducted a wellbeing check at the request of a family member.
- RCMP received a complaint of defamatory libel. This matter is still under investigation.
- Members acted as mediators in a family dispute.

- A 64-year-old male from Macklin was charged with Refusal to Comply with Demand during a traffic stop.
- Police received another complaint of defamatory libel. This matter is also still under investigation.
- There were also two traffic complaints and one false 911 call.
- RCMP received a complaint of an abandoned vehicle. The complainant called back to state he had located the owner.
- Members spoke to a landlord regarding a tenant.
- Police received a complaint of a hit and run causing damage to a vehicle. This matter is still under investigation.
- Traffic complaint. Members patrolled but could not locate the subject of complaint.
- RCMP received a complaint of a vehicle collision with a residence.
   There were no injuries and no charges were laid.
- Members conducted a wellbeing check at the request of a family member.
- Police acted as mediators in a dispute between two adults.
- RCMP received a complaint of a stolen truck. This matter is still under investigation.
- There was also one traffic complaint and one false alarm.

#### **News from the Hall**

Hey all from the Hall!

Wow!! I am ready for Spring to come already. What a mean and nasty spell we have been through this winter. We have been very lucky at the Hall (Touch wood) as we have been able to leave the trucks in the hall through out these real cold spells. It is never easy going out and pumping water or working on a vehicle in the ditch when the conditions are like that. Keep up the safe driving all!!

I would like to give a big shout out to the Provost Fire Department. 13 of us attended their annual Firemen's ball on Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>. The members there and their spouses do an incredible amount of work to put together a fun evening with a great meal. They raise a lot of money in one evening and it goes to a great cause. Fire Chief Barry announced

that they have raised over \$800,000.00 dollars in the last 13 years and have helped over 160 families in the past years. Their Department and families put a lot of effort and time into this evening and it shows. Way to go Provost!! This is truly a one of a kind event. Thank you for a great evening.

Training wise it has been fairly quiet as the extreme cold has limited us to training in the hall. We are looking forward to it warming up and getting outside again.

Remember spring thaw is hopefully coming soon. Keep on eye on your young ones if they are playing around running water or on dugouts or sloughs. Be safe out there everyone!

Pat G. Stang

Captain, Public Relations, Safety and Recruitment

TO TANICE@STIENCO.COM

ONLY SELECTED APPLICANTS

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#### **HELP WANTED**

Immediate positions available

\*Certified Journeymen or Apprentice Picker/Crane Truck Operators

\*One Ton Picker Operator

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\* Mechanic/Apprentice Mechanic

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Send resume to:



Box 1080 Provost, AB TOB 3S0

Fax: 780-753-6142

bryce.olson@octaneoilfield.ca

## **EMPLOYMENT**

Slick Autobody in Macklin is looking for a Full Time employee interested in apprenticing to become a journeyman.

Please drop off a resume at Slick Autobody or email slickautobody@sasktel.net.

Willing to train the right person. Experience an asset; not a necessity.



#### SUMMER EMPLOYMENT

# LORNE'S LAWN & YARDCARE

May through August Monday to Friday(weekends off) Flexible Hrs

> for more information Contact Lorne at: 306-753-7477



## COME AND GO TEA



"THE NEWLY RENOVATED NEW HORIZON"

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We enjoy gathering for:

- Poker, Canasta, Buck and other games on Tuesday and Thursday evenings
  - ◆ Pool games most weekday mornings
- Supper, cards and visiting every third Sunday
  - \* Bingo every Monday at 1:30

Meetings are held every second Wednesday to plan the activities for the next month. New ideas are always welcome!

Anyone over the age of 40 can be a member!

Memberships are only \$15.00 per year!



In Store 6:00 - 22:00

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Fax: 306-753-2872

F-mail

north.park@sasktel.net

#### **Macklin Chamber of Commerce** is looking for Members at Large

The Macklin Chamber of Commerce is currently looking for community minded individuals wishing to make a difference and to get involved with all town projects and events.

You do Not have to be a business owner or employee to join.

Chamber meetings are held once a month from 12:00-1:00pm.

Please contact Lori at 306-753-9230 for more information.

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## **ANNUAL SPRING SALE**

## **MARCH 17—APRIL 30**











#### ADDITIONAL ITEMS INCLUDED IN THE SALE

\*Call or text 306-753-2191\*

**Evesham Community Church Youth Group** 



**SUNDAY 11:00-2:00** 30 MARCH

TICKETS FOR SALE

\$8 Soup Tasting (5 pots)

\$12 Soup Tasting PLUS Dessert

Pop or Hot Drink by Donation

Fundraiser for Children in Need through MedAir

#### SALE BY TENDER

- 1. The Rural Municipality of Eye Hill No.382 offers for sale the following tax title properties Property Descriptions:
- Lot 9 Block 4 Plan G485
- Lot 10 Block 4 Plan G485
- Lot 11 Block 4 Plan G485
- 2. A tender must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "Property Tender" addressed to the Rural Municipality of Eye Hill No. 382

Address: P.O. Box 39 Macklin, Sask. S0L 2C0

3. Tenders must be received by Noon on:

Date: March 4th, 2025

- 4. A certified cheque to the municipality for 5% of the amount of the tender must accompany the tender
- 5. Highest, or any tender, not necessarily accepted.
- 6. Successful bidder will have 30 days to provide the balance of cash to complete the purchase

Jason Pilat Administrator Rural Municipality of Eye Hill No.382



Be part of a cooperative business, learn new skills, network and represent your community.

The Board ensures the success of Delta by developing and approving stategic plans, long terms goals, vision and values.

Come be a part of something GREAT!

Nominations are being accepted from February 7, 2025 to March 7, 2025 for the following positions:

DISTRICT 1 (Unity, Luseland): One (1) Position

DISTRICT 2 (Wilkie): One (1) Position

DISTRICT 3 (Macklin): One (1) Position

Deadline for Nominations: Friday, March 7, 2025 Completed forms can be submitted by 4:00pm to the Administration Office.

In Person or by Mail: 309B Main Street, Box 745, Unity, SK SOK 4L0
E-mail: julie.spencer@delta.crs

For further information, please contact the administration office at 306-228-2662. To download the application package, please visit www.deltaco-op.crs



**NOTICE OF** 

## **ANNUAL MEETING**

#### Tuesday, April 1, 2025 7:00PM

Saskcan Community Centre 3 Avenue, Wilkie, SK SOK 0E5 Meeting will also be streamed via Facebook Live www.facebook.com/deltacoopltd

The Annual Meeting is hosted by the Board of Directors. As every Delta Co-op member is an owner, we believe you should have a say in your business. As such, we are inviting all members to the Annual Meeting to discuss and shape your Co-op.

All Local. All Yours. All Together.

#### **Hometown Connection Advertising:**

Yearly Business card size ad - Chamber members only
Yearly Business card size ad - Non-Chamber member
Monthly Business card size ad - open to all
Monthly ½ page ad - open to all
Monthly ½ page ad - open to all
Monthly ¾ page ad - open to all
Monthly ¾ page ad - open to all
Monthly Full page ad - open to all
S120.00/month
Monthly Full page ad - open to all (limited space)
\$150.00/month

We reserve the right to refuse ads and pictures. Etransfer to: treasurer@macklinchamber.com Please submit all advertisements and articles to: macklinhometownconnection@outlook.com

Community news is free of charge. All other Ads are subject to standard rates (noted above)

- Ads and articles must be submitted in print ready form.
- There will be a 2 picture limit as well as a 100 word (half page) limit to all paid articles.
- Deadline for articles or advertising is the 24<sup>th</sup> of the month.
- Payment must be made <u>up front</u> by cheque to: "<u>Macklin Chamber of Commerce</u>"
- Ad to be dropped off at the <u>Town of Macklin</u> Office or your advertisement will not be included in the issue.
- If you need a digital advertisement designed for you, there will be an extra fee of \$25.00.

#### **MACKLIN LIBRARY**

The Lakeland Winter Reading Program runs until March 31st. Come to the library to pick up your bingo cards (or coloring pages for the kids). You can also enter by donating food, pet food, or winter clothing (toques, mitts, etc.).

Lakeland Library Region has partnered with the Neighborhood Forest Program to offer a free tree to school aged children. Come to the Library or contact Jennifer for more information.

March 2 is Dr. Seuss' birthday! To celebrate we will have a Dr. Seuss book paired with a kid's craft...come pick one up!

The book display for March will be spring themed – Spring into a Good Book. Come pick up a spring read!

Questions? Call Jennifer 306-753-2933 or email macklin.lib@lakeland.lib.sk.ca



#### **VILLA MARIE NEWS**

February may have been a very cold month but Villa Marie residents experienced warmth and love from the community with Valentine's surprises, a Grade 2 visit, Telemiracle Bingo, a music concert, and a community Art Show at the Villa. We were sad to say goodbye to Helena Hoogstad, our manager of the last three years, but grateful for everything she has done and the good times we shared with her. We were also excited to welcome Jenn Cholin, our new manager, and wish her the best going forward. And of course, as always, we had some fun games!

Our Valentine's Day was a very special day filled with sweet surprises from Delta Co-op and Jo-An Mason, beautiful cards and art work from our Day Care and School friends, stunning handcrafted placemats from Evesham Community Church, and a visit from the Grade 2's from Macklin Public School.

The Macklin Kinettes hosted a Telemiracle Bingo at the Villa and we were happy to be part of this important and fun fundraiser. We also enjoyed indoor snowball fights, fantastic entertainment by Dan & Janet Fischer, and a Chinese New Year feast.

Our Villa Marie Art Show was a well-attended event in which drawings, paintings, cross-stitching, quilting, woodworking, resins and student artwork graced our walls. Thank you to our artists: Bonnie Stang, Armella Stang, Betty Shapka, Nomi Boser, Clareen Schafer, Kallen Stang, Greg Rissling, Sage Aldred, Nikita Sieben, Jorja Gartner, Macklin Daycare, Macklin Public School, Glennys Kinash, Anita Dieser, Trina Campbell, Susan Conly, Terri Murrell, Brad Kohlman, Karen Stang, Imelda Feser, Eleanor Kohlman, Erwin Oborowsky, Cathy Wiens, and Mark Stang. A special thanks to Greg Rissling from Unique Ideas in Oak for sponsoring two door prizes, which were won by Margaret Gartner and Bill Stang.

Follow us Villa Marie Macklin on Facebook for more photos and news.





#### Hi all, from St. Joe's!

Check Out a Library Book

Brrr... That was a could spell that went on and on, but it didn't slow us down. On Valentine's Day, the spouses were invited for a romantic dinner. The recreation room was decorated with candlelight, dim lighting, romantic flowers, and scrumptious dinner served. As well our Senior Buddies came to read to us and gave out beautiful Valentine's artwork. All in all, it was a wonderful day for everyone.

We wanted to thank Delta Co-Op for the goodie bags, and the daycare and Macklin School for the cards. We would also like to thank the Kinettes for the leftover prizes given for our bingo here, as well as the free coffee we enjoyed at Martha's Place!

We sewed some sock monkeys in our recreation time, which were so cute.

Sadly, on February 23rd, Art Fruson passed away. Our condolences to his family. He will be missed by all of us.

On a personal note, thank you for the condolences given to me in the loss of my son. They were so appreciated. Many thanks for our church services, we appreciate you bringing them to us every week.

In this cold weather, I did some pondering:

- 1. Has laundry shrunk our clothes or is it the humidity in here?
- 2. Why doesn't maintenance wash our backs? Is that not a maintenance job?
- 3. Why do the nurses always ask the same question, "did you go today?" Go where?
- 4. Why are our housekeepers so particular and organized? Is there a medical reason for that?
- 5. I wonder if March will come in like a lion or a lamb?

Until next time, when I will ponder more,

Peggy Bolton, St. Joseph's Resident