



HEARTBEAT

The 'Birch Hills Heartbeat' newsletter is printed bi-monthly 1st and 15th of the month. It is available at the following locations: **Birch Hills Recreation Office**, Lake Country Co-op, Grumpy's Confectionary, Quayle's Pharmacy, and other businesses downtown. Pick up your free copy and share with a friend. Send your email address and request to be added to newsletter emailing list to birchhillsrec@sasktel.net

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Happy New Years,

I guess I should introduce myself. I'm Zac Pitzel. I am excited to be here and start as the new Recreation Director in Birch Hills. I'm looking forward to getting involved in the community, as well as meeting everybody so feel free to stop into the Rec office to introduce yourself and say hi.

Until Next Time,

Zac Pitzel

January issues of this Birch Hills activity newsletter are sponsored by:

The Birch Tree Café
Birch Hills Blackhawks Senior Hockey Team
Birch Hills Lions Club

If you would like to be a sponsor of the 'Heartbeat' newsletter, contact 306-749-7451/ birchhillsrec@sasktel.net. The cost is \$100 by 3 sponsors (\$300/mos) for printing, advertising and ensuring that the newsletter stays free for everyone.

Wanted Welder/Fabricator

The Birch Hills Ball Diamonds are going to a new style of base that is more user friendly and is looking for someone that would be willing to build some metal ground anchors for us. In total we will require 14 single base anchors and 4 double base anchors. Samples of both of these styles are available. The hope is to have these built in time for the 2019 minor ball season.

If you have the tools and willingness to take this project on or would like further information, please contact Gordon at 306-940-8922.

Blackhawks 5th Annual Comedy Night

Sponsored by Nutrien Ag Solutions

Featuring Kelly Taylor



Nutrien
Ag Solutions

Tickets available at:
Quayle's Pharmacy,
KG Hotel
Cornerstone Insurance,
Blackhawks players
www.eventbrite.ca

Sat
5
Jan
2019

Doors Open 7:00pm
Comedian 8:00pm
Silent Auction, Lunch & Dance to follow

Birch Hills Civic Centre
No Minors



JANUARY NEWSLETTER SPONSORED BY:



The Birch Hills and District Lions Club supports many local projects in the community including maintenance and upgrades to our rinks, ball diamonds, and campgrounds. We also provide assistance to individuals who may be burdened with medical related expenses such as travel and accommodation costs.

The Lions Clubs most recent donation was made to the Birch Hills Curling Club on December 20th at the Super League weekly games. The Birch Hills and District Lions donated \$500 to the Curling Club. In 2018, the curling club was gracious enough to allow the Lions Club to use the curling rink as a location to hold the Lions clubs monthly meetings. The Lions Club hopes this donation will help the Curling Club with any costs that may be incurred in the 2019 curling season.



Lions Club President Jeff Pratt presents Curling Club president Leon Pratchler with a \$500 cheque.

Upcoming events for the Birch Hills and District Lions club are as follows:

- March 16/19 is the 2nd Annual Shamrock Shaker feat: Nightside District - BH Civic Center
- April 7/19 is the Annual Lions Club Hockey Draft - Location TBD
- April 13/19 is the FAMOUS Spaghetti Supper - BH Civic Center

For more information on upcoming events follow us on Facebook.

The Birch Hills and District Lions Club is always looking for members to join who have new ideas and are willing to help provide service to our community. If you are interested in joining please feel free to contact:

Club Membership Chairpersons: Bruce Tilford - 306-749-7743, Austin Pocha - 306-749-7408, or any other Lions Club member.

Current Birch Hills and District Lions Club Officers: **President:** Jeffrey Pratt - 639-760-6445, **Vice President:** Todd Devenis - 306-749-7726, **Secretary:** Brendan Doderai - 306-314-2328, **Treasurer:** Brock Tilford - 306-749-7708

Birch Hills Curling Club Upcoming Bonspiels

Senior Open (50+) - January 14 - 17 - Includes banquet & cash prizes

Ladies - February 8 - 9 - Includes supper, cash prizes & draws

2 Person Open - March 21 - 24 (Depending on entries) - cash prizes, Calcutta

Open Mixed - Date TBD

To register, drop into the rink and sign up, or call the rink at 749-2951. To register for the senior open, you can also call or text 749-7040.



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Thanks to Carter's Custom Ag for not only sponsoring the \$500 50/50, but starting the pot at \$500 for the December 28th game.

Winner of the 50/50 for \$1,090 was Bob M.

Also thanks to Cornerstone Insurance for sponsoring the Calcutta Shoot-out that followed the December 28th game. The winning player was Matt Laternas; they were purchased by Carl H and Murray S who took home \$622.50.

The Blackhawks would like to thank Murann Farms Ltd. and Affinity Credit Union – Birch Hills for providing free admission to two December games.

Thanks to Great Western Brewing Company for donating their passes and tickets as prizes for the Community Food Hamper collection. A huge thanks to everyone who donated food items.

Upcoming Events:

Friday, January 4th - Cudworth @ Birch Hills 8:30pm Free admission courtesy Armie's Trucking Ltd.

Saturday, January 5th – Blackhawks 5th Annual Comedy Night sponsored by Nutrien Ag Solutions featuring comedian, Kelly Taylor. Tickets are available at Cornerstone Insurance, Quayle's Pharmacy, KG Hotel, www.eventbrite.ca or Blackhawks players

The Blackhawks team consists of several local, as well as long-time players:

30	Matthew Laternas	17	Brady Keller
35	Taryn Phaneuf	18	Riley Lajeunesse
2	Stephane Gaudet	19	Beau Stevenson
3	Kellen Harper	21	Chad Grambo
4	Luc Casavant	22	Bryce Nemish
5	Adam Olchoway	27	Travis Elsaesser
6	Colby Peifer	29	Trent Swenson
8	Avery Bruce	44	Tyler Tilford
9	Scott Swenson	52	Riley Currie
11	Reed Whitrow	55	Cody Folstad
12	Derek Becker	90	Cole Jones
13	Tristyn Stevenson	94	Brayden Stevenson
16	Brandon Juravinski		

The team is coached by Todd Becker, Bruce Tilford, Mike Markell and Zach Becker. The manager is Jamie Tilford and the trainer is Neil Braaten. Executive members at large are Laura Swenson, Brock Tilford and Greg Manson.

Go Hawks!

ST MARY'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

UPCOMING EVENTS

Community Lunches:

All community members are welcome to join us for lunch

Friday, January 4th

Free will offerings accepted (donations)

Lunches will be the 1st and 3rd Friday of every month until June

Next Lunch : Jan 18th



Sunday Services 11:00am in January

Sunday Services 9:00am February to July

Birch Hills Curling Club



Weekly Curling

Afternoon - Tuesday 1pm

2 Person - Wednesday 2 draws 7pm & 8pm

Mixed League - Thursday 2 draws 7pm & 9pm



Birch Hills & Community Wedding Shower for Brad Tomtene and Jessica Hill on January 13, 2019 at 2:00 pm

Birch Hills Community Lutheran Church

Please join us as we celebrate with this "couple-to-be."

Short program at 2:00 with lunch to follow.

KEEPING YOU GROWING
Farm World
YOUTH CURLING CAMP

KINISTINO SPORTS COMPLEX

PROGRAM TIMES:
Ages 6 - 10 > 9:00 - 11:30am
*Helmet Are Required**
Ages 11 - 15 > 1:00 - 3:30pm

\$20/CHILD INCLUDES
> Meet and Learn from Champion Kirk Muires
> Introduction To Curling
> On-ice basics & games
> Curling Camp t-shirt

REGISTER EARLY!
Space is Limited
Phone Judy at (306) 864-7955 or Diane at (306) 864-7551 with child's age and contact information.

CONCESSION AVAILABLE

ROCK ON! Sunday, January 20, 2019

100% of Proceeds will go back to Kinistino Sports Complex Thanks to these SPONSORS:

Farm World **CURLSASK** **FAST CENTRAL TRADER** **107.5 Bolt FM** **northeast NOW** **HUMBOLDT JOURNAL**

Church Services



St. Mary's Anglican Church @ 11am – First Sunday in Feb switches to 9am

St. Anne Roman Catholic Church - Sunday Oct 7th/18—Jan 27/18 @ 9:00am

Community Church @ 11am

Lake Park Baptist Church @ 11am

Saron Lutheran Church by Hagen @ 9:30am

United Church @ 9:30am

Glad Tidings Tabernacle @ 11:00am

The Birch Hills Sno Posse Club is seeking a club or organization who is willing to look after the food service for our rally dated for Saturday Feb 9, 2019. This is a one day event.

Those that are interested please submit your name to me by January 10, 2019. You can call, or email for more information to: Tammy @ g.forsyth@sasktel.net or text/call 960-9246.



Grad Bottle Drive

The 2019 Graduating class would like to wish everyone a festive holiday season and would like to assist you in cleaning up by removing your empty bottles and cans after all the celebrations. As such the class will be holding a Bottle drive in Birch Hills on Saturday Jan 5. Starting around 10 am. We hope that everyone will enjoy the holidays and save up all those recyclables accepted by SARCAN to assist us with our big day in June. If you need them gone before the drive date feel free to drop them off at 25 Birch Drive and if you would prefer not to be disturbed on the date of the bottle drive you can leave your packaged containers on your front step for pickup. We thank everyone in the community for their support in making our big day special.

Seeking Community Arts Initiative facilitator for The Birch Hills Community Arts Initiative as I'm moving at the end of the year. We are hoping to find someone who is willing to organize monthly art events, collaborate with the Birch Hills Rec Board and the School/Anglican Church for funding and a venue, provide supplies, instructors, and advertising as needed. Those interested are encouraged to contact Amy at 306-941-0788 or by email at amy.elizabeth.dow@gmail.com.

EVERY WEEK IN THE HILLS Open to Community

MONDAYS

Line Dancing 9:30am - 11:00am
Bowling 2:00 pm @ Seniors Hall
Dreamland Optimists Group
Fire Dept Meeting (every 2nd Mon) 7:00 pm @ Fire Hall

TUESDAYS

Moms & Tots 10:00 am-12:00 pm @ Youth Centre
\$2 drop in fee
Library Open 11:00 am-4:00 pm and 5:00 pm-8:00 pm
Knitting Grannies (2nd & 4th Tues) 1:00pm @ museum
Birchview Ladies Auxiliary (1st Tues) 11:00am
Craft Night 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm (5-12yrs) @ Library

WEDNESDAYS

Thrift Shop Open 9:00 am-4:00 pm @ Museum
Coffee 2:00pm @ Museum
Line Dancing 9:30-11:00 am @ Civic Centre
Museum Open 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Town Council Meetings 2nd and 4th Wed of the month

THURSDAYS

Moms & Tots 10:00 am-12:00 pm @ Youth Centre
\$2 drop in fee
Library Open 9:00 am -12:00 pm and 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Legion Meeting 2nd Thurs of each month 7:00 pm @ Legion (No meeting in July and August)

FRIDAY

Friday Night Youth at Youth Centre 7:30pm

SATURDAY

Thrift Shop Open 1:00 am-4:00 pm @ Museum
Coffee 2:00pm @ Museum

Senior Centre Contact: Delores Jones 749-2680

Birch Hills Public Library

Birch Hills Library hours:

Tues 11-4 5-9


Thurs 9-12 1-6

Storytime Friday 1:30 - 2:15


Storytime for 3-yr olds starts Oct. 4.



BlackHawks Hockey
vs. Warman




Free Admission Courtesy:



Fri
18
Jan
2019

Time | 8:30pm
Licensed Beverage Garden

2nd Street, Birch Hills



Upcoming Events

January

- 4 - BH Blackhawks vs Cudworth Tricky Maroons
- 5 - Grad Bottle Drive
 - Blackhawks Comedy Night
- 14 - 17 - BH Senior's Open Bonspiel
- 18 - BH Blackhawks vs Warman Wildcats
- 19 - BH Minor Sports Elimination Draw and Dance
- 20 - Youth Curling Camp in Kinistino
- 25 - BH Blackhawks vs Dalmeny Sabres
- 26 - BH Blackhawks vs Clavet Cougars

February

- 2 - BH Blackhawks vs Aberdeen Knights
 - Crystal Springs Poker Rally
- 8 - 9 - Ladies Curling Bonspiel
- 9 - BH SnoPosse Snowmobile Rally

March

- 16 - Shamrock Shaker 2 @ BH Civic Centre
- 21 - 24 - 2 Person Open Bonspiel

April

- 7 - Lions Hockey Draft - Location TBD
- 9 - Birch Hills Golf Club AGM
- 13 - Lions Club Spaghetti Supper @ BH Civic Centre



*Birch Hills Minor Sports
Elimination Draw and Dance
\$10,000 Grand Prize*

1st Prize: \$10,000 2nd Prize: \$1,000
9 Additional Prizes of \$100 awarded at every 25th ticket
pulled 1st ticket out of the draw barrel \$500
Prizes totalling \$12,400
Proceeds going to Birch Hills Minor Sports &
The Birch Hills Skating Rink

Saturday January 19, 2019
Doors open at 7:00 pm
Birch Hills Civic Centre
126 McCallum Avenue
Birch Hills, SK

Featuring



\$10.00 Cover Charge at the door without ticket
No Minors Allowed
Midnight Lunch Provided

\$100 per ticket
Only 251 tickets sold
Lottery License #RR18-0167

Contact Tanya @ 306-930-1892 to purchase a ticket
or
birchhillsmisorports@outlook.com



Birch Hills Volunteer Fire Department

Fundraising Calendars \$25 each

Available from any Volunteer Firefighter

All proceeds to purchase needed equipment.

You're at home here.



NOTICE OF NOMINATION

Nominations will be accepted January 8 - 14/2019
for Delegates of Lake Country Co-operative Association
Limited

Delegate positions are available at the following locations:

- Domremy (one 3 year term)
- La Ronge (one 3 year term)
- Paddockwood (one 3 year term)
- Shellbrook (one 3 year term)
- Smeaton (one 3 year term)
- Wakaw (one 3 year term)
- Big River (one 3 year term)
- Kinistino (one 3 year term)
- Marcelin (one 3 year term)
- Canwood (one 3 year term)
- Birch Hills (one 3 year term)
- Spiritwood (one 3 year term)
- Prince Albert (five 3 year term & one 2 year term)

Nomination forms are available at the Food Store at each location, except Shellbrook where they can be picked up at the Agro Center and in Spiritwood at the Service Center.

- Nominees must do the majority of their Co-op purchases at the location for which they are nominated, or be a resident of the district.
- Nominees must hold a Co-op membership in their name.

Nominee purchases must be equivalent to those of the average Co-op member.

Birch Hills Community Lutheran Brethren Church Invites you to:

Sunday Morning Worship
11:00am at the corner of 4th and Bellamy

Tuesday & Friday Morning Moms and Tots
10:00am - Noon at the Youth Centre
\$2 Drop In

Thursday Evening Kaiser, Crib and Game Night
7:00pm at the Youth Centre

Friday Night Youth
Age 12 and up
7:30pm at the Youth Centre

Saturday Morning Coffee Row
7:00am - 10:00am at the Youth Centre

CRYSTAL SPRINGS EVENTS

Coffee Row at the Hall - January 2nd

Everyone is welcome. It is a wonderful opportunity for friends, neighbors & acquaintances to get together!

Crystal Springs Poker Rally - February 2nd

Registration 10am-1pm

Bingo: Bingo will restart in 2019 - watch for an announcement

*Hall is available for rent, Contact Lynn
306-864-8013*



RECYCLE

Please Share your Newsletter with a friend. Send request to birchhillsrec@sasktel.net to receive the news letter online.

MOVING OUT SALE:

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5th, 9am to 4pm
& SUNDAY, JANUARY 6th, 10am to 2pm
@ 185 RIVERSIDE DR. in ST. LOUIS
(VALIDA LUSSIER'S)

PARK MANAGER

The Board of Directors for the Struthers Lake Regional Park Authority are accepting applications for a Park Manager. This position reports directly to the Board and is responsible for overseeing all operations of the park. Management and knowledge in the field of parks and recreation would be an asset. The Manager must possess strong public relation, promotional skills, communication and interpersonal skills. The manager must have the ability to work independently while adhering to board policies and bylaws. Duties will include supervision of student/s, general yard/cleaning maintenance pertaining to the park, and campground, beach and boat launch areas. General office and technology knowledge for entry gate is necessary to organize and book campsites, cabin rentals and gazebo.

The manager must live at the park during the employment period of 1-May- 2019 to 30-Sep-2019.

Accommodations are provided.

Please submit resume including references. Only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.

Deadline for applications is January 15, 2019.

For further information please email Administrator: strutherslakerp@gmail.com or call Cory @ 864-7637 or mail resume to Box 857 Kinistino, Sask. SOJ 1H0

CONCESSION MANAGER

Struthers Lake Regional Park is seeking a Full Time Seasonal Concession Operator for the 2019 season.

This is an excellent income opportunity for a full time Concession Manager who will be responsible for food operations for the Struthers Lake Regional Park. Food Safe Certificate is a requirement. We provide a generous leasing opportunity from May to September 2019.

Concession is located in the heart of the park and just uphill from the main beach.

Concession Manager will also be responsible for the general cleaning of the laundry/shower house facility and will profit from its proceeds.

Accommodations to reside it the park will be discussed during the interview.

For further information please email: strutherslakerp@gmail.com or call Cory @ 864-7637.

Applications can be mailed to Box 857 Kinistino, Sask. SOJ 1H0.

Only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. Deadline for applications is January 15, 2019



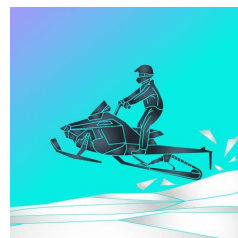
SAVE THE DATE

COMING UP

24th Annual
Birch Hills
Snowmobile
Rally

**Saturday February 9,
2019**

Posters arriving soon



**CRYSTAL SPRINGS
POKER RALLY**



SATURDAY, Feb 2, 2019

Registration 10 am-1 pm
at Crystal Springs Hall
Last Rider Out by 1:30 pm
All Riders Back by 4:30 pm

Hands 1/\$10 or 3/\$20
1st 25% + 2nd 15% + 3rd 10%

**Cash Bar + Hot Lunch
Fuel Available**

Snow or No Snow, this Event is a Go!
For more info, call Lynn 864-8013

Hosted by the Crystal Springs Rec Co-op