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SEE IT FOR YOURSELF

Discover the Parkland

In Manitoba's Parkland you'll find friendly folks, vibrant communities and incredible natural spaces. There are countless special places to "get away from it all", whether for a day, a weekend or longer. Be sure to take in some of our exciting activities, music and cultural festivals, concerts and family events.

Enjoy your stay and come back often!

A calm, quiet evening in the Parkland is a great time to cast a line—and hook some great memories.

Manitoba's Parkland – Rich in history... rich in personality

Welcome to Manitoba's Parkland, where streams continue to flow through unknown woods as they have for ages, and wild animals still rule over vast sections of forest and meadow.

That is not to say that mankind has left no mark here—the Parkland is rich in grain and livestock production, and villages, towns, and small cities dot the landscape—but here, people have set aside much of the land as they found it, and have learned to live in harmony with nature, achieving a balance whereby it can sometimes be difficult to tell where nature's domain ends, and mankind's begins. It is a most rare and special place.

Here you can find pristine lakes, cool, refreshing streams, rolling grasslands, sprawling forests, and even the prairie mountains.

But also you will find relics accumulated over 10,000 years of human settlement. And you can sense the pervading spirit of ingenuity and accomplishment that allowed the area's first settlers to carve a rewarding existence out of the landscape, often in the face of remarkable adversity.

More than anything else, however, those who take the time to explore Manitoba's Parkland region will find memories to last a lifetime.

Whether you're after some of Manitoba's best fishing, or looking for a unique shopping or dining experience, you'll find just what you're looking for between these covers. But there is certainly more to the Parkland than could be fit within these pages. Keep a sharp lookout during your travels, for adventures may appear around every corner.

— *Parkland Tourism Association*



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GREAT SPACES

Parks & Natural Places

The Parkland marks the region of Manitoba where the grasslands of the Canadian prairies give way to the more densely forested regions of the north. It's an area of beautiful parks, and neverending recreational opportunities.

The turquoise waters of Clear Lake lap at the shore of Deep Bay at Riding Mountain National Park.

photo: Parks Canada

Parks of the Parkland

Riding Mountain National Park

Since Riding Mountain was first declared a forest reserve in 1895, people have recognized the scenic beauty of the area, the importance of the habitat for wildlife, and the potential for recreation and relaxation to be found in these lands. In total, nearly 10 000 km² (3,900 mile²) of the Parkland is shared by nationally- and provincially-designated parks and forest reserves. Your visit to the Parkland is sure to bring you to one or more of these areas. Below are listed some of the things you can expect to see and do while adventuring here in Nature's playground.

Manitoba's first national park achieved this status in 1933. It had previously been set aside as a forest reserve, amid the rapid deforestation of the surrounding area. The area of the Riding Mountains was held in great reverence by Native peoples.

The **townsite of Wasagaming** was developed during the Great Depression by work crews hired through a federal relief program. Several impressive log structures still exist from this era of the town's development, giving the town a distinctive, rustic flavour.

The park itself covers 3 078 km² (1,188 mile²), ranging from areas of open meadows to boreal forest, aspen parkland, and deciduous forest, besides the escarpment from which the park

received its name. An abundance of wildlife can be found here, including deer, moose, elk, black bear and beaver. There are also a few Great Gray owls and wolves in the park. A small bison herd is kept at **Lake Audy** (see below). The park offers unique experiences for families, photographers, birders and wildlife enthusiasts.

Campgrounds can be found throughout the park, and an extensive trail system offers a variety of scenic routes for hiking, cycling, horseback riding, cross-country skiing and birding. Over 400 km (250 miles) of summer trails and 260 km (163 miles) of cross-country ski trails are available.

Lake Audy Bison Enclosure. A display herd of approximately 30 plains bison is maintained at Lake Audy in Riding Mountain National Park. A Bison and Grasslands Exhibit at the site relates the natural history of bison and native grasslands. The Lake Audy road branches west off PTH10 at the north end of Clear Lake. Follow the signs to the bison enclosure. Viewing is at its best in the morning or evening.



Adventures await along the trails at Riding Mountain National Park



Riding Mountain National Park Visitor Centre



Black bear

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Assessippi Provincial Park

Located at the southeastern end of man-made Lake of the Prairies, Assessippi Provincial Park includes facilities for camping, trails for hiking and snowmobiling, boating, swimming and water-sports on the lake, and some of the best walleye fishing in the province.

Nearby attractions include **Shellmouth Dam** which was built in 1968 to control flooding along the **Assiniboine River**. The dam measures 21 m (69 feet) in height and 1,218 m (3/4 mile) in length. **Lake of the Prairies** (see page 25), which resulted from the construction of the dam, is 67 km (42 miles) long, and straddles the Manitoba-Saskatchewan border. The first 6 km (4 miles) of the lake is Assessippi Provincial Park's central feature.

A commemorative plaque and interpretive signage mark the spot of the original **Assessippi townsite**, now a ghost town.

Also popular is the **Ancient Valley Interpretive Trail**. Steep valley walls along the Assiniboine and Shell Rivers provide breathtaking panoramas for those venturing along the park's trail system.

Assessippi Ski Area & Resort provides facilities for skiing, snowboarding and tubing enthusiasts (see page 33 for details).

Both the **Assiniboine and Shell Rivers** provide for good canoeing, and rentals are available at Lake of the Prairies. The steeply contoured land around the lake, featuring many hills and valleys, provides a picturesque route for cyclists.

A number of campgrounds surround the lake, making it possible to take a leisurely tour around the lake with several overnight stops. Facilities also include horseshoe pits, ball diamonds, children's playgrounds, and group camping facilities.

Lake of the Prairies has recorded an annual walleye catch per square kilometre that is five times greater than the provincial average. Due to

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Lake of the Prairies

the tremendous resources required to keep Lake of the Prairies well-stocked and to preserve the high quality of the fishery, a slot limit on catches has been enacted. *For more information on fishing Lake of the Prairies or other lakes of the Parkland, see page 25.*

Duck Mountain Provincial Park & Forest

Clear, spring-fed lakes have made "The Ducks" a popular tourist destination for years. **Childs Lake, Wellman Lake, Singush Lake**, and the **Blue Lakes** are among the most popular. The bottom of **East Blue Lake**, which descends to 60 m (196 feet) at its deepest, is visible to some 12 to 18 m (40 to 60 feet).

Manitoba's highest elevation is found at **Baldy Mountain**, which rises 831.2 m (2,727 feet) above sea level. Baldy Mountain is accessible by car. An observation tower offers a scenic view of the surrounding forest of tall spruce. Located off PR366, 32 km (20 miles) north of Grandview.

Duck Mountain is home to moose, white-tailed deer, black bears, foxes, lynx, coyotes and timber



View of the Swan Valley from Wellman Lake in Duck Mountain Provincial Park

wolves. A variety of birds nest in the forests and marshes. A 30 km (19 mile) network of trails provides for exploration of the hilly terrain and forests of the park by hikers in summer, and snowmobilers and cross-country skiers in winter.

Campgrounds and facilities exist at all of the park's major lakes. **Duck Mountain Forest Site**, located near the junctions of PR366 and PR367, makes a good station from which to explore the surrounding area.

Duck Mountain Forest Site is a unique area of natural meadows, streams and wetlands and features 6 kms (4 miles) of all weather road leading through the boreal forest. Signs identify the many species of native trees and the site is home to a great variety of birds, waterfowl and animals. It includes the **Frank Marvin Visitor Centre** with its historical displays and artifacts, a 3D model of the Swan Valley Watershed, picnic areas and five hiking trails totaling 10 km (6 miles). The Centre is wheelchair accessible and is open for July and August. Located 1 km south of the junction of PR366 and PR367 (5 km [3 miles] from the Blue Lakes campground area) in Duck Mountain Provincial Park.

Porcupine Provincial Forest

Where the Parkland gives way to the north, Porcupine Provincial Forest is a rugged wilderness waiting to be explored. Few roads penetrate the forest, set among the Porcupine Hills along the Manitoba escarpment, which rises to 823 m (2,700 feet) above sea level at **Hart Mountain**, a summit to rival Baldy Mountain of the Ducks. Campgrounds exist at **Whitefish Lake** (on PR279, northwest of Bowsman), **North Steeprock Lake** and **Bell Lake** (both northwest of Birch River on PR365).

Kettle Stones Provincial Park

The 4 km² (1.5 mile²) Kettle Stones Provincial Park, on the north side of the Kettle Hills of Swan-Pelican Provincial Forest, features sandstone formations known locally as kettle stones (see image on next page). The stones, ranging in size from 45 cm (18 inches) to 5.5 m (18 feet), rise above the landscape like stone sentinels. The park is the only place in Manitoba where kettle stones—considered sacred by the First Nations people—can be observed in their original setting.

The park is located 70 km (45 miles) northeast of Swan River near the southeast shore of Swan Lake. The route east from PR268 is not paved and is impassable when wet, so it should not be attempted by car or van. Contact the Swan River District Office of Manitoba Conservation at 204-734-3429 for the latest road conditions. A 2.4 m (8-foot) diameter kettle stone discovered during excavations in Swan River is on display at the Swan River Visitor Information Centre.

Rainbow Beach Provincial Park

Facilities include a beach, campground, scenic walks along the shore, playgrounds, picnic areas, ball diamonds, horseshoe pits, hiking trails, modern showers and washrooms, and a concession. Dauphin Lake Golf Club is just 3 km (2 miles) away. Located on the south shore of Dauphin Lake, 24 km (15 miles) east of Dauphin on PTH20.

Manipogo Provincial Park

Named for the legendary sea monster of Lake Manitoba, the park is a favourite among campers and anglers. Located on the northwestern shore of the lake just a few kilometres north of Toutes Aides (60 km / 38 miles north of Ste. Rose du Lac on PR276), the park has miles of beaches, boating, short hiking trails, playgrounds and camping facilities. Perhaps you can help solve the Manipogo mystery. Many people claim to have seen the sea monster, but there has been no conclusive evidence!

Birch Island Provincial Park

In 2011, Birch Island became Manitoba's 84th provincial park. Located on Birch Island in Lake Winnipegosis, Birch Island is home to a variety of wildlife including bears, moose, wolves, lynx, hares, and deer, and many birds including terns, ducks, herons, gulls and pelicans. It is managed as a non-operational park.



Kettle Stones Provincial Park.

Birdwatching

With its plentiful forests, fields and wetlands, the Parkland has long been a haven for a multitude of bird species. Find out why birders have been travelling to the Parkland from across North America by checking out some of the sites listed below.

Riding Mountain National Park is an excellent location to experience birding. The Park's *Birder's Checklist* is available at the Visitor Centre to help you keep track of approximately 260 bird species found in the area, all waiting to be seen among the natural beauty of this unspoiled habitat.

The Swan River Valley is at the crossroads for northern and southern species of birds, as well as eastern and western birds. A great variety of

habitat and species makes the valley a prime location for birding. Areas of most activity for birding are trails in the mountains, as well as local bird feeders, wetlands and a 100-box nesting trail. Expect to view peeps, waders, dabblers, divers, golden-winged warblers, and perhaps even an albino red-tailed hawk.

Duck Mountain Provincial Park. During your visit, you may spot hawks, warblers, woodpeckers, grouse, woodcocks, and many more species.

Assessippi Provincial Park. Near and around Lake of the Prairies observant birders can see American goldfinches, kingbirds, common nighthawks, ruffed grouse, warblers and vireos. The lake itself is a good spot to view American white pelicans, many species of ducks, great blue herons and western grebes. Sandhill cranes make an appearance in September.

LET'S DO SOMETHING

NATURE & LEARNING EVENTS

Junior Naturalists Program, beginning June 24, 2013, RMNP. An education program for children between the ages of 5 and 12, including workshops, hikes and experiments relating to the natural and cultural heritage of Riding Mountain National Park. Friends of RMNP also host the **Young Explorers Program** (ages 7-14; Tuesday and Thursdays, June 25 - August 29) and **L'il Critter Camp** (ages 5 and up; Monday - Friday, July 2 - August 30). Call 204-848-4037.

Birding in the Biosphere, June 8, 2013, Elk Glen Site near Rosburn. Join the Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC) for their annual birding survey at NCC's 800-acre (322-hectare) Elk Glen protected site south of Riding Mountain National Park. The NCC protects more than 53,000 acres (21,450 hectares) of Manitoba's most ecologically significant natural areas. For information on NCC or this event, call 204-725-5987 or visit www.natureconservancy.ca.

Parks Day, July 20, 2013, RMNP. Celebrate the importance of our parks and historic sites. Take a hike on one of 40 trails with over 400 km of forests, grasslands and escarpment to discover. Join Friends of Riding Mountain at the bandstand on the main beach in Wasagaming (Clear Lake) for music and entertainment.



Gardens of the Parkland

With all this natural beauty, you would think that people in the Parkland would find little need to cultivate their own. Greenery is a point of community pride, and the “Four-Blooms-or-Better” club grows bigger all the time. Sandy Lake, Dauphin, Rossburn, Russell and Grandview have all earned stellar marks in the Communities in Bloom competition, and are worth a visit in season.

Our tour starts in **Wasagaming**, where the first-rate gardens reflect the park planners’ vision of Riding Mountain as a Victorian resort in the wilderness. Highlights include the floral gardens at the Visitor Centre, the elm-lined sidewalks of the central park, and the wishing well garden with its shady perennial beds. Tours can be arranged by calling 204-848-7275.

A short side-trip east to **Ste. Rose du Lac** on the Parks Route (PTH5) leads to a replica of the Notre Dame de Lourdes grotto in France, including park and gardens.

West of Dauphin on the Parks Route in **Grandview** sits a converted former CN Railway lot with a vibrant floral garden.

A working sundial created from a massive glacial-age boulder is the centerpiece of a beautiful community garden at the intersection of PTH5 and PTH83 in **Roblin**.

South on PTH83 and a short distance east is the site of the **Frank Skinner Arboretum Trail**, showcasing nearly 150 plant varieties.

The town of **Russell** (4 Blooms) boasts **Peace Park**, which sits on the Trans-Canada Trail route, and has an international flavour with flags of the world, a wooden bridge and floral gardens.

At **Angusville**, the planters along the main



Wishing Well Garden, RMNP

street, a small “coffee park”, red and white street banners, and a short pathway loop—which will soon be dedicated to those who served in Canada’s armed forces—add to the character of the community.

At the **Memory Garden in Foxwarren** (south on PTH83 and PTH16), young people from the community planted petunias in the shape of a peace symbol in honour of those who perished on September 11, 2001 in New York City. More than 2,000 red and white petunias, 300 perennials and 600 commemorative stepping-stones are used to complete the design.

Take PTH42 east and PR264 north to **Rossburn** (a 4-Bloom community), then travel east on PTH45 to **Sandy Lake** (a 5-Bloom Community). These two communities have floral gardens tucked into every possible spot on the downtown streets, and baskets of flowers on buildings and lampposts. In Rossburn, a beautiful **Memory Garden**, complete with a waterfall, has been planted. **Sandy Lake’s**

Flora & Fauna

The Parkland provides habitat for an astounding number of animals, and is sure to offer up many treasures for wildlife enthusiasts. Here you’ll find black bear, moose, white-tailed deer, elk, foxes, lynx, coyotes, wolves, porcupines, and beaver, birds such as the Great Gray owl, loon, pelican, plover, grouse, snow goose, and many others, and plant species native to the grasslands, wetlands and forested regions.

Waterhen Wood Bison Project. A free-roaming herd of wood bison are maintained in a 15 km² (6 mile²) enclosure near Waterhen. Guided tours are available. Located 32 km (20 miles) northeast of Waterhen (95 km north of Ste. Rose du Lac) off PR328.

Frank Skinner Arboretum Trail. Located at the original nursery of one of Canada’s most innovative horticulturists, the Frank Skinner Arboretum Trail showcases some of the nearly 150 plant varieties developed by Dr. Skinner to survive in the harsh prairie environment. Picnic tables have been placed at the entrance to the trail for public use. Located 23 km (14.5 miles) south of Roblin or 31 km (19.5 miles) north of Russell on PTH83.

Hidden Valley Sanctuary. Donated by the late trapper, naturalist and photographer, Gordon Mitchell, this Manitoba Wildlife Sanctuary offers excellent opportunities for wildlife viewing, hiking, fishing and snowshoeing. There is also a picnic site. Located 10 km

(6 miles) north of Dauphin on PTH20. For more information, call 204-638-6450.

Riding Mountain National Park—East Side.

Access can be gained to several prime wildlife viewing, elk bugling and bird watching areas on the eastern escarpment of Riding Mountain National Park near McCreary.

The Crawford Creek Alluvial Fan is the last intact alluvial fan along the Manitoba escarpment. As water comes off Riding Mountain along Crawford Creek, the alluvial fan slows the water down and spreads it out. This allows suspended material to drop and the water is filtered as it passes through miles of wetland. The site is located off of PTH5 between Ochre River and Dauphin and has a boardwalk and viewing tower where visitors can view this natural phenomenon. From PTH5, turn south onto Road 104W for 4.8 km (3 miles), east on Road 137N for 1.6 km (1 mile), south on Road 103W for 1.6 km (1 mile) and then east on Road 136N for 0.8 km (1/2 mile). Contact Turtle River Watershed Conservation District, 204-447-2139.



Bison

must-see gardens include Verbewski Gardens at the Personal Care Home, Western Days, Watertower, Museum, Centennial, and Volunteer Park. Call 204-585-5314 or 204-585-2636 for tours of private gardens.



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DISTANT ECHOES

History, Heritage & Culture

The history of human settlement in the Parkland area spans 10,000 years, and is a story of people at once taming and succumbing to the landscape around them. The climate has always been harsh, the seasons extreme, but the perseverance that characterized the area's early settlers was rewarded with good, fertile soil and bountiful harvests in a land full of natural beauty and resources.



There are countless opportunities throughout the year to experience life in the Parkland such as at Dauphin's Threshing Day.

The first inhabitants of Manitoba's Parkland—the First Nations peoples—lived for thousands of years hunting bison which existed in herds of hundreds of thousands, fishing on the seemingly numberless lakes, and supplementing their diets with berries, roots and herbs.

When the railway came at the turn of the century, European settlers, many from Eastern Europe and Ukraine, turned the area into one of the richest grain-producing regions in the world. And as the plow transformed idle grasslands to fields ripe with grain, so too did the hearts of the settlers transform the cultural landscape of the region. The lingering spirit of these pioneers can be felt in every church and school, every field and forest to which these pioneers applied themselves. Your journey throughout the Parkland is sure to be rich in the heritage of the distant lands and cultures which left an indelible mark on the local customs and landscape.

Of particular interest to visitors to the Parkland are the churches. Never was the burden of homesteading too great, nor resources too scarce, for the construction in each town of one or more churches, often modest in dimensions, but grand in design, in the true spirit of Old World architecture.

The traditional onion domes are the dominant feature of most historic Parkland churches. Nearly any church you find in the Parkland will be worth a closer look. You'll find them in every town, along the highway, and hidden among groves of trees down little-used side roads.

SPECIAL NOTE: *Driving directions are provided, where possible, using Provincial Trunk Highways (PTH), which are typically paved and Provincial Roads (PR), which may be paved or gravel. For many rural attractions, travel on gravel roads will be required.*



Inglis Elevators National Historic Site of Canada, Inglis

Buildings, Markers & Historic Sites

Ivan Franko Heritage Hall (Ukrainian National Heritage Home) (ANGUSVILLE). This community hall is often mistaken for an Orthodox-style church because of its three onion domes. Halls like this one were common in many Ukrainian communities in the area, and always played a central role in preserving Ukrainian culture in Canada. This hall was built in 1934, and still features the original curtain and stage, as well as memorabilia celebrating famous Ukrainian poets such as Franko and Chevchenko. Phone 204-773-2764.

Red Deer Lake Heritage Site (BARROWS). The former community of Barrows sprang up almost overnight at the site of the Red Deer Lumber Co., on the south shore of Red Deer Lake. It disappeared just as quickly when the company shut down the mill in 1926. One of the remaining

stone structures from the former community bears a plaque designating this as a heritage site. Located at Red Deer Lake, approximately 8 km (5 miles) north of the community of Barrows.

CNR Station & Park (DAUPHIN). This station, constructed in 1912 and now a local historical site, provided a vital link for settlers immigrating to the Parkland region. The adjacent park path meanders around a variety of fruit trees. Located at 101-1st Ave. NW.

Dauphin Court House Building (DAUPHIN). Built in the Neo-classical style, the stately Dauphin Court House Building was designed in 1916 by local architect J.H. Bossons, and officially opened in 1917. Located at 114 River Avenue W. Public tours are not available.

Lt. Col. Wm. (Billy) Barker VC Commemorative Plaque (DAUPHIN). Located at Dauphin Airport on PTH10 south of Dauphin, this plaque commemorates Barker's national recognition as one of the most celebrated war heroes of World

LET'S DO SOMETHING

CULTURE, HISTORY & MORE!

Manitoba Liquor & Lotteries MS Walk, Wasagaming, May 26, 2013. Travel along the 5-km lakeshore route as it winds along Clear Lake or remain on the paved route. After your journey, you will be treated to a barbecue and special dessert. More info at www.mswalks.ca.

National Aboriginal Day, June 21, 2013. Join Canadians across the country in celebration of the unique heritage, cultures and contributions of First Nations, Inuit and Métis people in Canada.

Keystone Pioneer Museum Show Day and Antique & Classic Car Show, July 14, 2013.

Arrive early for the pancake breakfast, then enjoy activities throughout the day including fiddling, slow tractor race, clay oven bread making demonstration, threshing demonstration, vintage parade, horse-drawn buggy rides, petting zoo and kiddies cart rides, and a car show. Location: Keystone Pioneer Museum, Roblin. Phone 204-937-2979.

Canada Day, July 1, 2013. It's one of the biggest days of the summer, and our national celebration of all things Canadian! Many communities will be hosting events in celebration of Canada's 146th birthday. *See the events list on page 35.*

Prisoner of War Wagon Tour – From North Africa to the North Woods, July 20 and September 1, 2013, RMNP. Take a wagon trip back in time to a unique chapter in Canada's history—a Canadian Prisoner of War (POW) camp in the backcountry of Riding Mountain National Park (RMNP). Guided by RMNP interpreters and Friends of Riding Mountain staff, you will ride in a horse-drawn wagon and experience a taste of what some young German soldiers who were captured on the battle lines in North Africa saw and felt when they were sent to Canada's rugged wilderness to await the end of World War II. www.friendsofridingmountain.ca

War I. An ace pilot, this young man from Dauphin gained international prominence and recognition and was awarded the Victoria Cross.

Selo Ukraina Ukrainian Heritage Village and Memorial Park (DAUPHIN). An outdoor 10,000-seat amphitheatre, auditorium and multipurpose facilities offer a unique venue for festivals and entertainment such as Canada's National Ukrainian Festival and Dauphin's Countryfest. Located on the northern escarpment of Riding Mountain, the site includes a pioneer village and Ukrainian artifact museum. A memorial site pays tribute to historic people and events. Located 12 km (7 miles) south of Dauphin. Phone 204-638-1345 for tour information.

Watson Art Centre (DAUPHIN). The original Dauphin Town Hall, built in 1905, has been restored and now features a small art gallery and an auditorium. Designated as a provincial heritage site. 104-1st Avenue N.W. Phone 204-638-6231.

The Gilbert Plains Beef Ring Building (GILBERT PLAINS) represents the innovation of prairie pioneers in coping with their environment. This building was a small slaughterhouse, where each week during the summer a member of the Beef Ring supplied a steer that was kept overnight and processed the next day. Each member's portion was placed in his sugar sack and hung on the row of nails along two walls. The Beef Ring operated from 1923 until 1951 when rural electrification made it unnecessary. From PTH5, take PR274 south to Road 129W and go east on the Russell Trail. Phone 204-548-2063 to arrange a tour.

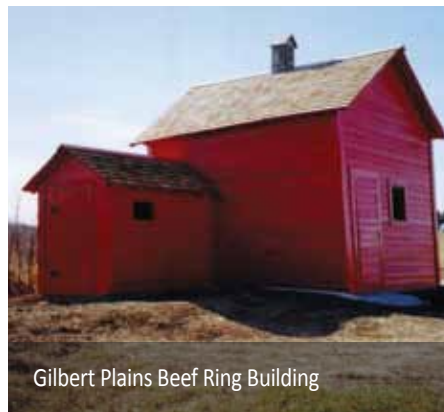
The Negrych Farmstead (GILBERT PLAINS) is one of the most impressive folk sites in North America. At this national historic site, you'll find the oldest and most complete set of farm buildings on the continent built in the Ukrainian style of the Carpathian Mountain region. From Gilbert Plains, travel 17 km (10.5 miles) north on PR274, then follow the signs 3 km (2 miles) east.



CNR Station & Park, Dauphin



Negrych Farmstead, Gilbert Plains



Gilbert Plains Beef Ring Building

The Vault (GILBERT PLAINS). Located in Eldon Cemetery in the RM of Gilbert Plains is a small cement building known as the mausoleum or the vault. Although the cemetery was established in 1895, and the 1921 municipal council called for tenders to build a vault, it was not constructed until 1923 and has only been used on a few occasions. It is one of a very few remaining in Manitoba and is in the process of becoming a provincial heritage site.

Assessippi Town Site (INGLIS). The remnants of the abandoned town can be found along the shores of the Shell River just west of PTH83 near Inglis. The community sprang up in anticipation of the coming rail line, but then disappeared soon after the railway was diverted elsewhere.

Inglis Elevators National Historic Site of Canada (INGLIS). In the 1930s there were over 6,000 grain elevators in western Canada; now there are fewer than 850. At Inglis, the last remaining row of five standard plan grain elevators has been carefully restored. Guided tours, interpretive centre and arts and crafts gift shop. Open Monday to Friday, July 1 – September and by appointment. Admission charged. Phone 204-564-2243 or visit ingliselevators.com

St. Elijah Romanian Orthodox Church and Romanian Folk House (INGLIS).
See listing under Churches.

Satterthwaite Log Cabin (McCREARY). This pioneer log cabin was restored using hewn half-lap dovetail techniques to depict 1800s forest cover and building methods. There are pioneer gardens, memorial plaques, and a sheltered, grassed stopping area on site. Located 5 km (3 miles) south of McCreary on PTH5 (on Burrows Trail). Open 11 am to 4 pm on Saturdays in July and August, or by appointment. Phone 204-835-2341.

Tent Town (MINITONAS). A cairn near Minitonas marks the spot where, more than 100 years ago, a makeshift village was set up in anticipation

of the coming railway line. Tent Town boasted a land titles office and two immigration halls (which also served as churches), along with a schoolroom where instruction cost 25¢ per week. When Minitonas and Swan River were chosen as the new town sites along the railway line, Tent Town quickly emptied. Located 3.2 km (2 miles) west, then 1 km (3/4 mile) south of Minitonas.

Ukrainian Pioneer Dwelling (OLHA). When Ukrainian settlers first arrived in the area west of Riding Mountain in 1899, their first homes were small, tent-shaped pole structures with roofs of hay, known as buddas. Michael Swiston was born in one of these structures in 1900, and constructed two buddas near the original settlement trail. Drive north on PR577 to Olha and follow the signs. **Ukrainian Settlement Monument (OLHA).**

A monument near Olha commemorates the 100th anniversary of Ukrainian settlement in Canada, and marks the site where, in 1899, 42 children and three adults succumbed to scarlet fever on their way to new homes and a better life in the Parkland region. Travel 4 km (2.5 miles) south of Olha on PR577; follow the sign.

Ukrainian Pioneer Dwelling, Olha



East Gate Registration Complex National Historic Site of Canada (RMNP). The east gate to Riding Mountain National Park (on PTH19, west of McCreary), an overhanging log structure built in 1933, is the only structure of its kind remaining in Canada. The drive through the park on PTH19 offers scenic vistas along the Manitoba escarpment.

Life & Art Centre (ROBLIN). Built in 1908 as the Knox United Church, this historic building is now home to the Life & Art Centre. Located at 106-3rd Ave. NW.

The Station Café (ROBLIN). Roblin's 1906 CNR station closed in 1978 and is currently operating as a restaurant specializing in Austrian cuisine. The layout of the station remains the same as when it was built and original memorabilia is on display. Located at the junctions of PTH5 and 83. Call 204-937-8630.

Boulton Manor (RUSSELL). Major Charles Boulton, founder of the town of Russell, brought troops to Batoche during the Northwest Rebellion of 1885. His former home, now a bed and breakfast, is located near the south end of Memorial Avenue.

The Smellie Block (RUSSELL), once the headquarters for the Smellie Family Creamery and Mercantile, and also the main store and distribution centre for a network of rural



Ukrainian Settlement Monument



A pioneer home at Trembowla.

stores, is now an historic building on Russell's main street and will become the cornerstone for the revitalization of Main Street Russell. It will house the historic Beth Naylor clothing collection and a Forks-style market with a variety of boutique shops.

The Spinning Wheel Cairn (SIFTON) honours Sifton pioneer families and recognizes Willard McPhedrain, founder of the Mary Maxim Company. Located on 2nd Avenue SE.

Trembowla Cross of Freedom Historic Site and St. Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church (TREMBOWLA). A stone cross and commemorative plaque near Trembowla mark the site of the first Ukrainian Catholic mass to be held in Canada (1897). A nearby collection of historic buildings, including St. Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church (c.1898, the oldest remaining Ukrainian Catholic church in Canada), a pioneer home, and a school, houses artifacts from early Ukrainian settlers. Open daily during summer months. Located 27 km (17 miles) northwest of Dauphin on PR362 and PH491 (Trembowla Road). Phone 204-638-9641 or 204-638-9047.

Park Theatre (WASAGAMING). The Park Theatre was built in 1936-37 of saddle-notched logs

to designs prepared by the National Parks' Architectural Division. It was the only log cinema built in a national park, if not in all of Canada. The theatre auditorium features exposed log beams and rafters with decorative wrought ironwork. Located on Wasagaming Drive.

Riding Mountain National Park of Canada Visitor Centre (WASAGAMING). The Visitor Centre is the place to find all the information you need to explore Riding Mountain National Park. The discovery room is filled with displays, dioramas and information. The Centre also includes a theatre and reception area. Open daily from May Long Weekend to Thanksgiving. Wheelchair accessible. Phone 204-848-7275.

Wigwam Restaurant (WASAGAMING). The building is an example of the rustic architectural style that shaped the character of Wasagaming during its formative years. The restaurant was constructed in 1928-29 by its owners, O.J. Gusdal and Ernst Gusdal, employing Swedish craftsmen. The structure is sheathed in horizontal split-log siding, and the interior walls and hipped ceiling are covered in golden-hued, horizontal log siding. Located on Wasagaming Drive.

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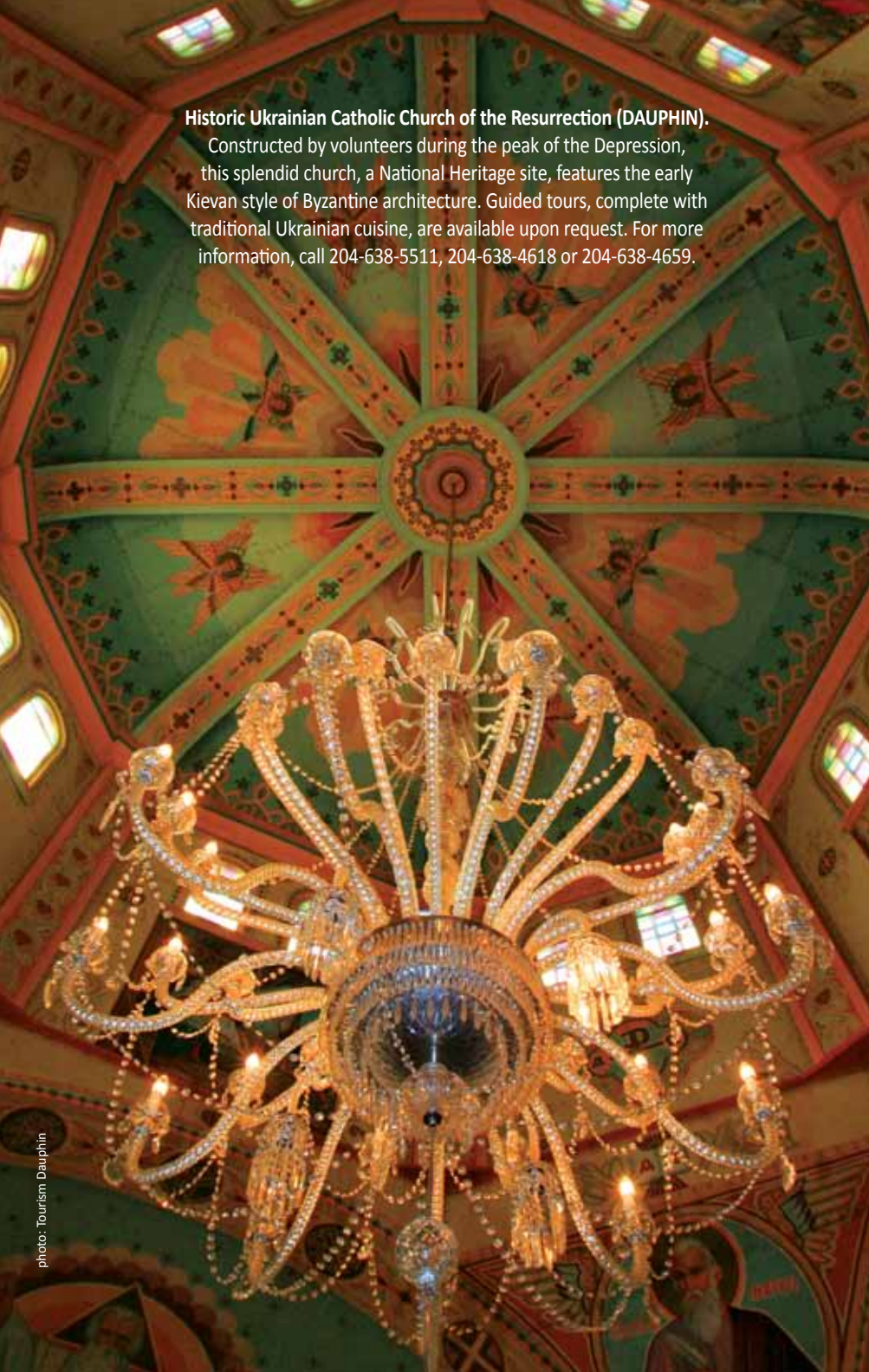
Click, click, win! Caching Riding Mountain Photo Contest, enter by July 1, 2013. Enter your favourite photograph or digital image from the Riding Mountain Biosphere Reserve (including the 15 rural municipalities surrounding Riding Mountain National Park). Winners will be announced July 19, 2013. More info at www.cachingridingmountain.ca.

Town of Rosburn Centennial Celebration, July 1-7, 2013. Enjoy a fun week of events including geocaching, bus tour with picnic, art show, magician, bonfire, corn roast, classic cars, country fair, dance, mud bogs, pig roast and lots of music and food. Phone: 204-859-2762. www.rossburn.ca

Town of Roblin Centennial Celebration, July 12-21, 2013. Come home to Roblin! Highlights of the celebration are the "Parade of the Century" on July 13, and an airshow by the Snowbirds on July 17. Check the detailed schedule at www.roblinmanitoba.com.

Homecoming – Relive Russell, July 26-28, 2013. Celebrate Russell's centennial with a Bernardo Home Reunion, Boulton Descendants Reunion, concert at the Multiplex, fireworks, a community barbecue / rib cook-off, and the burying of a time capsule. For more details, contact the Town of Russell office at 204-773-2253 or visit www.russellmb.com.

Threshing Day, August 31, 2013, Dauphin. Journey into our agricultural past. Enjoy the harvest as antique tractors and threshing machines come to life. Take in binding, stooking and threshing demonstrations, as well as equipment displays and horse competitions. Stay the whole day and relax with food, friends and old-time music. Presented by the Dauphin Agricultural Heritage Club. Location: 5 miles north of Dauphin on PTH20. Phone: 204-638-7632.



Historic Ukrainian Catholic Church of the Resurrection (DAUPHIN).

Constructed by volunteers during the peak of the Depression, this splendid church, a National Heritage site, features the early Kievan style of Byzantine architecture. Guided tours, complete with traditional Ukrainian cuisine, are available upon request. For more information, call 204-638-5511, 204-638-4618 or 204-638-4659.

Churches & Places of Worship

Lakedale Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church and bell tower (ANGUSVILLE). The first Ukrainian settlers to the Lakedale District arrived in 1899-1900. In 1904, under the leadership of Father A. Delaray, the present church was built. Services are still held here, with the building and graveyard being faithfully maintained by members. Located 9 km (5-1/2 miles) northeast of Angusville (east of PR476); follow signs.

Holy Redeemer Ukrainian Greek Orthodox Church (ANGUSVILLE). Located at the end of Wright Ave. E., this church is a shining example of pioneer ingenuity and spiritual strength. The church itself is built from a school brought into town from the Silverton area. Though plain on the outside, the inside is magnificently decorated with painted artwork and religious treasures.

Our Lady of Seven Sorrows (CAMPERVILLE). This stone church, built in 1912 near Camperville, (also known as Cathedral of the North) marks the legacy of Roman Catholic missionaries who first visited the area in 1839, many years before large-scale agricultural settlement began.

Ukrainian Orthodox Church of St. John the Baptist (GARLAND). Completed in 1964, the new church building replaced one originally constructed in 1911. The building and its facade and domes are classic examples of the architectural traditions of eastern Europe. Located in the village of Garland.

Garland United Church (GARLAND). Originally called St. John's Ruthenian Presbyterian Church, it was built in 1916 by the Presbyterian Church of Canada who, at that time, had undertaken to convert Ukrainian pioneers to the Presbyterian faith. The church's congregation became part

of the new United Church of Canada in 1925. Located in the village of Garland.

Tamarisk United Church (GRANDVIEW). This is an outstanding example of a rural wood frame church. Local residents have meticulously maintained the building and its furnishings, and the interior remains almost completely original stained wood boarding. Travel 8 km (5 miles) south of Grandview on PR366 to the Russell Trail, then head east for 3 km (2 miles). The church is open to visitors all year, during daylight hours.

St. Elijah Romanian Orthodox Church and Romanian Folk House (INGLIS). Five km (3 miles) north (PR592) and 1 km (3/4 mile) west of Inglis can be found the only church of its kind in North America, together with a traditional Romanian home. The church was built in 1908 and is a replica of Romanian Orthodox churches in Bukovyna, with a simple rectangular shape with a rounded end, interior sculptured rafters, processional crosses and icons. The house, built in 1906, is typically Romanian in construction, with the characteristic deep-sloping roof on all four sides with rounded, shingled corners. Phone 204-564-2228.

St. Margaret's Anglican Church (MAFEKING). Constructed by volunteers between April and May 1940, St Margaret's was served by missionaries known as "Bishop's Messengers" for 39 years. Then, Rev. Squires was followed by Rev. Lamb, until the service of deconsecration in 2003 marked the church's closing. A complete history is housed in this municipally-designated heritage building located just west of PTH10 at the south end of town. Phone: Terri, 204-545-2069 or Bob, 204-545-2204.

Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church 1917 (MENZIE). The first priest in the area, a French Oblate, ministered to local Aboriginal peoples during the 1850s. His successor provided spiritual guidance to the early settlers and the

church was built. Now, it is used only for special occasions. Look for a small circular window in the facade. From PTH45, take PR566 7.2 km (4.5 miles) north to PR470, 8 km (5 miles) east on PR470 and then 2 km (1-1/4 miles) north.

St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church, Dolyny (valleys) (MENZIE). Built by local farmers with a background in carpentry, this is an exceptional example of the distinct tradition of a cross-shaped plan topped with a dome. It is one of the first churches where the dome opened into the church, creating a light-filled space symbolic of heaven. This church is a provincially designated heritage site. From Menzie, travel north on PR566 for 7.2 km (4.5 miles) to PR470, then continue east for 3.2 km (2 miles), north for 0.8 km (1/2 mile), then east for 0.4 km (1/4 mile).

Ochre River United Church (OCHRE RIVER). The Ochre River United Church, a provincial heritage site, was built in 1908 with logs from nearby Riding Mountain National Park.



Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church, Sandy Lake

St. John Cantius Roman Catholic Church (OLHA). Built in 1929 at a cost of \$6,000, this church possesses a fine tower crowned with a tall spire. Pointed arches cap the windows and doors. Located southeast of Olha off PR577.

St. Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church (OLHA). St. Michael's, one of the oldest churches in the area, was built in 1904. The original belfry, constructed in 1915, was later sold. Jacob Maydaniuk painted the interior icons in 1927. This building is a designated historic site. Phone 204-234-5236 for information and tour arrangements.

Tummel United Church (ROBLIN). The walls of the first church were erected on June 21, 1887 and the new church was built in 1906. Tummel Church is the oldest church in the Rural Municipality of Shell River which is still active. Located 9.5 km (6 miles) south of Roblin on PTH83; turn at the sign and go 5 km (3 miles) west. Call 204-937-4955 / 2718 for an appointment.

Assumption of the Virgin Mary Ukrainian Orthodox Church (ROSSBURN). A provincial heritage site, the present church was built in 1928 with timber from nearby Riding Mountain, and restored in 1997. The first log church was built in 1905 on donated land which is now a cemetery. Travel north from Rosssburn on PR264 and follow the signs. Interior visits by appointment. Call 204-859-2508 / 2240 / 2527.

Sts. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church (ROSSBURN). The original church was built in 1901, but disagreements within the parish led to the construction of a second nearby church in 1904. It remained in use until 1959. Since its restoration in 1978, it has opened annually on its Patron Saint's Day (July 12) for a public mass and family picnic. From Rosssburn, travel north on PR264, then east on PR577, then turn south on the first road past the Rosssman Lake Golf Course.



St. John Cantius Roman Catholic Church, Olha

Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church (SANDY LAKE). Built in 1937, this classic Byzantine church features icons painted by P. Lypynsky. On the church grounds is the belfry, each corner of which is adorned with an angel blowing a trumpet. Call 204-585-5314 for information and tour arrangements.

Ruthenia Greek Catholic Church of the Ascension (1940) (SANDY LAKE). A small and unadorned church with only a small cross at the top of the gable end and an adjacent bell tower, it is typical of religious architecture in Manitoba. From PTH45 at Sandy Lake, take PR250 north for 12.8 km (8 miles) and east for 0.8 km (1/2 mile).

St. Michael's Ukrainian Orthodox Church (SANDY LAKE). A classic example of the style of architecture transplanted to the region from Ukraine, this church stands adorned with majestic onion domes and stained-glass



St. Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church, Olha



Interior of St. Michael's (above), Olha

windows. Visitors to this unique church are always welcome.

St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church (SANDY LAKE). This is the oldest Ukrainian Catholic parish in the area, with the first service held in 1902 in a private home. A log church was built in 1904, replaced by the current structure in 1933. The church features the prominent central dome and vivid interior iconography typical of all such churches in the area. From Sandy Lake, travel 5 km (3 miles) east on PTH45, then 10 km (6 miles) south on Ozerna Road. Call 204-585-5243 for information or to arrange a tour.

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church (SEECH). Built in 1911 at a cost of \$1,500, this church is a rare example of log Ukrainian churches in Manitoba. It is designed on the cruciform plan with three domes (banyas), the larger dome dominating the centre

Parkland Trivia

Inglis Elevators National Historic Site is the last remaining row of vintage 1920s standard-plan grain elevators in Canada.

The Park Theatre in Wasagaming is the only log cinema built in a Canadian national park, and is the largest all-log theatre in North America. It was completed in 1937 and is still in use today as a cinema showing movies throughout the summer.

Quick! Which Parkland community received its name as the result of a naming contest? If you guessed **Wasagaming**, you're right. The name has its origins in the Anishanabe term, "washagama saageygun", meaning "clear water lake".

Loch Ness has Nessie, and Lake Okanagan, BC, has Ogoopogo. But did you know that Manitoba can lay claim to its own sea monster? Journey to the shores of Lake Manitoba and you may just be lucky enough to spot **Manipogo**.

Rawhide and Jelly Roll were the names of the two pet beavers kept by Grey Owl (Archibald Belaney) and his wife, Anahereo, while they lived at Beaver Lake Lodge in Riding Mountain National Park in 1931.

Highway 19, from Highway 10 in Riding Mountain National Park to McCreary, was constructed during the 1930s (the Great Depression years) by relief workers, and by conscientious objectors during World War II. Much of the work was done by hand.

Grizzly bears were once found in the Parkland Region, but were extirpated in the 1800s.

Riding Mountain National Park was first declared a forest reserve in 1895. The park is 3,000 square kilometers in size with bodies of water making up nearly 5% of of this area.

Bison can run at up to 50 kilometers (30 miles) per hour.

Mafeking, located on PTH10 at the northernmost reaches of the Parkland, is named for the city of Mafeking, South Africa. Construction of the railway to this Manitoba community took place at the same time as the Second Boer War (1899) in South Africa. The nearby communities of Baden and Powell probably have similar connections to this battle, as Lt. Gen. Robert Baden-Powell, the founder of scouting, successfully defended the South African city during the Siege of Mafeking.

of the structure and the smaller domes crowning two frontal towers. Other features are pointed stained glass windows, a large church patron icon and paintings of holy images. From PTH45, take PR566 17.5 km (11 miles) north, then 3.2 km (2 miles) east and 2.8 km (1-3/4 miles) north.

Sts. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church (SEECH). Open air services were held at this site before the church was constructed in 1938 by Michael Swistun and ten volunteers. Great care was taken with small details, and finely carved decorations are found throughout the church. A special service and dinner accompanies the Patron Saint's Day each year on July 12. From PTH45, take PR566 north for 16 km (10 miles).

Sts. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church (SUNVILLE, near McCreary). Construction began on this church in 1919, but due to a failing agricultural economy was not completed until 1934. The church is still in use today. Also located in this area is the Holy Resurrection Ukrainian Orthodox Church. The church was built in 1904 from logs hauled by hand several miles to the site. The total cost of labour was \$25. For more information call 204-835-2341. Located 19 km (12 miles) east of McCreary on PTH50, then 11 km (7 miles) south and 1.5 km (1 mile) east.

Ruthenian Greek Catholic Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary (TOUTES AIDES). This memorable piece of architecture, built in 1937, replaces an earlier church from 1910. Jacob Maydanyk created some of the icons within. The dome is open to the inside bringing in light that creates a space that enriches the spirit. Located 3.2 km (2 miles) south of Toutes Aides on PR276.

St. Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church (TREMOWLA). See listing under Historic Sites.

Toutes Aides Roman Catholic Church (TOUTES AIDES). Construction on this municipal heritage site began in 1935. The style is

reminiscent of Quebec parish churches of the 1800s. Located in Toutes Aides, 40 km (25 miles) north of Ste. Rose on PR276.

Ukrainian Catholic Church of the Immaculate Conception (WINNIPEGOSIS). Renowned designer Father Philip Ruh planned this church in the style of the ornate Baroque churches of Kiev, Ukraine. The church, built in 1929 and now designated as a municipal heritage site, is one of the finest examples of what have come to be called "prairie cathedrals," with its towering dome and dramatic facade.

Historic Schools

Cowan School Districts 1132, 2305 and 1808 Museum (COWAN). West School #1132, now a one-room schoolhouse museum, is located next to Kolisnyk's General Store in Cowan on PTH10. Moved to the site and restored in 2003, the town's treasure has an oiled hardwood floor, cedar shingles and siding made by a student from the 1940s. Inside are blackboards, desks, books, maps, stove, boiler and more. Contact the Kolishnyks at their store, 204-569-4836.

Tamarisk School (GRANDVIEW). Built in 1909, Tamarisk school is one of the best-preserved examples of a Design No. 2 school built according to plans prepared by the Department of Education. The school closed in 1967, but has recently been restored. Located 8 km (5 miles) south of Grandview on PR366 to the Russell Trail, then head east for 1.6 km (1 mile). Open by appointment. Phone 204-546-2564.

Horod School (HOROD). Built in 1906 and now a provincial heritage site, the school still has its original teacherage and privies. Since its restoration, Horod School is now a museum. Horod is an ancient term for stockade or fort. From PTH45, take PR354 north for 14.4 km (9 miles).

South Bay School (RM of MOSSEY RIVER).

It looks like a basic one-room school, but South Bay School is a reminder of the careful attention to design observed by the Department of Education. The simple rectangular plan, with a band of windows on the south side and continuous roof surface over the entry vestibule, helped reduce construction costs. The school now serves as the South Bay Community Centre. Located 7 miles (11.2 km) north of Winnipegosis on PTH20. Phone 204-656-4468.

Marconi School (ROSSBURN). Built in 1922 with an opening class of 69 students, Marconi School was used until 1958. In 1992 the school was restored. From Rossburn, go approximately 5 km (3 miles) north on PR264 to the junction of PR577, and east 16 km (10 miles) on PR577; watch for a sign indicating where to turn left. Phone 204-859-2762 / 2604 / 2429.

Museums

Silver Creek Museum (Old Municipal Office) (ANGUSVILLE). Work is underway to transform the RM of Silver Creek's old municipal office into the new Silver Creek Museum. This may be the only old municipal office in Manitoba with a jail cell in the basement. The museum is tentatively scheduled to open in July 2013. Updates at www.silvercreek.ca

Dauphin Rail Museum (DAUPHIN). Housed in the magnificent brick Canadian Northern Railway Station, and next to an active CN and VIA line, the museum contains artifacts, pictures, and archival material related to 100 years of railway service in the region. A model railroad depicting the rail facilities circa 1954 is on display. Open May long weekend to September long weekend, or by appointment. 101-1st Ave. NW. Phone 204-638-5495.

Fort Dauphin Museum (DAUPHIN). Built to resemble an 18th-century fur trade post, the museum includes an authentic blacksmith



Marconi School, Rossburn

shop, a trapper's cabin, a pioneer log house dating from 1892, and a one-room school built in 1894. Also contains the Parkland Regional Laboratory, with information on more than 1,000 archaeological sites in the Parkland area. 4th Ave. S.W. and Jackson St. Phone 204-638-6630.

Ethelbert & District Museum (ETHELBERT). Housed in the Old Post Office (1899), the two-storey museum features artifacts from original settlers, a school room, nursery, sewing room, pioneer kitchen and bedroom. Annual Museum Day celebrations include old-time outdoor games and bread baking in an outdoor clay oven. Phone 204-742-8860 / 3268 / 3726.

Gilbert Plains Museum and Tourist Information Centre (GILBERT PLAINS) houses a variety of local artifacts from early settlers of the area. Includes the community's first hand-pulled fire wagon, the original horse-pulled fire wagon and the first motorized fire truck. Corner of PTH5 (Parks Route) & Main St. Open daily, July to September. Phone 204-548-2382.

Watson Crossley Community Museum (GRANDVIEW). The museum has a large collection from the early history of the community, including displays of antique automobiles and farm machinery, a pioneer



Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Museum, Sandy Lake

home, rural school house, early settlers log house, old Ukrainian Orthodox Church, restored 1918 Rumley tractor, and refurbished 1927 Ottawa School House. Take Railway Ave. N. to Wilson Centennial Park. Open 7 days a week, 10 am - 5 pm, June 15 - Sept. Admission charged. Phone 204-546-2066 / 204-546-2764 / 204-546-2661.

Heritage Complex (McCREARY). The former CN rail station—with period furnished kitchen, waiting room and office—houses the 234 specimens of the Baker Butterfly Collection, the McCreary Point and the Norgate Story. From the office one can look north and south along the active track, as agents did since the opening of the station in 1912. On this site sits the one-room former Canal School, furnished with a variety of

desks, textbooks and items spanning the years. Included are the histories of the seventeen rural schools that once operated in the area. Open daily during July and August, or by appointment. Phone 204-835-2542 or 204-835-2582

Keystone Pioneer Museum (ROBLIN).

Three historical buildings are on the property: the restored Elashuk House, a designated provincial heritage site, features a thatched roof and clay walls and contains pioneer artifacts; Dunlop Cabin, a pioneer log home; and Makaroff United Church, built in 1910. A school room, general store, hospital room, press room and café are staged in one large building. Antique machinery on display includes a 1915 Case steam engine, a restored Model T truck and a rare 1914-15 Minneapolis tractor. Annually on the second Sunday in July, enjoy bread from a clay oven, horse-drawn buggy rides, a threshing demonstration, fiddling and more. Open May through early September, Monday to Thursday, 1-5 pm. Located 6 km (4 miles) east of Roblin on PTH5. Phone 204-937-2935. Group tours can be arranged by calling 204-937-2979.

Rossburn Museum (ROSSBURN). Features a replica Ukrainian village, with a model church and thatch-roofed homes and buildings. Display items include Ukrainian artifacts, agricultural tools, a printing press, a pioneer kitchen, a period hairdressing salon and a school room. Located on Cheddar Ave. Phone 204-859-2762 / 204-859-2848 / 204-859-2429.



Dauphin Rail Museum, Dauphin

Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Museum (SANDY LAKE). This museum features artifacts from the original Riding Mountain settlement of 1899, including beautifully embroidered, handcrafted clothing. Also includes a display of traditional Ukrainian arts and crafts, with Easter eggs, wood carvings, traditional breads and more. A nearby replica log house is available for viewing, and outdoor clay ovens for bread-baking operate during special events. Open during summer and by appointment. Phone 204-585-2636 / 204-585-2168 / 204-585-5314.



Swan Valley Historical Museum (SWAN RIVER). This complex includes a dozen historic display buildings along with the added rural touch of 15 acres of wheat and corn. Buildings include a blacksmith shop, a trapper's cabin, the original CN Railway station from Bowsman (built in 1896), and the original Benito telephone building. Artifacts include authentic clay bake ovens, and the *Princess*, which sailed with the Dawson Bay Fishing Fleet on Lake Winnipegosis. Located 1.6 km (1 mile) north of Swan River on PTH10. Open May - September. Phone 204-734-3585 or 204-281-0176.

Keeseekoowenin Ojibway First Nation Sharing Lodge (WASAGAMING). The firehall, a federal heritage building, has been preserved and transformed into the Keeseekoowenin Ojibway First Nation Sharing Lodge, which showcases the rich culture and history of the Keeseekoowenin people. Visit elders, youth, artists and community partners at Manitoba's first Aboriginal-run museum! For more information on programming, call 204-848-8494 or email sharingl@mts.net.

Pinewood Museum (WASAGAMING). View a large array of artifacts, pictures and stories of the early pioneers who were instrumental in the development of Riding Mountain National Park. Operated by the Riding Mountain Historical Society. Located at 154 Wasagaming

Drive, one block east of The Trading Post. Phone 204-848-2810.

Winnipegosis Museum and Medd House Museum (WINNIPEGOSIS). The Winnipegosis Museum is closed for renovations during the 2013 season, but the Medd House Museum is open. Built in 1912 by George Bellamy and purchased in 1914 by Dr. Medd on his marriage to Agnes McArthur, this house is a grand two-storey wood home, one of the last of its kind in Winnipegosis. It served as a family home and also the first hospital and surgery. The home contains period furniture and also exhibits of military, Aboriginal and early immigrant artifacts. Open Tuesday-Friday, 9 am - Noon, and 1-4 pm.; Saturday and Sunday by appointment. Admission fee. Phone 204-656-4318 or 204-656-4273.



was constructed in Ste. Rose to commemorate the centennial of the appearance of the Virgin Mary to Ste. Bernadette in France in 1858. Construction delays resulted in the blessing of the site taking place a few years behind schedule, in 1961—the town church had burned down during construction and had to be rebuilt. In total, 400 loads of stone were brought to the site, both by truck and horse-drawn wagon. Located on the west side of PR276 as you enter Ste. Rose du Lac along PTH5.

Pioneer Cemetery (North) (SANDY LAKE). This location is believed to have been chosen by the Métis and French Canadians who settled in the area in the late 1800s. New iron markers have replaced many of the original wooden markers; rocks or original granite headstones mark some graves. The Russo-Greek Orthodox parish once had a small log chapel at the foot of the knoll on which the cemetery was built. Located north of Sandy Lake of PR250. Watch for sign. Phone 204-849-2107.

Symond's "Rails to Trails" Kiosk (SANDY LAKE). This kiosk on the Trans Canada Trail, topped by a model of a steam engine, was completed in 2006 as a special project of the Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Association of Sandy Lake. The kiosk honours the railroaders of the Rosburn Subdivision of the CN Railroad and the area's pioneers. A pathway of personalized bricks acknowledges those who donated to the kiosk's construction.

Mary Maxim Company (SIFTON). The famous Mary Maxim Company, known for its unique sweater designs, had its beginnings in Sifton around 1935 when a young CNR station master name Willard McPhedraine founded the company. By 1955 Mary Maxim had grown immensely and the business moved to Dauphin. In 1959, the company expanded once again and moved to Paris, Ontario where it still exists today.

Other Sites

Architectural Walking Tour of Dauphin (DAUPHIN). Take a stroll along one of Dauphin's architectural tour routes. Discover a variety of architectural styles found in turn-of-the-century homes, buildings and churches. Visit www.tourismdauphin.ca to download a copy of the *Architectural Walking Tour* brochure, or for more information call 1-877-566-5669.

Burrows Lumber Co. Steam Hauler (Replica) (GRANDVIEW). This two-thirds replica of the hauler used by the Burrows Lumber Co. from 1902-1918 is located at the entrance to Grandview by the Park-View Motel.

Grotto (STE. ROSE DU LAC). An authentic replica of the Notre Dame de Lourdes grotto

Shops & Stops

The Parkland has many unique destinations for you to discover. You never know what treasures you will unearth during your visit.

Creative Spirit (BARROWS). A unique gift store with wild herbal teas (Labrador, mint, hyssop), salves, balms, twig wreaths, birch bark bitings and other wild crafts by local Aboriginal artisans. Stay in year-round guest houses or an authentic Aboriginal teepee. Enjoy workshops for making wreaths, tapping birch, gathering fiddle heads, harvesting teas and more. DVDs available. Call 204-545-6215 or visit www.wildernessspirit.ca.

Early Canadian Crafts (BOGGY CREEK). Native crafts artist, Yvette Bouvier, works and displays from her home. For more than 35 years, she has been making jewellery from moose and deer antlers; framed shadow-box pictures from tufted and sculpted caribou hide; light catchers, note paper, candle holders and art for framing from birchbark bitings; and at times, bags, moccasins and other items featuring quillwork. Phone 204-937-3349 for an appointment.

Canada's National Ukrainian Festival Boutique (DAUPHIN). Art, clothing and decor produced both by local artisans and some from Ukraine. Open 9 am - 5 pm, Mon. - Sat. Located at 119 Main St. S. Phone 204-622-4600.

White Rabbit Cafe (KELWOOD) serves absolutely delicious soups, sandwiches, coffee and confectionery items, including the local black Angus burger with old-fashioned hand-cut fries. History and hospitality are apparent. Experience old movies projected on the wall while you dine and buy the White Rabbit's own Burrows Blend Coffee by the pound to take the memory home. Location: 8 Mountain Ave, Kelwood. Phone 204-967-2747.

Holmstead Emporium (MINITONAS). This rustic general store features candles, glassware, pewter



McTavish's in Wasagaming.

frames and jewellery, and antique furniture. Throughout the summer the store also offers Breyers hand-dipped ice cream. Open from 9:30 am to 9 pm during the summer, 9:30 am to 6 pm in the off-season. 315 Main Street. Phone 204-525-4564.

Poor Michael's Book Shop (ONANOLE) is no ordinary bookstore. In addition to first editions, rare books, vintage magazines and books on Canadiana, local histories, art and literature, the bookshop features works of regional and international artists including jewellery, pottery, handwoven rugs, scarves, organic coffee beans, tea and honey. Open early May to the end of October.

Solstice Spa (ONANOLE) is where time stands still. The Elkhorn Resort's full-service spa offers a mineral pool, physiotherapy treatments, massage and aromatherapy, wellness soaks, facials, hand and foot care, body scrubs or mud wraps with vichy shower, Reiki and raindrop therapies and guided energy sessions. Enjoy a healthy and refreshing spa lunch. Call 204-848-8739.

Gone Scrappin' In Bloom (ROSSBURN). Enjoy the ambience of an original 1940s brick store with all wood interior. Sip a cup of espresso, discover a selection of unique products, fresh flowers, plants, scrapbooking supplies, gifts, Manitoba chocolates, art and more. Visit the café portion for specialty coffees and teas, soup,

Wasagaming Townsite. Plan to spend at least a full day touring the various shops and cafés located in Wasagaming, at picturesque Clear Lake, all in a Victorian resort setting. These shops are literally bursting with unique clothing and gift ideas. Most stores are open extended hours during the summer months. Contact Wasagaming Chamber of Commerce at 204-848-2742.

desserts and ice cream. Open year-round. 20 Victoria Ave. E. Phone 204-859-3334.

Brambles Nubian Goat Farm (SAN CLARA). Stay the night in a traditional Gypsy caravan decorated in authentic designs. Experience life on the farm as you feed goats and clean out pens; help with chores – grass fed cattle and dairy cows; feed free range chickens and collect eggs; make bread; help make a "Ploughman's Lunch" including goat cheese salad, eggs and homemade bread; make butter; and make soap. Located northeast of San Clara. Contact the Langes at 204-937-8349 or visit www.bramblesnubianfarm.com.

Manitoba & Northwestern Model Railroad (SANDY LAKE). See a 28-foot by 38-foot landscaped layout with 770 m (2,500 feet) of HO gauge track, several hundred freight and passenger cars, and 200 steam and diesel engines. Three control boards can handle 12 trains operating simultaneously. Open by appointment. Admission charged. Phone 204-585-2419.

Fabriculous (SWAN RIVER). Browse an inspirational collection of fine fabrics; sewing, quilting and knitting supplies; and loose leaf teas and gifts. Enjoy classes and workshops. Experience friendly, helpful service at this new addition to the Swan River shopping scene. 203 Centennial Drive S. Phone 204-734-5662.



Poor Michael's Book Shop in Onanole



FARM FARE

Rural Products & Experiences

Farmers often look beyond their traditional farm pursuits for ways to supplement their farm income. Many now produce honey, berries, vegetables and meats for sale directly to the public, while others offer country experiences ranging from accommodations and on-farm learning, to entertainment, and arts and crafts. Come and enjoy the opportunity to encounter agriculture in a personal way.

Farmer's markets connect visitors with the Parkland's agricultural producers.



PARKLAND Flavour Trail

The Parkland Flavour Trail is your guide to culinary destinations in the Parkland. Pick up your brochure at local tourism booths.

www.flavourtrail.ca

Watch for participating venues displaying the Flavour Trail logo.

Vegetables & Meats

M. Eden Organic Farm. Garden produce and berries. Ashville. Phone 204-638-2917.

The Garden Spot. Swan River. Phone 204-734-9355.

Terry's Greenhouse and Market Garden. Swan River. Phone 204-734-3536.

Prairie Sun Green House and Gardens. Greenhouse and perennial gardens. Ste. Rose du Lac. Phone 204-447-3250.

Valley Meat Packers. Minitonas. Phone 204-525-4201.

Wild Things. Jellies, jams and syrups. Dawson Bay. Phone 204-545-2098.

At the **Swan River Farmers' Market:**

- vegetables – Len Kowalevsky, Swan River, phone 204-734-3048.
- vegetables – Dan Klekta, Bowsman, phone 204-238-4358.



Be sure to visit one of the farmer's markets taking place in the Parkland each summer

- "organic" vegetables/herbs – Shanna Schroeder, Swan River, phone 204-734-2058.
- vegetables – Derwin Legace, Swan River, phone 204-734-5379.

Honey & Maple Syrup

Ash Apiaries. Honey. Gilbert Plains. Phone 204-548-2036.

The Birds & The Bees Co. Honey. Ste. Rose du Lac. Phone 204-447-2891.

Durston Honey Farms. Dauphin. Phone 204-638-6515.

Maple Syrup of Manitoba. Manitoba maple syrup from raw sap to finished product. McCreary. Phone 204-835-2631.

Oaknook Honey Products. Federally-inspected honey, unpasteurized, creamed, liquid; also natural and artificial flavoured honey and honey slice. Ashville. Phone 204-548-4060.

Podolski's Honey Farm. Ethelbert. Phone 204-742-3555.

Pretty Valley Honey. Honey, beeswax and candles. Minitonas. Phone 204-525-2073.

Raven Creek Farm. "Beewares" – honey, candles and natural skincare products. Rosburn area. Phone 204-234-5271.

Sher-Wen Honey Farms. Ochre River. Phone 204-733-2335.

Turtle River Relics. On-farm maple syrup, antiques museum. Ste. Rose du Lac. Phone 204-447-3078.

Wendell Honey Farms. Bulk and retail honey. Roblin. Phone 204-564-2315.

Western Sky Apiaries. Dauphin. Phone 204-638-7691.

Yummy Stuff. Maple syrup products, including maple butter and maple jelly. McCreary. Phone 204-835-2167.

Regional Farmer's Markets

Dauphin, Onanole, Swan River, Russell and Rosburn each have farmer's markets during the summer months (dates vary). *See the events listings on page 35 for more information.*

Arts & Artisans

Authentic Iron. Custom-made, hand-forged iron furnishings. Ochre River. Phone Daniel De Vries, Phone 204-447-3116.

Creative Spirit. Aboriginal crafts, birch bark biting DVD. Barrows. Phone 204-545-6215.

K M Kreations. Rural prairie-themed artwork and other artisan products. Fork River. Phone 204-657-2405.

Wild Things. Natural wreaths from balsam fir, willow, tamarack and wild flowers. Dawson Bay. Phone 204-545-2098.

Trail Rides on Working Ranches

9 Finger Ranch. Raising Tennessee Walking Horses as well as horseback trail riding, guest house. Rosburn. Phone 204-859-2497.

Parkland Ranch. Professional, gentle horse training, trail rides, riding excursions, cattle drives, quading, fishing and canoeing. Inglis. Phone 204-564-2285.

For more riding opportunities, see page 28.

Museums & Historic Sites

Parkland's museums are a treasure-trove of agricultural memorabilia. To see agricultural machinery, museums in Swan River and Grandview are great starting points. Museum displays in those two communities, as well as at Fort Dauphin, Selo Ukraina, Roblin, St. Elijah Romanian Folk House and the Rosburn buddas show pioneer dwellings. Displays of pioneer rooms



(some examples include kitchens, bedrooms, sewing rooms, nurseries, fisherman's family one-room home) can be visited at museums at Ethelbert, Gilbert Plains, Rossburn, McCreary and Winnipegosis. The Parkland region is also home to two National Historic Sites where agriculture figures prominently: Negrych Pioneer Farmstead, and Inglis Elevators National Historic Site. *For details about these museums and historic sites, please refer to page 11 of this guide.*

On-Farm Accommodations

Barrows. Teepee and guest houses, 204-545-6215.

Inglis: **Aissippi B&B**, 204-564-2486; **Bear Creek B&B**, 204-564-2696; **Weathervane Inn**, 204-564-2340; **Parkland Ranch**, 204-564-2285.

Onanole: **Evergreen B&B**, 204-848-2681.

Roblin: **Wild Berry Lane B&B**, 204-937-8016.



Rossburn: **Comfy Country B&B**, 204-859-2267; **Maple Grove B&B**, 204-859-2930; **Rossman Yurts**, 204-859-2885.

San Clara: **English-style Gypsy Caravan**, 204-937-8349.

Silver Creek: **Silver Creek B&B**, 204-773-2729.

Unique Experiences

A Day at Brambles Farm. Stay the night in a traditional Gypsy caravan decorated in authentic designs. Experience life on the farm as you feed goats and clean out pens; help with chores – grass fed cattle and dairy cows; feed free range chickens and collect eggs; make bread; help make a “Ploughman’s Lunch” including goat cheese salad, eggs and homemade bread; make butter; and make soap. Located northeast of San Clara. Contact the Langes at 204-937-8349 or visit www.bramblesnubianfarm.com.

Corn Maze. Birtle. Phone 204-842-3341.

Dauphin Experiences. Visit a working honey farm or learn how to grind wheat and bake bread in a clay oven, or how to thatch a roof as part of the Dauphin Experiences offered by Tourism Dauphin. Phone 204-622-3216. These group activities must be booked in advance.

A Day at the Ranch. Learn about horse care, go horse riding, and help survey the herd. Help bring in the horses from the field and learn how to prepare them for a ride—then hit the trail for a basic introduction to horse riding. Two cowboys will be available for the day, an open fire will be arranged for lunch time, and questions are always welcome! Minimum two people / max. 6 people, ages 10 and up. For information and pricing, contact 9 Finger Ranch, 204-859-2497.

Agricultural Fairs

Annual agricultural fairs take place in Dauphin, Grandview / Gilbert Plains, McCreary, Swan River, Roblin, Russell and Ste. Rose du Lac. *See the events list on page 35 for dates and details.*

LET'S DO SOMETHING

AGRITOURISM

At the Farm Gate Market, May 18 and September 21, 2013, Onanole. Become a “locavore” and discover the artisan gifts and farm fresh products that are waiting to be purchased right in our own backyard.

BERRY PRODUCERS

A number of strawberry, raspberry and saskatoon berry producers operate in the Parkland, with most offering U-pick. Be sure to call ahead to each producer, as they will provide you with hours of operation, picking dates (if they offer U-pick), and directions to their farms.

☐ = Strawberries | ☐ = Raspberries | ☐ = Saskatoons

10 Saskatoon Place, Ashville, 204-548-2111			☐
Frank's Place, Bowsman, 204-238-4343	☐		☐
Hidden Valley, Dauphin, 204-638-6357			☐
Kelly's, Dauphin, 204-638-8636			☐
Koshowski's, Dauphin, 204-638-6661	☐		
Rondile Farms, Dauphin, 204-638-4274			☐
Scenic Ridge Berry Farm, Dauphin, 204-638-9023	☐		
Shayron Saskatoon Farms, Gilbert Plains, 204-548-2240			☐
The Berry Bomb, Gilbert Plains, 204-548-2152	☐	☐	
Clearview Berry Farm, Gilbert Plains, 204-548-2064	☐		
M&S Berry Farm, Inglis, 204-564-2383	☐	☐	
Cotton's U-Pick Strawberries, Kenville, 204-734-2698	☐		
Roncin Berry Farm, McCreary, 204-835-2300	☐		
Blue Moon Saskatoon U-Pick, Rossburn, 204-859-2339			☐
Silver Creek Saskatoons, Silver Creek, 204-773-3020			☐
Barry's Berries Strawberry U-Pick, Swan River, 204-238-4892	☐		

PARKLAND PASTIMES

Endless Fun in Any Season

Discover your spirit of adventure in Manitoba's Parkland. Our region offers incredible opportunities for swimming, boating, canoeing, cycling and hiking. Enjoy a few games of golf, go fishing or take part in geocaching, a fun family activity.



A day on the lake at Dauphin Lake near Rainbow Beach Provincial Park.

Summer is the time when people make the best use of the Parkland's magnificent lakes. Indeed, most summer recreation seems to take place in, on, or around these bodies of water. Whether you're fishing, boating, swimming, water-skiing, windsurfing, or just laying around on the sandy beaches, you'll find the lakes of the Parkland hard to beat for summertime fun.

Lakes

Be sure to visit some of the following lakes during your visit. *See page 45 for contact information for parks and campgrounds mentioned in this section.*

Clear Lake. The jewel in Riding Mountain's crown, Clear Lake is a world-class tourist destination. All services may be found in Wasagaming or the nearby town of Onanole. Serviced and unserviced campsites, rental cabins, lodges and hotels offer accommodations. Bike and boat rentals, and boat tours, are available, and you can even hire a guide for a special wildlife-viewing hike through Riding Mountain National Park. Located at the south entrance to the park on PTH10.

Dauphin Lake. A number of parks and beaches line the shores of this large, shallow lake. Rainbow Beach Provincial Park, on the southwestern shore of the lake, is the perfect spot for an afternoon getaway or a weekend away from it all. The park offers swimming and recreation for the kids, and quiet nights by the lake for parents. Facilities include a beach, campground, nearby golf at **Dauphin Lake Golf Club**, scenic walks along the shore, playground, picnic areas, ball diamonds, horseshoe pits, hiking trails, concession and modern showers and washrooms. Located north of Ochre River of PTH20, or 24 km (15 miles) east of Dauphin on PTH20.

Also on Dauphin Lake is **Stoney Point Beach**, located 11 km (7 miles) east of Dauphin on

PTH20, then 13 km (8 miles) north. Facilities include a beach, playground, fishing, volleyball court, baseball diamond, horseshoe pits, large dining shelter and camping facilities.

Situated on the northwest shore of the lake is **Sifton Beach**, with picnic area, barbecue pits, campsites and a boat launch. The beach is located 5 km (3 miles) east of the junction of PTH10 and PR267.

On the southeast shore of Lake Dauphin is **Methley Beach**, which offers swimming and fishing. Facilities include a beach, campground, picnic shelter, boat launch and pedal boats. Located 16 km (10 miles) north and 5 km (3 miles) west of Ste. Rose du Lac on PTH276.

East Blue Lake is the clearest of all Duck Mountain's spring-fed lakes. On a clear day, you can see the bottom of the lake down to 18 m. Enjoy swimming or boating, or make use of the Duck Mountain trail system for hiking. **East Blue and Childs Lakes** are among Manitoba's finer scuba diving lakes. Facilities include a campground and overnight accommodations, supply store and gasoline. Located at the junction of PR366 and PR367.

Madge Lake. Located at the Saskatchewan border (60 km (36 miles) northwest of Roblin on PTH83), Madge Lake boasts two beautiful beaches for swimming and water skiing, an 18-hole golf course, hiking trails, and excellent fishing. Riding stables, miniature golf, ball diamonds, tennis courts, and canoe and boat rentals are available.

Lake Manitoba. Manipogo Beach is the perfect spot from which to explore and enjoy the northern portion of vast Lake Manitoba. Short hiking trails, miles of beaches, and children's playgrounds are just some of the attractions to be found here. Choose a camping spot away from it all, or a site overlooking the lake. Located 60 km (38 miles) north of Ste. Rose on PR276.

Lake of the Prairies. Man-made Lake of the

Prairies, the result of the construction of the **Shellmouth Dam**, fills a 67 km (42 mile) stretch of the Assiniboine River valley. Electrical campsites, fishing and houseboat rentals are available, and you can also trek along the self-guiding Ancient Valley Trail or enjoy the designated swimming area. The **Trans Canada Trail** follows the valley.

Wellman Lake features electrical campsites, an RV park, overnight accommodations, and swimming, boating and fishing on the lake. Located at the north end of Duck Mountain Provincial Park on PR366.

Fishing

Whether your quest is to become a Master Angler or to dangle a line on a sunny summer afternoon of family fishing, the Parkland offers deep, clear lakes, fast-flowing streams, and trophy fish in any of a half-dozen or more species. Deep down in cool, spring-fed lakes dwell prize-winning walleye. Monster northern pike lurk in shallow weedbeds. The patient fly-fisher is often rewarded with a brown or rainbow trout measuring up to 75 cm (30 inches) or more.

Anglers will be interested to know that provincial records for brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, and carp were all caught in the Parkland. Parkland waters can also yield a good catch of smallmouth bass, splake, northern pike, perch and muskellunge, and some of the best walleye fishing in the world will be found here.

Among the many fine waters of the Parkland, these are some that anglers will most want to test (please consult the *Manitoba Anglers' Guide* for regulations particular to each lake):

Blue Lakes. Duck Mountain's Blue lakes are a good pair to try. Trophy rainbows, splake, and the odd lake trout are waiting to be pulled from East Blue Lake. West Blue Lake (electric motors only) features good walleye fishing. Located in Duck



In the Parkland, you can fish a different lake every day of your visit!

Mountain Provincial Park on PR366.

Childs Lake. Open year-round, Childs Lake is accessible by road and offers fishing for lake trout, northern pike, splake and walleye. Most services are available at the lake, including boat and canoe rentals, gas, guide services, fish processing, tackle, bait, and licences. Located in Duck Mountain Provincial Park.

Dauphin Lake. Dauphin Lake has developed a walleye fishery to rival Lake of the Prairies. If fewer walleye are caught here, it's not by many, and the walleye coming out of Dauphin Lake are reportedly bigger than their cousins to the west. Fish weighing 1.4 -1.8 kg (3-4 lbs) or more are the norm for this lake. This is a very shallow lake, so take care when boating. Located 15 km (9.5 miles) east of Dauphin on PTH20 or directly north of Ochre River on PTH20.

Glad Lake. Fly-fishers are recording good catches of rainbow trout and arctic char from this lake in the Ducks. Located on the east side of PR366 as you travel through the park. A 1.5 km (1-mile) hike from the gravel pit opposite the west side of Glad Lake takes you to **Line Lake**, where you can try for muskie and walleye.

Goose Lake. Though small, Goose Lake has an excellent reputation among fly-fishers throughout North America. The lake is artificially aerated to keep trout healthy through the winter months.

Rainbows up to 76 cm (30 inches) have been documented here. Located in the town of Roblin.

Grandview Reservoir. The Grandview Game and Fish Association has converted the unused town reservoir, located in the northwest corner of town, into a stocked fish pond. It is open to the public from the end of May until the end of September. Species stocked are rainbow and brown trout. Manitoba fishing regulations apply. Phone 204-648-3134 or 204-648-7642.

Lake of the Prairies is one of the premier walleye sport fisheries in North America. The annual catch of walleye from this lake has been as much as five times the provincial average. You can also expect good perch and pike fishing. Tackle and bait shops are plentiful. Ice fishing is popular here during the winter months. Located at Asessippi Provincial Park, 20 km (12.5 miles) north of Russell on PTH83; or travel 10 km (6 miles) west of Roblin on PTH5.

Sandy Lake. Ten minutes west of PTH 10 on PTH45, Sandy Lake has excellent fishing for perch, jack (northern pike) and pickerel (walleye). Camping and accommodations are available.

Seech, Stuart & Wargatie Lakes. These three lakes, located south of Riding Mountain National Park, are pickerel and jack lakes—great for family fishing. Seech Lake has a beach. Nearby Wasamin Creek is known for its brook trout.

Parkland Credit Unions Welcome You to the Parkland

The Parkland Area Credit Unions are devoted to serving our communities and districts. We promote all types of business including tourism and hope you stop and enjoy the friendship, hospitality, scenery and outdoor experiences that the Parkland Region has to offer.

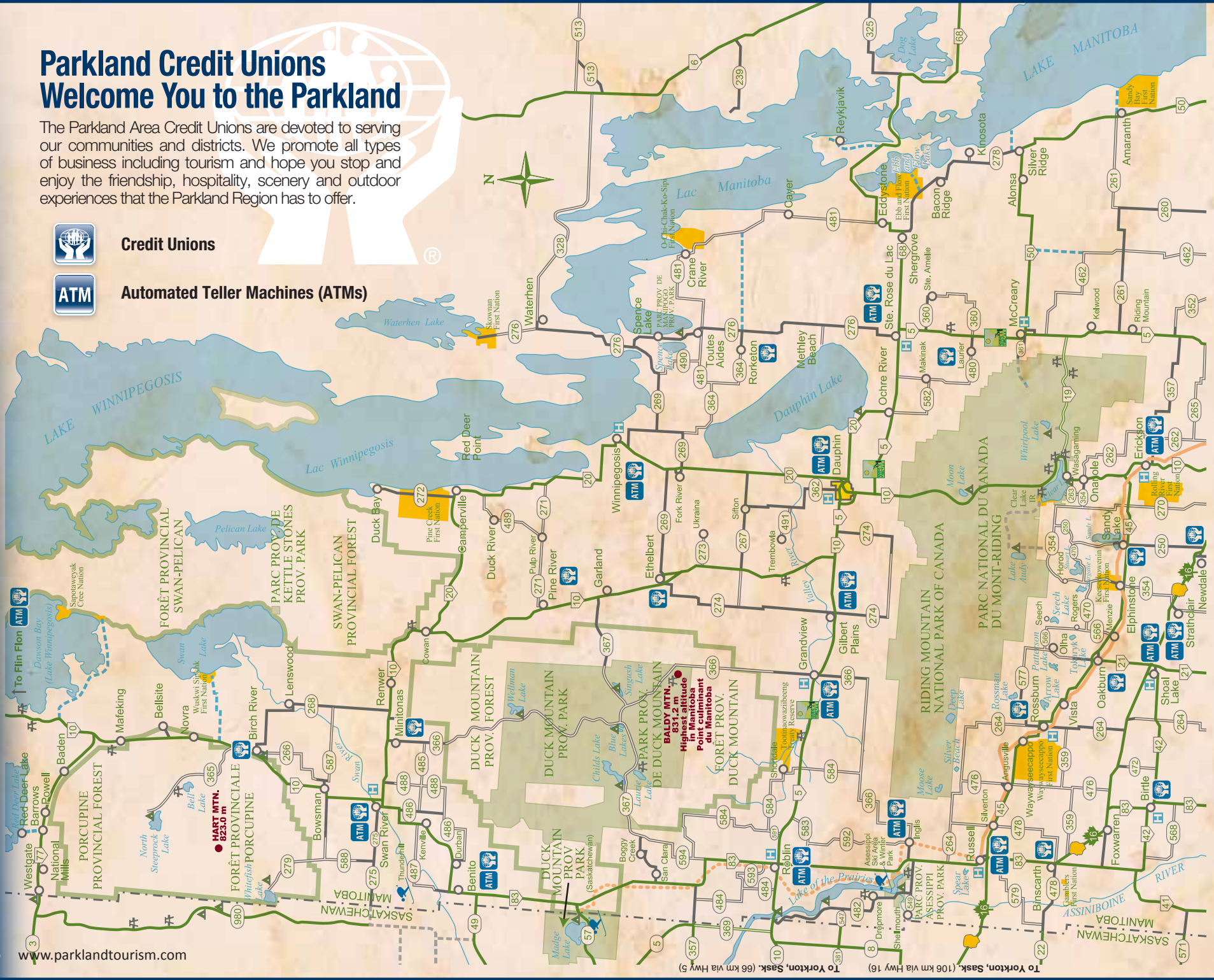


Credit Unions



Automated Teller Machines (ATMs)

To The Pas, Man. (135 km via Hwy 10)

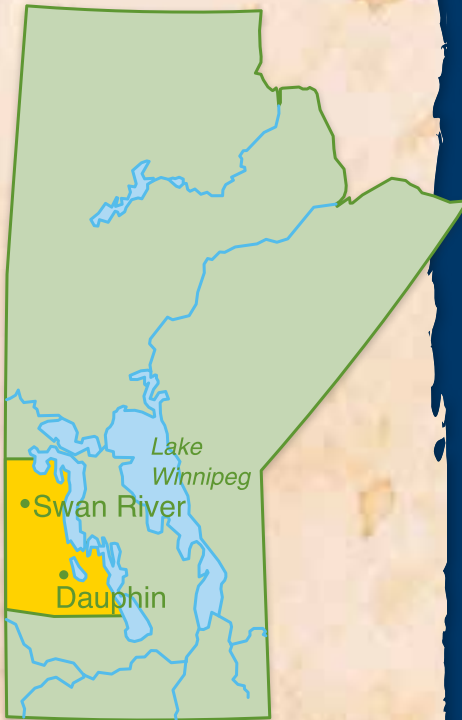


To Yorkton, Sask. (106 km via Hwy 16) To Yorkton, Sask. (66 km via Hwy 5)

To Minot, ND (260 km via Hwy 83)

To Winnipeg, Man. (230 km via Hwy 16)

To Brandon, Man. (67 km via Hwy 10)



MEMBER CREDIT UNIONS

Area code is (204) for all locations.

Benito*	539-2400
Binscarth	532-2000
Birch River	236-4660
Birtle	842-5381
Dauphin*	622-4500
Erickson*	636-7771
Ethelbert	742-3529
Flin Flon*	687-6620
Gilbert Plains*	548-3000
Grandview*	546-5200
Inglis*	564-2401
Laurier	447-2412
Minitonas	525-2623
Newdale	849-4300
Oakburn	234-3100
Pine River	263-2166
Roblin*	937-2156
Rorketon	732-2448
Rosburn	859-5025
Russell*	773-7030
Sandy Lake	585-2609
Shoal Lake*	759-4200
Ste. Rose du Lac*	447-2723
Strathclair*	365-4700
Swan River*	734-7828
Winnipegosis*	656-5050

** ATM at this location*

LEGEND

PROVINCIAL TRUNK HIGHWAYS
 2 Lane, Paved.....
 Gravel.....

PROVINCIAL ROADS
 2 Lane, Paved.....
 Gravel.....

Other Roads.....
 Trans Canada Trail
 Rossburn Subdivision Trail
 Trans Canada Trail (proposed)

Trans Canada Highway Provincial Trunk Highway
 Yellowhead Route Provincial Road
 Parks Route

SYMBOLS
 Campsite.....
 Government Picnic Site/Wayside Park.....
 Hospital.....
 Ski Area.....

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kilometres



Golf Courses

COURSE / LOCATION	HOLES	GREENS	CONTACT
Clear Lake Golf Course (Wasagaming)	18 holes	grass greens	848-4653
Dauphin Lake Golf Club (Ochre River)	18 holes	grass greens	638-9400
Elkhorn Golf Course (Onanole)	9 holes	grass greens	848-2802
Gilbert Plains Country Club	18 holes	grass greens	548-2118
Lakewood Hills Golf & Country Club (Onanole)	18 holes	grass greens	848-7445
Madge Lake (Saskatchewan) Golf Course	18 holes	grass greens	306-542-3485
McCreary Golf and Country Club	9 holes	grass greens	835-2711
Poplar Ridge Golf Course (Onanole)	18 holes	grass greens	848-2382
Prairie Lake Lodge Golf Course & Country Club	18 holes	grass greens	937-4653
Raven Range Golf Course (Rorketon)	9 holes	sand greens	732-2341
Roblin Golf & Country Club	9 holes	grass greens	937-4774
Rossmann Lake Golf & Country Club (Rosburn)	9 holes	grass greens	1-877-859-5253*
Russell Golf Club	9 holes	grass greens	773-2969
Ste. Rose Golf Club	9 holes	grass greens	447-2111
Sandy Lake Golf & Country Club	9 holes	grass greens	585-5227
Swan River Golf Course	18 holes	grass greens	734-3935
Winnipegosis Golf Club	9 holes	artificial greens	656-4791

photo: Parkland Tourism Association

* Toll-free in Canada only.

Flyfishing

A harsh winter in 1989-90 is partially responsible for a thriving flyfishing movement in the region. That year, many area lakes experienced winter kill, making the stocking of the affected lakes necessary. Salmonoid species—notably rainbow and brown trout—were introduced to these lakes. For catch limits and seasons, consult the *Manitoba Anglers' Guide*.

Here are a few stocked lakes you can try:

Beaver, Black Beaver, Childs, East Blue Lake, Glad, Gull, Laurie, Perch, Shilliday, Two Mile and West Blue Lakes in Duck Mountain Provincial Park.

Tokaryk and Patterson Lakes north of Oakburn.

West & East Goose Lakes at Roblin.

Jackfish Lake in the Saskatchewan portion of Duck Mountain Provincial Park.

Rossman Lake northeast of Rosssburn.

Spear Lake (reservoir) near Russell.

Vermillion River Reservoir near Dauphin.

Other lakes you will want to try:

Patterson Lake. This is an excellent lake for float tubers. Record brown and rainbow trout in the 75-cm (30-inch) range have provided trophy action for recent anglers. Located 8 km (5 miles) north of Oakburn on PR577.

Tokaryk Lake has earned a reputation as one of the best in Canada for flyfishing. Expect to land brown trout and some big rainbows. Located 6.4 km (4 miles) north of Oakburn on PR577, then 1.6 km (1 mile) east and 1.6 km (1 mile) north.

Sandy Lake. Excellent summer and winter fishing may be had at Sandy Lake, where the walleye fishing is reportedly very hot. Camping and accommodations are available. Located on PTH45 ten minutes west from PTH10.

Shilliday Lake. The exclusive domain of fly-fishers, who fish here for rainbow trout. Electric

motors only. Located 2 km (1.25 miles) west of East Blue Lake in Duck Mountain Provincial Park.

Twin Lakes. Located near Boggy Creek, the lakes are a destination for anglers looking for the new and exotic tiger trout hybrid (a brown trout and brook trout cross).

Pybus Lake. Located 1.6 km (1 mile) South of Sandy Lake at the junction of PTH45 and PR250, this lake offers trophy tiger trout.

Vini Lake. A 2-km (1.25-mile) hike east of North Steeprock Lake in the Porcupine Forest may reward the patient fly-fisher with a nice catch of spar and rainbow trout. Nearby Gass Lake may yield a catch of spar and brook trout.

The Bug Chucker Cup, May 30 – June 1, 2013, Roblin area. Avid flyfishers won't want to miss this two-day competition with award banquet on Saturday evening. For more information, visit www.bugchuckercup.com.



Horseback Riding

Back Country Experiences. Offers trips into Riding Mountain National Park and backcountry, covered wagons, and sleigh rides. Located at Grandview. Phone 204-546-2126.

Elkhorn Riding Adventures. This state-of-the-art year-round boarding facility features a high-tech heated 23-box stall stable and an 85' x 200' arena with a unique fabric-covered roof to allow natural light into the riding space. The building is set up for spectators and will accommodate a variety of events. Enjoy lessons, trail rides, buggy rides and hayrides with sleigh rides offered in the winter. Located at Onanole. Phone 204 848-4583. www.elkhornridingadventures.com.

9 Finger Ranch. Offers guided trips into Riding Mountain National Park and the backcountry. Phone 204-859-2497.

Trailhead Ranch. Offers trail rides, wagon tours, pack trips and a youth riding school. Located at Lake Audy. Phone 204-848-7649.

Wagons West. Offers trail rides, riding camps for kids and families, and training for 2 one-week periods each year. Roblin. Phone 204-937-4276.

A few summer events cater to trail riding enthusiasts: **Cowan Trail Celebration** takes place August 24, 2013 in Cowan (call 204-569-4851); **Birch River Riding Club Trail Ride Supper & Dance**, August 10-11, 2013 in Birch River (call 204-236-4484).



Beaches

The Parkland has many sandy destinations and swimming areas. Pack a picnic lunch and make a day of it! Facilities vary.

- Asessippi Beach (near Inglis)
- Bell Lake (in PPF)
- Blue Lake (in DMPP)
- Centennial Beach
- Childs Lake Main Beach (in DMPP)
- Clear Lake Main Beach (in RMNP)
- Dauphin Beach (on Dauphin Lake)
- Madge Lake, Sask. (2 beaches)
- Manipogo Beach
- Margaret Bruce Beach
- Methley Beach
- North Steeprock Lake (in PPF)
- Ochre Beach (on Dauphin Lake)
- Paradise Beach
- Rainbow Beach (on Dauphin Lake)

For current conditions at Dauphin area beaches, call Dauphin Tourism, 204-622-3216.

- Rossman Lake
- Sandy Lake
- Seech Lake
- Sifton Beach (on Dauphin Lake)
- Silver Beach (north of Angusville)
- Stoney Point Beach (on Dauphin Lake)
- Wellman Lake (in DMPP)
- Whitefish Lake (in PPF)
- Winnipegosis Beach

SWIMMING AREAS *

- Aspen Picnic Area (in RMNP)
- Deep Bay (in RMNP)
- Frith Beach (in RMNP)
- Lake Katherine (in RMNP)
- Moon Lake (in RMNP)

* Swimming areas do not have beaches in the traditional sense, but swimming is permitted at these locations.

PPF = Porcupine Provincial Forest
RMNP = Riding Mountain National Park
DMPP = Duck Mountain Prov. Park



Kayaking at Riding Mountain National Park

Paddling

Spring is the best time to enjoy fast waters on Parkland rivers, but canoeing and kayaking on Parkland's many lakes can be enjoyed anytime from spring to freeze-up.

Canoe rentals are available at Clear Lake, Madge Lake, Lake of the Prairies (Asessippi Ski Area & Resort), Blue Lake, and Childs Lake.

Some favourite waters for experienced canoeists are **Valley River**, launching in Duck Mountain Provincial Park and continuing to Lake Dauphin; the **Assiniboine River**, with good starting points at the Saskatchewan border and Asessippi Provincial Park; the **Red Deer River** starting at Erwood on PTH77 and ending at Red Deer Lake; the **Woody River** at PR588 southwest of Bowsman to Bowsman; the **Swan River** starting from the towns of Swan River or

Lenswood; **Steep Rock Lakes** in the Porcupine Provincial Forest; and the **Turtle River** near Ste. Rose. Segments of the **Shell River**, ending in Lake of the Prairies, offer interesting canoeing.

Lakes to try include Laurie, Beautiful, and Shallow lakes in the Ducks, and Clear, Katherine, Whirlpool and Bob Hill lakes in Riding Mountain National Park. The **Whirlpool River** in Riding Mountain is a popular route for canoeists in spring.

The Chain Lakes Canoeing Area in Duck Mountain Provincial Park offers calm paddling for the novice canoeist. The entry point is 8 km (5 miles) north of Blue Lakes on PR366. The route is 4.8 km (3 miles) each way with two portages of 40 m and 200 m, and two canoe campsites. Overnight campers must register at the Blue Lakes Campground office.

Also in The Ducks is the longer **Beaver Lake Canoeing Area**, a route that clocks in at around

Outfitting & Hunting

Whether you are interested in hunting geese on farmlands and marshes, or big game in the bush country and forests; whether you hunt with a gun or a camera, the Parkland region offers a world-class experience. Before embarking on any hunting adventure for moose, white-tail deer, bear, waterfowl or upland game birds, familiarize yourself with both federal and provincial laws governing licensing, guns, shot, season dates, export, guide accompaniment and other resident/non-resident regulations.

From rustic cabins to full service resorts, Parkland outfitters and lodges provide guests with a quality outdoor experience while

promoting the responsible use and enjoyment of Parkland's natural resources and wilderness areas. The outfitters and lodge owners make every effort to provide clients with the kinds of experiences that will leave lasting memories of great outdoor adventures in the Parkland region of Manitoba.

For more information on hunting and fishing in Manitoba, visit www.fishhuntmanitoba.com, or obtain a *Travel Manitoba Hunting Guide* by contacting Travel Manitoba at 1-800-665-0040 or online at www.travelmanitoba.com; or contact the Manitoba Wildlife Federation by visiting their website at www.mwf.mb.ca.

— Based on information provided by Travel Manitoba

6.4 km (4 miles) each way. The entry point is at Prieston Lake located 2 km (1-1/4 miles) south of Wellman Lake on PR366. The route covers six lakes of varying sizes, including Reeves Lake, Cluff Lake and Beaver Lake. There are five portages, some of considerable length (up to 792 meters (about 1/2 mile)). A canoe campsite is located at the west end of Cluff Lake. Beaver Lake Road provides access to the endpoint, for those who do not wish to complete a round trip.

Canoeists should always let someone know where they're going and how long they'll be gone. Always carry flotation devices (worn), and a map and compass for extended trips. Also, proper care should be taken when canoeing on frigid spring waters.

The **Parkland Paddling Club** is a great resource for those wishing to paddle the Parkland's lakes and rivers. www.parklandpaddlingclub.ca

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Geocaching

If you're looking for a fun and interesting way to spend a few hours—or a whole day—then geocaching is the perfect answer. It can best be described as high-tech treasure hunting. Equipped with a hand-held GPS (Global Positioning System) unit that guides you to specific places (caches) based on coordinates you enter into the unit, you can hunt for hidden caches located throughout the Parkland and elsewhere. Caches placed by local groups such as Caching Riding Mountain in the area around Riding Mountain National Park are in the categories of traditional geocaches, virtual caches and multi-caches.

The cache found at the end of a traditional geocache hunt is a hidden container with a log book, an information sheet and perhaps small tradable items associated with a theme or with the sites and communities in the area. It is expected that those who take an item will also leave an item. Comments in the logbook are always of interest to those that follow. A code word on the information sheet is used to log the find on the website of the group that created the cache.

A virtual cache is a location, usually very unique and interesting. Coordinates, instructions on logging the cache, a list of questions and other information are all on the website. At each location on the way, questions must be answered correctly. Then, on reaching the destination, these answers provide clues used to determine the code needed to log the find on the website.

Multi-caches are very similar to virtual caches with the exception that a traditional cache is hidden at the last stop of the quest. Clues from the virtual caches along the way lead to the final discovery. Again, you must arrive at the final



Geocaching is a great family or group activity.

destination in order to receive the information needed to log your find on the website.

Like a traditional treasure hunt, clues to locations are key to finding the “treasure.” However, in the 21st century, using hand-written clues hidden in unexpected places is not the way to attract an adventurer equipped with all things electronic. This is where GPS units enter the game.

A handheld GPS device is a small electronic receiver that gathers information from satellites in orbit around the earth. After a longitude and latitude have been entered into the unit, it guides the user to that location. Simply follow the arrow carefully. These receivers are able to show navigation routes to within 3 metres (10 ft) of any place on earth. With the information from the Internet, a GPS unit, and the curiosity of Sherlock Holmes, anyone can become a successful sleuth.

The northern Parkland area including the Swan River Valley, Swan River and Pine River up to Barrows is extensively cached, with nearly 500 sites waiting to be discovered.

Rosburn, Dauphin, Onanole and the Elkhorn Resort in the Biosphere Reserve, and the

neighbouring towns of Minnedosa and Russell, have created caches and posted the details at www.cachingridingmountain.ca. Download coordinates to a personal GPS unit or rent a Cacher's Kit from the Nature Shop in Wasagaming. The kit contains basic instructions, information about the area and a GPS unit already programmed with the “hunt” coordinates for points of interest, historical sites, and nature learning experiences unique to the Parkland.

Some hunts are virtual and some include the traditional container strategically placed to create a learning experience about a particular site or community. For the virtual tours, the fun starts with discovering the answers to clues or questions given on the website. Once the hunt is complete and the riddle is solved, register the answer on www.cachingridingmountain.ca and enter an annual contest for prizes from local businesses. Please remember that there are no geocaches (physical caches) inside the boundaries of Riding Mountain National Park. There are some virtual caches located in strategic areas where they will not affect environmentally- or culturally-sensitive areas.

LET'S DO SOMETHING

FUN FOR FAMILIES, and MORE!

GPS Adventure Quest, June 8-9, 2013, Riding Mountain area. Take part in the 7th Annual Caching Riding Mountain GPS Adventure Quest and discover the people, places and heritage of the Riding Mountain Biosphere Reserve and its core area, Riding Mountain National Park. Travel through the 15,000 square kilometers of the Biosphere Reserve locating over 60 caches that have been placed by communities, individuals and businesses for this specific event. Learn more at www.cachingridingmountain.ca.

River Tubing and Eurobungy, Friday to Sunday starting June 28 to August 11, 2013, Asessippi Ski Area & Resort, Inglis. Enjoy three days a week of activities (also open Monday, July 1, 2013). Open daily from noon until 6:00 pm, with the last river tubing run leaving at 5:00 pm. Activities dependent on river levels and weather. Call before you go: 204-564-2000 or visit www.asesissippi.com. Kayak rentals available.

Wasagaming Chamber Days, August 9-11, 2013, Wasagaming. Take part in a variety of events organized by Riding Mountain National Park's townsite businesses and Chamber of Commerce. Street parties, dog shows, sandcastle building and beach volleyball tournaments are just some of the events taking place. The **Friends Kiddie Parade**, for children under the age of 14, takes place on August 10.

Boo in the Park, August 24, 2013, Wasagaming. Come celebrate Halloween in August at Clear Lake. Scary fun for the whole family.

Friends Fright Night, October 26, 2013, Wasagaming. Join Friends of Riding Mountain and Riding Mountain National Park staff as they transform the Wasagaming townsite into a Hallowe'en fun zone. This year's theme is “Rise of the Vampires!”. Sights and sounds will test even the bravest of souls!

Trails & Cycling

Who knows what adventures are waiting to be found along the trails of the Parkland? You can walk, hike, ride, cycle, or even ski your way along these routes. You're sure to be inspired by some of the vast panoramas that only a trek across the prairies can provide.

Rosburn Subdivision Trail (RST). This portion of the Trans Canada Trail (consisting of an abandoned CN branch line) begins in Neepawa and continues to Russell, passing through the communities along PTH45. Completed areas are ideal for hiking, walking, horseback riding, cycling, and cross-country skiing. Most of the 176 kms (110 miles) are groomed for snowmobiling in winter. Symonds "Rails to Trails" Kiosk in the village of Sandy Lake features maps and pictorial histories of the Rosburn Subdivision CNR and the village. In 2010, the refurbishing of the entire trail was completed, providing a smoother surface for cycling and horseback riding. For more information, visit www.mrta.mb.ca. See the map on pages 26 for the trail route.

Biking, Back Roads and Buddas. A 25-km, 40-km or 75-km tour, starting and ending in Olha, focuses on the history of Ukrainian settlement in the region and features several settlement-related sites in close proximity. Most of the route follows maintained gravel roads with low traffic volumes. The area's location between Assessippi Provincial Park and Riding Mountain National Park makes it an ideal day trip destination for cyclists already frequenting the parks. For more information visit www.valleylands.ca or call 204-859-2779. Also see Tour 8, "Where Past is Present," on page 50.

Moose Trail, off PR264 north of Angusville, wanders through 3 kms of forest, meadows and plains, meaning wildlife sightings are plentiful. Suited to walking and mountain biking



Participants in the Rona MS Bike Tour

in summer, the trail is also groomed for cross-country skiing each winter. There's a warm-up shack at the halfway point.

Crocus Trail. Another stretch of the Trans Canada Trail, the Crocus Trail leads you through the historic grain elevators at Inglis, past Assessippi Ski Area & Resort, up to Roblin and the Goose Lakes, and finally through Duck Mountain Provincial Forest to the Saskatchewan border at Madge Lake. This trail offers many scenic vistas through forests, valleys and along cultivated areas. A Trans Canada Trail pavilion is located at the junction of PTH5 and PTH83 in Roblin. For more information and for an update on the few portions of the trail not yet signed, call 204-937-6273.

Cycling. Hundreds of kilometres of trails of varying difficulty and length provide just the right level of challenge for cyclists of all abilities. Extensive trail networks exist in the parks, particularly in Riding Mountain, which features more than 400 km (250 miles) of hiking, biking and horseback trails, and where bike rentals are available in Wasagamag. Trail maps are available from The Visitor Centre.

Four Valley Tour. A scenic highway route of approximately 100 km (63 miles) around Lake of

the Prairies takes cyclists through four beautiful valleys. From Roblin, travel 15 km (9.5 miles) west (across the lake) to PR482, which will take you south along the lake for approximately 40 km (25 miles) before turning east for 8 km (5 miles). Then travel north on PTH83 back to Roblin. Several campgrounds around the lake allow cyclists to break the tour up into two or more days.

Russell Trail (near Grandview). In the late 19th century the government of the still-young province of Manitoba found itself in a bit of a quandary: immigrants were flooding into the Parkland area, and some were leaving again, dissatisfied with the lack of good roads and railway connections. Until 1903, the closest railway terminus to Dauphin was nearly 100 km to the southwest at Russell. Construction of the Dauphin-Russell Colonization Road—the Russell Trail as it would come to be known—began in 1891 as a means of providing access from the Dauphin area, which already boasted

a population of some 1,200 settlers, to goods, markets and more immigrants via the railway at Russell.

One mile of the old trail has been redeveloped for recreational use. Travel 8 km (5 miles) south from Grandview on PR366. From here, turn east onto the trail.

Riding Mountain. The trail network in the park is extensive with some trails accessible from various municipalities surrounding the park. Trail information is available at the RMNP Visitor Centre, or call 204-848-7275.

Baydak Trail. The RM of Silver Creek's newest trail starts at the very north edge of Silver Beach, off PR264 north of Angusville, and continues in a 5-km loop into Riding Mountain National Park, leading adventurers to Horseshoe Hill and Twin Dams Crossing. The trails is the first of its kind in Canada, with the RM and the national park sharing care of the trail.



ROSSBURN SUBDIVISION TRAIL

EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES

While travelling the Trans Canada Trail sample our local flavour: be it the food, the heritage sites or the adventures! Find out about Erickson and the Vikings, try the menu at the Sandy Lake Hotel after visiting the Ukrainian Museum or take a little detour and visit the Prairie Mountain Regional Museum. Want excitement? Learn how to fly-fish at Tokaryk or take a horseback ride into the Riding Mountain National Park. Finish your day at the newest eatery along the trail: Tiff's in Angusville.

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 Email: rsta@live.ca Phone: 204-859-2497

For maps visit www.mrta.mb.ca/Trails/Rosburn or *Ilse* at the RM of Rosburn Office

FROSTY FUN

Snow, Ice & Cool Pursuits!

The Parkland is an ideal setting for an outdoor winter odyssey. We have the most popular winter activities covered: cross-country and downhill skiing, snowboarding, snowtubing, snowmobiling and ice-fishing.

Snowmobiling is a great way to see the Parkland's backcountry.

Snowmobiling

The Parkland has become a popular destination for snowmobilers over the years. And it's no wonder, with more than 1,000 km (625 miles) of developed trails set amidst gorgeous scenery.

There are designated snowmobile routes through most towns, and an interconnected trail system exists from Rossburn, through Assessippi and Roblin to the Duck Mountains, and up to the Swan River Valley and Porcupine Provincial Forest.

The Intermountain Snowmobile Club grooms trails from Inglis to Grandview and through to Gilbert Plains, then north to Ethelbert, and to Childs Lake and Wellman Lake in Duck Mountain Provincial Park. The trails interconnect with trails to Roblin and Dauphin. Snowtraxx Snowmobile Club Inc. grooms approx. 500 km (310 miles) of trails from where their trail system joins with the Roblin group's trails, to where they connect with trails near Shoal Lake. Call Rasia Zegalski at 204-859-2174 or email rczegalski@yahoo.ca. The Dauphin Snowmobile Club maintains trails near Dauphin. Call 204-638-5918 or 204-648-4974 for trail information. Other clubs include North Mountain Riders, Swan Valley Snowmobile Association, along with clubs in Dauphin, Ochre River and Roblin.

Several sections of the Parkland portion of the Trans Canada Trail are open to snowmobile traffic during the winter months. Service stations and warming shelters are available throughout the area. Trail maps are available at Parkland service stations and hotels.

For more information on snowmobiling in Manitoba, visit the Snowmobilers of Manitoba (SNOMAN) website at www.snoman.mb.ca.

Snowmobile Poker Derbies. A number of communities host snowmobile derbies. See page 35 for derbies and other winter events.

Downhill Skiing

Looking for a little more speed? Two downhill ski areas can be found in the Parkland. **Thunder Hill Ski Club & Lodge** (located 16 km, or 10 miles, north of Benito on PR487, phone 204-734-2573) offers downhill runs of varying difficulty, t-bar access, cross-country ski trails, and ski rentals.

Asessippi Ski Area & Resort, nestled deep in the Shell River Valley near Inglis, offers 25 runs for downhill skiing and snowboarding, with half-pipe and two terrain parks. There are three chair lifts, one quad, two triple lifts, three surface tows and one snow carpet. The winter park offers three downhill snowtubing runs (ride up and slide down—no effort required!). With its charming winter village, the resort was the recipient of the Best New Attraction 2000 by Attractions Canada. Located between Russell and Roblin, just east of



Inglis at Asessippi Provincial Park. Call 204-564-2000 or visit www.asessippi.com.

Ice Fishing

Don't think for a minute that the Parkland's unsurpassed sport fishery goes into hibernation for the winter! On the contrary, wintertime offers some of the best fishing of the year. As soon as the ice is thick enough, Parkland's lakes become dotted with tiny ice fishing shacks while thousands of fishing enthusiasts drop their lines daily until the spring thaw. Winter is also the time for ice-fishing derbies.

For the most dedicated, it's never too cold to suit up, grab the gear and head out onto the ice—especially with a warm stove, and the other amenities of a well-furnished shack, at hand. Here's some information to take note of: authorities agree that fish caught in winter are the best-tasting to be found all year, thanks to the coldness of the water. And if it's not too cold to spend the day fishing, then it's certainly not too cold to fry up some of the best fish you've ever tasted by an open fire.



Cross-Country Skiing

Groomed trails of varying levels of difficulty exist throughout Riding Mountain National Park, including the **Oak Ridge** and **Scott Creek Trails** at the east edge of the park near McCreary, and the **Moose Lake Trail** at the southwest corner of the park near Silver Creek. A trail at Wasagaming is lit for nighttime skiing.

The **Rivendell Ski Club** operates over 30 km (19 miles) of groomed trails located 30 km (19 miles) north of Russell, or 20 km (12.5 miles) south of Roblin off PTH83 (near Lake of the Prairies). These include some challenging runs. Equipment rentals available. Call before heading out: 204-564-2315.

Groomed trails at **Childs, Wellman and Glad Lakes** (Duck Mountain Provincial Park) range in length from 2 km to 10 km (1.25 to 6.25 miles).

Visit the Manitoba Conservation offices near Duck Mountain or Riding Mountain for trail information for the parks. For conditions and information on cross-country skiing in Riding Mountain, phone 204-848-7275.

McCreary Ski & Outdoor Club is an all-season, membership-based recreation group offering weekly hikes from April to November, paddling outings on local lakes and rivers, and rental of cross-country ski equipment (wide range of boot sizes). Phone 204-835-2529 or 204-835-2879.

Riding Mountain Loppet, March 1, 2013, Clear Lake. A Norwegian term for a long-distance cross-country ski race, a "loppet" is for anyone who loves the joy of gliding across the snow, whether for fun or for competition. The Riding Mountain Loppet has distances of 1.0 km (Chipmunk), 2.7 km (Lynx), 5.7 km (Jackrabbit), 13 km (Cougar) or 26 km (Wolf) for skiers of all ages and skill levels.

LET'S DO SOMETHING

WINTER EVENTS

Annual Christmas Bird Count, December 17, 2013, Riding Mountain National Park. Have a love for birds? Join Park staff and local birders as they spend the day walking, skiing and snowshoeing their way through the Park counting all of our winter feathered friends.

From opening day in December, to the final runs down the slopes in late spring, **Asessippi Ski Area & Resort** offers events and competitions for avid skiers. See page 35 for a listing of events.

Riding Mountain National Park is the site for the **Riding Mountain Loppet** (cross-country skiing; March 1, 2014) and **Family Fun Day** (March 2, 2014). Visit the Friends of Riding Mountain website (www.friendsofridingmountain.ca) for updates.

PARKLAND EVENTS

Music, Food, Culture & More!

Every day you spend in the Parkland is sure to be a treasure, but some days will be more treasured than others! Year-round the Parkland is alive with the celebrations, fairs and festivals in many towns. You'll want to take in as many of these as you can during your visit.



With so many great events, there are countless opportunities for fun, such as the Northwest Round-up & Exhibition in Swan River every July.

MAY 2013

- TBA – Mega Ball Tournament**, Ste. Rose du Lac
- TBA – Community Yard Sales**, Ste. Rose du Lac and Laurier
- 1 – Town of Roblin Centennial Banquet**, Roblin
- 4 – Coffee House**, Bellsite, 204-545-2204
- 4 – ATV Derby**, Shellmouth, 204-564-2124
- 4 – Swan Valley Sports Fishing Banquet**, Swan River
- 4-5 – Parkland Juried Art Show**, Noon - 5:00 p.m., George P. Bulezuik Centre, Russell, 204-773-3718
- 11 – Coffee House**, Minitonas, 204-525-4910
- 11 – Community Club Mother’s Day Dance**, Lenswood, 204-236-4608
- 11 – The Sonatrix Singers**, Elkhorn Resort, Onanole, 204-848-4037
- 12 – Lions Club Mother’s Day Pancake Breakfast**, Pine River, 204-263-2101
- 12 – Knights of Columbus Mother’s Day Brunch**, Ste. Rose du Lac
- 12 – Rorketon Rusalka Dance Group Concert**, Rorketon
- 14 – First Baptist Church Spring Tea**, Minitonas
- 14 – Manitoba’s Birthday Celebration**, Rossburn Museum, Rossum, 204-859-3334
- 16-18 – C. of C. Town-wide Yard Sales**, Rossburn
- 17 – Coffee House**, Barrows, 204-545-2204
- 17-20 – May Long Weekend – Summer Kickoff**, RMNP
- 18 – “Best of Beth” Fashion Show** featuring Historic Beth Naylor Clothing Collection, 2:00 p.m., George P. Bulezuik Centre, Russell, 204-773-4792
- 18 – At the Farm Gate**, Onanole Rec. Centre, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Onanole
- 18 – Coffee House**, Pine River, 204-263-2643

- 24 – Coffee House**, Swan River Friendship Centre, Swan River, 204-734-9301
- 26 – Manitoba Liquor & Lotteries MS Walk**, Wasagaming, 204-622-2941
- 26 – Swan Valley Historical Museum Opening**, Swan River, 204-734-3585
- 30 – June 1 – 2nd Annual Bug Chucker Cup** (Stillwater Fly Fishing Tournament), Roblin

JUNE 2013

- TBA – MCC Slo-Pitch Tournament**, Mafeking, 204-734-9936
- TBA – Old Fashion Tea Party**, Memory Garden Park, Rossburn
- 1 – Coffee House**, Bellsite, 204-545-2204
- 7 – Town of Erickson / RM of Clanwilliam Annual Golf Tournament**, Erickson, 204-636-2701 or 204-636-2320
- 7-9 – Grey Owl Golf Tournament**, Clear Lake Golf Course, RMNP
- 8 – Nature Conservancy of Canada Birding Event**, Elk Glen site (Deep Lake), RMNP
- 8 – Coffee House**, Minitonas, 204-525-4910
- 8-9 – Caching Riding Mountain GPS Adventure Quest**, RMNP, www.cachingridingmountain.ca
- 8-9 – Lions Prairie Walleye Classic**, Lake of the Prairies, 204-773-4728
- 14-16 – Wheels’n’Chrome Show**, Ste. Rose du Lac
- 15 – Coffee House**, Pine River, 204-263-2643
- 15 – Mudbog Tuff Trucks**, Russell, 204-773-3071 or 204-773-3338
- 15-16 – Parkland Horsement Chuckwagon & Chariot Races**, Parkland Horsemen Track, Ste. Rose du Lac
- 15-16 – Little Valley Jamboree**, Erickson, 204-865-2447, www.littlejamboree.com
- 16 – Legion Father’s Day Poker Derby**, Birch River, 204-238-4278

- 16 – Father’s Day Pancake Breakfast**, Cowan, 204-569-4851
- 16 – Erickson Municipal Airport Flying Club Breakfast**, Erickson, 204-636-7803
- 16-17 – Learn to Camp Event**, RMNP
- 21 – Coffee House**, Barrows, 204-545-2204
- 21 – National Aboriginal Day**, RMNP
- 22 – Hello Summer Annual Run/Walk**, McCreary Ski & Outdoor Club, McCreary
- 27-30 – Dauphin’s Countryfest**, Selo Ukraina, Dauphin
- 28 – Coffee House**, Swan River Friendship Centre, Swan River, 204-734-9301

JULY 2013

- Monday - Friday in July & August (July 2 to Aug. 30) – Li’l Critter Camp**, Wasagaming, 204-848-4037
- Tuesdays (June 25 - August 27) – Young Explorers Program “Firefly Hikes”**, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Wasagaming, 204-848-4037
- Thursdays (June 27 - August 29) – Young Explorers Program “Tires & Tracks”**, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Wasagaming, 204-848-4037
- Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays (June 28 - Aug. 11) – River Tubing & Eurobungy**, Asessippi Ski Area & Resort, Inglis, 204-564-2000
- 1 – Canada Day Celebrations**, various communities inc. Inglic, McCreary, RMNP, Rorketon, and Ste. Rose du Lac
- 1 – Canada Day Celebrations, Movie in the Park and Fireworks**, Gilbert Plains, 204-548-2063
- 1 – Canada Day Fireworks Display**, Silver Beach, 204-773-3600
- 1 – Minitonas Pancake Breakfast**, Minitonas, 204-525-4461

- 1 – Canada Day Pancake Breakfast**, Sandy Lake, 204-585-2661
- 1 – Picnic in the Park**, Legion Park, Swan River
- 1 – Canada Day Fireworks**, Swan River
- 1-7 – Centennial Celebrations**, Rossburn
- 3 – Teddy Bear Picnic**, Memory Garden Park, Rossburn
- 6 – Coffee House**, Bellsite, 204-545-2204
- 6 – Viking Days**, Erickson, 204-636-2431
- 10-13 – Under the Porcupine Music Camp**, Barrows, 204-545-6215
- 12-14 – Gilbert Plains / Grandview Agricultural Fair & Rodeo**, Gilbert Plains, 204-638-7268
- 12-21 – Town of Roblin Centennial Celebration**, Roblin
- 13 – Redliners Street Show (Car Show)**, 204-773-3338 or 204-821-0244
- 13 – Coffee House**, Minitonas, 204-525-4910
- 13 – Clear Lake Celebration Day**, Wasagaming
- 13 – “Parade of The Century”**, part of Roblin Centennial Celebrations, Roblin
- 14 – Keystone Pioneers Museum Show Day**, Roblin, 204-937-8772
- 17 – Air Show featuring the Snowbirds**, Roblin
- 19 – Coffee House**, Barrows, 204-545-2204
- 20 – Parks Day**, RMNP
- 20 – Coffee House**, Pine River, 204-263-2643
- 20 – Chamber of Commerce Parade**, 7:00 p.m., Grandview
- 20 – Prisoner of War Wagon Tour**, RMNP
- 21 – Renwer-Fishers Siding Family Picnic & Potluck Supper**, Renwer, 204-263-2643
- 21 – Watson Crossley Museum Days**, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Grandview
- 25-28 – Northwest Round-up & Exhibition**, Swan River

- 25-28 – Down on the Farm**, Swan River, 204-734-3102
- 26 – Coffee House**, Swan River Friendship Centre, Swan River, 204-734-9301
- 26 – Xmas in July** (dinner with guest chef), Gone Scrappin’, Rossburn, 204-859-3334
- 26-28 – Homecoming – Relive Russell**, Russell, 204-773-2253
- 27 – 10-km Run**, 7:00 a.m., Swan River, 204-734-5265
- 28 – Memorial Service – Mass Grave Site**, 4:30 p.m., Patterson Lake, followed by Dinner at Olha Hall, 204-859-2695 or 204-859-3115

AUGUST 2013

- TBA – Blue Berry Jam Days**, Kettle Hills, 204-236-4201
- Monday - Friday in July & August (July 2 to Aug. 30) – Li’l Critter Camp**, Wasagaming, 204-848-4037
- Tuesdays (June 25 - August 27) – Young Explorers Program “Firefly Hikes”**, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Wasagaming, 204-848-4037
- Thursdays (June 27 - August 29) – Young Explorers Program “Tires & Tracks”**, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Wasagaming, 204-848-4037
- 1 – Dauphin & District Chamber of Commerce Street Fair**, Dauphin, 204-622-3140
- 1-5 – Clear Lake Chamber Music Festival**, Onanole, www.clearlakefestival.ca
- 2-4 – 48th Annual Canada’s National Ukrainian Festival**, Selo Ukraina, Dauphin, www.cnof.ca
- 3 – Coffee House**, Bellsite, 204-545-2204
- 3-4 – Friends of RMNP Used Book Sale**, Wasagaming
- 9-11 – Western Days**, Sandy Lake, 204-585-2661
- 9-11 – Wasagaming Chamber Days**, Wasagaming
- 10 – Coffee House**, Minitonas, 204-525-4910

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Fairs & Fests

Dauphin’s Countryfest, June 27-30, 2013, Dauphin.

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Northwest Round-Up and Exhibition, July 25-28, 2013, Swan River.

Events include a parade, chuckwagon races, midway, concert, horse shows, dances, talent stage, pancake breakfasts, rodeo, heavy horse pull, and more. Experience life “Down on the Farm” with over 70 ag-related exhibitors. Phone 204-734-3718 or visit www.northwestroundup.ca.

Canada’s National Ukrainian Festival, August 2-4, 2013, Dauphin.

Celebrating Ukrainian culture, this annual festival features dancing, music, arts and cuisine at Selo Ukraina Hillside Amphitheatre. Local entertainers, as well as talent from across Canada and Ukraine, highlight this national festival. For more information, call 204-622-4600 or 1-877-474-2683, or visit www.cnuf.ca.

Clear Lake Chamber Music Festival, August 2-5, 2013, Onanole.

Enjoy chamber music and jazz with world-renowned pianist, Alexander Tselyakov, and friends. Visit www.clearlakefestival.ca for more information.

The Harvest Sun Music Festival (August 16-18, 2013) and Supper-in-the-Field (August 17, 2013), Kelwood.

The Harvest Sun Music Festival is a grass roots prairie music festival dedicated to showcasing Canadian Musicians, and to supporting the agricultural community it calls home. This year’s Supper in the Field event will take place in a field near the festival site on the Saturday evening of the fest. The supper—the 10th annual—features local products prepared by local chefs, cooks and bakers. www.theharvestsun.com

Beef and Barley Festival, October 9-13, 2013, Russell.

True to its name, the festival highlights the local agricultural community with an annual Trade Fair, Country Hoedown, mini Folkfest, children’s activities, cabaret and more. Phone Russell and District Chamber, 204-773-2456 or 773-2238.

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- 10 – Manitoba Mud Run, Selo Ukraina, Dauphin, www.manitobamudrun.com
- 10-11 – Birch River Riding Club Annual Trail Ride, Birch River, 204-236-4484
- 16 – Coffee House, Barrows, 204-545-2204
- 16-18 – The Harvest Sun Musical Festival, Kelwood
- 17 – Coffee House, Pine River, 204-263-2643
- 17 – Riding Mountain Triathlon, RMNP
- 17 – Supper in the Field, in a field at Harvest Sun Music Festival, Kelwood, 1-888-528-6484
- 17-24 – Tamarack Golf Tournament, Clear Lake Golf Course, RMNP
- 18 – Kids of Steel, RMNP
- 23 – Coffee House, Swan River Friendship Centre, Swan River, 204-734-9301
- 24 – Cowan Trail Celebration, ATV Poker Derby, Horse Trail Ride, BBQ Supper & Dance, Cowan, 204-569-4851
- 24 – Boo in the Park, Wasagamung
- 24-25 – McCreary Agricultural Society Fair & Races, McCreary
- 25 – Swan Valley Historical Museum Harvest Fest, Swan River, 204-734-3585
- 31 – Threshing Day, presented by Dauphin Agricultural Heritage Club, 5 miles north of Dauphin on PTH20, 204-638-7632

SEPTEMBER 2013

- TBA – Knox United Church Fall Tea, Minitonas
- TBA – Mafeking Duck Race & BBQ, Mafeking, 204-734-9936
- TBA – Russell High School Rodeo, Russell Agriculture Grounds, Russell
- TBA – Share and Care Garage Sale, Ste. Rose du Lac
- 1 – Prisoner of War Wagon Tour, RMNP

- 7 – Coffee House, Bellsite, 204-545-2204
- 7 – Tent Town Garden Club Tea & Fruit Festival, Minitonas
- 7-8 – Rona MS Bike Tour, Dauphin to Wasagamung
- 8-9 – Crocus Quilters Show, Watson Art Centre, Dauphin
- 13 – Dauphin's Cachefest, Dauphin, 204-622-3216
- 14 – Coffee House, Minitonas, 204-525-4910
- 14 – Annual Assesippi Fall Feast, Assesippi Ski Area & Resort, 204-564-2000
- 18 – Shoreline Cleanup, Clear Lake, RMNP
- 20 – Coffee House, Barrows, 204-545-2204
- 20-22 – Sonics and Soujourns Festival, Onanole and Wasagamung
- 21 – Coffee House, Pine River, 204-263-2643
- 21 – At the Farm Gate, Onanole Rec. Centre, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Onanole
- 27 – Coffee House, Swan River Friendship Centre, Swan River, 204-734-9301
- 26-28 – Creative Art Retreat, Gone Scrappin', Rossburn, 204-859-3334
- 29 – Fall Supper, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Cowan, 204-569-4851

OCTOBER 2013

- TBA – Birch River School Luncheon, Birch River, 204-236-4382
- TBA – Laurier Community Fall Supper, Laurier
- TBA – Ste. Rose Roman Catholic Church Parish Supper, Ste. Rose du Lac
- TBA – Halloween Dance, Rorketon
- TBA – Gilbert Plains Recreation Commission 2nd Annual Community Dinner, Gilbert Plains, 204-648-3179
- 5 – Coffee House, Bellsite, 204-545-2204
- 6 – Pine River Community

- Centre Fall Supper, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Pine River, 204-263-2643
- 9-13 – Beef & Barley Festival, Russell, www.beefandbarley.ca
- 10 – Culturama Multicultural Festival, Russell, 204-773-4792
- 11-13 – Hoof'n'Holler Days, Ste. Rose du Lac
- 12 – Bull A Rama, Canadian Cowboy Association, Bowsman, 204-734-3909
- 12 – Coffee House, Minitonas, 204-525-4910
- 18 – Coffee House, Barrows, 204-545-2204
- 19 – Coffee House, Pine River, 204-263-2643
- 20 – Smorgasbord, Shellmouth Community Centre, Shellmouth, 204-564-2472
- 25 – Coffee House, Swan River Friendship Centre, Swan River, 204-734-9301
- 26 – Friends Fright Night, RMNP
- 26 – Spooktacluar, Gone Scrappin', Rossburn, 204-859-3334
- 26 – Fall Craft Sale, Birch River, 204-236-4982
- 30 – Mafeking Community Centre Halloween Dance, Mafeking, 204-734-9936

NOVEMBER 2013

- TBA – Lenswood Harvest Wind-up Dance, Birch River, 204-236-4608
- TBA – Gilbert Plains Emergency Services Gala, Gilbert Plains, 204-548-4106
- 2 – Coffee House, Bellsite, 204-545-2204
- 3 – Knox United Church Fall Supper, Minitonas
- 3 – Pine River United Church Craft Sale, Flea Market & Lunch, Pine River, 204-263-2643
- 3 – McCreary Community Craft Sale and Trade Show, McCreary
- 7 – Calico Corners Craft Show, Legion Hall, Swan River
- 9 – Coffee House, Minitonas, 204-525-4910

- 10 – Turkey Shoot, Swan Valley Historical Museum, Swan River, 204-734-3585
- 15 – Farmer's Market Christmas Craft Fair, Friendship Centre, Swan River, 204-734-4827
- 15 – Coffee House, Barrows, 204-545-2204
- 16 – Coffee House, Pine River, 204-263-2643
- 17 – Russell Craft Sale, Noon - 4:00 p.m., George P. Bulezuik Centre, Russell
- 22 – Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony, Roblin
- 22 – Tree Lighting, CN Park, Dauphin
- 22 – Coffee House, Swan River Friendship Centre, Swan River, 204-734-9301
- 23 – Candy Cane Lane, Rossburn, 204-859-3334
- 23 – Roblin & District Chamber of Commerce Annual Craft Sale, Roblin Community Centre, Roblin, 204-937-3194
- 29 – Christmas Parade of Lights and Moonlight Madness, McCreary
- 29 – Parade of Lights and Festive Friday, Roblin, 204-937-3194
- 30 – Christmas Parade of Lights, Dauphin

DECEMBER 2013

- TBA – Annual Christmas Carol Fest, George P. Bulezuik Centre, Russell
- TBA – Ste. Rose Recreation Christmas Craft Sale, Ste. Rose du Lac
- TBA – Christmas at the Fort, Fort Dauphin, Dauphin
- 1 – Carol Festival, Swan River
- 2 – Knox United Church Ladies Christmas Program, Minitonas
- 2 – Inglis Craft Sale, Tree Lighting (4:30 p.m.), Inglis Hall, Inglis, 204-564-2340
- 7 – Coffee House, Bellsite, 204-545-2204
- 7 – Lawrence Community Christmas Supper & Entertainment, Rorketon

- 8 – Rorketon 4-H Community Christmas Party, Rorketon
- 6 – Tentative Opening Date, Assesippi Ski Area & Resort, Inglis, 204-564-2000
- 14 – Coffee House, Minitonas, 204-525-4910
- 17 – Christmas Bird Count, RMNP
- 20 – Coffee House, Barrows, 204-545-2204
- 20 – Downtown Christmas Party, Minitonas
- 21 – Coffee House, Pine River, 204-263-2643
- 21 – McCreary Ski & Outdoor Club Solstice Potluck & Ski/Snowshoe, McCreary
- 26 – Boxing Day Social, Ste. Rose du Lac
- 27 – Coffee House, Swan River Friendship Centre, Swan River, 204-734-9301
- 31 – New Year's Eve Banquet and Dance, Roblin
- 31 – New Year's Eve, Rossburn, 204-859-2627
- 31 – Assesippi Family New Year's Eve, Assesippi Ski Area & Resort, Inglis, 204-564-2000

JANUARY 2014

- 4 – Coffee House, Bellsite, 204-545-2204
- 11 – Malanka, George P. Bulezuik Centre, Russell, 204-773-2275
- 11 – Coffee House, Minitonas, 204-525-4910
- 17 – Coffee House, Barrows, 204-545-2204
- 18 – Ukrainian New Year's Dance, Cowan, 204-569-4851
- 18 – Coffee House, Pine River, 204-263-2643
- 24 – Coffee House, Swan River Friendship Centre, Swan River, 204-734-9301

FEBRUARY 2014

- 1 – Snowmobile Derby, Shellmouth, 204-564-2124
- 1 – Coffee House, Bellsite, 204-545-2204

- 8 – Angusville Snowmobile Poker Derby, Angusville, 204-773-2338
- 8 – Birch River Sled Dog Races, Birch River, 204-236-4709
- 8 – Coffee House, Minitonas, 204-525-4910
- 9 – Poker Derby, Lenswood, 204-236-4608
- 15 – Coffee House, Pine River, 204-263-2643
- 15-17 – Assesippi Ski Area Rail Wars and Homecoming Weekend, Assesippi Ski Area & Resort, Inglis, 204-564-2000
- 21 – Coffee House, Barrows, 204-545-2204
- 22 – Lake of the Prairies Ice Fishing Derby, Lake of the Prairies, 1-877-979-7232
- 23 – Poker Derby, Barrows, 204-545-2259
- 23 – Silverton Snowmobile Poker Derby, Silverton, 204-773-2197
- 28 – Coffee House, Swan River Friendship Centre, Swan River, 204-734-9301
- 17 – Gilbert Plains Winter Festival, Gilbert Plains, 204-548-2063

MARCH 2014

- 1 – Coffee House, Bellsite, 204-545-2204
- 1 – Riding Mountain Loppet, RMNP
- 1 – Assesippi Family Day, Assesippi Ski Area & Resort, Inglis, 204-564-2000
- 1 – Snowmobile Derby, Inglis, 204-564-2603
- 2 – Ukrainian Cultural Museum Ukrainian Supper, Sandy Lake
- 2 – Family Fun Day, RMNP
- 8 – Coffee House, Minitonas, 204-525-4910
- 15 – Coffee House, Pine River, 204-263-2643
- 15 – Billy Beal Ice Fishing Derby, Whitefish Lake, 204-734-0102
- 16 – Pine River UCW St. Patrick's Day Tea & Bake Sale, Pine River, 204-263-2643

- 21 – Coffee House, Barrows, 204-545-2204
- 22 – Mafeking Community Centre Fish Derby, Dawson Bay, 204-734-9936
- 28 – Coffee House, Swan River Friendship Centre, Swan River, 204-734-9301

APRIL 2014

- 5 – Coffee House, Bellsite, 204-545-2204
- 6 – Slush Cup, Assesippi Ski Area & Resort, Inglis
- 12 – Coffee House, Minitonas, 204-525-4910
- 18 – Coffee House, Barrows, 204-545-2204
- 19 – Coffee House, Pine River, 204-263-2643
- 25 – Coffee House, Swan River Friendship Centre, Swan River, 204-734-9301
- 26 – 20th Annual Northern Neighbours Jamboree, Birch River, 204-236-4474
- 27 – Spring Supper, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Cowan, 204-569-4851

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Fridays (July 5 - Sept. 3) – Farmer's Market, 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m., Rotary Arena, Dauphin

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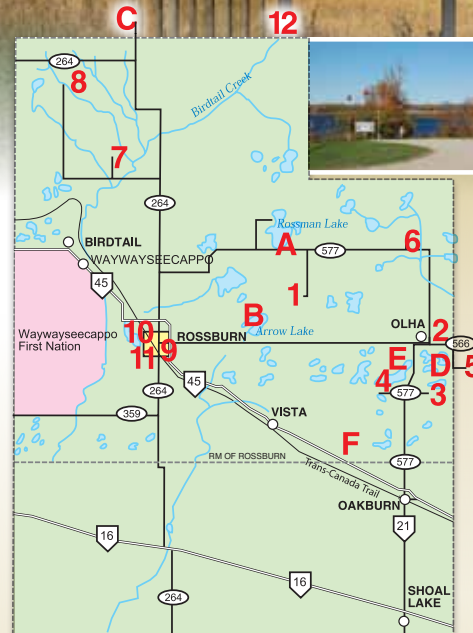
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3 St. John Cantius Roman Catholic Church
7 St. Mary's Ukrainian Orthodox Church
8 Ukrainian Catholic Church of the Ascension

OTHER

HISTORIC SITES

4 Mass Grave at Patterson Lake
(site where 39 children and 3
adults perished in 1899)
5 Buddhas on Swistun's Farm
6 Marconi, country-style
one-room school

TOWN OF ROSSBURN

9 RV Park with electrical
hook-ups
10 Rossburn & District Museum
11 Memory Park

PARKS CANADA

12 Riding Mountain National Park

Goosedown Guest House

Located next to the famous Duck Mountains
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- Satellite TV • Wireless Internet
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- Close to Madge Lake Ski Hill
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- Bring a Horse and Stay'n Ride
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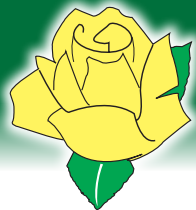


\$9999 for double occupancy
+GST and \$30.00 per additional person

Call 1-204-937-4843 For Bookings - Deposit Required Upon Booking



More info? Check out
www.rossburn.ca
Got questions? Email us at
cdormr@mymts.net
or phone us at
204-859-2779



Welcome • Bienvenue Ste. Rose du Lac

Cattle Capital of Manitoba

Ste. Rose du Lac is the official "Cattle Capital of Manitoba" and only 30 minutes from **Riding Mountain National Park**. If you enjoy **fishing**, you'll find some of the best within an hour's drive. If you enjoy **golfing**, **Ste. Rose Golf Club** is where you want to be. **Methley Beach Campground** (located 16 km north and 5 km west on Lake Dauphin), **Manipogo Provincial Recreation Park** (45 km north) and **Rainbow Beach Provincial Recreation Park** (27 km west on Lake Dauphin) all offer services for campers.

PARC MOLGAT PARK

Tourist Booth, Campgrounds, Showers, Washrooms

20 campground sites: 14 sites (30 amp service),
2 sites (50 amp service), 4 tenting sites

Be sure to visit **The Grotto**, an authentic replica of the famous Grotto in Lourdes, France..

The grotto is located on the west side of Highway 276 as you enter town from Highway 5.



JOIN US IN 2013

JANUARY

- Junior "B" Hockey Games
- Pee Wee Hockey Tournament
- Ladies/Men's Curling
- Ladies' Rec Hockey

FEBRUARY

- Junior "B" Hockey Games
- Ladies/Men's Curling

MARCH

- Junior "B" Hockey Games
- TRSD#32 Jr. Divisionals – Curling
- Ladies/Men's Curling
- Hockey Playoffs

APRIL

- Share and Care Garage Sale (Ste. Rose Roman Catholic Parish)
- Youth Outreach Pancake Breakfast
- Exercise Program – Ste. Rose Curling Rink

MAY

- Ste. Rose Recreation Mega Ball Tournament – Burnside Park
- Senior Divisional Fastball
- Laurier Community Yard Sales
- Ste. Rose Community Yard Sales
- May 12 – Knights of Columbus Mother's Day Brunch – St. Rose Hall

JUNE

- Senior Zone Fastball
- Slo-Pitch Tournament
- June 14, 15 & 16 – Wheels n Chrome Show, Ste. Rose Arena
- June 15 & 16 – Parkland Horsemen Chuckwagon & Chariot Races, Parkland Horsemen Track

JULY

- Youth Outreach – Summer Day Camps
- July 1 – Canada Day Celebrations

AUGUST

- Youth Outreach – Summer Day Camps
- Beach Volleyball Tournament

SEPTEMBER

- Share and Care Garage Sale (Ste. Rose Roman Catholic Church)

OCTOBER

- October 11 – 13 – Hoof n' Holler Days – Ste. Rose Recreation Facilities
- Laurier Community Fall Supper – Laurier Hall
- Ste. Rose Roman Catholic Church Parish Supper – Ste. Rose Hall

NOVEMBER

- Ladies/Men's Curling
- Ste. Rose Recreation Christmas Craft Sale – Ste. Rose Hall

DECEMBER

- Junior "B" Hockey Games
- Ladies/Men's Curling
- Annual Boxing Day Social – Ste. Rose Hall

Coming to the Parkland? Call us to receive important events information...

EVENTS INFORMATION — Phone: 447-2154

TOWN OF STE. ROSE DU LAC — Phone: 447-2229 Fax: 447-2875

Email: sterose@mts.net | www.sterose.ca

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF STE. ROSE — Phone: 447-2633 Fax: 447-2278

Email: rmstrose@mts.net | www.sterose.ca

STE. ROSE BUSINESS ASSOCIATION — Phone: 447-2835 Fax: 447-3207

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Swan River Valley Agricultural Society • Town of Swan River

Swan Valley
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Northwest Roundup and Exhibition •
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Walking Trails • Great Fishing at
the Many Lakes • Down Hill and Cross
Country Skiing • Hiking Trails • Quading
& Snowmobiling • Affordable Retirement •
New Skateboard Park



The Tourist Information Centre

Box 1540, Swan River MB R0L 1Z0

Phone 204-734-3102 | Fax 204-734-4342

e-mail: chamberofcommerce@chamber8.ca

www.discoverswanvalley.com

Accommodations & Camping

Paid listings. See www.parklandtourism.com for comprehensive listings.

Bed & Breakfasts & Guest Houses

INGLIS

Little Village Inn Guest House
Box 238, Inglis, MB R0J 0X0
Phone: 204-564-2585
Cell: 204-773-6797
Toll Free: 1-866-263-7983

Units: 1	Price: \$100.00 to \$180.00
Season: Year-round	

Fully-equipped guest house. Sleeps up to six people. Has dishes, towels, bedding, fridge, stove, washer, dryer, satellite TV, deck and barbecue. Two bedrooms. Each room has a queen-size bed. 2 futons in living room. Restaurant, store, service station, ATM machine and pub within a block. Ten minutes from Lake of the Prairies – great fishing! Six minutes from ski hill. goraluk@mymts.net • www.mts.net/~goraluk

Camping / Resorts

INGLIS

Asessippi Beach & Campground
Box 238, Inglis, MB R0J 0X0
Cell: 204-773-6797
Res: 204-564-2585

Campsites: Elec. 20 Unserv. 20	Price: Elec. \$20 Unserv. \$15
Season: May - September	

Located 12 miles north of Russell along #83 Hwy in the scenic Shell River Valley. 2 one-room cabins for rent. Paddling pool. Baseball diamonds. Volleyball. Campground is right on the Shell River.
goraluk@mymts.net • www.asessippibeach.com

DAUPHIN

Dauphin Super 8
Box 776, 1457 Main St. South
Dauphin, Manitoba R7N 3B3
Phone: 204-638-0800
Fax: 204-638-0808

Rooms: 66	Price: \$113.88 to \$148.88
Season: Year-round	

Exercise facility with squash courts and steam room. In-room fridges, coffee makers, hair dryers and wireless internet.
info@dauphinsuper8.com • www.dauphinsuper8.com

STE. ROSE DU LAC

Ste. Rose Inn
Box 579
Ste. Rose du Lac, MB R0L 1S0
Phone: 204-447-3111
Fax: 204-447-3064

Rooms: 12	Price: Starting at \$59.00
Season: Year-round	

Located along Highway 5. Lots of parking for RVs. Close to brand new R.V. Park. Great hiking and fishing nearby. A Chicken Chef family restaurant is attached to the Inn.
verntocher@hotmail.com

DUCK MOUNTAINS

Goosedown Guest House
Address SE35 29 29 W, Manitoba
Phone: 204-937-4843

Units: 1	Price: \$99.99- ^{GST} dbi occupancy
Season: Year-round	

Located next to the famous Duck Mountains on Highway 83, 25 minutes north of Roblin. Close to Madge Lake Ski Hill, great golf courses, and beach. Guided fishing and hunting available. Full kitchen. Guest house can accommodate up to 8 people. duckmntngoosedown@yahoo.ca

PYOTT'S WEST CAMPGROUND

Pyott's West Campground
Box 1403
Roblin, Manitoba R0L 1P0
Phone: 204-564-2308
Fax: 204-564-2308

Sites: 50	Price: \$20-\$24 per site
Season: May - September	

Excellent Walleye fishing, also Northern Pike, Perch and Carp. Convenience store, boat rentals, bait and fishing licenses. Most campsites are lakeshore, some treed sites available. Free firewood and boat launching assistance available for campers. Weekly, monthly and seasonal rates available.

DAUPHIN

Prairie Mountain Inn
Box 744, 1501 Main St. South
Dauphin, Manitoba R7N 3B3
Phone: 204-638-4233
Toll Free: 1-877-638-4233

Rooms: 40	Price: \$72.00 to \$129.00
Season: Year-round	

Laundry facility. In-room coffee, fridge, microwave and hairdryer. Lawn chairs, barbecues and outdoor patio. Free high-speed Internet & free WiFi.
info@prairiemountaininn.com • www.prairiemountaininn.com

SWAN RIVER

Super 8
115 Kelsey Trail, Swan River
Phone: 204-734-7888
Fax: 204-734-6388
Toll Free: 1-800-800-8000

Rooms: 52	Price: \$108.88 to \$153.88
Season: Year-round	

All rooms have coffee makers, hair dryers, fridges and Free High Speed Internet access. Free SuperStart breakfast, large vehicle parking, meeting room, fitness room and guest coin laundry. www.Super8.com. Email: info@swanvalleysuper8.com

ROSSBURN

Maple Grove B&B
Box 471
Rosburn, Manitoba R0J 1V0
Phone: 204-859-2930
Fax: 204-859-2659

Rooms: 2	Price: \$65.00
Season: Year-round	

Close to fly fishing; Trans Canada Trail for hiking, snowmobiling; Riding Mountain National Park of Canada; historic sites and museums. Owner lives on the premises. Breakfast provided. A member of Bed & Breakfast of Manitoba.
maplegrove@mts.net

Hotels, Motels & Inns

McCREARY

Agassiz Park Lodge
Box 160 - 200 Mountain View Dr.
McCreary, Manitoba R0J 1B0
Phone: 204-835-2033
Fax: 204-835-2647
Reservations: 1-800-575-1339

Rooms: 24	Price: \$64.00 to \$155.00
Season: Year-round	

Located alongside Hwy. 5. Ground level rooms with drive-up access. Beautiful view of the east escarpment with hiking & biking trails nearby & a clean, safe environment.
agassizparklodge@agassizparklodge.ca • agassizparklodge.ca

SANDY LAKE

Sandy Lake Hotel
107 Main Street
Sandy Lake, Manitoba R0J 1X0
Phone: 204-585-2600
Restaurant: 204-585-2432

Rooms: 4	Price: \$45.00
Season: Year-round	

Open 7 days a week. Licensed restaurant and deck. Beverage room with VLTs. Within walking distance from the water.
slh1@mymts.net • www.sandylakehotel.com

Resorts

CLEAR LAKE / RIDING MOUNTAIN N.P.

Aspen Ridge Resort
Mooswa Drive, Box 156
Wasagaming, Manitoba R0J 2H0
Phone: 204-848-2511
Fax: 1-877-446-9537

Units: 27	Price: \$80.00 to \$160.00
Season: May - October	

Family owned and operated. 1, 2 & 3-bedroom cottages. Each unit is self-contained with kitchen, bathroom, living room and bedroom(s). Linens supplied. Close proximity to centre of town. Lawn chairs, picnic tables and barbecues provided. 50-foot heated swimming pool with deck area.
info@aspenridgeresort.com • www.aspenridgeresort.com

SYMBOL LEGEND

ATM	Cable TV	Fire Pits	Golf Nearby	Info Centre	Pay Phone	Outdoor Pool	Sailing	Snowmobiling	Tenting
Bar / Lounge	Credit Cards	Firewood	Group Camping	Interac Payments	Pets Permitted	Propane	Shower	Store	Flush Toilet
15-amp Service	Boat Launch	Fishing	Hiking	Laundromat	Picnic Area	Restaurant	X-Country Skiing	Swimming	Water
20-amp Service	Boat Rentals	Games Room	Hot Tub	Museum	Playground	Riding (Horses)	Downhill Skiing	Telephone	Accessible
30-amp Service	Breakfast	Gas Station	Hunters Welcome	No Smoking	Indoor Pool	Room Service	Snack Bar	Tennis	Wildlife Watching

Campgrounds

Please call campgrounds directly for campground information and reservations.
NAME & LOCATION (listed alphabetically by town name)

		# Unserviced Sites	# Electrical Sites	Hook-up Amps	# Water / Electrical Sites	# Water / Electrical / Sewer Sites	Season	Sewage Disposal	Washrooms M=Modern N=Non-Modern	Drinking Water	Swimming B=Beach P=Pool	Boat Launch	Barbecue Pits	Laundromat	Showers
Aseissippi Campground	Aseissippi Prov. Park; 1-888-482-2267	43	74	15/30			May-Sept.	■	M,N	■	B	■	■	■	■
Primrose Wayside Park	Birch River; 204-236-4962	6							N	■			■		
Stoney Point Beach	Dauphin (Lake Dauphin); 204-638-3074	10	10	15					M,N	■	B	■	■		■
Vermillion Trailer Park / Camp	Dauphin; 204-622-3125 / 204-622-3109	200			100	11	May-Oct.	■	M,N	■			■		■
West Blue Lake Campground	Duck Mtn. Prov. Park	81					May-Oct.	■	M	■	B	■	■		■
Childs Lake Campground	Duck Mtn. Prov. Park; 1-888-482-2267	52	37	30			May-Sept.	■	M,N	■	B	■	■	■	
Singush Lake Campground	Duck Mtn. Prov. Park	14					May-Oct.	■	N	■	B	■	■		
Wellman Lake Campground	Duck Mtn. Prov. Park; 1-888-482-2267	11	83	30			May-Sept.	■	M,N	■	B	■	■	■	■
Wellman RV Park	Duck Mtn. Prov. Park; 204-525-4422			30		6	May-Oct.	■		■	B	■	■	■	■
Erickson and District Campground	Erickson; 204-636-2431	42	12	15/30			May-Sept.	■	M	■			■		■
Ethelbert Community Park	Ethelbert; 204-742-3301	4					May-Sept.			■			■		
Gilbert Plains Centennial Park	Gilbert Plains; 204-548-2326		36	15/30	6	6		■	M,N	■			■		■
Wilson Centennial Park	Grandview; 204-546-5250	15	20				May-Sept.	■	M	■	P		■		■
Aseessepi Beach & Campground	Inglis; 204-773-6797	20	20	15			May-Sept.	■	M	■	B		■		■
Kelwood Centennial Park	Kelwood; 204-967-2778				10		July-Aug.		N	■			■		
McCreary's Fletcher Park Campground	McCreary; 204-835-2341			15/30	16		May-Sept.	■	M	■	P		■		■
Paterson Lake Campground	Oakburn (5.5 km N.); 204-234-5447 / 204-859-2779	10	10	30			May-Sept.			■		■			
Rainbow Beach Prov. Park	Ochre River (Lake Dauphin); 1-888-482-2267	44	28	30			May-Sept.	■	M,N	■	B	■	■		■
Onanole RV Park & Campground	Onanole; 204-848-2398	2		15-50	3	65		■	M	■	P		■	■	■
Sportsman's Park	Onanole; 204-848-2520			30		100	May-Sept.		M	■	P		■	■	■
Bell Lake Wayside Park	Porcupine Prov. Forest	8							N	■			■		■
Steepprock Lake Wayside Park	Porcupine Prov. Forest	15					May-Sept.	■	N	■	B	■	■		
Whitefish Prov. Rec. Park	Porcupine Prov. Forest	30					May-Sept.	■	M	■	B	■	■		
Deep Lake Campground	RMNP; 204-848-7275	15					May-Oct.		N	■			■		
Kippechewin Campground	RMNP; 204-848-7275			Groups	Only		May-Oct.		N	■	B		■		
Lake Audy Campground	RMNP; 204-848-7275	34					May-Oct.	■	N	■	B	■	■		
Ma-Ma-O-Pe Campground	RMNP; 204-848-7275			Groups	Only		May-Oct.		N	■			■		
Moon Lake Campground	RMNP; 204-848-7275	29					May-Oct.		M,N	■	B	■	■		
Wasagaming Campground	RMNP; 1-877-737-3783	278	72	15/30	74	86	May-Oct.	■	M	■	B	■	■	■	■
Whirlpool Lake Campground	RMNP; 204-848-7275	15					May-Oct.		N	■	B		■		
Pyott's West Campgrounds	Roblin; 204-564-2308	60	62	15			May-Oct.	■	M	■		■	■		■
Rickers Campground	Roblin; 204-937-2716	50	20	15/30			May-Oct.		M	■	B	■	■	■	■
Roblin Kin Park	Roblin; 204-937-8333		13	15/30					M	■			■		■
Lost Meadows Resort	Roblin; 204-937-8600			15/30	5	10	May-Sept.	■	M	■			■		■
Westlake Wildlife Campground	Rorketon; 204-447-2269 or 204-732-2440	3										■			
Rosburn Lions RV Park	Rosburn; 204-859-2762		12						N	■					
Rossman Lakeview Restaurant & Camping	Rossman Lake; 204-859-3343	3	10	15/30	1	1		■	M,N	■	B	■	■	■	■
Russell Peace Park	Russell; 204-773-2253		20	15					M	■	P			■	
Methley Beach Campground	Ste. Rose du Lac; 204-447-1037		22	30			May-Sept.	■	M,N	■	B	■	■		■
Parc Molgat Park	Ste. Rose du Lac; 204-447-2229	4	16	30/50	16		May-Oct.		M	■			■		■
Sandy Lake Lions Campground	Sandy Lake; 204-585-2525	10	50	30			May-Oct.	■	M	■	B	■	■		■
Ed-Venture Bay Campground	Sandy Lake; 204-585-2144	22	40	15				■	M,N	■	B	■			
Green Acres Campground	Swan River; 204-734-3334	30	12	20/30		30		■	M	■			■	■	■
Manipogo Prov. Park	Toutes Aides; 1-888-482-2267	56	33	30			May-Sept.	■	M,N	■	B	■	■		■
Arrow Lake Campground	Vista; 204-859-3072 / 204-859-3077	1	17	30			May-Sept.	■	■				■		■
Winnipegosis Park Beach	Winnipegosis; 204-656-4791	36			16		May-Sept.	■	M,N	■	B	■	■		■



Dauphin Recreation Services

Parkland Recreation Complex
Whether it is camping, swimming or a skate package to keep the kids entertained or a full service banquet for your conference, DRS can offer you a variety of service packages to make your vacation, meeting or conference a once in a lifetime experience.
 Kinsmen Aquatic Center - Manitoba's first indoor wave pool
 6 Sheets of Curling Ice
 Lion's Den Banquet Room
 Lounge

Credit Union Place
 Hockey Arena
 Dauphin Clinic Pharmacy
 Walking Track
 Strlikiwiski Viewing Lounge

Rotary Arena
 Hockey Arena Meeting Space

Vermillion Park Sportsplex
 5 Ball Diamonds
 3 Soccer Pitches 1 Rugby Pitch

Vermillion Park
 17 Full Campsites, 24 Water / Power Sites & 20 Power Sites
 Summer Walking Trails
 Winter Snowshoeing Trails
 NEW Splash Park & Playground

DMCC Grounds
 4 Ball Diamonds
 Track
 Curlers Lounge
 Grandstands
 Agriculture Facilities

Box 195 | Dauphin, MB, R7N 2V1
P: 204-622-3150
F: 204-622-3199

www.dauphinrec.com

Our Communities

the people of the parkland welcome you!

Parkland Tourism is a member-based group that promotes and markets tourism as a tool for economic development of the Parkland Region, home to a National Park, two National Historic Sites and four Provincial Parks. There are also 13 First Nations in the Parkland. The region offers lakes, lodges, resorts, pools, parks, golf, history, festivals, rodeos, paintball, bison ranches, emu farms, fishing, guides, outfitters, hunting, wildlife photography, camping, downhill and cross-country skiing, snowmobiling, canoeing, Trans-Canada Trails, and more to discover and enjoy!

DAUPHIN (City & RM)



City of Sunshine | 204-622-3200 or 1-877-566-5669

- Architectural Walking Tour of Dauphin
- Canada's National Ukrainian Festival Boutique
- CNR Station and Park
- Dauphin Court House Building
- Dauphin Lake
- Dauphin Rail Museum
- Watson Art Centre
- Fort Dauphin Museum
- Historic Ukrainian Catholic Church of the Resurrection
- Parkland Recreation Complex
- Selo Ukraina Ukrainian Heritage Village and Memorial Park
- Trembowla Cross of Freedom
- Vermillion Park

ERICKSON (Town of)



204-636-2431

- Sunset Park and Friendship Garden – picnic area
- Trans Canada Trail and Leda Lake Trail
- Erickson Municipal Airport – paved, night lighting, AV fuel, closest airport to RMNP
- Erickson and District Campground
- Nearby Lakes: Otter Lake, Kerr Lake, Ditch Lake (all have public boat launches), Proven Lake WMA

ETHELBERT (RM of)



204-742-3212

Ethelbert - Ethelbert & District Museum

Garland - Garland United Church & Ukrainian Orthodox Church of St. John the Baptist

GILBERT PLAINS (Town & RM)



Heart of the Parkland

Town: 204-548-2761 | RM: 204-548-2326

- Centennial Park / Campground
- Gilbert Plains Museum & Tourist Information Centre
- The Negrych Farmstead

GRANDVIEW (Town & RM)



Town: 204-546-5250 | RM: 204-546-5080

- Burrows Lumber Co. Steam Hauler Replica
- Russell Trail
- Tamarisk School / Tamarisk United Church
- Watson Crossley Community Museum

LAWRENCE (RM)



204-732-2333

- Methley Beach

Toutes Aides

- Manipogo Provincial Park
- Toutes Aides Roman Catholic Church

MCCREARY (Town & RM)



All Season Wonderland

Town: 204-835-2341 | RM: 204-835-2309

- Fletcher Park Campground
- Heritage Complex (School, CN Station, Butterfly Collection, McCreary Point)

- Manitoba Maple Syrup, Norgate Village and Reeve Hamlet
- Satterthwaite Log Cabin & Burrows Trail

Sunville

- Sts. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church
- Holy Resurrection Ukrainian Orthodox Church

MINITONAS (Town & RM)



The Original Tent Town

Town: 204-525-4461 | RM: 204-525-4461

- Holmstead Emporium
- Tent Town

MOSSEY RIVER (RM of)



204-657-2331

- Centennial Beach & Paradise Beach
- Red Deer Point Bird Sanctuary
- South Bay School (Heritage Site)
- Ruthenia Greek Catholic Parish of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Historic Site)

MOUNTAIN (RM of)



204-236-4222

Bellsite - Bell River Canyon

Birch River

- Porcupine Provincial Forest
- Primrose Wayside Park
- "Remembering the Years" Historical Display

Cowan -

- Cowan Wayside Park
- Cowan School Districts 1132, 2305 & 1808 Museum

Lenwood - Kettle Stones Provincial Park

Mafeking - Red Deer River Wayside Park

Pine River - Lover's Leap & Pine River Memorial Park

OCHRE RIVER (RM of)



Between Mountain and Lake | 204-733-2423

- Crawford Creek Alluvial Fan
- Dauphin Lake
- Dauphin Lake Golf Club
- Ochre River Trail for hiking, cycling, horseback riding (connects to PTH10 in RMNP)
- Rainbow Beach & Campground

Ochre River

- Ochre River United Church

PARK (RM of)



In the Heart of the Parkland | 204-848-7614

- Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church
- Horod School
- Ruthenia Greek Catholic Church of the Ascension
- St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church, Dolny
- Sts. Peter and Paul Roman Catholic Church
- Sts. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church
- Ukrainian Pioneer Dwellings (Buddas)

Boggy Creek - Early Canadian Crafts

Onanole - Poor Michael's Bookshop, Solstice Spa & Elkhorn Riding Adventures

San Clara - Crocus Trail, Brambles Nubian Goat Farm

ROBLIN (Town of) & SHELL RIVER (RM of)



Jewel of the Parkland

Town: 204-937-8333 | RM: 204-937-4430

- Aquatic Centre
- Crocus Trail
- Goose Lake
- Keystone Pioneer Museum
- Life & Art Centre
- The Station
- Tummel United Church

ROSSBURN (Town & RM)



Discover Our Nature

Town: 204-859-2762 | RM: 204-859-2779

- Arrow, Patterson and Tokaryk Lakes
- Gone Scrampin' in Bloom
- Rossburn Museum
- Rossburn Subdiv. Trail
- Rossman Lake Resort

Glen Elmo

- Assumption of the Virgin Mary Ukrainian Orthodox Church

Olha

- Patterson Lake
- St. John Cantius Roman Catholic Church
- St. Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church
- Tokaryk Lake
- Ukrainian Settlement Monument and Mass Grave

RUSSELL



Home of the Beef & Barley Festival | 204-773-2253

- Boulton Manor
- Crocus Trail
- Peace Park Campground
- Rossburn Subdivision Trail

STE. ROSE DU LAC (Town & RM)



Cattle Capital of Manitoba

Town: 204-447-2229 | RM: 204-447-2633

- Parc Molgat Park
- Ducks Unlimited Trail
- Grotto
- Turtle River Rapids

SANDY LAKE



Community with Pioneer Spirit | 204-849-2107

- Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church
- Manitoba & Northwestern Model Railway
- Pioneer Cemetery
- Rossburn Subdiv. Trail
- St. Michael's Orthodox Church
- St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church
- Sandy Lake
- Symond's "Rails to Trails" Kiosk
- Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Museum

SHELLMOUTH-BOULTON (RM of)



Home of the Inglis Heritage Elevators | 204-564-2589

- Assessippi Ski Area & Resort
- Four Valley Tour
- Rivendell Cross Country Ski Area

Inglis

- Assessippi Town Site
- Crocus Trail
- Frank Skinner Arboretum Trail
- Inglis Elevators National Historic Site
- St. Elijah Romanian Orthodox Church & Romanian Folk House

Shellmouth

- Shellmouth Dam

SILVER CREEK (RM of)



204-773-2449

- Moose, Baydak Trail, and Trans Canada Trails
- The Old Municipal Office
- Lakedale Holy Ghost Church & Bell Tower
- Holy Redeemer Ukrainian Greek Orthodox Church
- Ukrainian National Heritage Home
- Silver Beach

SWAN RIVER (Town & RM)



Parkland's Northern Frontier

Town: 204-734-4586 | RM: 204-734-3344

- Kettle Stone Heritage Park
- Swan Valley Historical Museum
- Thunder Hill Ski Club & Lodge

WINNIPEGOSIS



Home of Canada's First Pink Fire Truck | 204-656-4791

- Red Deer Point
- Ukrainian Catholic Church of the Immaculate Conception
- Winnipegosis Museum

OTHER COMMUNITIES

Camperville

- Our Lady of Seven Sorrows Church

Waterhen

- Waterhen Wood Bison Project

parks & forests

ASSESSIPPI PROVINCIAL PARK

- Crocus Trail
- Lake of the Prairies

DUCK MOUNTAIN PROVINCIAL PARK

- Baldy Mountain
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Day Trips

Short Journeys Through the Parkland

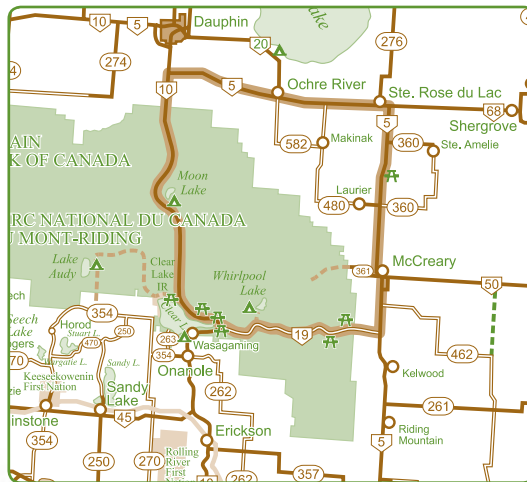
Attractions are shown in bold. Sidetrips (indicated in red) are optional and the length of these sidetrips is not included in the trip distance shown for each day tour.

1. NATURE'S HAVEN

approximate distance: 171 kilometres | 107 miles

STARTING POINT: McCreary

ROUTE: From McCreary (**Heritage Complex; Satterthwaite Log Cabin**), proceed north on PTH5 to Ste. Rose du Lac (**Grotto**), then west on PTH5 to Ochre River (**Ochre River United Church**). [As you travel west from Ochre River toward PTH10, you may wish to make a sidetrip south to the **Crawford Creek Alluvial Fan**. Turn left off PTH5 at Road 104W and travel 4.8 km (3 miles) south, then 1.6 km (1 mile) east on Road 137N. Next, travel south for 1.6 km (1 mile) on Road 103W, then 0.8 km (1/2 mile) east on Road 136N.] Travel west on PTH5 to PTH10, then south to the entrance to Riding Mountain National Park of Canada (**Selo Ukraina; RMNP**). Continue south on PTH10 to **Clear Lake**. [You may wish to make a sidetrip west along **Lake Audy Road** from PTH10 just north of **Clear Lake**. This roundtrip of approximately 30 km (19 miles) will take you to the **Lake Audy Bison Enclosure**.] Continue south on PTH10 to **Wasagaming**. Here you will find a number of attractions (**Park Theatre; Pinewood Museum; Riding Mountain National Park of Canada Visitor Centre; Wigwam Restaurant**). Travel back north along PTH10 to PTH19. Travel east to the eastern park entrance (**Riding Mountain Park East Gate Registration Complex National Historic Site of Canada**). Continue east on PTH19 to PTH5, then back north to McCreary.

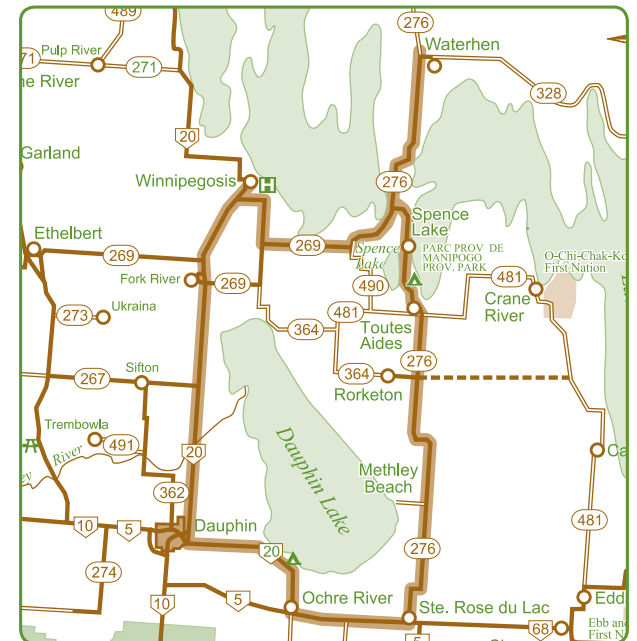


2. THREE LAKES

approximate distance: 261 kilometres | 162 miles

STARTING POINT: Dauphin

ROUTE: Start your tour visiting sites in Dauphin (**Architectural Walking Tour of Dauphin; CNR Station and Park & Dauphin Rail Museum; Dauphin Court House Building; Dr. Watson Allied Arts Centre; Fort Dauphin Museum; Historic Ukrainian Catholic Church of the Resurrection; Canada's National Ukrainian Festival Boutique**). From Dauphin, travel north on PTH20 to Winnipegosis (**Winnipegosis Museum; Ukrainian Catholic Church of the Immaculate Conception**). Proceed east and south on PR364 to PR269, then turn left on PR269 to Spence Lake. [A sidetrip north of approximately 64 km (40 miles) roundtrip on PR276 takes travellers to **Waterhen (Waterhen Wood Bison Project)**.] From Spence Lake (**Manipogo Provincial Park and Lake Manitoba**), travel south on PR276 to Toutes Aides (**Toutes Aide Roman Catholic Church**). Continue south (**Ruthenian Greek Catholic Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary**) to Rorketon, Methley Beach and Ste. Rose du Lac (**Grotto**). From Ste. Rose du Lac, travel west on PTH5 to Ochre River (**Ochre River United Church**), then north and west on PTH20 back to Dauphin (**Dauphin Lake**).

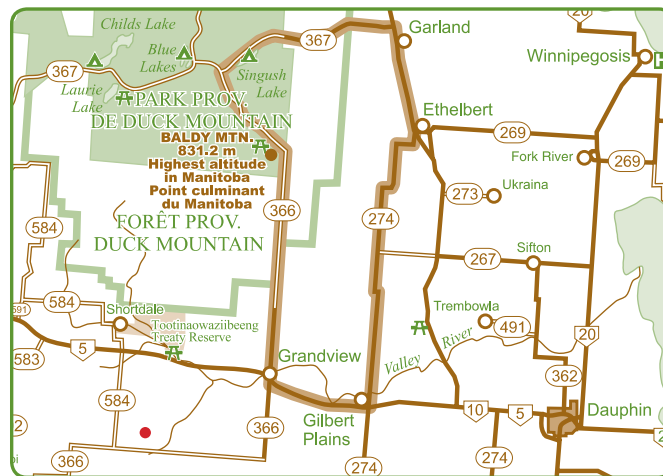


3. REACH FOR THE CLOUDS

approximate distance: 160 kilometres | 100 miles

STARTING POINT: Gilbert Plains

ROUTE: Beginning at Gilbert Plains (**Gilbert Plains Museum and Information Centre**), travel north on PR274. **The Negrych Farmstead** is a short trip east off the highway approx. 17 km north of Gilbert Plains. Continue north along PR274 to Ethelbert (**Ethelbert & District Museum**). Travel north along PTH10 to Garland (**Ukrainian Greek Orthodox Church of St. John the Baptist; Garland United Church**). Follow PR367 west from Garland into **Duck Mountain Provincial Park & Forest** to the junction with PR366. Travel south on PR366 to the **Duck Mountain Forest Site and Baldy Mountain**. Continue south out of the Park on PR366 to Grandview (**Watson Crossley Community Museum**). [A short sidetrip south of Grandview on PR366 will take you to the **Russell Trail**. Travelling east on the **Russell Trail** will take you to **Tamarisk School and then Tamarisk United Church**. Retrace your route back to Grandview.] Finish your trip by travelling east on PTH5 to Gilbert Plains.

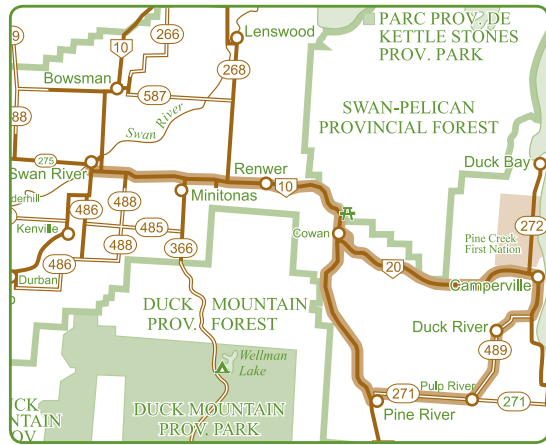


4. EVERGREENS

approximate distance: 202 kilometres | 120 miles

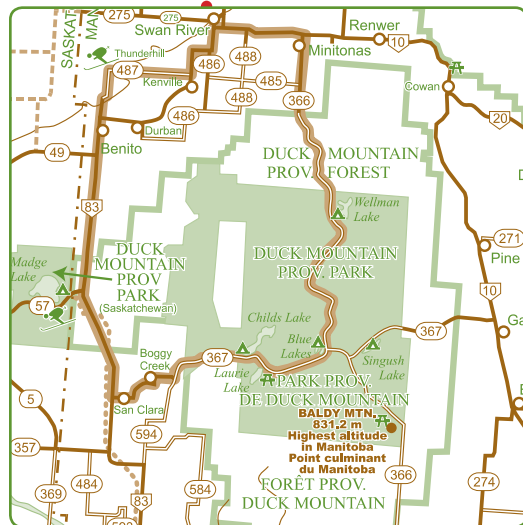
STARTING POINT: Swan River

ROUTE: Begin your tour in Swan River by visiting the **Swan Valley Historical Museum** (heritage village). Travel east on PTH10 to Minitonas (**Tent Town; Holmstead Emporium**). Continue east on PTH10 through Renwer. The highway turns south toward Cowan and Pine River. In Cowan, visit the **Cowan School Districts Museum**. At Pine River, turn east on PR271 and continue to Pulp River. Turn north at Pulp River on PR489 and proceed to Duck River. Northeast of Duck River, PR489 joins PTH20. Travel north on PTH20 to Camperville (**Our Lady of Seven Sorrows**). At Camperville, take the opportunity to visit the western shore of Lake Winnipegosis. The final leg of your tour takes you back to Swan River, as you travel west on PTH20 to Cowan, then north and west on PTH10 through Renwer and Minitonas.



6. HEAD FOR THE HILLS

approximate distance: 251 kilometres | 156 miles



STARTING POINT: Swan River

ROUTE: Begin your tour in Swan River by visiting the **Swan Valley Historical Museum** (heritage village). Travel east on PTH10 to Minitonas (**Tent Town; Holmstead Emporium**). Turn south on PR366 through **Duck Mountain Provincial Forest** and continue to the entrance to **Duck Mountain Provincial Park**. Just inside the park you'll find **Wellman Lake** and **Glad Lake**. Proceed south on PR366 to the **Blue Lakes**. Travelling west on PR367 will take you to **Shilliday Lake, Laurie Lake** and **Childs Lake**. Going west on PR367, you'll pass through the communities of **Boggy Creek** and **San Clara**, before reaching PTH83. Approx. 4 km before San Clara, visit **Brambles Nubian Goat Farm**. Go west to PTH83 and north to PTH57. You're just a short distance from the Saskatchewan border.

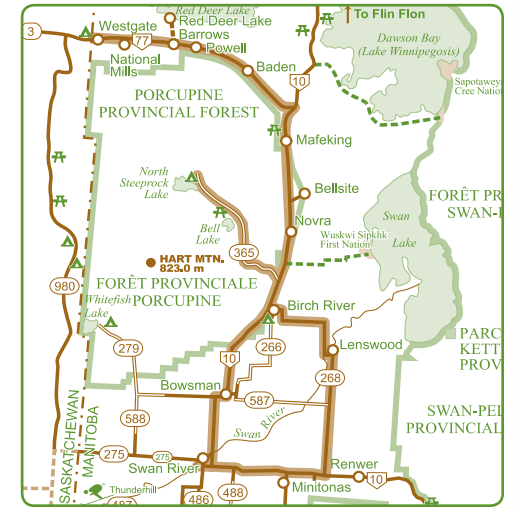
[A sidetrip on PTH57 leads you to **Madge Lake** and the beginning of the **Crocus Trail**, which is part of the **Trans Canada Trail**. Retrace your route back to PTH83.] Continue north through Benito and along PR487 to **Thunderhill Ski Area**. Proceed east on PR487 to where it rejoins PTH83. A short drive north takes you back to Swan River.

5. 53° NORTH

approximate distance: 304 kilometres | 180 miles

STARTING POINT: Swan River

ROUTE: Begin your tour in Swan River by visiting the **Swan Valley Historical Museum** (heritage village). Travel east on PTH10 to Minitonas (**Tent Town; Holmstead Emporium**). Continue past Minitonas to the junction of PR268. Your journey will take you north on PR268 to Lenswood. **Kettle Stones Provincial Park** (see pg. 7 for access requirements) is located east of Lenswood. Continue northwest on PR268 to Birch River. Go north on PTH10 to PR365, which is the access route to the heart of **Porcupine Provincial Forest**. You'll travel past **Bell Lake** before reaching the end of the highway at **Steepprock Lake** and **Vini Lake**. Travel back southeast along PR365 to PTH10, then north on PTH10 to Novra, Bellsite and Mafeking. North of Mafeking, PTH10 joins PTH77. West on PTH77 takes you through the communities of **Baden, Powell, Barrows (Red Deer Lake Heritage Site), National Mills** and **Westgate** to the Saskatchewan border. Retrace your route back east along PTH77 to Birch River. Then take PTH10 south through Bowsman to Swan River.



7. HILLS AND DALES

approximate distance: 198 kilometres | 123 miles



STARTING POINT: Roblin

ROUTE: Begin in Roblin (**Knox United Church; The Station Café; Goose Lake**). Just east of Roblin on PTH5 is the **Keystone Pioneer Museum**. Continue east on PTH5 to PR584, then south to PR366. Turn west on PR366 and travel along this road to Inglis (**Inglis Elevators National Historic Site of Canada**). [A short sidetrip north of Inglis on PR592 of approximately 14 km roundtrip will take you to **St. Elijah Romanian Orthodox Church and Romanian Folk House**]. Retrace your route back to Inglis, then west on PR366 to PTH83. A short drive north on PTH83 takes you past the **Assesippi Town Site**. Continue north on PTH83 to the **Frank Skinner Arboretum Trail** and **Tummel United Church**. Travel north to Roblin, then west on PTH5 to PR482. As you travel south on PR482, your

route will take you along the western side of **Lake of the Prairies**, south to Dropmore and then to the junction of PR549. Travel east on PR549 to the **Shellmouth Dam** and **Assesippi Provincial Park**. Continue east to PTH83, and then south to Russell (**Boulton Manor**).

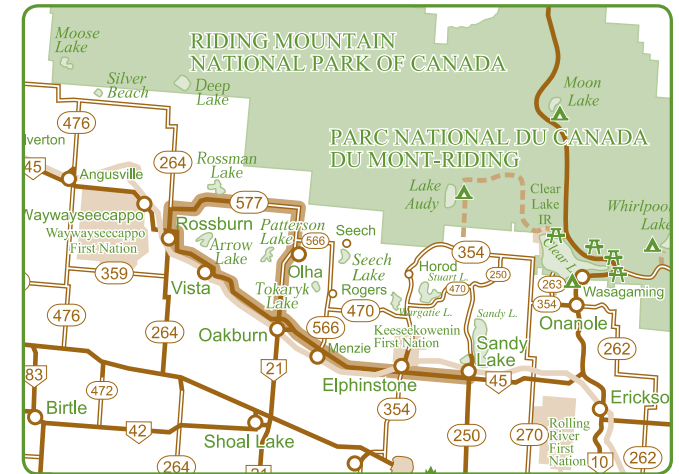
8. WHERE PAST IS PRESENT

approximate distance: 138 kilometres | 86 miles

STARTING POINT: Junction of PTH45 and PTH21 / PR577 near Oakburn

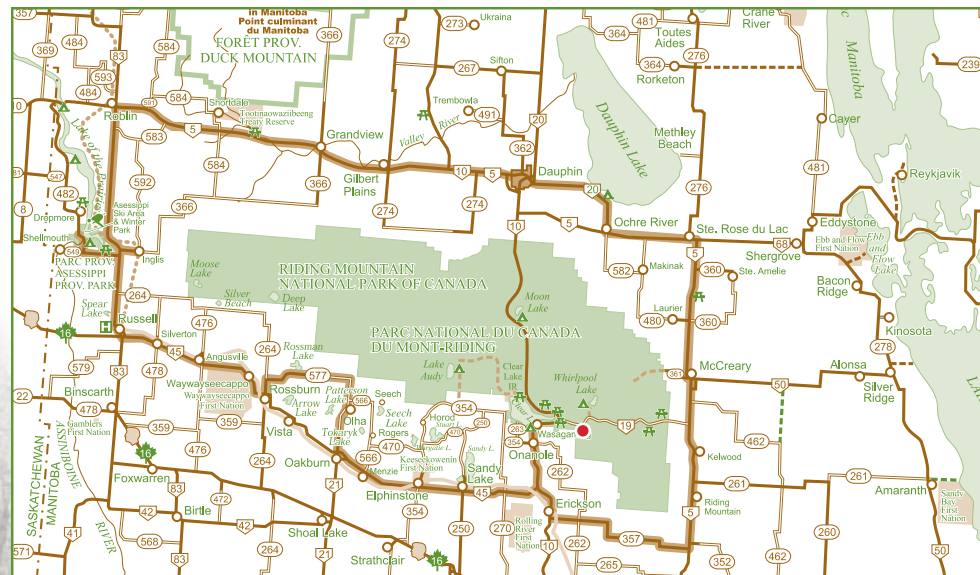
ROUTE: Travel north and west on PR577. Along the way you will come to the **Ukrainian Settlement Monument, Patterson Lake, Tokaryk Lake and St. John Cantius Roman Catholic Church.** Continue to Olha (St. Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church). Travel north on PR577, and then west toward Rossman Lake (Marconi School and Sts. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church). Continue west on PR577 to PR264. A short trip north on PR264 will lead you to **Assumption of the Virgin Mary Ukrainian Orthodox Church.**

[A short sidetrip north on PR264 will take you to **Deep Lake in Riding Mountain National Park.**] Travel south on PR264 to Rossburn (Rossburn Museum; Gone Scroppin'). Continue east along PTH45 through Vista to Menzie. [A sidetrip north along PR566 (about 28 km [20 miles] roundtrip) takes you to **St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church, Sts. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church, and the Ukrainian Pioneer Dwelling (Buddas).**] Continue east along PTH45 to Elphinstone and Sandy Lake (St. Michael's Ukrainian Orthodox Church; Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church; Pioneer Cemetery (North); Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Museum; Manitoba and Northwestern Model Railroad; St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church; and Sandy Lake).



9. 'ROUND THE RIDING MOUNTAIN

approximate distance: 470 kilometres | 282 miles



This is our longest tour, and you will probably want to split it into two or more travelling days, especially to allow time to visit and explore the various attractions along the way. Accommodations are available at various communities.

STARTING POINT: Wasagaming

ROUTE: Beginning at Wasagaming, visit the **Park Theatre, Pinewood Museum, Riding Mountain National Park of Canada Visitor Centre and Wigwam Restaurant.** Travel south on PTH10 to the junction with PTH45, then go west on PTH 45 to Sandy Lake (St. Michael's Ukrainian Orthodox Church; Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church; Pioneer Cemetery (North); Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Museum; Manitoba and Northwestern Model Railroad; St.

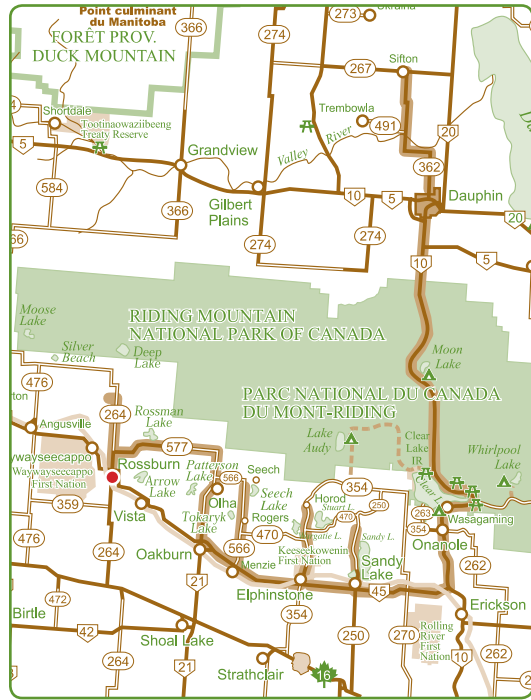
Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church; and Sandy Lake). Go west on PTH45 to Menzie [A short sidetrip north on PR566 for 7.2 km (4.5 miles) to PR470, then east for 3.2 km (2 miles) and north for 0.8 km (0.5 mile) takes you to **St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church, a provincially designated heritage site. Retrace your route back to Menzie.**] Continue west on PTH45 to Oakburn. Turn right on PR577 to the **Ukrainian Settlement Monument** (near Patterson Lake) and **St. John Cantius Catholic Church** before proceeding along PR577 to Olha. [Side trip: **The Ukrainian Pioneer Dwellings (Buddas)** are located approximately 1.6 km (1 mile) east and 0.8 km (1/2 mile) south of Olha.]. From Olha, go north and west on PR577 to **St. Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church** (located just northeast of Olha), **Marconi School and Sts. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church** (watch for signs, as the latter two attractions are each located approximately 3 km (2 miles) off of PR577). [At the junction of PR577 and PR264, you may wish to make a sidetrip north (right) on PR264 to **Assumption of the Virgin Mary Ukrainian Orthodox Church.** It is located 6.4 km (4 miles) north on PR264, then 3.2 km (2 miles) west and 1.6 km (1 mile) north.

Trace your route back to the junction of PR264 as PR577.] At the junction of PR577 and PR264, turn left (south) to Rossburn (Rossburn Museum and Gone Scroppin'). From Rossburn, go west on PTH45 to Angusville (Silver Creek Museum, Ukrainian National Home, and Holy Redeemer Ukrainian Greek Orthodox Church). [A sidetrip north on PR476 will take you to **Lakedale Holy Ghost Church & Bell Tower.** If you continue north on PR476 to PR264, then head east, you'll

arrive at **Silver Beach.**] Continue on PTH45 to Russell (Boulton Manor), and then north on PTH83 to the junction of PR549. Turn left and follow this road to **Assessippi Provincial Park, Shellmouth Dam and Lake of the Prairies.** Retrace route to PTH83. Turn left and proceed a very short distance north to PR366. Turn right and travel east on PR366 to Inglis (Inglis Elevators National Historic Site of Canada). Retrace your route back to PTH83. Turn right on PTH83 to **Frank Skinner Arboretum Trail** and **Roblin (Keystone Pioneer Museum, Knox United Church, The Station Café).** Travel east on PTH5 to Grandview (Watson Crossley Community Museum). [Sidetrip to **Tamarisk School, Tamarisk United Church, and the Russell Trail.**] Continue east on PTH5 to Gilbert Plains (Gilbert Plains Museum). [A sidetrip north on PR274 will take you to **The Negrych Farmstead.** Retrace your route back to Gilbert Plains.] Continue on PTH5 to Dauphin (Architectural Walking Tour of Dauphin; CNR Station and Park & Dauphin Rail Museum; Dauphin Court House Building; Dr. Watson Allied Arts Centre; Fort Dauphin Museum; Historic Ukrainian Catholic Church of the Resurrection; Canada's National Ukrainian Festival Boutique). [A sidetrip south on PTH10 will take you to **Selo Ukraina (Ukrainian Heritage Village).** Retrace your route back to PTH20 in Dauphin.] Travel east on PTH20 to Dauphin Lake and then south to Ochre River (Ochre River United Church). From Ochre River, travel east on PTH5 to Ste. Rose du Lac (Grotto). Continue south on PTH5 to McCreary (Heritage Complex; Satterthwaite Log Cabin). [A short sidetrip west on PTH19 will take you to **Riding Mountain East Gate Registration Complex National Historic Site of Canada.** Retrace your route back to PTH5.] Continue south on PTH5 to PR357 (Mountain Road). Turn right and travel east along scenic route PR357 to PTH10. Turn right at PTH10 and travel north to Wasagaming.

10. BABUSHKA TRAIL

approximate distance: 365 kilometres | 219 miles



STARTING POINT: Rosburn

ROUTE: Begin in Rosburn with a visit to the **Rosburn Museum**, then follow Hwy 264 north to the **Assumption of the Virgin Mary Ukrainian Orthodox Church**. Return south on PR264 to the junction with PR577 and turn east following PR577 to the first road past the golf course. Turn south for **Sts. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church**. Return to PR577 and continue east and then south to Olha for **St. Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church**. 1.6 km (1 mile) east and 0.8 km (1/2 mile) south of Olha is the **Ukrainian Pioneer Dwelling (buddas)**. Return to Olha. Stay on PR 577 south to the **Ukrainian Settlement Monument and the Mass Grave** near Patterson Lake. To reach **St John Cantius Roman Catholic Church**, travel south on PR577 for 1.6 km (1 mile), then turn left (east) for 1.6 km (1 mile), then left (north) for 1.6 km (1 mile). Return to PR577 and then travel south to PTH45. Continue east on PTH45 to Menzie and take PR566 north and east to **St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church** (see listing under Menzie), and **Sts. Peter and Paul Roman Catholic Church** (see listing under Menzie). Approximately 10 km further north is **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catho-**

lic Church (see listing under Seech) and **Sts. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church** (see listing under Seech). Return on PR566 to PTH45, continue east to Elphinstone and turn north on PR354 for 14.4 km (9 miles) to **Horod School**. Return on PR354 to PTH45 and continue east to Sandy Lake. Visit the **Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Museum, Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church, and St. Michael's Ukrainian Orthodox Church**. Go north on PR250 to the **Pioneer Cemetery North and Ruthenia Greek Catholic Church of the Ascension**. Return on PR250 to Sandy Lake and PTH45. [Sidetrip: Travel 5 km (3 miles) east and 10 km (6 miles) south of Sandy Lake on Ozerna Road to **St. Nicholas Ukrainian Orthodox Church**. Return to PTH45.] Continue east to the junction with PTH10. Turn north to **Riding Mountain National Park**. The **Nature Shop** in the **Visitor Centre** has a history book on the sawmills that were in the Park and the **Visitor Centre** has directions to the site of **Kippan's Mill**. Early settlers were involved with the logging operations and sawmills in the Park from 1895-1946. Continue north on PTH10 toward Dauphin. West of the highway just outside the north park entrance is **Selo Ukraina Ukrainian**

Heritage Village and Memorial Park. Return to PTH10 and proceed north into Dauphin. At the corner of 11th Ave. and First St. SW is the **Historic Ukrainian Catholic Church of the Resurrection**, a National Historic Site. From Dauphin follow PR362 and PTH491 27 km (17 miles) north and west to the **Trembowla Cross of Freedom Historic Site** and **St Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church**. Return to PR362 and travel 11 km (7 miles) north to the junction with PR267. Turn west to Sifton and the **Canadian Orthodox Pioneer Museum, a monument to the first Russian Orphanage and Nunnery** and other Polish and Ukrainian churches.

Other sidetrips: Visit **Bend Cemetery** near **Strathclair** just off PTH16, and **Negrych Farmstead National Historic Site** located 20 km (12.5 miles) northeast of **Gilbert Plains** on PR274.

For more information, pick up copies of *Lost Trails of the Prairie Mountains* (brochure) and *The Guide to the City of Sunshine* (tourism guide for the City of Dauphin). History books for the communities along the route are excellent sources of more detailed information (see *community libraries for more info.*)

RECOMMENDED READING

To find out more about the Parkland region, we recommend the following books available at local bookstores or by special order.

- *Pelicans to Polar Bears: watching wildlife in Manitoba*, Catherine Senecal, Heartland Publications, 1999.
- *Daytripper's Guide to Manitoba: Exploring Canada's Undiscovered Province*, Bartley Kives, Great Plains Publications, 2006.
- *Manitoba, Naturally*, Bill Stilwell, William Street Publishing, 2006.
- *Manitoba Wild*, Bill Stilwell, William Street Publishing, 2010.

- *Hiking the Heartland* (formerly *Manitoba Walks*), Prairie Pathfinders, Spring 2007.
- *Manitoba Picnic Perfect: Discover Manitoba's Scenic Treasures*, Prairie Pathfinders, 2003.
- *Manitoba Birds*, Andy Bezener and Ken De Smet, Lone Pine Publishing, 2000.
- *Trans Canada Trail Guide Manitoba*, Sue Lebrecht, Canadian Geographic Enterprises, 2003.
- *The Sawmill Boys: P.O.W.'s and Conscientious Objectors*, Edward Stozek, 2008.
- *Taking to the Trails: Riding Mountain National Park Trail Guide*, Friends of Riding Mountain National Park.

LOCAL TRAVEL GUIDES

Local tourism guides, available at tourism booths throughout the region, are a valuable source of information about the communities of the Parkland. Also look for the following brochures during your stops at local tourism booths:

- *In the Shadows of Riding Mountain: Exploring the Heritage Sites of Manitoba's Central Parkland.*
- *Lost Trails of the Prairie Mountains*, which focuses on communities south of Riding Mountain National Park.
- *The Babushka Trail*, focusing on Ukrainian heritage sites, museums, churches and cemeteries.



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RURAL ROUTES OF THE PARKLAND

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BABUSHKA TRAIL. Discover the rich Ukrainian heritage of the Parkland as told through the region's numerous historic sites, museums, churches and cemeteries.

CINNAMON BUN TRAIL. Join us on a journey across rural Manitoba as we share great places to find sweet treats and baked goods.

FLAVOUR TRAIL. Set off on a self-guided culinary journey through Manitoba's Parkland and experience the great tastes of local food producers and restaurants.

LOST TRAILS OF THE PRAIRIE MOUNTAINS. Join us in an exploration of our past as you discover the heritage sites of the Prairie Mountains Tourism area (RMs of Birtle, Rossburn, Shoal Lake and Strathclair, and the towns of Birtle, Shoal Lake and Rossburn).

IN THE SHADOW OF RIDING MOUNTAIN. Explore the heritage sites of the communities just north of Riding Mountain National Park (City of Dauphin, towns of Gilbert Plains and Grandview, and the RMs of Dauphin, Lawrence, Gilbert Plains and Grandview).

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