

ST. FRANÇOIS XAVIER Newsletter



Issue 003



In March 1971 the R.M. of St. Francois Xavier Council initiated a proposal to commemorate the founding of the municipality by gathering local history and publishing a book entitled Our First Hundred Years in 1980. The committee which had met to produce the book felt that the local history was extensive, important, and in need of preserving and promoting. Thus the St. Francois Xavier Historical Society was formally constituted on April 6, 1983. (The hard cover edition of Our First Hundred Years sold out; an e-version is available on a memory stick for \$20 at the R.M. office, or through the St. Francois Xavier Historical Society.)

Today the St. Francois Xavier Historical Society is responsible for

- the care and maintenance of historical documents and artifacts
- the upkeep of Breland House and the replica Red River Cart in Medicine Rock Park
- a lending library in the R.M. office lobby - materials available to the general public
- historic displays in the R.M. office lobby. Pictured is our current display: "Governance in the R. M. of St. Francois Xavier."
- historic displays at various events, including Grantown 200 and the annual Remembrance Day ceremonies
- the promotion of speakers on historic topics
- coordination with local school officials to provide educational materials and activities

We are pleased to announce that Minister Will Goodon from the Manitoba Metis Federation will be speaking on the topic "Victory of Frog Plain" on Thursday evening June 18th at the St. Francois Xavier Community Club. More information to follow.



Photo: Historical Society's current display located in the RM office.



Photo Credit: Rm Office - We had a visitor!

Quote of the Month

"Spring will come and so will happiness. Hold on, life will get warmer"

-Anita Krizzan

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St. François Community Club

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St. François Xavier, Manitoba R4L 1A4
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PH: (204) 612-8474 (Text only)
General Inquiry: sfxclub@gmail.com
Rentals: sfxccrentals@gmail.com

Emergencies: Call 911

Headingley RCMP/Police Assistance:
(204) 831-5929
Headingley RCMP General Serv.
(204) 888-0358

Municipal Council and Staff

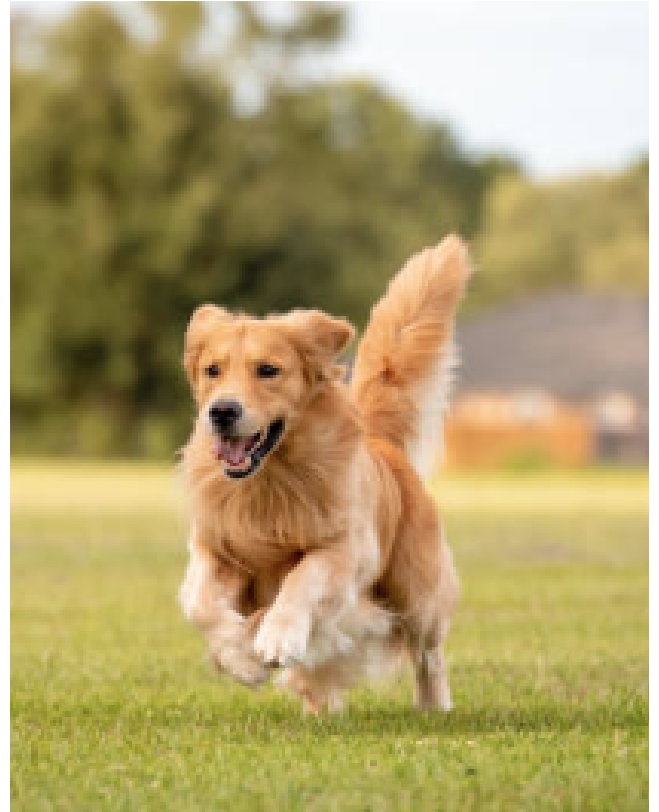
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ATTENTION DOG OWNERS

The RM of St. François Xavier requires owners to have to license for their dogs. Cost is \$35.00 per tag. The tag is good for the life of the dog. The owner shall ensure that the license tag issued for the dog is securely fastened to a collar worn around the neck of the dog.

Responsibility of Owners:

- Shall not permit his dog to run at large.
- Shall not permit his dog to bark or howl or in any other way unduly disturb the quiet of any person or persons anywhere in the Municipality.
- Shall not permit his dog to defecate on his property in a manner which constitutes an environmental or health hazard or a nuisance for neighbours.
- Shall not permit his dog to pursue, bite, wound or worry any person



or animal, whether or not on the property of the owner.

- Shall not permit his dog on any school ground.

Please visit the RM office to obtain a dog license.



BARALA KENNELS

Location: 5079E Rd 64 N,
Rosser, MB R0H 1E0

Phone: (204) 633-2629

Email:

baralakennels@gmail.com

Hours: Mon-Fri, Sun: 8am-
6pm; Sat: 8am-12pm



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85%

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- Incentives
- Land Management
- Many more!

Contact us about the various funding opportunities that are currently available to you!

CALL OUR OFFICE
(204) 526-2578

SEND US AN E-MAIL
JENNIFER@REDBOINE.COM
JENNIFER HUNNIE - PROJECT MANAGER

VISIT OUR WEBSITE
REDBOINE.CA

REMINDER:

please pay off your
fibre balance to the
RM by April 21, 2026
to avoid having any
outstanding charges
added to your tax
roll



**Kit & Kaboodle -Spring has Sprung
Tuesdays** April 14th, 21st, and 28th

At the SFXCC 10am-noon

Wednesdays April 15th, 22nd, and 29th
at the

Elie Community Club 10am -noon

This program will include a themed
circle time with songs
and rhymes, crafts/activities and a
healthy snack!

It's free and no pre-registration is
required.

Children ahead 0-6 and their parents /
caregivers

Contact information Mary-Jo Thiessen
whphccprograms@gmail.com or White
Horse Plains Healthy Child Committee
on Facebook

“The St. François Xavier Métis Local extends its sincere thanks to the community for your generous support of our Bunny Breakfast Fundraiser. We are especially grateful for the donations received, which contributed greatly to the success of this event.

We hope everyone had an enjoyable and memorable experience, and we look forward to welcoming you to our future events - including the next Bunny Breakfast”.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the St. François Xavier Métis Local, please feel free to reach out to us at
SFXlocalsecretary@gmail.com.

**Ida Marie Poitras she/her
Secretary
St. François Xavier Métis Local**



HAPPY SPRING



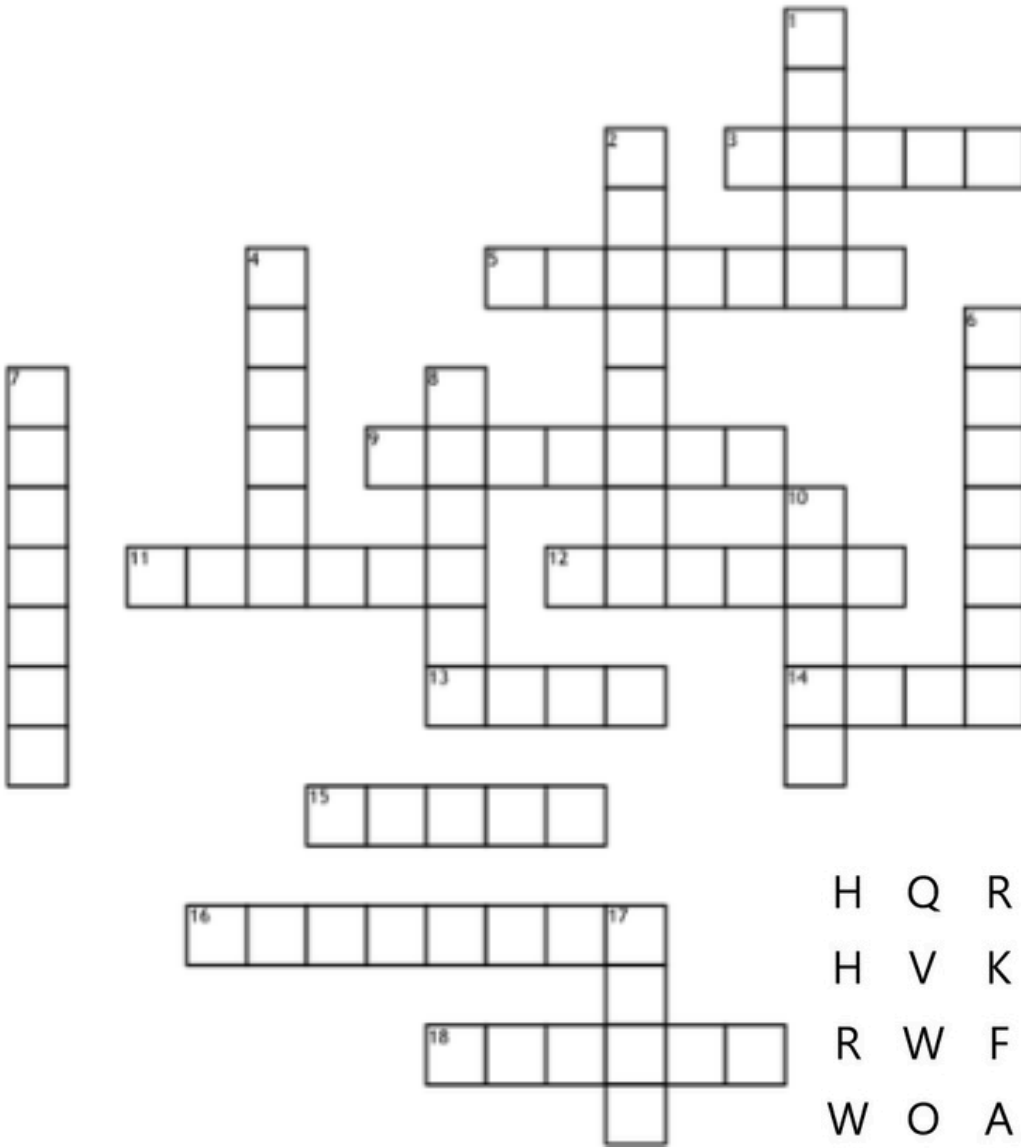
SPRING

Across:

- 3. color of growing grass
- 5. tints of spring color
- 9. spring -----, fall back
- 11. where to plant veggies
- 12. it starts to bloom
- 13. snow melting
- 14. colored
- 15. festival in Holland, MI
- 16. day of fallen heroes
- 18. less colder

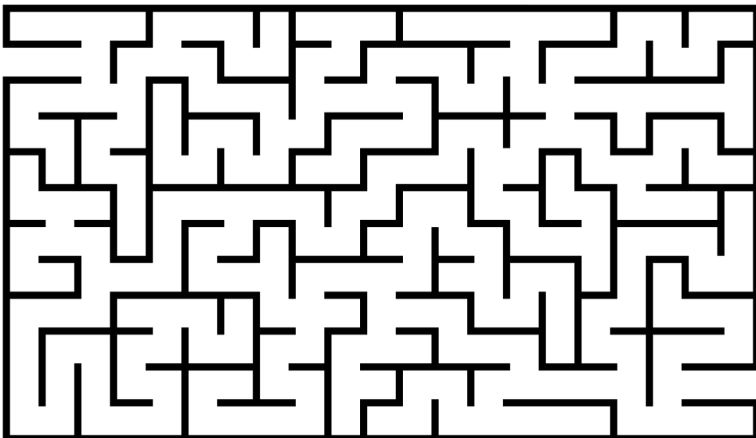
Down:

- 1. spring month
- 2. sport with opening day
- 4. egg - filled holiday
- 6. light brief rainfalls
- 7. vernal
- 8. fancy Easter hat
- 10. Mr. Cottontail
- 17. newborn sheep



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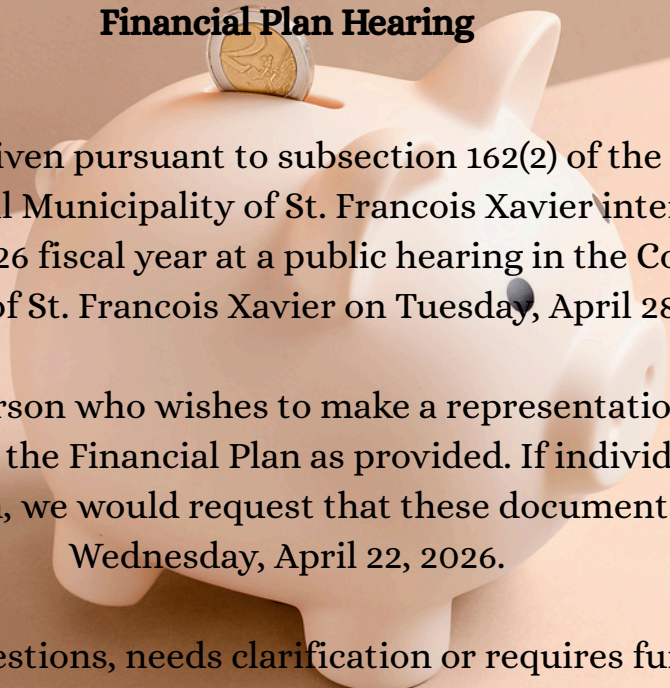


A graphic illustration featuring a document titled 'PROPERTY TAX' with horizontal lines representing text. In the foreground, there is a yellow house with a brown roof and a blue calculator. The background consists of stylized blue clouds.

PROPERTY TAX

Please be advised that the tax discount for early prepayment will be 1% for any payment received before the end of June. Effective 2026 there will no longer be a discount for the months of July and August.

Public Hearing Notice - R.M. of St. Francois Xavier Financial Plan Hearing

A white piggy bank with a gold coin on its back, positioned behind the main text of the notice.

Public Notice is hereby given pursuant to subsection 162(2) of the Municipal Act, that the Council of the Rural Municipality of St. Francois Xavier intends to present its Financial Plan for the 2026 fiscal year at a public hearing in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of St. Francois Xavier on Tuesday, April 28, 2026 at 5:35 p.m.

Council will hear any person who wishes to make a representation, ask questions or register an objection to the Financial Plan as provided. If individuals would like to provide documentation, we would request that these documents be submitted by Wednesday, April 22, 2026.

Any person who has questions, needs clarification or requires further information, either prior to or following the hearing is encouraged to contact the Municipal Office.

Copies of the 2026 Financial Plan will be available for review after April 7th, 2026 at the Municipal Office located at 1060 Highway 26, St. Francois Xavier or on our website at <http://www.rm-stfrancois.mb.ca>

**NOTICE OF REGISTRATION
OF PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATE FOR GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ST. FRANCOIS XAVIER**

**Please be advised that a general municipal election will be held on October 28, 2026.
Prospective municipal election candidates must register with the Senior Election Official (SEO)
during the registration period before they may begin to accept contributions, incur expenses, fundraise or borrow
money for their campaign.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I will be receiving candidate registrations:

For the office of head of council: Between May 1, 2026 and September 22, 2026

For the office of councillor: Between June 30, 2026 and September 2, 2026

at the RM of St. Francois Xavier office, 1060 Hwy 26 during the regular hours of business.

To obtain a registration form contact the SEO at the telephone number listed below.

**Kelley Sigurdson (SEO)
Phone: 204-864-2092
kelley@rm-stfrancois.mb.ca**

STATISTICS CANADA

We are pleased to inform you that the next Census of Population will take place in May 2026. To support this important project, Statistics Canada is hiring for supervisory and non-supervisory positions. Approximately 32,000 jobs are available across Canada!

We are looking for local people to help us collect accurate data in your community. These data are vital for planning and evaluating programs and services such as education, health care, child care, housing, emergency services, roads, public transportation and job training.

We are contacting you to seek your support in promoting census jobs listed on our website: census.gc.ca/jobs.

The easiest way to help us is to share our job postings on social media: Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn and X. You can also download our Census Community Supporter Toolkit to find a variety of products that you can use on your website or in newsletters or share with your professional networks.

Your support in raising awareness about these job opportunities will directly contribute to the success of the 2026 Census.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you in advance for your support of the 2026 Census!

Regards,

Cheryle Borowski
Communications Officer, Prairies, NWT
Engagement and Data Services Division

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE COMMUNITY

May 2 - Bingo SFC Community Centre

May 2 - Belcourt CC Fish Fry

May 30 - Community Garage Sale - email sfxclub@gmail.com to get you on the map!

May 31 - Family Run Day

June 13 - Bingo - save the date

Spring sports - registration open

Soccer - Thursdays, April 23 to June 11

Baseball - Tuesdays, April 21 to June 9

Coaches needed for soccer, please email sfxccprograms@gmail.com

Prime Timers Group - every Wednesday from 9am to noon

Pickleball - Mon, Wed, and Thursdays from 6:30-8:30pm

• Please contact Terry @ (431) 373-4625

If anyone is interested in leading or helping to run any new programs, please email sfxclub@gmail.com, we are always open to new opportunities!

SFX CC meeting dates

May 4 @7pm, June 3 @7pm

Support the Club!

SFX CC Progressive Draw

Go to www.sfxcc.com/support-the-club.html#/

Funds will go towards helping to paint the club/rink equipment

4 monthly draws and a cumulative jackpot!

Draw dates are:

March 26 (winner Brian Wolfe)

April 23 @ 8:30pm

May 21 @ 8:30 pm

June 18 @ 8:30 pm

Final Jackpot June @ 11am

We appreciate your continued support!

neighbourhood
GARAGE SALE

9am - 2pm
Saturday, May 30, 2026

SFX and surrounding areas
Get added to the map: www.sfxcc.com

We want to hear from you!
Do you know of something happening in our community? Please let us know!
Have you snapped beautiful photos within our municipality? Please share those with us as well! All submissions can be sent to info@rm-stfrancois.mb.ca

ST. FRANCOIS XAVIER COMMUNITY CLUB

SPRING SPORTS

BASEBALL Boys & Girls
TUESDAY BIRTH YEARS: 2016-2022
APRIL 21 - JUNE 9

SOCCER
THURSDAY APRIL 23 - JUNE 11
Boys & Girls BIRTH YEARS: 2016-2023

Location
SFX School Field

Registration Link
www.sfxcc.com → Programming
Opens March 1, 2026

Early Bird Registration ends March 22.

For more information, contact: sfxccprograms@gmail.com

2ND ANNUAL ST FRANCOIS XAVIER

FUN RUN 2025

Get ready to run, walk, skip, or dance your way through a fun-filled course designed for all ages and fitness levels!

May 31, 2026- 9:30am | ST FRANCOIS COMMUNITY CLUB

983 MB 26

TICKET SALES COMING SOON

BINGO Night

MAY 2ND AND JUNE 13TH
@ 5:30
SFX Community Club

ST. FRANCOIS XAVIER COMMUNITY CLUB

PRESENTS
PICKLEBALL DROP-IN

MON, WED & THURS • 6:30-8:30 PM

\$3 Per Person
Contact Terry for More Info
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2 SEATINGS
4:30 TO 6PM AND 6:30 TO 8PM

BELCOURT COMMUNITY CLUB
55 BELCOURT RD. RM ST. FRANÇOIS XAVIER

FOR TICKETS CALL:
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