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# Double B Ag Fest Back In the Saddle

The 2025 version of the Double B Agricultural Festival has a schedule packed with live entertainment, agricultural and multicultural activities and semi-pro rodeo excitement fit for a 30th Anniversary celebration.

The Double B Agricultural Festival will occupy the Co-op Community Complex Sept. 5-7 with a carnival and midway run by Select Shows and rodeo entertainment provided in conjunction with the Canadian Cowboys Association and the Manitoba Rodeo Cowboys Association (CCA/MRCA)

The Brokenhead Agricultural Society is once again sponsoring the Double B Agricultural Festival and have been a crucial component in the event finding success for over a quarter of a century.

Incorporated in 1917, the Brokenhead Agricultural Society started with local farmers striving to help each other and local families and that has remained the guiding principle for over 100 years.

### Schedule of Events

The Manitoba High School Rodeo kicks off this year's festival Friday at 2 p.m. along with the opening of the Gret Cup Trailer followed by the opening of the Select Shows midway at 5 p.m.

Saturday will start with a pancake breakfast running 7 to 9 a.m. The Manitoba High School Rodeo will immediately follow with a



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Rodeo action is in conjunction with the Canadian Cowboy Association and the Manitoba Rodeo Cowboy Association.

9 a.m. start along with parade marshalling at the Beausejour Sportsplex.

At 10 a.m. the Double B Agricultural Festival parade will depart where floats, horses, cyclists, machinery and other participants

will head west down James Avenue and turn north on First Street. To avoid construction on Park Avenue, the parade will turn east on Ashton Avenue (new this year) and south on Fifth Street as they wave to the hundreds of children and onlookers lining the roadways.

Chainsaw carver displays will begin at 10 a.m. and run to 4 p.m.

The Select Shows midway and Prairie Exotics will open at noon and run all afternoon along with children's activities including a petting zoo, pony rides, face painting, glitter artists and more. Hoop and Hat vintage comedy circus will take place at 12:45 p.m. JUNO award winning children's entertainer Al Simmons will perform at 2 p.m.

The CCA/MRCA semi-pro rodeo main attraction will begin at 5:30 p.m. with bull and bronc riding, calf roping, barrel racing and more. Intermission will feature a six-horse hitch team demonstration, wild pony races and wool riders.

The Double B Agricultural Festival's legendary fireworks display will illuminate the sky when the sun goes down on Saturday evening, followed by a barn dance and saloon. Hazelridge brothers Jon and Daniel Hnatishin, and their country-rock band Banned & Outlawed, will be performing. Admission will be \$15. No minors allowed.

Sunday will begin again with pancakes at 8 a.m. with a car show at 10 a.m.

The midway will re-open at noon along with children's activities and the chainsaw carvers display. The CCA/MRCA semi-pro rodeo events will continue at 1:30 p.m.

Gate admission to the Double B Agricultural Festival on Friday is free with Saturday priced at \$15. Sunday admission for adults will be \$12. Children 12 and under are admitted free of charge as long as they are accompanied by an adult.

For 50/50 tickets or for more information, go to brokenheadag.ca



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The Select Shows midway will run all three days.



# Go For the Green in North Eastman

One of the best things about golf is the opportunity to spend time outdoors alone, with friends or total strangers – all while getting a bit of exercise at the same time.

Whether they have been playing all their lives or are just new to the game, golfers hitting the public links in North Eastman can find a course to match and challenge their skill level with a backdrop of breathtaking scenery.

From sunrise to sunset, you never quite know what you are going to see when you are golfing on the edge of the Canadian Shield and the Prairies. Courses come with everything one would expect from links carved out of the wilderness – an abundance of tall trees, blue water, rock obstacles and a host of wildlife.

### Black Bear Golf Club

Black Bear Golf is a short drive east of Lac du Bonnet on PR 313 and north on Lee River Road.

A prime nine-hole golf experience with two sets of tees, the locally owned and operated Black Bear course has become known as a fun course, for adults and kids of all ages. There are three par three holes, five par four holes and a par five hole.

The course is a par 34 and 2,662 yards long. There is no driving range, but practice greens are available. Power carts are also available for rent.

The bordering Lee River acts as a water hazard on holes three, five and eight.

[www.blackbeargolf.ca](http://www.blackbeargolf.ca)

### Grand Pines Golf Club

Grand Pines Golf Club is just one hour north of Winnipeg on Hwy 59. This 18-hole

championship course borders the Belair Provincial Forest in the heart of the lake country, minutes away from both Grand and Victoria Beaches.

Designed by local golf course architect Dave Grant, this scenic and challenging layout is guaranteed to test the skill level of all golfers. Grand Pines offers the choice of three tees per hole, with lengths ranging from 5,631 to 6,664 yards, allowing golfers to select the course suited to their game.

Grand Pines can host tournaments, corporate outings or family functions – everything from a small team wind-up to a full 144 player tourney. Private patio parties or a spacious group event tent overlooking the 18th green are also options with grills, buffet lines or full-on Luau.

All golfers are requested to wear appropriate golf attire – shirts and appropriate shoes (soft spikes) – at all times.

[www.grandpines.ca/](http://www.grandpines.ca/)

### Granite Hills Golf Club

Just 20 minutes past Lac du Bonnet on Cape Coppermine Road, Granite Hills Golf Club may be one of the youngest courses in Manitoba and one of the most spectacular.

Opened in 2007, this par 72 semi-private championship course boasts four sets of mens tees maxing out at 7,082 yards along with two sets of womens tees.

Winding along Lake Lac du Bonnet, Granite Hills' plush fairways lined with mature trees, well-manicured greens and elevated tee boxes among the towering granite outcroppings are impressive. It also maintains 35 sand bunkers, five lakeside fairways and numerous elevation changes.

The course is a test for all skill levels, but also a lot of fun. The four par fives



and 10 par fours are long with the four par three holes giving you a chance to make up a stroke.

A pro shop is on hand and carts and clubs are available for rent. A tournament coordinator will assist those interested in

holding an event in keeping things moving smoothly. There is a dress code.

[www.granitehills.ca](http://www.granitehills.ca)

### Mars Sandhills Golf

Mars Sandhills Golf Course caters to

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Round off your summer at Shades of the Past car show, a farmers market, and on our golf courses. Make a splash in our outdoor pool, walk The Rail Trail and top it all off with delicious ice cream & a burger!

[@explorebeausejourbrokenhead](https://www.instagram.com/explorebeausejourbrokenhead)

Kick up the dust at Septembers Double-B Ag Festival; it's a rodeo, midway, parade, and more! We pump adrenaline all winter long, boasting over 250km of groomed snowmobile trails and hosting the Canadian Power Toboggan Championships in December and March!

Unwind and experience warm hospitality at our local restaurants and shops. You'll find us 40 minutes Northeast of Winnipeg on HWY #44. Follow us on social media or learn more at [ourhomeyourhome.ca](http://ourhomeyourhome.ca)

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men and women of all ages who are interested in the game of golf. Located on a Wildlife Management Area, this public course lets players forget about the hustle and bustle of the big city as the beautiful facilities offer a tranquil, natural setting for lunch meetings and tournaments.

The 18-hole course has two sets of tees and carries a maximum distance of 6,411 yards with four par-fives and four par-threes.

After a round, enjoy a delicious homemade meal in their licensed clubhouse/restaurant. Carts available to rent. <https://golfmars.ca/>

**Pinawa Golf Club**

Described as 'the course that nature built', the Pinawa Golf Club opened as a nine-hole course in 1967 as a firebreak for the town site.

Some 25 years later, nine more holes were opened to create one of the more scenic and challenging 18-hole public courses in Manitoba with plush fairways, cushy greens and well-groomed tee-boxes.

Stretching out over 6,270 yards and three sets of tees, golfers must hit the ball straight and accurate on this course to avoid the gaping sand-traps, rocky out-crops and water hazards along the edge of the Pinawa Channel.

It can be a tricky course because of the number elevation changes and the unique layout, but most will find it challenging, manageable and well worth the ride from Winnipeg.

The club hosts their womens and mens tournaments, senior mens and club championships. They can also accommodate tournament packages for those looking to host an event.

[www.pinawaclub.mb.ca](http://www.pinawaclub.mb.ca)

**Pine Falls Golf Club**

Built in 1927, the Pine Falls Golf Club is a nine-hole public course located in the Town of Powerview-Pine Falls.

The course provides womens and mens tees – white (mens) tees layout a par 35 course at a distance of 2,962 yards with red (womens) tees playing 2,677 yards and a par 37.

Generally flat with some elevated areas, most of the holes feature a sand trap with water hazards on the first and ninth holes.

In 2014, the club received a grant from Hometown Manitoba for a new sign. The course has a practice putting greens. Carts and clubs are available for rent.

[www.pinefallsgolfclub.com](http://www.pinefallsgolfclub.com)

**Rivers Edge Golf Course**

Rivers Edge in Beausejour is a public nine-hole course 45 minutes northeast of Winnipeg. Surrounded by forest and wildlife, the Brokenhead River winds throughout the course for a truly unique experience.

Two sets of tees carries the course to a maximum distance of 2,593 yards with a mens par 34 and ladies par 35. Mens, womens and junior league play available.

Tournament coordinators can help look after the details of your tournament, from registration to preparing scorecards, scoring, power cart signage and setting up hole contests.

Experienced golfers, first timers and families are welcome. Head to the clubhouse after a round of golf for a drink on their licensed open air patio. Carts available for rent.

[www.riversedgegolf.ca](http://www.riversedgegolf.ca)

# Take a break at Pennyweight

When you were a child do you remember making Kool Aid? Having a vanilla ice cream cone made from real cream? What about picking out your own five cent candies? We remember and we wanted the same memories for our children so we made it a reality with a modern-day vibe.

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makes our days so much fun hearing what people will come up with for their new favourites.

Of course, our famous Penny cap would be the No. 1 item when it comes to our town's favourite treat. A mix of our vanilla soft serve and house blend cold brew coffee from Black Pearl makes this a treat you have to try.

With everything going on in the world over the last five years, people are looking for a break; a memory of times in the past to relax and enjoy. Take a trip to Beausejour, visit the local stores and see what our town has to offer, but be sure to take a break to be a kid again. Stop in and say hi... you will be happy you did.

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# 4P Festival Aug. 29-Sept. 1

The communities of Powerview-Pine Falls and St-Georges will once again welcome the 4P Festival during the Labour Day weekend and provide a host of activities for all ages.

The 4P Festival is a celebration of the history and resources that contributed to the establishment of the cluster of communities. The four Ps stand for Paper, Power, Peas and Pickerel. The home coming event brings people of all ages back to visit friends and family and take part in the last blast of summer fun activities for all ages.

The 4P Festival was established in 1982 by the Manitou Rapids Arts Council. The festival ran the same weekend as the Jig and Jam in Pine Falls, and in 1983 organizers combined the two festivals and added a pickerel derby and tours to the Hydro dam, the Pine Falls paper mill and the Winnipeg River Heritage Museum in St-Georges, home of the famous peas used in traditional pea soup.

### Activities and Events

Visitors can enjoy a wide range of activities at several locations in Powerview-Pine Falls and St-Georges. The events kick off at 9:30 a.m. Friday morning with the Winnipeg River Carvers Exhibit as well as the launch of the Bird and Butterfly Village Loop Trail Mural.

A Lego sculpture contest will be held at Library Allard at 11 a.m. as well as a youth art exhibit featuring work from the library's summer camp program.

A community appreciation barbecue will be held at Town of Powerview-Pine Falls' public works on Dupont Street at 11:30 a.m.

At 4 p.m., the Pine Falls Fire Department will host an open house and a fish fry with the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 64 Pine Falls hosting a meat draw at 5 p.m.

The Winnipeg River Lions will host a Chase the Ace event from 5:30-8 p.m. with 50/50 tickets and a meat draw. Ace jackpot draw time is 8 p.m.

Comite Cultural de St-Georges is hosting

an Outdoor Movie Night at dusk featuring the French film *Un p'tit truce 'n plus*.

Saturday starts early as the Norm Vezina Memorial Slo-Pitch Tournament begins at the École Powerview School diamonds at 8:30 a.m. The Knights of Columbus will host a pancake breakfast at Notre Dame du Laus parish hall starting at 9 a.m. while a Bannock Boys 3-on-3 ball hockey tournament at the École Powerview School outdoor arena.

A car show and shine will begin at 10 a.m. at Powerview Auto complete with classic cars and barbecue. A market square and Indigenous Shoreline Museum will be set up at the curling club and a kids zone will be at the Village Green with inflatable bouncers, train rides, a petting zoo, face painting and crafts.

The Manitoba Living History Society will demonstrate life skills of the Selkirk Settlers, fur traders, voyageurs, Métis and Indigenous people of Manitoba starting at 11 a.m.

The 4P Golf Tournament will begin at 1 p.m. at the Pine Falls Golf Club.

A Manitoba Hydro sponsored firewrosk display will take place at dusk beside Midway Foods while a 4P Summer Sunset Party will start at 10 p.m. at the Papertown Motor Inn.

Events like the slo-pitch tournament, market square, Winnipeg River Heritage Museum guided tours and Manitoba Living History Society displays will continue Sunday.

The 4P parade begins at noon and winds down from the Pine Falls pool to École Powerview School.

Plage St-Georges Beach will host A Day At the Beach with live duck race with a chance to win \$1,000.

A highlight of the day will be an opportunity to cheer on the Winnipeg Blue Bombers in the Labour Day Classic against the Saskatchewan Roughriders on the big screen inside the beer garden at the Access Arena. Festivities start at 4 p.m. until the game ends.

There will be a Classic Manitoba Social



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The Bannock Boys 3-on-3 ball hockey tournament at the École Powerview School outdoor arena will start at 9 a.m. Saturday.

at Access Arena from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Labour Day Monday will feature a Winnipeg River Area Lions family fishing derby at the St-Georges boat launch. Registration for the 25-boat maximum event will begin

at 8 a.m. First come, first served.

Winnipeg River Heritage Museum guided tours begin at noon.

For more information email festival4P@gmail.com

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