



# The Hepburn Howler

## July 2025



### Greetings to Residents & Readers!

Summer is a great time to enjoy the great outdoors and the spaces around our community and region. Thanks for keeping Hepburn clean, safe, and beautiful!

## TOWN OFFICE UPDATES

### Bike Safety

School is Out - and that means more bike and pedestrian activity. Cyclists, wear helmets and learn about bike safety and signals. Drivers, travel with care past young riders near parks and playgrounds. Parents, discuss bike safety, helmet usage, & the rules of the road with your children. **WATCH FOR: Positive Helmet Ticketing Program!**

### Twin Rivers Community Safety Officer

***\*Did you know that there is a Dispatch Number? 306-232-4839.*** They will ask for your community, your name, and your report/inquiry.

***\*Did you know that there is a link on the town website to register a report? Click to complete: [Online Report](#)***

The Twin Rivers Community Safety Officer (CSO) serves the District through proactive policing, public education, & bylaw and provincial statute compliance. W:

[https://hepburn.ca/living\\_here/emergency\\_services/twin\\_rivers\\_community\\_safety\\_officer.html](https://hepburn.ca/living_here/emergency_services/twin_rivers_community_safety_officer.html)



### All Terrain Vehicles Act (ATV)

Residents are reminded to be informed about and adhere to the articles of the **ATV Act**. Find the full act:

<https://publications.saskatchewan.ca/#/products/369>

***\*ATVs should not be operated on any town property and parks.***

***\*All Drivers and Passengers should use helmets and eye protection.***

***\*Drivers should have a valid drivers license and be able to produce it if approached by the Community Safety Officer.***

***\*Young drivers (without a drivers license and with a safety course) must be under the supervision of a parent/guardian.***

**Business Licenses – We Love Local!** Thanks for sharing your business info with town office, and promoting the businesses you recommend in our town and region. The Town Business Bylaw is located here:

[www.hepburn.ca/governance/bylaws.html](http://www.hepburn.ca/governance/bylaws.html)

Find an application to operate a business within the boundaries of the Town of Hepburn. W:

[www.hepburn.ca/doing\\_business/business\\_license\\_.html](http://www.hepburn.ca/doing_business/business_license_.html)



### Swimming Pool Info (Zoning Bylaw, page 38).

Please note: "No part of such pool is located closer to any lot or street line than the minimum distance required

for the principal building located on such lot. The maximum height of such pool is 1.2 meters (4 feet) above the average finished grade level of the ground adjoining the pool and to within 4.5 meters of such pool. Every swimming pool shall be enclosed by a non-climbable fence of at least 1.8 meters (5.9 feet) in height and not more than 10 cm from the ground, and located at a distance of not less than 1.5 meters (5 feet) from the pool. Any deck attached to or abutting a swimming pool shall be considered as part of the swimming pool."

### Hepburn Volunteer Fire & EMS Department - Looking for NEW MEMBERS

for Fire, EMS, or both! The Dept meets at Hepburn Fire Hall on Main St on Mondays: 1 meeting, & 2 training sessions per month. **Schedule: July 14,21,28 unless otherwise announced.** To find out more, talk to: Fire Chief Gord Jackson; Town Council Rep Deb McGuire; & RM Council Reps Trent Ebach & Ken Fehr. E: [fire\\_ems@hepburn.ca](mailto:fire_ems@hepburn.ca).



### Fire Safety & Recreational Fires -

Fires shall be contained in a **non-combustible receptacle**....of cement, brick or sheet metal with a min 18-gauge thickness...be **covered with a heavy gauge screen** with openings not exceeding 13mm; and size shall not exceed 1.2m:

[www.hepburn.ca/mrws/filedriver/Recreational\\_Fire\\_Guidelines.pdf](http://www.hepburn.ca/mrws/filedriver/Recreational_Fire_Guidelines.pdf)



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## HERITAGE COMMON UPDATES

### Bookings & Tours

Summer is a great time for a reunion! Organize your event with us! Email [reception@hepburn.ca](mailto:reception@hepburn.ca). Schedule a facility tour. W: <https://heritagecommon.ca/>

### NEW Event - Sunday July 6

Summer is a great time for OUTDOOR CONCERTS. **SaskJazz Festival** has selected Hepburn and Heritage Common for one of its Neighbourhood Pop Up Concert Series. Free Concert in the Courtyard/Green Space south of the gym. Featuring Lost Highway Navigators from 3-4pm! Various food, drink, and activity events are part of this event – including Wiener Wagon from 2:30-7:00pm, Rocket Fuel Drink Stand, Candle Making Activity (register with Lisa), Kickboxing, Disc Golf, Licensed Bar, Museum of Wheat Clothing Sales, Parks and Rec Product Sales, and Market Area.

E: Lisa at [events@hepburn.ca](mailto:events@hepburn.ca) to still get involved with market, volunteering, etc.



### Building Hours

**\*Heritage Common (703-B Door)** open weekdays 8:00am-4:30pm. Rental bookings may affect access to the building. Note the whiteboard sign at the **Atrium Entrance**. **\*Town Office (703-A Door)** open weekdays 9:00am-12:00pm, and 12:30-4:30pm. Changes to hours will be posted and announced.

### Heritage Lodge

Three wings of Heritage Lodge are available for bookings. Located at 705-2<sup>nd</sup> Street East, to the north side of Heritage Common parking lot. 2 single bed dorm style accommodation in each room. Access to lounge and kitchenette area with booking – includes fridge, stove, microwave, and coffeemaker.

### Bethany House is Our Neighbour!

The southeast corner of the former Bethany land parcel is the private property of town residents at 701-2<sup>nd</sup> Street East. This is the home of **Fire and Hope Sweet Shop and Market**. Their parking lot is open only while they are hosting community events or having open market hours. Please respect their space. Note: They are involved with the SaskJazz Concert happening Sunday, July 6, from 2-7pm at Heritage Common Courtyard/Green Space.

### Green & Inclusive

#### Community Buildings (GICB)

**UPDATE:** The **Solar Project** underway on Heritage Common North Field is part of the **Green and Inclusive Community Buildings Grant (GICB)** that the town received April 2021. Fencing around the solar project has been completed. The total project amount is \$2.3 million, with 80% being federally funded and 20% municipally funded. The total grant covers green energy improvement renovations, including windows, doors, HVAC, solar, LED lighting, and accessibility features.



## COUNCIL UPDATES

### General Council Reminders

#### Meeting Schedule

On **3rd Wed of month, 6:00pm**, at Heritage Common, Chambers Room.

July 16, 2025	October 15, 2025
August 20, 2025	November 19, 2025
September 17, 2025	December 17, 2025



### Communication with Council

**\*Minutes:** Minutes are posted when approved:

[www.hepburn.ca/governance/minutes.html](http://www.hepburn.ca/governance/minutes.html)

**\*Regular Meetings:** Meetings are open to the public to observe silently from the gallery.

**\*Correspondence:** Submit correspondence to [cao@hepburn.ca](mailto:cao@hepburn.ca) on or before July 9 to be included in Council Meeting Agenda.

**\*Delegations:** Submit form to [cao@hepburn.ca](mailto:cao@hepburn.ca) on or before July 9 to be included in the Agenda: [www.hepburn.ca/governance/council\\_staff.html](http://www.hepburn.ca/governance/council_staff.html)

### Your Council in Action

Pictured: Saturday May 31 at installation work bee for Hepburn Disc Golf Course, located at Hepburn School. Left to Right: Emery Flaterud, Joe

Homontowksi, Jesse Neary, Ryley Prebushewski, Kaelan Wall, Sheldon Willems (RM of Laird Rep)



### Council Meeting Highlights – June

Note: June's Council Report will be available on the website and by email as it is a longer report. Watch for a link shared on facebook soon.



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## COMMUNITY UPDATES – July 2025 Edition

### PARKS & RECREATION EVENTS

#### SUMMER SAFETY AND "TICKETS" -

**WATCH FOR: Kids Positive Ticketing Program!** Wear your helmets, use your bike signals, and operate your bicycles scooters and skateboards safely – and you might get a TICKET! Keep an eye out for Lisa Braun this summer. Tickets will be redeemable for a summer cool treat!



Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association

#### GRANT MONEY MEANS NEW SUMMER PROGRAMS -

Thanks to Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association Member Grants, we are able to offer new programs in three areas this year.

**\*Fitness Programs** – Get Moving Hepburn Program with **first event Sunday July 6 from 2-7pm during SaskJazz Event** – Kickboxing and More at Heritage Common – via SPRA Get Moving Grant. Volunteers Welcome.

**\*Outdoor Nature and Heritage Programs** – Meet You at The Museum Program (Saturdays) – via SPRA Parks for All Action Grant. Volunteers Welcome. Saturday July 4 includes Ice Cream Treats (1-3pm) and Outdoor Games (10am-3pm)

**\*Disc Golf Programs** – Learn to Play events coming soon – **first event Sunday July 6 from 2-7pm during SaskJazz Event** - via SPRA Framework in Action Grant. Volunteers Welcome.

Email to find out more – [recreation@hepburn.ca](mailto:recreation@hepburn.ca)

**SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES** – Support Community Programs such as Valley Slo-pitch League, Disc Golf Project, and Summer Programs! Email [recreation@hepburn.ca](mailto:recreation@hepburn.ca), or find info here: [https://www.hepburn.ca/doing\\_business/sponsorships.html](https://www.hepburn.ca/doing_business/sponsorships.html)

**NEXT FESTIVAL – LIGHT THE NIGHT – Monday November 24, 2025** - Want to sign up to be on the planning team? Sign up before August 31 to get involved with shaping this Christmas festival.

**\*CONNECT WITH PARKS & REC BOARD – Write us a letter or email!** Next Meeting: Wednesday July 2, and Monday, August 11. Summer meetings are subject to change.

### COMMUNITY GROUPS & EVENTS



**HEPBURN MUSEUM OF WHEAT - Saturdays 10:00am-3:00pm – July 5, 12, 19, & 26 – 10am-3pm.**

**SPECIAL EVENTS –**

**\*Saturday July 5** – free ice cream at 1-3pm, and outdoor lawn games from

10am-3pm. **\*Saturday, August 9** will be watermelon & roll kuchen from 11am-1pm, kite flying! People of all ages are welcome to fly kites and bring their own if they have one.

**\*Pick up Saskatchewan River Valley Museums Network BROCHURE & 2025 Museum Tour Contest.**

**\*W:** [www.hepburn.ca/recreation/community\\_groups/museum\\_of\\_wheat.html](http://www.hepburn.ca/recreation/community_groups/museum_of_wheat.html)

**\*THE MUSEUM IS NOW ON SOCIAL MEDIA** - Like and Follow Hepburn Museum of Wheat on Facebook and Instagram! Volunteer Input is making this possible, so please submit suggestions to Lisa at [recreation@hepburn.ca](mailto:recreation@hepburn.ca)

**\*Facebook:**

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61577020152829>

**\*Instagram:**

<https://www.instagram.com/hepburnmuseumofwheat/>

**HEPBURN SENIORS @ Main Street – Coffee Time:** Wed 9am, July 5, 12, 19, 26. **Quilting:** Mon & Tue, until summer break.

#### SASK COMMUNITY LOTTERY FUNDING -

Hepburn & District Parks and Recreation Board reviews applications and has approved almost \$10,000 in funding to Hepburn Community Groups. Thanks to Sask Lotteries for supporting rural and small town recreation!



TOWN OF HEPBURN

Office: (306) 947-2170 Emergency: (306) 947-0000 Payments: [onlinepayments@hepburn.ca](mailto:onlinepayments@hepburn.ca) Email: [reception@hepburn.ca](mailto:reception@hepburn.ca)





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## THE HEPBURN GARDEN TOUR IS HERE – Meet at Centennial Station Gazebo – July 16, 2025 at 7pm -

Hepburn Volunteers organize an annual summer garden tour to showcase local gardeners willing to host visitors. The tour route varies each year, so ask questions to get involved. Coordinators are Kim Bushman and Cathy Shields.



**WEBSITE UPDATES** – Find current community group info: [www.hepburn.ca/recreation/community\\_groups.html](http://www.hepburn.ca/recreation/community_groups.html)  
Have updates? Send to [recreation@hepburn.ca](mailto:recreation@hepburn.ca).

**WANT YOUR EVENT INCLUDED IN THE MONTHLY HOWLER?** NEW - Send email to [reception@hepburn.ca](mailto:reception@hepburn.ca) by **July 28** to be included in the **August Edition**.

### HERITAGE COMMON COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

**NEW: NERF Birthday Party Option** – Parks and Rec has acquired a **full NERF setup** and is offering it as an option with Heritage Common Birthday Bookings. Book this add-on to your party at [events@hepburn.ca](mailto:events@hepburn.ca). Note: Availability is dependent on staff and volunteer schedules.

Note: Other Birthday Party Themes are coming soon – LEGO, Art, and More!

HERITAGE COMMON

*a place for gathering*



### BUSINESS, ECONOMIC, & REGIONAL NEWS

**NEW BUSINESS REGISTRATIONS** – Register for Annual Business Licenses & bring in business cards.

[www.hepburn.ca/doing\\_business/business\\_license.html](http://www.hepburn.ca/doing_business/business_license.html)

**ECONOMIC FUNDING AND SUPPORT** – Introducing Sagehill Community Futures <https://cfsask.ca/sagehill>

#### Our Mission:

To empower people, encourage entrepreneurial initiative and support our communities to achieve what matters to them.

“Helping entrepreneurs start and grow small businesses since 1985. Are you a business owner? Do you want to be? Community Futures Sagehill helps rural entrepreneurs and small business owners in Saskatchewan achieve their dreams by providing loans, advice, training and support. We help individuals at the very start of their journey to develop a business plan and financial projections, register a business, apply for a business loan and get the training they need to hit the ground running. We also help small business owners with managing human resources, bookkeeping, and implementing marketing strategies. And we help businesses expand their market reach by effectively using social media platforms and their website. We're here to help! Call us!”

### GRANT FUNDING ASSISTANCE

– Need help researching business grants? Town of Hepburn wants to connect you to provincial and regional resources. Contact Lisa to book an appointment to find out more.



**LOTS FOR SALE** – Build a House on North Hill (1 lot left) & South Hill Road. Contact P: 306-700-3130. Find out more: [www.claystonedevelopments.com/whisperridge](http://www.claystonedevelopments.com/whisperridge)