



# HEARTBEAT

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

April 1st, 2022

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## Legion News

Monday night darts is suspended until after harvest.

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS


Legion golf tournament is scheduled for July 23rd.

Further details in future Heartbeats

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

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**BIRCH HILLS CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT AREA ASSOCIATION**  
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Birch Hills Minor Sports

# AGM

Thursday, April 14, 2022  
@ Hesje Centre  
7:00pm

\*Open Positions Available To The Public\*

## Mom's Morning Coffee

Tuesday mornings at the Birch Hills Library starting March 1 2022

10:30 am - 12:00pm

ALL MOMMAS AND CHILDREN WELCOME

This group was created because all Moms need a place to talk, support each other, do crafts, go for walks, and socialize.

For more information contact Jessica @ 306-930-7171

# April Heartbeat Sponsors

Polar Ice Melt  
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Globe Disinfecting  
Wipes in a Pail!!!



**2 FOR \$20!**

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*Happy St. Patrick's Day!!*

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## BIRCH HILLS CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT AREA ASSOCIATION

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2022

IN PERSON

**DUANE LOWE COMMUNITY CENTRE**

BELLAMY AVENUE  
BIRCH HILLS, SK.

**APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2022**

**9:00 AM -12:00 PM**

Any rate payers in the Birch Hills Conservation and Development water shed are invited to attend.

Please direct questions to: Ashley 306-921-3707 or [ashleyheavin1@gmail.com](mailto:ashleyheavin1@gmail.com)

# CMT *Signshop*

We are a local family owned  
& operated business that's  
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2015.

Bring us your ideas and  
we will do everything  
we can to bring them to  
life.

**Marlene & Chris  
Hovdebo**

**Marlene: (306)749-7604**

**Chris: (306)749-7606**

**NEW**

## **LASER ENGRAVING**

**TROPHIES**

**CUSTOM WOOD ITEMS**

**-CUTTING BOARDS**

**-CHARCUTERIE BOARDS,**

**-LEFSE FLIPPER,**

**-BBQ SCRAPER, & MORE**

**DRINKWEAR**

**GLASS**

**& MUCH MUCH MORE!**

**CMT = Chris, Marlene & Tegan**

### **SIGNSHOP DIVISION**

*Aluminum & Coroplast*

*Vehicle & Wall Decals*

*Stickers/Labels*

*Outdoor Building Signage*

*In Ice (arena) Logo Banners*

*Lawn Stake Signs*

*Various Types of Banners*

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*Trade Show Booths*

*Window Clings*

*Perforated Window Decals*

*And Much Much More...*

### **GARMENT DECORATING DIVISION**

We do in house pressed,  
embroidery & sublimation.  
We can  
provide screen printing.

\*t shirts (1 or 100)

\*hoodies

\*jackets

\*caps/toques

\*all types of TEAM/CLUB WEAR  
including Jerseys

\*full line of safety wear

\*table cloths & aprons

\*bags

\*blankets

\*lawnchairs

**ALL THINGS PROMO & ALL THINGS CUSTOM!**

*Thank you for shopping local!*



**St. Mary's Anglican Church, 279 McCallum Avenue, Birch Hills, SK**

All events at **St. Mary's, Birch Hills** unless otherwise indicated. Contact Father Jordan to attend an event via **Zoom**. If anyone is interested in **Baptism this Easter**, please contact the Rector immediately.

Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> 9:00AM – **Lent V**

Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup> 7:30PM - **Holy Week Planning Meeting**

Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup> 3:00PM – 5:00PM – **St. Mary's Metaversity** (After School Program, for Youth ages 8-14). This program includes a snack, activity / game, Bible lesson / Catechism, and prayer / song. Contact Father Jordan (306-749-2229) for more information.

Wednesday, April 6<sup>th</sup> 7:30PM – **Bible Study** on the Epistle to the Hebrews at the Rectory (210 Taylor Avenue) or over Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86706368238?pwd=RXcrNkpEMkZUZkdZQWRhdVFc1dMUT09>

[us02web.zoom.us/j/86706368238?pwd=RXcrNkpEMkZUZkdZQWRhdVFc1dMUT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86706368238?pwd=RXcrNkpEMkZUZkdZQWRhdVFc1dMUT09)

**Holy Week** (April 10<sup>th</sup> – April 17<sup>th</sup> – Watch for posters on Facebook and around town for more information.

Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup> 9:00AM – **Palm Sunday**

Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> 3:00PM – 5:00PM – **St. Mary's Metaversity** (After School Program, for Youth ages 8-14) (see April 5<sup>th</sup>)

Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup> – No Bible Study this week; will resume Wednesday April 20<sup>th</sup>.

Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup> TBD – **Maundy Thursday**, the **Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada, Linda Nicholls** will visit

Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup> TBD – **Good Friday**

Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup> TBD - **The Great Vigil of Easter and First Mass of Easter**

Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> 9:00AM – **Easter Sunday**

**Sunday School** at 9AM – contact Karen Pratt @ 306-749-7240 for more information.

The **Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby** and the **National Indigenous Archbishop, Mark Macdonald** will visit the Diocese of Saskatchewan this spring from April 29<sup>th</sup> - May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022.

**Reach Out** - Anyone who has clothing donations to supply to homeless and needy folks in Prince Albert can leave them outside St Mary's Church or leave them inside the door if you have a key. They will be taken to the Prince Albert organization, Reach Out, which serves the homeless.

Contact Fr Jordan to arrange for Holy Communion at home. Private Confession is by appointment. Contact Fr Jordan. Reach Fr Jordan by phone: (306) 749-2229 or email: [jordan\\_draper@hotmail.com](mailto:jordan_draper@hotmail.com)



Follow us on Facebook [Parish of Birch Hills, Kinistino & Musko-day | Facebook](#)

# Birch Hills Public Library Report

**The Library is now fully opened. Stop by to see what we have to offer.**

**Open Tues: 11-5 and 6-8;  
Thurs 1 - 7  
Fridays 9 -1.**

**Check out our new location at 135 Bellamy Avenue.**

Susan's Pick. Stalked by Allison Brennan

A new trainee at the FBI Academy, Lucy has already seen more than her share of murder and mayhem.

Still reeling from the sex - crime case that sealed her reputation, she's found a true friend and mentor in Agent Tony. No matter what goes down, he always has her back - until he's called away to help investigate the murder of a reporter with ties to Lucy.

Easter is around the corner, and we are having an Easter Coloring Contest! Three age groups, lots of fun, and prizes to be won! Stop by the library [today](#) to get your coloring page!

Join us for Story Time on Fridays at 10:00 am. All ages welcome.

We're running a program, Book and/or Author recommended by patrons. Contact the library at (306)749-3281 to make your pick

We have Grab and Go books. It's a selection of common themed books that patrons can pick up without having to search for them.

**Watch our Facebook Group for upcoming events.**

Join us for a story and craft every Tuesday after school.

Jan is BACK!!! Please stop by the library to say hi and welcome her back!!

Stop by and check out our featured artist of the month!

This month featuring Blaine Mulligan, on display Apr 1st through Apr 29th.

Join us Thursday evening, Apr 7th from 6 - 7 pm to meet Blaine and have coffee

The Birch Hills Golf Course has seasonal employment opportunities for 2022. We are seeking Clubhouse reception/sales and kitchen staff (full & part time) - must have Food Safe and Serve it Right (for full-time positions) certifications (or be willing to take course/s; online is available) and provide proof of certification, prior to employment.

Computer skills, golf experience, and customer service skills would be considered an asset. Must be 19 years of age to apply for full-time positions. These positions involve customer service (phone, in-person and on-line), food and beverage preparation and serving, cleaning (inside and outside) and golf course marshalling as well as other miscellaneous duties.

If you aren't 19 years of age, we may have part-time positions to assist in and around the clubhouse (duties are similar to above.)

Please submit resumes to email address: [birchhillsrec@sasktel.net](mailto:birchhillsrec@sasktel.net) or [birchhillsgolfcourse@gmail.com](mailto:birchhillsgolfcourse@gmail.com) or drop off at Birch Hills Recreation Office at 126 McCallum Avenue by April 15, 2022.

#### RECYCLE

Please Share your Newsletter with a friend.  
Send request to [birchhillsrec@sasktel.net](mailto:birchhillsrec@sasktel.net) to receive the news letter online.



#### CHURCH SERVICES:

Glad Tidings Tabernacle -  
Sunday services at 11:00 am.

St Anne Roman Catholic  
11 AM Sunday

Christ Alone Lutheran Brethren Church

(Formerly called Birch Hills Community Church)

Sunday Service 11:00 am

Corner and 4th of Bellamy

Bible Study Thursday Evenings 7:30 pm

Saron Lutheran Church

Hagen, Sk

Sunday Service 9:20 am

Lake Park Baptist Church

Lake Park Baptist Church

Sunday Prayer Time: 8:30-9:30 AM

Morning Cafe 9:30 AM

Sunday School for All Ages 10:00 AM

Sunday Morning Service: 11:00 AM

Tuesday Evening: Club DJ: 6:45-8:15 PM

Youth Bible Study: 7:00 PM

- Live Streaming will occur during the  
Sunday Morning Service and later  
uploaded to Youtube for viewing.

visit our website @ [www.lakepark.ca](http://www.lakepark.ca)



Girl Guide Chocolate and Vanilla Sandwich Cookies are available at Quayle's Pharmacy. \$5 per box.

Thank you for supporting the Birch Hills Guiding Association!

# Annual Meeting



**In-person:**  
**Duane Lowe Community Centre**  
**Online: Zoom**  
**RSVP** Email [birchhillsrec@sasktel.net](mailto:birchhillsrec@sasktel.net)  
 Or call / text 306-749-7451  
**2 Board Position Openings**

**Mon** | **Happy Hour** | **5:30PM**  
**4** | **Meeting** | **6:00PM**  
**Apr** | **Light Supper Available to Purchase –**  
**2022** | **Preorder Required by March 31**  
 Bellamy Avenue

## Blackhawks 7th Annual Comedy Night

Sponsored by Nutrien Ag Solutions  
 Featuring Kathleen McGee



Tickets available from  
**Nutrien** players,  
 Ag Solutions™ at Quayle's  
 Pharmacy and  
 on Eventbrite



**Sat** | **Doors Open** | **7:00pm**  
**9** | **Comedian** | **8:00pm**  
**Apr** | **Silent Auction, Lunch & Dance to follow**  
**2022**  
 Birch Hills Civic Centre  
 No Minors



# April Birchview Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>April 2022</b>					Katie 1 10:30 April Fool's Day Trivia Fun 2:30 Bingo Canteen is open	
 Happy Birthday Ann	3 Sabrina Haircare 11:00 Manicures 2:30 Horseracing Game 5:00 Pizza Supper	4 Sabrina 10:45 Sing a long 2:30 Anglican Church Canteen is open	5 10:30 Tonechimes 2:15 Painting Corner	6 8:00 Breakfast Club ~Group 1 Haircare 2:30 Olive and Friends	7 <b>BINGO</b> 10:30 Exercises & Trivia 2:30 Bingo Canteen is open	8 
 Palm Sunday	10 10:30 One on Ones 2:30 Decorating Easter Eggs	11  11:00 Ladies Aux Meeting 2:30 Bingo Canteen is open	12  10:30 Tonechimes 2:30 Easter Trivia and Hot Cross Buns	13  Haircare 11:00 Brunch Club ~ Group 2 2:30 Community Church	14  10:30 Bible Study with Friends 2:30- Bingo Canteen is open	16 
 Easter Sunday	17 <b>HAPPY EASTER</b>	18 11:00 Making Puppy Treats 2:30 Baptist Church Canteen is open	19  Recreation Shopping Morning 2:30 Tonechimes 5:00 KFC Supper	20  Haircare 12:00 Lunch Club ~ Group 3 2:30 Show and Tell	21  10:30 Bible Study with Friends 2:30- Bingo Canteen is open	22 
24  Haircare 11:00 Country Drive to Kaylan's Farm & DQ Ice Cream	25  Happy Birthday Eric	26 11:00 Resident Council 2:30 Roman Catholic Church Canteen is open	27 10:30 Tonechimes 2:30 Ice Cream Sundaes	28 8:00 Breakfast Club ~ Group 4 Haircare 2:30 Drumming & Popcorn Snack	29 Portia 10:30 Reminiscing Game 2:30 Bingo Canteen is open	30  KEEP CALM AND LOVE SPRING

Scrap Metal Drive fundraiser for the rink is still on-going. There is a collection bin located at the lift station on Ward Road. Anything with metal on it can be donated. There will be an account under “Birch Hills Skating Rink” at McDonald’s Metal in Prince Albert for those who wish to drop stuff off there.

Weldon Trade Show  
Saturday, April 30, 2022  
10 am to 2 pm  
Weldon Auditorium  
Lunch available

Vendors featured: Avon, Watkins, Partylite, Plunder Jewelry, RLM Custom Designs, Epicure, Norwex, Color Street Nails, Twisted Creek Apparel, Iris’ Blankets, Chalk Couture, The Make Bank, Brenda’s Handmade Treasures, Modere, Jasta Creations, Living Sky Farms, Care Home baking, She’s Got Leggz.

Call or text Brenda at 960-8335 for more information

\*Proceeds to Weldon Auditorium

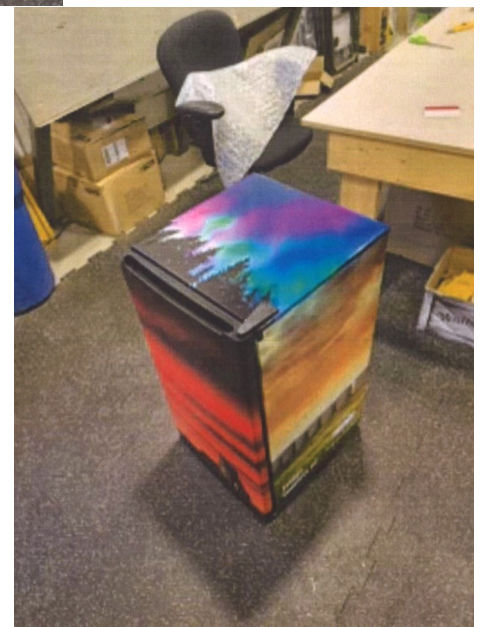
Birch Hills Safe Grad  
Committee  
Fundraiser

Please drop off your bottles at any Sarcan in Saskatchewan from now until June 1 and tag them with “Birch Hills Grad” The boys will be coming around in person as well!!

Your generosity is very much appreciated.

For more information call/text Jan @ 306-961-2212

Tickets Can be purchased at Quayles or the COOP or from one of the graduates.





# STRUTHERS LAKE REGIONAL PARK

Campsite/Cabin

bookings by phone

**April 1st**

Call (306) 864-3240



Weddings  
Reunions  
Birthday Parties  
RESERVATIONS  
306-864-3240

**GAZEBO RENTAL**  
STRUTHERS LAKE REGIONAL PARK  
Available May 20, 2022 to September 4, 2022

Rental : Daily \$200.00 Half Day \$100.00 (stove, bbq, fridges)  
strutherslakerp@gmail.com for more info.

**CAMPING 2022**  
**Struthers Lake Regional Park**

**Campsite**  
Electrical: \$30.00 /night  
Non Electrical: \$15.00/night  
**Cabin Rental**  
\$65.00-\$75.00 /night  
Group Camping/tenting available  
**Day Pass**  
\$5.00/day  
\$50.00 per season

FOLLOW US ON

Want a campsite? Book a cabin? Call us April 1st.

CONTACT US AT (306) 864 3240

STRUTHERS LAKE REGIONAL PARK  
**2022 JOB VACANCY**  
**WE ARE HIRING!**

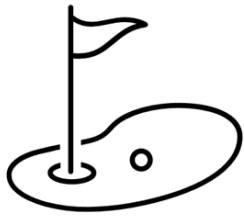
**JOIN OUR TEAM**

**POSITIONS AVAILABLE:**

Part-time Campground Attendant  
and  
Concession Manager

**APPLY TODAY!**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL **1(306) 290-6686** OR EMAIL @ **strutherslakerp@gmail.com**



## Thinking of getting a golf membership this year?

- For the 2022 season, we are offering half-price memberships (\$300) for new adult members (haven't been a member in the previous 5 seasons 2017-2021; purchase deadline is June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022)
- *Golf Canada / Golf Saskatchewan membership not included; Installment payments are not available for this offer*
- Gift certificates and passes are also available
- Contact [birchhillsrec@sasktel.net](mailto:birchhillsrec@sasktel.net) or 306-749-7451 for more information



### NOTICE

#### GRAND REOPENING

#### BIRCH HILLS MUSEUM THRIFT STORE

SATURDAY APRIL 2nd -

10 am to 2 pm

ALL DEPARTMENTS FULLY STOCKED

NEW LOOK - GREAT TO BE BACK



## 2022 SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAM

Help Support your Playground Program:

There are plans in place again for a playground program this summer. This program has been free to all kids ages 5-12yrs and we would like to continue the program at no charge. There are grants available but not all costs are covered. In the past businesses and individuals have donated towards this program for nutrition snacks, craft supplies, tons of fun Mon-Fri (Jul/Aug) and competitive wages for our leaders. If you are interested in assisting with budget requirements, please contact Rec Office for more info.

**JOB OPPORTUNITY:** Applications are being accepted at the Rec Office for Play Leaders and assistants this summer. Hours vary with positions. Must be available June 20th through Aug 21st, Monday to Friday. Must be 14 yrs+, a current full time student returning to school in the fall.. Please submit your application to the rec office by April 30th.

Birch Hills & Area Health Foundation Inc. Tuesday, April 26, 2022 @ 7:30 p.m. Birch Hills Health Centre Meeting Room. Please use Health Centre outside doors. Masks are required. Everyone Welcome. Contact Shirley Graupe @ 306-749-

## Ukrainian Easter Egg Class

Join us on April 5th, to decorate your own pysanka!

Two classes are to be held.  
Registration is \$5.

10 - 12 yr olds

@ 3:10 pm - 5:30 pm

Adult class @ 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm

Register today by calling the library at #749 - 3281, or stop in directly.

**COVID-19** 

## MEALS ON WHEELS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Deliver nutritious meals and share a smile with those in need.

**Sign up today!**

Contact your local Volunteer Coordinator for further information :

Email: [VOLUNTEERS@paphr.sk.ca](mailto:VOLUNTEERS@paphr.sk.ca) Phone: (306) 765-6119 | (306) 940-7490 or (306) 941-8365

We are currently recruiting Volunteers in Birch Hills, Duck Lake, Cudworth, Kinistino, Prince Albert, Rosthern and Wakaw.

We're taking necessary precautions to ensure deliveries continue safely during this time.

 Saskatchewan Health Authority

[saskatchewan.ca/COVID19](https://saskatchewan.ca/COVID19)

February 2022

Rec Board AGM

April 25th @ DLCC

(Duane Lowe Community Centre)

7:00PM

Grammas for TLC

Spring Dinner

Friday April 8th

11—1 PM

St. Mary's Anglican Church/St. Anne's

Meal by Donation

Eat in or Take out

*Birch Hills  
Senior Rec. Club  
WELCOMES*

***Birch Hills Line Dancers  
(Monday group)***

***Friday, April 8/22-  
2pm***

***at DLCC-Birch Hills***

***\$2.00 drop in fee applies-Open to all 50  
Yrs +. Coffee/tea &  
treats to follow***

## Crystal Springs Rec Co-op

### BINGO IS BACK!!



#### Starting Pots

Lucky 7 - \$50 in 20#'s  
Bonanza - \$150 in 55#'s  
Jackpot - \$300 in 54#'s

**NEW  
START  
TIME**

Starts Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>  
Crystal Springs Hall  
Doors open @ 6:15 pm  
**Bingo starts @ 7:00 pm**

50/50 Draw ~ Free Coffee & Treats  
Queen/King for the Night  
Weekly Door Prize ~ Monthly Loyalty Draw

## Birch Hills Senior Recreation Club News

The BH Senior Rec Club is happy to say “ We are back up and running and ready for fun!!! We have held a few executive meetings to get reorganized and are enjoying our new “home” at the DLCC (Duane Lowe Community Centre).

We are a club that is open to anyone that is 50 years of age and older and are welcoming new members. Our objective is to provide a safe place for seniors to gather for exercise games, fun, and entertainment. At the time of writing we have well over 50 members and membership is just \$15/person/annually.

To check us out, you are welcome to join us as a guest for 3 visits and then will be required to purchase a membership to continue to attend any functions we host.

Currently we have regular game times on Tuesday’s and Thursday’s from 2-4pm. Games consist of a real variety and I’m sure will continue to expand: cards, Crokinole, board games, and carpet bowling. There is always coffee/tea and cookies available and you don’t have to participate in games , you can come just to socialize too!!! Each day is a \$2 Drop-in fee for everyone.

We are planning to have some Special events on Fridays – our first one is Friday April 8 at 2pm as our local Monday group of Line Dancers will be coming to perform for us and we’ll have a socializing time afterwards.. A cost of \$2 drop in fee is the admission. In the future we are aiming to get guest speakers on a variety of subjects, crafts, entertainment. These will be open to all over the age of 50! Also if you have suggestions please let us know what may interest you.

Our Facebook page is: Birch Hills Senior Recreation Club watch there and the Heartbeat for updates !

If you need a ride to come down to the DLCC CONTACT Iris Fjeld, Joanne Howes or Shirley Ulvild, we’ll get you there!!!!

For more info contact any of our board of directors:

Iris Fjeld- 306-749-7377 – Richard Epp- 306-961-0653- Joanne Howes- 306-749-3435- John Herd- 306-749-7337- Val Quayle-306-749-3190-Maxine Cromartie-306-749-2564-Del Braaten -306-749-2726-Shirley Ulvild-206-749-2500-Grace Penner-306-749-7102- Lyle Evans-306-930-8074- Stewart Adams-306-749-7439..

Skating Rink AGM

April 12th 7:00 PM

@ Hesje Centre (Birch Hills Arena)

Sportsground AGM

April 19th 7:00 Pm

@DLCC

(Duane Lowe Community Centre)

## Birch Hills Blackhawks - 2021-2022 Twin Rivers Hockey League Champions

After a heartbreaking end to their 2019-2020 championship and provincial run and an early end to the 2020-2021 hockey season, the Birch Hills Blackhawks are the **2021-2022 Twin Rivers Hockey League Champions**.

Birch Hills faced the Clavet Cougars in the first round of playoffs. In game 1, the Cougars scored 5 unanswered goals to skate away with a 5 to 2 victory on Birch Hills' home ice. Game 2 was a nail-biter; the Blackhawks were up 3 to 1 with just over 1 minute left in the 3<sup>rd</sup> period, when Clavet scored to close the gap to 1 goal. They scored again with 16 seconds remaining in regulation time to tie the game. Birch Hills scored the sudden victory goal 1 minute and 16 seconds into the overtime period to win game 2 in Clavet. The Blackhawks were victorious in Game 3 with an 8 to 2 win on home ice.

The Blackhawks were victorious in their semi-final series against the Warman Wildcats, winning the best of 5 series 3 games to 1. Game 1 was a 5-0 shutout win for the Blackhawks. Warman tied up the series with a 6-4 win over Birch Hills in game 2. The Blackhawks won 4-3 in overtime in game 3 and in game 4, they won 5-2 to advance to the final series.

The Shellbrook Silvertips defeated the Rosthern Wheatkings 3 games to 1 to advance to the final series vs. Birch Hills. This was a rematch of the TRHL final series from 2 years ago when hockey was shut down across Canada due to Covid-19. The Blackhawks were leading the series 1-0 when this occurred.

Game 1 was a back-and-forth game, with Birch Hills coming out of the game with a 6-4 win. Game 2 in Shellbrook was another exciting game, with the Silvertips tying the game with less than 2 minutes left to send the game into overtime. The Blackhawks scored less than 1 minute into the 10-minute sudden victory overtime period to win 4-3. Game 3 was back in front of the home crowd. Birch Hills led 2-1 after the first period. After 40 minutes of play, the score was tied 3-3. The Blackhawks came out strong in the 3<sup>rd</sup> period and scored 3 goals to win the game by a score of 6-3 over the Silvertips.

The team would like to thank their board, coaches (Todd Becker, Bruce Tilford & Zach Becker), volunteers, sponsors and especially the fans for their support during the season. The team could not operate without the contributions and support of everyone involved.

### Thanks to our 2021-22 Sponsors:

#### Silver:

Cargill, Birch Hills  
Warren & Brenda Harper  
Wong's Family Restaurant  
CMT Signshop – Marlene Hovdebo  
Jesse Heit – Century 21 Prestige Real Estate

#### Gold:

Quayle's Pharmacy  
Syngenta – Keith Isberg  
TC Electric Inc. – Luc Robin  
Tilford Farms – Bruce Tilford  
Whitrow Farms – Al & Tracy Whitrow  
Braaten Construction – Neil Braaten  
IG Wealth Management – Rupert Bremner

#### Platinum:

Cornerstone Insurance, Birch Hills  
Njaa Farm Ltd. - Kelly & Linda Njaa  
Nutrien Ag Solutions – Perry Clarke  
Ozmun Farms Ltd. – Troy & Lynette Jones  
Great Western Brewing Co. – Buck Kreutzwieser  
Murann Farms Ltd. – Murray & Loriann Stevenson  
Twin Groves Farm Ltd. – Murray & Ramona Swenson

**Thanks to our Volunteers who make every game and event possible** (apologies if anyone was missed – we know there are lots of people who step up to help when needed):

Iris Fjeld  
Ron Lyons  
Murray Swenson  
Carl Hanson  
Rosalind Doderai  
Bob McRury  
Laura Swenson  
Shea Fidyk  
Jamie Tilford

Shannon Simpso  
Ramona Swenson  
Wade Cochrane  
Greg Manson  
Brock Tilford  
Al Whitrow  
Neil Braaten  
Keith Matheson  
Derek Fjeld

Ethel Rutherford  
Zac Pitzel  
Stewart Adams  
Mitch Soyland  
Darryl Braaten  
Sarah Forsyth  
Brittney Becker

**The Blackhawks are holding their 7<sup>th</sup> annual Comedy Night on Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>.** You may purchase tickets from Blackhawks' players, at Quayle's Pharmacy and on [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com).

**We will also be holding our windup / awards presentation / golf tournament this summer** – watch for details on Facebook, in the Heartbeat and posters around town. Players, fans, sponsors and volunteers are all welcome to attend.

**We look forward to playing for you again next season!**

## Thanks to:



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**For Guaranteeing the Blackhawks  
March 18<sup>th</sup> \$1,000.00 50/50**

## Town and RM Battle Field Scabious

For a number of years the Town and RM of Birch Hills have been waging war on the weed Field Scabious.

The weed has been found growing in and around the cemetery. Infestations have also been found west of the cemetery and in the ditches adjacent to highways 3 & 25.

Field Scabious is a very invasive weed and has earned a spot on the 'prohibited' weed list under the provincial Weed Control Act. A single plant can produce 1,000's of seeds over one summer. The seeds drop to the ground and are spread by wind, water and birds. The intention of the control project is to eliminate the weed using a combination of timely mowing and/or chemical application.

Local residents may have noticed the cemetery looking a bit ragged in the spring as mowing is delayed.

Delayed mowing allows time for the Field Scabious to grow and stick its head up above the grass.

Once the weed can be easily seen, control measures can take place. Unfortunately, this may take until the end of June. The weed can grow to a height of 1 m with many stems and flower heads. It is thought that someone may have unknowingly planted an imported wild flower mix, containing Field Scabious seed, around a grave site.

Field Scabious is actually a common yard flower in many parts of Europe. It is known for its colorful violet/blue flower, similar to a Bachelor Button, and is very attractive to bees.

The area in and around the cemetery is monitored over the summer by Weed Inspector Barry Swanson.

Local residents will note a multitude of colored flags in the area over the summer – each marking a Field Scabious plant. Infestations, both old and new, are flagged and control measures taken. The location of the weed varies from year to year as both new and old seed can germinate. The long term goal is to keep the plants from setting seed and spreading to adjacent farm land.

Cooperators on this ongoing project are the Town of Birch Hills, RM of Birch Hills, Lake Country Co-op and the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure.

