



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**

December 1st, 2022

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Scrap Metal Drive fundraiser for the rink is still ongoing. 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. **DO NOT DUMP IF BIN IS FULL, also DO NOT DUMP METAL ITEMS ON THE GROUND.** This project is 100% on donation if we abuse this project we may lose it. Sometimes it has taken a while for the bin to be picked up so please check before you haul your metal. Thank you to all that have donated and continue to do so!

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HAVE YOU PLAYED ON A
BIRCH HILLS HOCKEY TEAM?

HOMETOWN HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

OPEN TO ANYONE OVER THE AGE OF 19 THAT
HAS PLAYED ON A BIRCH HILLS HOCKEY TEAM

DECEMBER 30 - DECEMBER 31

FRIDAY WING NIGHT AND PLAYER DRAFT
SATURDAY HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

\$50 PER PLAYER



TIGERHAWK HOCKEY



U13 Tournament Saturday December 10 at Hesje Centre

Date	Home	Away	Location	Time
11/05/2022	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Rosthern Wheatkings	Hesje Centre	7:00 PM
11/12/2022	Allan Flames	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Allan Arena	8:00 PM
11/18/2022	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Cudworth Tricky Maroons	Hesje Centre	8:30 PM
11/20/2022	Shellbrook Silvertips	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Shellbrook Skating Rink	3:00 PM
11/26/2022	Clavet Cougars	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Clavet Arena	8:30 PM
12/02/2022	Beardy's	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Beardy's Memorial Arena	8:00 PM
12/03/2022	Hanley Huskies	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Hanley Arena	8:30 PM
12/09/2022	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Allan Flames	Hesje Centre	8:30 PM
12/11/2022	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Hanley Huskies	Hesje Centre	3:00 PM
01/06/2023	Cudworth Tricky Maroons	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Cudworth Arena	8:00 PM
01/13/2023	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Clavet Cougars	Hesje Centre	8:30 PM
01/14/2023	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Hague Royals	Hesje Centre	8:00 PM
01/20/2023	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Kinistino Tigers	Hesje Centre	8:30 PM
01/21/2023	Kinistino Tigers	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Kinistino Sports Complex	7:30 PM
01/27/2023	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Dalmeny Sabres	Hesje Centre	8:30 PM
01/28/2023	Waldheim Warriors	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Waldheim Rec Centre	7:30 PM

**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**.

The wearing of masks and social distancing, while not mandated, is encouraged.

Friday, December 2nd – **Youth Event:** Christmas Tree Hunt (contact Father Jordan for details)

Sunday, December 4th 11:00AM – **Holy Communion; Second Sunday in Advent;** Potluck to follow

Wednesday, December 7th – **Bible Study** (location TBD)

Friday, December 9th to Sunday, December 11th – **Youth Event:** Quest Camp Retreat (contact Father Jordan for details)

Sunday, December 11th 11:00AM – **Morning Prayer; Third Sunday in Advent;** Soup, Buns & Dessert (open to the public)

Wednesday, December 14th – **Bible Study** (location TBD)

Friday, December 16th – **Youth Event:** Movie Night "Saint May-be" (contact Father Jordan for details)

Saturday, December 24th (time TBD) - **Christmas Eve Service**

TBD – Sunday School **Christmas Concert**

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 Ethel Rutherford (306-749-7444) regarding Sunday School.

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

For more information about youth activities and other events:



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

RECYCLE

Please Share your Newsletter with a friend. Send request to birchhillsrec@sasktel.net to receive the news letter online.



**Birch Hills Library
Report**

135 Bellamy Ave
(306)749-3281

bircirc@wapitilibrary.ca

Open Tues: 11-5 and 6-8;

Thurs 1:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Fridays 9 -1.

Masks are encouraged.

Join our Facebook group at: [https://](https://www.facebook.com/groups/289306315777789/)

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Weekly events:

Tuesdays – afterschool crafts.

Story time with craft and snack on Fridays at 10:00 am. All ages welcome.

Contact the library if you have a book you would like to recommend for others to read

Check out our artist of the month! This month features Community Artists.

Special events:

Fri, Dec 2 at 9:30 am Card making with Sarah Pearson. \$20 which includes all material required to make three cards and a little box. Pre-register by contacting the library at (306)749-3281

Nadene's Pick:

Nightwork

by Nora Roberts

this book reads well and quickly. It catches you and then you can't put it down. The surprise ending is great!

2023 Membership Payment Plan



As of October 1, 2022, we are required to collect PST on golf memberships; therefore the amount payable will be \$635.00 (price is valid until 2023 AGM held in April)

How to Pay:

- Leave post-dated cheques payable to the Birch Hills Golf Course at the Recreation Office (125 McCallum Avenue)
- E-transfer to birchhillsrec@sasktel.net (include golfer's name and what you are purchasing so we can track it properly)
- Stop at the Recreation Office and pay with cash or a cheque (open 9 to 5 M-F)
- Pay at the Golf Course until October 10, 2022

Blackhawks SWAG



Perfect
for
Christmas

Can Coozie - \$40
Driver Cover (black) - \$40
Club Cover (tan) - \$20

Etsf to blackhawkssrhockey@gmail.com
Pick up at games or call 306-749-7542

CHURCH SERVICES:

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



St Anne Roman Catholic

9 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

November 13,27

Dec 11, 18

Candle light service December 23rd 7:30 Pm @
Bethania

Lake Park Baptist Church

For the Sunday school time can you take the
starting date out as it has now passed and just say
Sunday School for all ages at 10 AM

Sunday Morning Service 11 AM

live stream and weekly viewing available
at lakepark.ca.

Ladies Bible Study - Monday mornings from 9:45-
12. All ladies welcome.

Contact Billie-Jean Thompson 306-981-4574

Club DJ for ages K-Gr 6. Tuesdays from 6:45-
8:15. \$45.00 for crafts and book. Contact Rachelle
Gitzel to register - 306-314-1234.

Tuesday evening Youth Bible Study

Friday night Youth Events.

Contact James Banman
at lakeparkyouth@gmail.com for more infor-
mation.



The Birch Hills Curling Club

Save Our Rink Fundraising Campaign

Our Birch Hills Curling Club has been the hub of activity for years. Recently, the much-needed upgrade to our ice plant, has insured that it will be the hub of activities for many more years to come. We, as a club, are proud of our rink both with regards to the facility and the active membership. We have unfortunately seen other clubs in the rural areas close their doors due to low membership and that is not the case for our rink. We are thriving and our board is proud to say that our membership continues to exceed our expectations and our bonspiels are events that our curlers and community members look forward to every year. For this reason, we did not hesitate to move forward and upgrade the ice plant even though the financial obligation is of considerable size.

Our club is looking for financial support from the community to assist with the \$86,000 owing for the curling club's share of the upgrade. (ice plant is shared with the skating rink) This support can take place through attending fundraisers this season, and we look forward to bringing activities to the community that will be fun and profitable for our club. This support can also be received by donation. If anyone in the community and surrounding area would like to contribute with a donation, we would greatly appreciate your support. You can send your donation to The Town of Birch Hills and in return receive a taxable receipt for your generosity. A minimum of \$25 to receive a receipt, make cheques payable to Town of Birch Hills with a note that the money is to go towards the curling rink.

Stay tuned for upcoming fundraising events....

Bonspiels are scheduled as follows: Town Vs Country December 9th and 10th (Town Won Last Year!!), The Open Bonspiel January 13th & 14th, The Seniors Bonspiel January 23rd – 26th, The Ladies Bonspiel Feb 10 & 11 and The 2 Person Bonspiel March 17th 18th and 19th

Any questions concerns can be directed to the club president: Shelly Carriere 306-961-8810



The Birch Hills Black-hawks will once again be hosting their annual Comedy night stay tuned for more information.

Hello Town of Birch Hills

My name is Amy Nelson. I am a Saskatchewan based recording artist and the

founder of a music school for kids called Sing Like A STAR. Our program is

based in Regina. However, through COVID, we realized that we could offer our

lessons online and reach many more children across Saskatchewan - especially

those in smaller communities which might not have the resources to offer

music lessons for their families.

I am writing to tell you of the three FREE holiday-themed singing lessons we

will be providing for kids in the month of December, with the hope that you

will pass this information on to the families in your area.

The lessons are for grades 2 - 8 and will be held online through Zoom on

Tuesday evenings (December 6, 14 and 20, 2022). Families who wish to

participate are invited to see all the details and sign up at

www.singlikeastar.ca/holidaylessons

We are trying to start up weekly volleyball if you're interested contact the rec office for more information.

306-749-7451 or

birchhillrec@sasktel.net



Ho-Ho-Hole In One



Shop from home and shop local – contact birchhillsrec@sasktel.net or 306-749-7451 for the perfect gift for the golfer in your life – gift certificates, memberships and passes are available.

For the 2023 season, we are offering half-price memberships (\$317.50) for new adult members (haven't been a member in the previous 5 seasons 2018-2022; purchase deadline TBD when we open in the Spring)

*Golf Canada / Golf Saskatchewan membership not included;
Installment payments are not available for this offer*



SUNDAY

SCHOOL

St. Mary's Anglican Church
Sunday School

Starting Sunday, November 6th

11:00am to ~12:00pm

279 McCallum Avenue

Call Ethel @ 306-749-7444
for more information

The Birch Hills Rec Board is looking for a fitness instructor contact the Rec office for more info. 306-749-7451 or birchhillsrec@sasktel.net

BlackHawks Vs. Allan



Free Admission Courtesy:



Community Food Hamper Night

1 draw ticket for each food donation

Prizes courtesy Great Western Brewing Company



Feeding the
Community

Fri
9
Dec
2022

Time | 8:30pm
Beverage Garden, Canteen
& 50/50 Available

Hesje Centre
2nd Street, Birch Hills



Blackhawks vs. Hanley



Go Hawks Go!

Sun
11
Dec
2022

Time | 3:00pm
Canteen &
50/50 Available

Hesje Centre
2nd Street, Birch Hills





TOWN OF BIRCH HILLS COMMUNITY WELL BEING SURVEY.

WE ENCOURAGE RESIDENTS TO COMPLETE THIS SURVEY AS PART OF COUNCILS STRATEGIC PLANNING INITIATIVES.

PLEASE NOTE THE OTHER METHODS OF COMPLETING THIS SURVEY:

TOWN OF BIRCH HILLS DECEMBER NEWSLETTER - QR CODE

TOWN OF BIRCH HILLS WEBSITE - POP UP ON HOME PAGE

HEARTBEAT NEWSLETTER - QR CODE

PAPER COPIES AVAILABLE IN OFFICE AND UPON REQUEST, INCLUDING VIA EMAIL

SHOULD YOU REQUIRE ADDITIONAL ACCOMMODATIONS TO COMPLETE THE SURVEY,
PLEASE CONTACT THE TOWN OFFICE 306-749-2232.