

## Southport Supports CFPD with a donation over \$13,000 after RCMP Musical Ride

This past July, Southport was proud to be one of three hosts responsible for bringing the RCMP Musical Ride to Portage la Prairie, along with the Portage Ex and The Community Foundation of Portage and District (CFPD). The show featured equestrian skill, and tours Canada to raise money for local non-profits.

Only July 26th of this year, the PCU centre was packed for two shows featuring the majestic riders, along with the opening acts: the Diamond Disc Dogs and the Métis Prairie Steppers. Between the shows, guests also had the opportunity to interact with the RCMP, meet the horses, and play children's games.

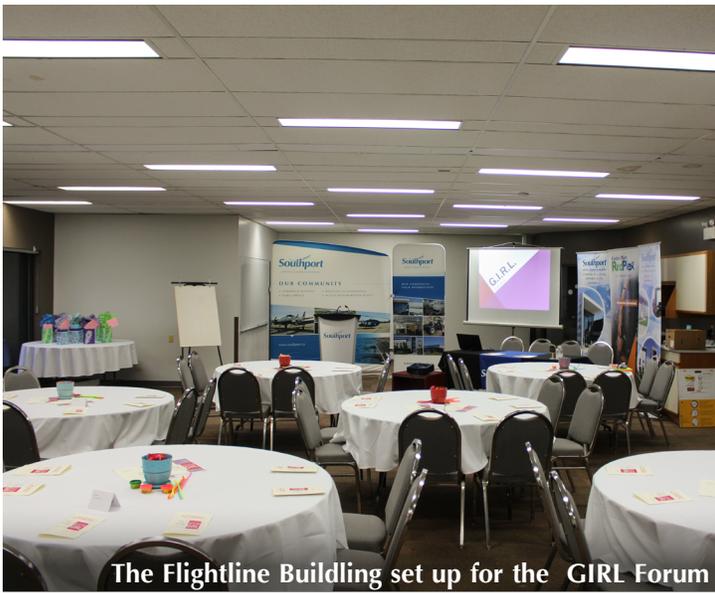
The sold-out event was a success, and generated over \$39,000. The net proceeds from the sold-out event, were split between the three hosting organizations and other local charities that volunteered. However, Southport did not keep their share of the proceeds.



Spectators at the RCMP Musical Ride on July 26



On October 19th, Southport presented a cheque totaling over \$13,000 to CFPD which was equal to Southport's portion of the proceeds from the RCMP Musical Ride. The funds were used to enhance the Southport Endowment Fund through CFPD. The fund will be used to assist CFPD's grant program in order to benefit the community as a whole. Southport is proud to sponsor initiatives that reinvest funds into the local community.



The Flightline Building set up for the GIRL Forum

## GIRL Forum held at Southport

On October 14, Southport donated the venue for the Girls Igniting Real Leadership (GIRL) Forum. The forum, coordinated by a local student, Alexandrea Nadeau, consisted of young women from across Manitoba working together to brainstorm solutions to the problems they face in every day life. The event was also attended by local successful women including EAMS principal, Kristen Zwarich, BDO accountant, Anita Janzen-Gemmell, TDS-Christianson lawyer, Hope Buset, KF Aerospace Chief Flight Instructor, Chrissy Perry, Austin-Portage Credit Union VP, Cathie McFarlane, CEO of Southern Health-Santé Sud, Kathy McPhail, and the Honorable Candice Bergen.

## Manitoba Precision Agriculture Workshop

Southport is partnering with Unmanned Systems Canada, Rocky Mountain Equipment Geomatics, and Ag Business and Crop Inc. to host a Precision Agriculture Workshop on Tuesday, December 13, 2016. The workshop will feature breakout sessions, static displays and exhibitions, as well as a farm panel and evening networking event. For more information, please see the invitation below.

# MANITOBA PRECISION AGRICULTURE WORKSHOP

December 13, 2016  
Flightline Building,  
175 Musketeer Road E  
Southport, MB

To stay up to date on details visit:  
[www.southport.ca/8/events-conferences](http://www.southport.ca/8/events-conferences)

For more details and speaking  
and sponsorship opportunities:

**\$100 REGISTRATION INCLUDES:**

- Breakout Sessions
- Farm Panel
- Breakfast
- Networking Evening Event
- Keynote Speakers
- Static Displays
- Lunch

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## Central Plains RecPlex Grand Opening

Mark your calendars for November 15 for the Grand Opening of the Central Plains RecPlex! The newly renovated facility will open its doors to showcase the 9 m climbing wall, 110 m indoor track, battling ropes, fitness equipment, and welcome centre.

The ribbon cutting ceremony will be at 2 PM, followed by samples of Sawmill Tea + Coffee Co. products. From 3 PM until 10 PM, the Central Plains RecPlex will be open with free admission.

Those interested will also have the opportunity to win a free 1-year membership as a door prize or by participating in the wall climbing race, bouldering challenge, or battle ropes challenge.

During the day, all memberships and retail items will be 10% off, which is the perfect opportunity to sign up for a new membership or renew your existing one.

# Central Plains RecPlex



## New lease with Sawmill Tea + Coffee Co.

Southport is excited to announce that Sawmill Tea + Coffee Co. has signed as the food kiosk provider for the Central Plains RecPlex. Sawmill Tea + Coffee Co. is a partnership with Visions of Independence Inc. and the Sawmill Tea + Coffee business model.

Visions of Independence Inc. (VOI) is a non-profit organization that offers an individualized and unique approach to community living for people with intellectual disabilities, which includes equal employment opportunities (such as Sawmill Tea + Coffee Co.)

For more information about Sawmill Tea + Coffee Co., including the menu and hours of operation, visit their Facebook page.

 [www.facebook.com/sawmillVOIsouthport](http://www.facebook.com/sawmillVOIsouthport)



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## General Members Evening

On October 19, Southport hosted its annual General Members Evening. The event included a recap of major events throughout the year and a summary of the current operations of Southport. LCol Marc-Antoine Fecteau also spoke on behalf of 3CFFTS. After the presentation, everyone adjourned to a delicious dinner at Voyageur Place.

## Southport Sponsors Community Events

Southport continues to sponsor community events and initiatives. In the past month Southport sponsored and was a visible presence at the following events and teams:

- GIRL Forum (In-Kind) (October 14)
- Portage District Hospital Gala (October 21)
- Portage Ringette
- PCI Trojans

Southport also made a donation of over \$13,000 to the Southport Endowment Fund through the Community Foundation of Portage and District and donated a prize for the Child Family Services Christmas Party.

## Happy Halloween!

On October 31, a mysterious pumpkin appeared in Southport to wish everyone a Happy Halloween!

Repairs are still ongoing at Southport's Main Office. We thank you for your continued patience, as we are still operating out of the back half of the building.



## Upcoming Events at Southport

### Central Plains RecPlex Grand Opening November 15

Mark your calendars! Southport will open the doors to the state-of-the-art Central Plains RecPlex this November.

### MB Precision Agriculture Workshop December 13

Southport will host a workshop that features information on new technology and developments on the forefront of precision agriculture.

## New Billboard

Southport's billboard on Highway 1 Westbound is getting an upgrade! Keep your eyes out for a new message appearing by the end of the year.



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