

The Southport Snapshot

May 2025

Last Month in Southport

April showers bring May flowers! Here are some highlights from the month of May in Southport:

- In May, Southport extended a warm welcome to several new team members. Colley-Anne Doyle joined as Human Resources Assistant, while Ciara Irwin stepped into the role of Marketing Assistant (Summer Student). Logan Calder also joined the team as a Facilities Maintenance Summer Student. Southport is excited to have these new faces on board and looks forward to the contributions they'll bring to the organization.
- Congratulations to Southport employees, Alley McKeller and Vanessa Proden, who both accepted new full-time Guest Services/Cleaning Service Technician positions in May.
- In early May, representatives from Southport's Business Development department attended the 2025 Manitoba Economic Summit and Manitoba Chambers of Commerce AGM in Winkler. The summit, Shaping Manitoba's Economic Future, brought together leaders and experts to explore key trends and opportunities in provincial economic development.
- In April, Southport was named one of ten 2025 Future Champions Award recipients by the Manitoba Chamber of Commerce. Senior management accepted the award at a May 12th evening reception on behalf of the Southport team.
- On May 15th, Southport staff participated in the annual FOD Walk, collecting debris around the site to help keep the community clean and safe for aviation operations. With ideal weather and strong team spirit, it was a successful morning of promoting safety and site pride.
- The 29th Annual Portage Chamber Golf Tournament on May 22nd kickstarted a busy summer of golf sponsorships and fundraisers for the Southport team.
- Southport was excited to sponsor and volunteer at Manitoba Aerospace's Aerospace and Aviation in Manitoba (AAiM) Day on May 23rd in Winnipeg. At AAiM Day, hundreds of Grade 6 students were introduced to Manitoba's thriving aerospace, defense, and aviation industries through interactive, hands-on activities.
- On May 26th, the CT-114 Tutor officially returned to its post outside the Peggy May Legacy Centre. Removed in 2023 for construction, the aircraft now stands once again as a proud tribute to Southport's aviation legacy and connection to the Golden Centennaires.
- In May, Southport representatives attended the SkyAlyne Townhall in Ottawa to discuss logistics for the upcoming Future Aircrew Training (FACT) contract. As one of three training sites, Southport plays a key role in the Royal Canadian Air Force flight training program.
- In May, Southport bid farewell to Jennifer Fincaryk as she completed her term as Manager of Recreational Facilities, and welcomed back Madison Connolly following her maternity leave. Southport thanks Jennifer for her contributions and wishes her all the best in her next chapter.
- On May 28th, Southport staff spent the morning planting vibrant flowers at the Rotary Duck Pond in Island Park—beautifying the Southport Landing Zone for the community to enjoy all summer long.
- On May 29th, Southport proudly supported the STARS Foundation as a Volunteer Sponsor at their Night with STARS Gala, helping raise awareness and funds to ensure STARS can continue providing critical care when it's needed most.

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Southport RUNway 2025

Registration is open for the 2025 Southport RUNway event taking place on Saturday, September 13th! **Register today** for the 5KM or 10KM run/walk through the community of Southport. All proceeds raised support the Community Foundation of Portage & District.

Canada Day Holiday Hours

Southport Aerospace Centre: On Tuesday, July 1st, all Southport staff will be away from the office for Canada Day.

Central Plains RecPlex: No closures – regular hours of operation.

Southport Bowl: No closures – regular hours of operation.

Southport Golf Club: No closures – regular hours of operation.

Southport Scholarships

A key investment priority for Southport through its Corporate Stewardship Program is to support those pursuing higher education and professional development. Southport is proud to offer four scholarship opportunities this year – visit [Southport.ca](https://southport.ca) to learn more about each scholarship and the eligibility criteria.



The Recreation Report

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NEW Summer Hours

Starting June 16th, Southport Bowl and Central Plains RecPlex will shift to summer hours. The RecPlex will be open daily from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM, with 24/7 access still available for Whole Facility Members. Southport Bowl will be open Monday to Saturday from 12:00 PM to 8:00 PM, and Sundays from 12:00 PM to 6:00 PM.

FREE Drop-Ins All Summer Long!

Looking to stay active this summer? Take advantage of FREE INDIVIDUAL DROP-INS at the gymnasium throughout June, July and August! Please note that bookings take priority.

Brews + Bites

This summer, enjoy either a breakfast sandwich, breakfast wrap, OR grilled cheese sandwich combo featuring a bag of chips and a can of pop for just \$11.25, taxes included!

Southport Bowl

Summer Lanes Promotion

Strike up a good time all summer long with 50% OFF LANES throughout June, July, and August!

\$5 Neon Nights - Neon Lights & Big Strikes

We've turned up the glow and brought the value—every Tuesday, just \$5 gets you a game of bowling and your shoe rental!

Youth Drop In Bowling

Youth 17 years of age & under can enjoy a fun, indoor activity for only \$10.00/person, shoes included, from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM, every Saturday. Ends Saturday, June 28th.

Southport Golf Club

Upcoming Closure

Please note that the course at Southport Golf Club will be closed until noon on June 28th for a golf tournament. The clubhouse will remain open.

Father's Day Burger Buffet

Celebrate Father's Day at Southport Golf Club on Sunday, June 15th with a burger buffet and time on the range! Dads enjoy a FREE ½ bucket of balls, and the buffet runs from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM for \$22/person. Call 204.428.3174 to RSVP by Thursday, June 12th.

Pickerel Dinner at Southport Golf Club

Southport Golf Club is hosting a pickerel dinner on Friday, June 27th! The cost is \$35/person & includes deliciously prepared pickerel, rice, vegetables, and a dinner roll. Please call 204.428.3174 to RSVP by Friday, June 20th.

Free Youth Golf Lessons Coming in July

Southport Golf Club is excited to offer free youth golf lessons starting Wednesday, July 2nd, with Community Golf Coach Riley Miller. Please call 204.428.3174 for more information

Canada Day Deal

Celebrate Canada Day at Southport Golf Club with 50% off all tee times on Tuesday, July 1st—plus, enjoy 50% off driving range buckets all day with the "Tee It Up Tuesday" special!

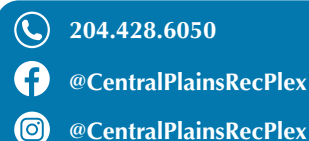
Stay in the Swing of Things!

Stay informed through Southport Golf Club's social media account for facility updates, events, and promotions.



Stay on Track!

Stay informed through Central Plains RecPlex's social media accounts for facility updates, events, and promotions.



Member of the Month

Congratulations to our May Member of the Month, Dean Lutz!



A member of Central Plains RecPlex for over 20 years, Dean has been showing up—and putting in the work—long before the current facility existed. In fact, he and his wife Margaret were regulars back when the gym was located in the basement.

Now at 81 years old, Dean's fitness philosophy is both honest and inspiring: it's not about getting stronger—it's about staying functional, consistent, and independent for as long as possible. He makes time for the gym three mornings a week, and having a gym buddy like Margaret helps on the days when motivation doesn't come easy.

With a quiet atmosphere, first-rate equipment, and supportive staff, Dean says the RecPlex plays an important role in helping him make the most of this stage of life—and we couldn't be prouder to have him as part of our community.

Here's to longevity, dedication, and showing up for yourself—one morning at a time. Way to go, Dean!

Do you have a Nomination?

Every month at Central Plains RecPlex, we'll be featuring a member of the month who shows dedication to their fitness goals.

If you have a nomination for a Member of the Month, please let us know by email, social media, or in person.