



The Southport Snapshot

September 2025

Last Month in Southport

As the vibrant days of September wind down and the crispness of fall approaches, Southport looks back on a month filled with achievements, connections, and memorable gatherings. Here are some of the highlights:

- Southport Supports Firefighters' Mental Health:** Southport has contributed \$5,000 in sponsorship to Cherkas Stepping Up for Firefighters Mental Health, a 490 km walk across Manitoba led by Andrew Cherkas, a former Winnipeg firefighter and current Aircraft Rescue Firefighter at Canadian Base Operators Southport. The journey, spanning from the Saskatchewan border to the Ontario border, honours a fallen colleague while raising awareness about firefighter mental health. Along the route, Andrew is visiting fire halls to share his story, connect with fellow firefighters, and emphasize that no one is alone in this fight. Southport's sponsorship highlights its commitment to supporting meaningful initiatives and advancing mental health awareness for first responders.
- Southport welcomes MLA David Pankratz:** On September 3rd, Southport hosted MLA David Pankratz, Special Envoy for Military Affairs, for a tour of the community. The visit included discussions on current operations and explored future growth opportunities under the FACt program, highlighting Southport's ongoing commitment to community development and collaboration with government partners.
- Slow Emergencies - Did We Really Even Try:** The opening reception of Slow Emergencies by artist Monique Martin took place on September 11th at Prairie Fusion Arts & Entertainment. On display until November 5th, the exhibition explores humanity's impact on the environment and our delayed response to climate change. By sponsoring this exhibition, Southport reinforces its commitment to environmental stewardship and community engagement as Slow Emergencies challenges viewers to reflect, act responsibly, and pursue sustainable solutions.
- Southport Participates in the 6th Annual Geno Romanow Par 3 Challenge:** On September 12th, Southport was proud to take part in the 6th Annual Geno Romanow Par 3 Challenge, an event that brings golfers together for a day of friendly competition and community spirit while honouring the legacy of Geno Romanow. The challenge provides an opportunity for participants to connect, celebrate, and support a meaningful cause, reflecting Southport's commitment to community engagement and shared initiatives.
- Southport Takes Part in KF Family Day:** On Saturday, September 13th, Southport staff had the opportunity to take part in and enjoy KF Aerospace's Family Day. The annual appreciation event provided the staff and their families of KF Aerospace, 3CFFTS, and Southport Aerospace Centre Inc. with the opportunity to fly in one of four aircrafts. Southport added to the fun with interactive games, take-home activities for kids, and plenty of sweet treats to enjoy!
- Honouring Local Heroes - Portage la Prairie Cenotaph Expansion:** On September 17th, the community gathered for the unveiling of the Portage Cenotaph Expansion, a meaningful ceremony that honoured local soldiers and RCMP. Earlier this year, Southport proudly contributed \$2,000 to the Portage Legion in support of this important project. Along with ongoing restoration at the Hillside Cemetery Soldiers Gravesite, the expansion ensures these places of remembrance will continue to hold a lasting place in our community.



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Stay informed through Southport's social media accounts for tenant information, events, community news, and construction updates.

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Southport RUNway 2025 - Community, Wellness, and Local Talent

On September 13th, the Southport RUNway brought together the community for a day of races, raising \$7,000 for Southport's Endowment Fund with the Community Foundation of Portage and District (CFPD).

Highlights included the 5 KM, 10 KM, and debut 1 KM Kids Run, with standout finishes, Colin Thompson claimed first with a time of 21:52, while in the 10 KM, Daniel Kelly crossed the line in 33:29.

The event also featured music, medals, swag bags, and the Revolve 360° photo booth. Thank you to all volunteers, participants, and sponsors for your support!



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The Recreation Report

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Southport Golf Club

Hours of Operation

The course will be open daily from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM, with the last tee time at 5:00 PM.

Twilight Golf

This October, enjoy 9 holes of golf between 3:00 PM and 5:00 PM for just \$20 at Southport Golf Club. It's the perfect way to squeeze in a late-day round and make the most of the season before we close.

Annual Season Ender Buffet - Don't Miss It!

Join us on Friday, October 17th, from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Clubhouse for our much-anticipated Season Ender Buffet! Enjoy an all-you-can-eat feast to celebrate the close of the season with friends, family, and great food. Plates are just \$15.00, and kids aged 4 and under eat for free. Come hungry and ready to enjoy!

Upcoming Closure

Southport Golf Club will officially close for the 2025 season on October 19th. Don't miss your chance to play a few more rounds before the season ends! The dining room closes for the season on October 17th.

Central Plains RecPlex

Hours of Operation

Central Plains RecPlex will be open Monday to Saturday from 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM and Sunday from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM, with Whole Facility Members continuing to enjoy 24/7 access.

The Buzz is Building

Coming soon! **The Approach Golf Sim & Lounge**, Southport's premier golf simulator and lounge, featuring the brand-new Golfzon TwoVision NX, the most advanced simulator Golfzon has ever built. Stay tuned, the game is about to change!

Southport Bowl

New Season, New Hours

Southport Bowl will be open Monday to Saturday from 12:00 PM to 9:00 PM and Sunday from 12:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Plan your visits and make the most of the season ahead.

Youth Drop-In Bowling is Back!

Youth Drop-In Bowling at Southport Bowl happens every Saturday, from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM — no reservation required. Youth Drop-In Bowling is for ages: 17 & under and costs \$10 per person (includes shoe rental).

Spooktacular Booling at Southport Bowl

Enjoy free shoe rentals, treats for all, and surprises lurking around every corner! This all-ages Halloween event also falls on a \$5 Neon Night!* Join the fun on Tuesday, October 28th, from 4:00 PM – 9:00 PM. Book your lane online or call 204.428.6050 to secure your haunted lane.

*The glowing drop-in special is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Booking a lane guarantees your spot but not the Neon Night rate. Costumes are highly encouraged.

Stay in the Swing of Things!

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

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Member of the Month

Congratulations to our September Member of the Month, Brett Finney!



A Central Plains RecPlex member for the past 2–3 years, Brett has embraced fitness as both a personal challenge and a lifelong commitment. Their current focus is on building strength through bodyweight training, while also incorporating running to improve stamina.

Looking ahead, Brett has set an ambitious goal: to take on adventure races and, by 2027, compete as part of a relay team in the Canadian Death Race.

Beyond personal milestones, Brett is driven by an important perspective—having seen firsthand the effects of poor nutrition and inactivity through their work, they are motivated to stay active, continue setting new goals, and prioritize health with each passing year.

Here's to persistence, new challenges, and never losing sight of the journey. Congratulations, Brett!

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.