



Southport Celebrates the Grand Opening of Hangar 5

January 22 was an exciting day at Southport with the Grand Opening of Hangar 5. The idea to build a new hangar at the Southport Airport began a few years ago when Southport began gauging interest in available hangar space.

In spring 2019, the construction of Hangar 5 began with the Groundbreaking Ceremony, held on April 25. This \$2.4 million investment was made possible through the hard work and dedication of the Southport team, LCL Construction and all other contractors that were involved throughout the construction process.

With assistance from the province, the J. R. Simplot Company signed on as the first official tenant of Hangar 5. Simplot, located immediately west of Portage la Prairie, has begun a \$460 million plant expansion, which requires regular flights in from their main offices in Boise, Idaho.

Speakers at the Grand Opening event included Southport Director, Business Development Colby

Orchard, Southport Board Chair Brent Gilbert, MLA for La Verendrye and Legislative Assistant to Minister of Economic Development and Training Dennis Smook, Portage la Prairie Mayor Irvine Ferris, LCL Construction General Manager Harry van Dijk and Southport Chief Executive Officer Peggy May.

If you are interested in utilizing Hangar 5, please contact the Southport Office at 204.428.6030.





Manitoba Airshow Begins Announcing 2020 Performers

The Manitoba Airshow has begun revealing performers and static displays on social media. With each performer or static display reveal, three hints are posted on the Manitoba Airshow social media accounts, leading up to the reveal. Follow @manitobaairshow to join in on the fun!

The performers that have been announced include the Canadian Forces Snowbirds, the Canadian Forces CF-18 Hornet Demonstration Team, Geoff Latter with his Nanchang CJ-6A, affectionately named Nancy and Hot Streak II, the jet truck. Stay up-to-date on the latest reveals and event information by following the Manitoba Airshow on social media.

Manitoba Airshow Fast Facts

- Add a Flight Deck Pass to your ticket purchase for only \$10.00 to access premium seating along the Flightline with a variety of food and beverage options.
- Purchase your tickets before April 30 and save \$5.00 on every ticket.



M3 Aerial Productions Hosts Advanced RPAS Ground School Training at Southport

On January 18 and 19, M3 Aerial Productions held an Advanced RPAS (remotely piloted aircraft system) Ground School at Southport. The participants enjoyed two information-packed days of learning about professional drone operations and discussing current developments in the drone industry including drone-based aerial crop spraying and remote traffic management.



Southport Celebrates Excellence in the Agriculture Industry

On January 31, Southport staff attended the Portage la Prairie Chamber's annual Evening of Excellence in Agriculture to celebrate the agriculture industry and the many people that contribute to it in our region. The evening was catered by Bill's Sticky Fingers and featured keynote speaker, Teresa Vallotton, of Farm Femmes. Southport congratulates all winners and nominees from the evening.

Tenant Feature: Portage la Prairie & Area EMS

The Portage la Prairie and area EMS has 5 ambulances stationed at the Groundside Maintenance Building at Southport. In 2014, their garage was expanded to accommodate the Regional Critical Care Unit. The ambulances and Critical Care Unit service the Portage la Prairie region.



Southport Speaks on Climate Smart Success

On Thursday, January 23, Southport staff attended Climate Smart training at the Manitoba Environmental Industries Association (MEIA) office in Winnipeg. Southport Properties Assistant Manager, Dean Rennie, spoke at the training session and highlighted what Southport has done over the last year in regard to tracking our CO2 emissions. In 2019, Southport was named the first Climate Smart certified organization in Manitoba. Southport hopes to inspire other organizations to pursue their own Climate Smart journey.



Southport and Central Plains RecPlex Cheer on the Portage Terriers

On Wednesday, January 29, Southport and Central Plains RecPlex cheered on the Portage Terriers against the Virden Oil Capitals. It was a great night of hockey with staff, as the Terriers came away with a 3-0 win! Southport had a booth on the concourse where we had a draw for 2020 Manitoba Airshow tickets. During the first intermission, four contestants joined us on the ice for an aviation-themed relay. We would like to thank our four on-ice contestants and congratulate Ken Safruk who won the tickets to the Manitoba Airshow on June 20 and 21, 2020.

Southport and Central Plains RecPlex are proud to be an Official Partner and the dry land training facility of the Portage Terriers. Go Terriers!



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Southport is Hiring!

Southport is currently seeking a Summer Marketing Assistant, two Facilities Maintenance Summer Students and two Recreation Custodial Service Technicians. This is an exciting opportunity to be a part of the Southport team. If one of these positions sound like a fit for you, head to our website to view the full job descriptions and application information.

Summer Marketing Assistant

The Marketing Assistant will be responsible for assisting the Director, Business Development and Coordinator, Communications in the production of marketing materials, creating content for social media platforms, setup and organization of various events (including some physical work) and a wide variety of administrative tasks.

Facilities Maintenance Summer Student

The Facilities Maintenance Summer Students' are responsible for maintaining grounds, restoring winter-damaged areas, assisting in general upkeep of the site by performing seeding, planting, pruning, watering, weeding, etc., assisting with infrastructure and residential preventative maintenance and miscellaneous assigned tasks and work orders.



Recreation Custodial Service Technicians

The Recreation Custodial Service Technicians' primary responsibility is to provide exceptional customer service, perform cleaning duties and set up / take down for events as required.

Upcoming Events

Louis Riel Day Hours & Closures February 17

On Monday, February 17, the Southport Office will be closed for Louis Riel Day. The Central Plains RecPlex will be open with regular operating hours.

Southport to Host Unmanned Systems Canada Student UAS Competition May 1 - May 3

Students from across Canada will come to Southport to compete in a medical package delivery themed competition at the Southport Airport.

RCAF Gala to be Hosted at Southport May 2

An annual fundraising gala, hosted by the Royal Canadian Air Force and the Rotary Club of Portage, will be held at Southport.

Manitoba Airshow June 20 - 21

Southport is excited to be hosting the Manitoba Airshow once again at the Southport Airport. This year's event will take place June 20-21, 2020, and will feature breathtaking aerial acts, static aircraft displays and plenty of other ground-level entertainment that is enjoyable for all ages.

CSR Report - January 2020

CFPD Advertisement Sponsorship - \$288.75

In January, the Community Foundation of Portage and District ran an advertisement in the Graphic Leader to highlight a grant given to the Indigenous Women's Counsel for the start-up of the Bear Clan in Portage la Prairie. Southport proudly sponsors these monthly advertisements, as the CFPD is one of Southport's key community partners.



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February Spotlight: Gastrocnemius Muscle

The upcoming muscle of the month for February is the gastrocnemius muscle. This muscle is located in the back portion of the lower leg and forms half of the calf muscle. It runs from just above the knee to the heel. The main function of the gastrocnemius muscle is plantar flexing, which is flexing the foot at the ankle joint and flexing the leg at the knee joint. This muscle is primarily involved in jumping, running and other fast movements of the leg.



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Member of the Month: Alicia Kasto

Alicia is a busy mom of 4 who started her fitness journey to be healthier and to show her children that there is always time for fitness! She strives to be an inspiration to other mothers who are trying to find balance between a career, family and fitness. Alicia is goal-oriented and is driven by challenges. She says nothing beats starting her day at 5:00 am to hit the gym head-on! Congratulations Alicia!

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

THIS VALENTINE'S DAY
TAKE A ROLL DOWN
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up my alley!

Southport Bowl
Friday, February 14 | 6-10PM
FREE shoe rental
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Celebrate Valentine's Day at Southport Bowl

On Friday, February 14, Valentine's Day, bring someone you find 'striking' to Southport Bowl, located in the Central Plains RecPlex. To celebrate the special day, the RecPlex will waive all shoe rental fees so you can bowl for only \$5.00 a person. Call to book your date night today!

Central Plains RecPlex Extends Holiday Hours

Central Plains RecPlex has extended holiday hours for 2020. The RecPlex will be open regular operating hours on all holidays except for New Year's Day and Christmas Day, to ensure you are able to get your workout in! To view all our 2020 hours please visit our [website](#).



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