



Southport Summer Highlights

Summer 2020 has come to an end, and despite the COVID-19 pandemic, Southport was able to continue with several planned projects this summer.

Southport is pleased to have also contributed to an array of local initiatives and organizations throughout the pandemic. Learn about Southport's top highlights from this summer.

April

New Centenaire South Builds

In the month of April, construction of the two newest duplexes began in Centenaire South. This growing neighbourhood offers the best of new home construction and quality finishes. Each home features included energy-efficient appliances and electric heating, which tie into Southport's certification as a Climate Smart organization. Scheduled for completion in November, these four homes will bring the Centenaire South community to a total of 6 duplex units.

Southport COVID-19 Update

At Southport, we're doing our part to minimize the spread of COVID-19 by keeping our office closed to the public until further notice. Inquiries can be made by phone or email. Southport Golf Club and Southport Bowl are open to the public. The Central Plains RecPlex is open to members. All workout sessions, tee times, climbing wall and bowling bookings must be made in advance. For more information regarding COVID-19, please visit the Province of Manitoba website for the latest updates: www.manitoba.ca/covid19/.

Southport Golf Club

In April, Southport assumed the operation of Southport Golf Club. The season began strong, with a positive response from members. Renovations took place inside the clubhouse during the month of May, while construction on the exterior patio expansion continues. As the 2020 season nears its end, Southport would like to thank all members and golfers for their continued support and we look forward to seeing you in the spring!

May

Spring Fitness Giveaway

Central Plains RecPlex held a Spring Fitness Giveaway throughout the month of May to keep our members active at home while the RecPlex was closed due to COVID-19. The campaign featured four weekly giveaways and two grand prize winners! Giveaways included prizes from Central Plains RecPlex and local businesses Supplement King and Honeybee Health Foods. With over 1,300 entries on Facebook and Instagram combined, the giveaway was a hit. The RecPlex was pleased to welcome back members when the facility reopened in June.

June

New Playground

A new, modern play structure was installed along Perry Street and opened to the public on June 12. The structure has proven to be quite popular and is often in use by community children and the Portage Day Care Centre. Featuring a recycled rubber base, the playground reflects Southport's dedication to being Climate Smart.



Virtual AGM

Southport held its Annual General Meeting on June 24 virtually, where the Board of Directors and General Members gathered to reflect on the positive 2019-20 fiscal year.

Central Plains RecPlex Gymnasium Floor

In June, the RecPlex gymnasium received a fresh look with the refinishing of the floor and placement of new lines. The gymnasium is the perfect space to hold a fitness class or group event. Book today by calling the Central Plains Recplex at 204.428.6050.

July

Summer Hiring

Despite the impact that the pandemic has had on businesses, Southport was able to hire a record number of 10 summer employees. Southport is pleased to provide employment opportunities to students throughout the summer months, particularly during these unprecedented times.

August

Yard Beautification Contest

August was the last month for Southport's annual residential area Yard Beautification Contest. In the summer months, Southport recognizes residential tenants who put extra effort into their yards by conducting monthly yard checks and presenting winners with coupons to local businesses. Read on to discover who the 2020 winner was.



COVID Donations

With the announcement of the pandemic earlier this year, Southport recognized the impact it was having on small businesses and not-for-profit organizations in the region. Over the past few months, Southport has made several donations to local not-for-profit organizations whose operations were hindered by the pandemic. Donations are ongoing and currently total approximately \$30,000. Establishing a sense of community and supporting local businesses, especially during this challenging time, is a commitment that Southport proudly upholds.

Construction Zone: Centenaire South



The newest Centenaire South duplexes now each have their own coloured garage doors, entrance doors, and freshly-poured cement driveways. Exterior work, including the front siding and landscaping, is set to soon follow. In August, crews were hard at work finishing the interior work which will soon be available to view on Southport's social media.

If you are interested in calling Centenaire South home, visit Southport's website or contact the Southport Property Management team.

 204.428.6030

 propertymanagement@southport.ca

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Community Yard Beautification, the 2020 Winner is . . .

In August, 15 tenants were chosen as the final Community Yard Beautification winners and were awarded gift cards to Prairie City Cinema. To wrap up the summer contest, one residential tenant was chosen as the overall winner. Teresa Sophasath was the lucky winner, receiving a gift card to Solomon's Home and Garden Centre. Congratulations Teresa, and thank you to all tenants for your hard work and dedication to making Southport beautiful.



New Provincial Highway Attraction Signs

Have you noticed the new Southport signs along the Trans-Canada Highway on the Portage la Prairie bypass? These larger signs now feature Southport's accommodations, recreation options including Central Plains RecPlex, Southport Golf Club and Southport Bowl, the Southport Airport, and other community attractions.

Keep an eye out on your next drive on the Trans-Canada and stop in for a visit to enjoy Southport's many amenities.





Southport Employee Celebrates Ten Year Milestone

This August, Southport's Coordinator, Facilities, Peter Sharkey, celebrated a milestone of 10 years of employment at Southport. Congratulations!



Annual Tree Planting Initiative

During the last week of August, dozens of new trees were planted throughout the Southport community. The Southport Facilities Maintenance team and Green Team members planted each tree with care. This is an annual initiative that is proudly upheld as it reflects Southport's certification as a Climate Smart organization that is tracking and taking action to reduce its carbon footprint and greenhouse gas emissions. We look forward to watching these trees grow in the coming years.

Inaugural Staff Sports Day

On August 28, Southport held its first Staff Sports Day. While maintaining safe social distancing, staff chose to spend their afternoon at either Southport Bowl or Southport Golf Club. This event was held to show appreciation for the dedication and hard work shown by both full-time staff and the departing summer students over the past few months.

Plaques were presented to the winning teams, which will be engraved and hung in the Southport Office until the next annual celebration.

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Golf 1st Place Team: Chance Dickenson, Michael Manastyr, Dorothy Young, and Peter Harrison.



Bowling 1st Place Team: Ted Vandenberg, Janelle Hulme, Madison Young, and Faith Buhler.

Southport Golf Club Goes 'Green'

Southport Golf Club added 5 electric golf carts to its fleet. Fauschou Ag Center Inc. delivered the carts, which were ready for their first round on the course with a full electric charge. These electric carts produce almost no carbon as the electricity that they are charged with is 98 per cent carbon neutral. Swing by Southport Golf Club and try out a new cart during your next game!



 Monday - Sunday 7:30 AM - 9:30 PM

 SouthportGolfClub.ca

 204.428.3174

Fast Fact

Each electric cart features a cooler, located on the back passenger side. Grab some cold drinks at the clubhouse before you head out on your next round!



Tenant Feature: KF Aerospace

KF Aerospace - Defence Programs (KF Aero) services the Royal Canadian Air Forces' primary flight training program. In 2005, KF Aerospace (formerly Kelowna Flightcraft) was awarded the Contracted Flying Training and Support Services contract. As the prime contractor of a team of top Canadian aerospace companies, KF Aerospace has established a turnkey operation at the Southport Airport with new facilities, training devices, and courseware to satisfy the training requirements of the RCAF.

The first-class aviation training program not only features the very best in aircraft and equipment, but also takes full advantage of the latest advances in simulators and flight training technology.

KF Aerospace is Southport's largest tenant and embraces Southport's proud military history while putting us on the map as they train 80% of all Royal Canadian Air Force pilots.



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Say Hello to Southport's Newest Employee

Southport welcomes Evan Smoke, the newest Clubhouse Server/Cook at the Southport Golf Club. Say hello during your next visit!

Member Nominations

Are you a RecPlex member? We want to celebrate your transformations, highlight your favourite workouts and personal bests, share your motivation, feature your RecPlex reviews, and more! Nominate a friend from the gym, or share something about yourself. If you wish, keep your comments confidential by using our nomination box at the front desk, or email recfrontdesk@southport.ca.



Machine of the Month

The Jacobs Stairway is a revolutionary stair climber. Just like with the Jacobs Ladder, the July Machine of the Month, you control the speed. The higher up you go, the faster the stairs come. This is also the only commercial stair climber that does not require a plug, making it environmentally-friendly.

Switch up your cardio regime and try the Jacobs Stairway at your next workout. Book by phone or online today!

Workout or Climbing Session Booking Reminder:

- 1 You must be a member to book.
- 2 Book your workout at CentralPlainsRecPlex.com or call 204.428.6050.
- 3 During your scheduled time, you have full access to the fitness area and climbing wall.
- 4 You must arrive, workout or climb and exit the facility within the 2-hour time slot.

Connect with us!

Our Location:

75 Centenaire Drive,
Southport, MB ROH 1N1

Hours of Operation:

Monday to Saturday: 5 AM - 10 PM
Sunday: 7 AM - 7 PM

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Our Climbing Wall has Reopened!

Reach new heights on our 30' indoor climbing wall. With three types of climbing and various routes to choose from, the rock wall is fun and challenging for all skill levels!



BOULDERING (15 Min. Orientation/3:1 Supervision Ratio)

- Form of rock climbing that is performed without the use of ropes or harnesses.
- While it can be done without any equipment whatsoever, most climbers use climbing shoes to help secure footholds, chalk to keep their hands dry, and bouldering mats to prevent injuries from falls.



AUTOBELAY (15 Min. Orientation/3:1 Supervision Ratio)

- The autobelay takes up the slack as a climber ascends and safely controls the descent when the climber lets go or falls, eliminating the need for a human belayer.
- A great way to get into climbing as it is as easy as clip in, climb, descend, and repeat.



TOP-ROPE BELAY (2.5 Hr. Orientation/1:1 Supervision Ratio)

- Climbing style where the climber is securely attached to a rope which passes up, through an anchor system at the top of the climb, and down to a belayer at the foot of the climb.
- The belayer takes in slack rope throughout the climb, so that if at any point the climber were to lose their hold, they would not fall more than a short distance.
- Recommended for advanced climbers.

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August Event & Charity Support

CFPD Advertisement Sponsorship

The Community Foundation of Portage and District ran their monthly advertisement in the Graphic Leader highlighting a recent upgrade to the Herman Prior Centre. The CFPD, along with many other supporters and granters, provided the Herman Prior Centre with the funds required to renovate and improve the functionality of their washrooms. The Herman Prior Centre's purpose is to give older persons in our community the opportunity for active and healthy living while in retirement.

Southport proudly sponsors these monthly advertisements, as the CFPD is one of Southport's key community partners.



Prairie Pregnancy Support Centre

In August, Southport provided a monetary donation to the Prairie Pregnancy Support Centre. The centre offers compassion, hope and resources for anyone facing pregnancy-related decisions. The organization has been in search of supplies for expectant mothers, including food and formula. COVID has caused many single parents to feel isolated, fearful, and overwhelmed, with food insecurity being a real need as some people do not have the financial resources to obtain extra food and formula.

Southport is honoured to support Prairie Pregnancy Support Centre in their effort to provide free and confidential services to those in need.

Youth for Christ Golf Tournament

Southport donated a Southport Golf Club package to the Portage la Prairie Youth for Christ Golf Tournament. YFC's desire to support and transform the community through relationships, mentoring and a challenge-driven message directed at the hearts of the local youth population, as well as connecting with families to address issues such as poverty and isolation.

Southport is pleased to support local organizations, such as YFC, in their fundraising efforts to help community.





ROK Central Pizza Day

On August 26, Southport staff participated in the 2nd annual Recreation Opportunities for Kids (ROK) Pizza Day. All fundraising proceeds went to ROK Central who creates recreation opportunities for kids who otherwise would not be able to access them.

Southport is happy to support ROK Central in making a difference in the lives of children and youth in our community.

Manitoba Aerospace Annual Golf Tournament

In August, Southport attended the annual Manitoba Aerospace Golf Tournament. All proceeds from this annual tournament went toward the Manitoba Aerospace Student Endowment Fund. It was a great day of networking and fun, while helping raise funds that assist secondary and post-secondary students in achieving their career goals in the aerospace industry. Southport proudly supports this tournament and the efforts of Manitoba Aerospace in encouraging youth to pursue careers in the aerospace industry.



\$41,232.97



Total 2020 Donations

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