



2018 - Year in Review

2018 was a great year in Southport with many exciting things occurring in the community. These included new additions to Southport's amenities, upgrades to buildings and several events.

Here are our top 5 highlights from the year:

1 The most significant part of the year for Southport was being named as a continuing location for the military's new training services known as Future Aircrew Training or FAcT. Southport hosted several guests from the FAcT team on a tour of the Southport facilities this month.

2 Visitors and residents of Southport may have noticed two new buildings that are now available for rent in



Centennaire South. These new rental properties offer upscale amenities and finishings in a safe, peaceful country setting only minutes from Portage la Prairie. Two additional units are currently under construction and will be available for rent April 1.

3 The Manitoba Airshow made an appearance in Southport this year. One of the highlights of the airshow and a crowd favourite, the Canadian Forces Snowbirds, made an appearance again, dropping and flipping through the sky. The event was well-attended and made possible with the help of over 400 community volunteers.

4 The Central Plains RecPlex had an exciting year with the grand reopening of Southport Bowl. The newly renovated 5 - pin bowling alley features 5 lanes of bowling suitable for all ages. The many upgrades to the facility include a new accessible entrance through the main doors of the RecPlex, a new, modern look and feel, digital scoring and added food and beverage services.



5 One of the accommodation buildings on-site, Mynarski House, received renovations and upgrades completed entirely by Southport employees. The renovations in this building included fresh paint, new flooring, major upgrades to the common kitchen areas on each floor, and the creation of private bathrooms for each individual room. This building, with its added amenities such as wifi and flat screen televisions, is popular among students attending programs on-site, and ideal for groups or anyone else who is searching for long or short-term accommodations.

Stevenson Campus Graduation Ceremony

Congratulations to the graduating class of Red River College, Stevenson Campus. On December 7, twelve students from the Aircraft Maintenance Journey person Program graduated and received their "M" license.



3CFFTS Graduation Ceremony

Congratulations to the December class of 3 CFFTS. On December 14, students from classes ME 1806 and RW 1805 graduated. Completing this program takes hard work and dedication. Congratulations!

Commercial Tenant Christmas

In the spirit of the holidays, Southport presented their commercial tenants with calendars, sweet treats and a special Christmas card. This year's Christmas card is not only pleasing to the eye, but it can also be planted in soil in the spring and will produce beautiful Manitoba wildflowers. We can't wait to see the cards in bloom!

Southport App Available for Download

Southport is excited to announce the launch of its new app! The app features news and events, maps and descriptions of what is available on-site, a link to the full website and a section for the RecPlex. Tenants of Southport can input maintenance requests and can find a full section dedicated to tenant information such as garbage and recycling schedules. The app is now available for download in the App Store and on Google Play.



Once you have downloaded the Southport app, come visit us at the office, show us you have the app, and receive a free stick-on cellphone wallet!

Tenant Feature: Airport Technologies Inc.

Airport Technologies Inc. (ATI) is a local Canadian company that specializes in manufacturing airport snow clearing equipment. They manufacture the best "purpose-built" airport plow vehicle in the world, the Snow Mauler. They also create a high speed airport snowblower called the Snow Wolf (pictured right.) ATI is also a premier Re-Life specialist to refurbish airport runway snowblowers and runway sweepers.

ATI's products are used at over 40 airports across Canada, the United States and even all the way in Antarctica!

ATI is located on the east side of Southport in a hangar that has undergone recent construction to include a large scale crane.



Drone Training Course Coming to Southport

On February 12-13, M3 Aerial Productions is hosting an Unmanned Aerial Vehicles ground school at Southport. The course is ideal for anyone looking to become certified to fly a drone for commercial or research purposes, or who need assistance obtaining a Special Flight Operations Certificate (SFOC). You can register at m3aerial.com.



Southport Attends Annual Province Luncheon

On Thursday, December 6, Southport Directors and Management attended the annual State of the Province luncheon. The address attracted more than 1300 people to witness the governments priorities for the coming year such as details for the new economic plan, and changes to the Tax Increment Financing program, which offers incentives for new property development. Afterward, those in attendance were able to network with each other and community leaders.



Southport Welcomes New Communications Coordinator

Southport would like to extend a warm welcome to Janelle Hulme as the new Coordinator, Communications. Janelle is a graduate of the Creative Communications program at Red River College. Janelle has writing and design experience that she is eager to put to use in her new role. Welcome to the team Janelle!

New Employees at Central Plains RecPlex

Three new employees, Brianna Boyse, Jordan Holman and Kendra Hofer, recently started as Customer Service Representatives, Recreation at the Central Plains RecPlex in Southport. These are some of the friendly faces that will greet you when you visit the RecPlex, and you will see them working throughout the facility. Feel free to drop by the RecPlex and say hi! We welcome you all to the team!

Brianna Boyse

She is currently pursuing her Bachelors of Recreation and Community Development at the University of Manitoba.



Jordan Hollman

He really enjoys working out, boxing, and staying in shape. He also enjoys spending time looking after his siblings.



Kendra Hofer

She runs her own business from home, walks and babysits dogs, and has a couple of her own dogs at home.



Southport Staff Christmas Party

The Southport staff came together to share in the joy and spirit of the holidays at their annual staff Christmas party. The staff began with appetizers at the Elm Creek Golf Course, then transitioned over to the Bridges Golf Course for their main meal, and finished off the evening with dessert at the Barker Building here in Southport. The theme for the evening was a murder mystery, which no one was able to solve.



Southport Community Survey

Thank you to everyone who participated in Southport's Community Survey! We will use your comments and feedback to ensure we are continuously improving our services and facilities. Congratulations to Catherine, the winner of the draw for the iPad!



Southport Supports United Way

100% of the staff at Southport once again participated in the annual United Way payroll deduction donation campaign. Southport's CEO, Peggy May, presented a cheque of all the donations to the United Way totaling over \$7,000. Southport matched all funds donated by staff.

Jingle Bell Breakfast

Southport attended the 18th annual Jingle Bell Breakfast that collects donations from the community for the Salvation Army's Christmas hamper program. Southport presented a cheque for \$1000 to help fund the Christmas hampers.

Southport Donates to Portage Festival of Trees

Southport donated a wreath (pictured right) to the Festival of Trees on December 1. Proceeds raised from the event go to the Portage and Rural MS Support Group to help local families affected by multiple sclerosis.

Upcoming Events

Portage Terriers Night: January 30

Join us at Stride Place at 7:30 PM to watch the Portage Terriers take on the Neepawa Natives. We'll have games, prizes and giveaways at our booth.

Drone Training Course: February 12-13

M3 Aerial productions is hosting a drone training course at Southport! Register online: www.m3aerial.com/uav-ground-school/

Home and Life Expo: March 15-16

Visit the Southport and Central Plains RecPlex table at Stride Place for a chance to win great prizes!



Connect with us!

Our Office:

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Hours of Operation:

Monday to Friday: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

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January Spotlight: Abdominals

The upcoming muscle of the month for January is the abdominals! A paired muscle running vertically on each side of the anterior wall of the abdomen. Also known as "abs" or a "six pack." When flexed the muscle moves the lumbar spine, bringing the rib cage and pelvis closer together. More information about the muscle of the month and exercises can be found on our website or on the posters in the workout area.



Upcoming Event: Top of the Bloc

Calling all climbers! Put yourself to the test on January 12 at the Top of the Bloc Bouldering Competition. Participants can compete in three categories: Open, Recreational, and Youth. Experienced climbers will enjoy the competitive edge of the "open" category, while beginners are welcome to try competition climbing for the first time in the recreational category.

For more details and to register visit our website: centralplainsrecplex.com/33/bouldering-competition



Member of the Month: Vanessa Mattice

Vanessa Mattice has been a member of the Central Plains RecPlex for over two years. Her fitness goal is "to be fit and fabulous at 43." Congratulations Vanessa!

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



The Central Plains RecPlex is ready to help you rock the new year with a membership! From January 5-18 you'll win a surprise prize or discount. Here's how it works:

1. You sign up for a membership at the Central Plains RecPlex. Any type of membership counts! (Drop in passes aren't included in this promotion.)
2. You pick a rock from our climbing wall. Turn it over to reveal a prize or discount!
3. In addition to your prize or discount, you'll also be entered to win your entire membership for free!

Possible Prizes:

\$5 Champ's Corner 2 Gift Certificate
Free bowling game (includes shoe rental)
Shaker cup
20% discount
10% discount

Beat Cabin Fever!

Bored of being in the house? Our climbing wall is the perfect solution! Drop in fees are \$5 for youth and \$15 for a whole family. A short orientation is provided and you'll be climbing in no time! We also do group rentals which are perfect for birthday parties or team wind-ups. (Must reserve group bookings in advance.)

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Our Location:

75 Centenaire Drive,
Southport, MB ROH 1N1

Hours of Operation:

Monday to Friday: 5 AM - 10 PM
Saturday: 7 AM - 7 PM
Sunday: 9 AM - 7 PM



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