



The Hepburn Howler

December 2025

Tis the season



Office Closure Notice

The Town Office will be **closed on Dec 25th and 26th for Christmas Day and Boxing Day** Regular office hours will resume on **Dec 29th**. The office will be **closed on Jan 1, 2026 for New Years Day** and regular office hours will resume Jan 2, 2026.

COUNCIL UPDATES

General Council Reminders

Meeting Schedule

3rd Wed of month, 6:00pm, at Heritage Common.

December 17, 2025	
January 21, 2026	March 18, 2026
February 18, 2026	April 15, 2026

Your Council in Action



Light the Night Monday November 24, 2025 – Pictures courtesy of Hepburn Parks and Recreation Board.

Council Meeting Highlights – November

1. The Town website will be upgraded to be cutting edge, become more user friendly, incorporate video ,and add an emphasis on the bold and aggressive Strategic Plan ***“Over the rise to our Bright Future”*** and growth of the Community.
2. The Hepburn Fitness Centre is open with much interest from the community. The fitness centre is free of charge until Dec 31, 2025 with the purchase of a membership. Rates effective January 1, 2026 are: Monthly Single - \$ 54
Annual Single - \$ 600
Annual Family - \$ 1,000
Anyone interested please complete the required form to obtain access – which is available at the Town Office and on the website.
3. In accordance with the Strategic Plan, the Town is hosting the **1st Meeting of the Hepburn Business Association on Wednesday, December 3, 2025**. Items such as the Business Retention and Expansion Project, how the Town can create an enhanced business climate, advice as to incentives for business will be discussed. (**RSVP to events@hepburn.ca for the luncheon 12-1pm**).
4. Progress has been made on the lagoon upgrade project and a grant application has been made to the Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund to upgrade the wastewater system to accommodate a population of 1,500.

New Cash Grants for New Homes

The Town of Hepburn is now offering a \$5,000 cash grants for newly built single-family homes. This isn't a delayed tax break. This is real money, paid upfront, when families need it most.

Mayor Erica Baerwald explains why this matters: "We are committed to responsible growth in Hepburn, and we know that every dollar makes a difference when you are building a new home. A brand-new home in Hepburn is already nearly \$100,000 less than in Saskatoon, Martensville, or Warman. Add this \$5,000 grant on top of that, and Hepburn becomes a truly prime location for families to build their future."

Why are families choosing Hepburn?



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- Only 20 minutes from Martensville
- Licensed child care and K-12 School
- Full-service Saskatoon Co-op and thriving business community
- Arena and Heritage Commons Events Centre
- Large lots and abundant green space
- Walkable, close-knit community

More space. More affordability. More community. If you've been thinking about building, now is the time.

LOTS FOR SALE

Build a House on North Hill (1 lot left) & South Hill Road (several lots left). **P: 306-700-3130**. Find out more: <https://www.claystonedevelopments.com/>

TOWN OFFICE UPDATES

Snow Removal

With the winter months quickly approaching, we'd like to remind residents that during significant snowfalls requiring the grader to clear the streets, **all vehicles and bins must**



be removed from the roadway. This helps ensure efficient snow removal and keeps our streets safe and accessible for everyone.

Hepburn Volunteer Fire & EMS Department –

Meetings are held at Hepburn Fire Hall on Mondays on Main Street - 1 meeting, & 2 training sessions per month. Talk to Fire Chief Gordon Jackson; Town of Hepburn Council Representative Deb McGuire; & RM of Laird Council Representatives Trent Ebach & Ken Fehr. Email: fire_ems@hepburn.ca

Observe and Report

The safety of our community is a shared responsibility. If you observe any activity of concern, please report it to the appropriate authority:

***Emergency:** 911

***Non-Emergency (Rosthern Detachment):** 306-310-7267

***Community Safety Officer Dispatch:** 306-232-4839

Be ready to provide your community, name, & report

***Online Report:** [Online Report](#)

TOWN CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Christmas season is approaching quickly, and we have some unfortunate news to share. SaskPower has updated their policy on which power poles can be used for hanging Christmas lights. Because of this change, the majority of our regular Christmas light route will be reduced. This means that 2nd Ave South and 2nd Street East will have no lights hung this year. We know how much our community loves the holiday displays, and we're disappointed too. We appreciate your understanding as we adjust to these new restrictions.

HERITAGE COMMON UPDATES

Private Christmas

Party Bookings

Book your family or business event with us at Willow Hall or Aspen Ballroom – open dates still available in

December. Email Lisa at events@hepburn.ca to find out about the options.



Heritage Lodge – Need Room for Winter Guests?

Book a room at Heritage Lodge - 2 single beds per room. Access to laundry, lounge, & kitchenette area with booking with fridge, stove, microwave, and coffeemaker. 23 rooms available. One new queen bedroom is available! Room Rate is \$50/night plus GST.

Event Positions – We Need You!

Interested in Volunteering OR Working for Heritage Common? Submit your inquiry and resume to events@hepburn.ca – positions may be available at various events, tournaments, rentals, weddings, retreats, recreation nights, birthday parties, and more.

Bookings & Tours

Email reception@hepburn.ca to schedule a weekday or weekend facility tour.

W: <https://heritagecommon.ca/>

Check out the Heritage Common Information Display located in the Main Atrium.



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COMMUNITY UPDATES

COMMUNITY GROUPS & EVENTS

CHILDCARE HUB – Contact the board about employment, volunteer, and donation opportunities. E: hepburnchildcarehub@gmail.com
Town Council Rep is **Rob Lyon**.

SENIORS COFFEE – **Coffee Time:** Wed 9am, **December 3,10,17,24,31.** All are welcome for coffee & visiting time at The Centre. Quilting Group welcomes newcomers.

YOGA AND MINDFULNESS CLASSES - Moody Moon Yoga, Jenn Baetz - moody.moon.yoga@gmail.com
*Yoga Classes on **Saturdays**
*Winter Solstice Class Coming UP - Dec 21
*Mindfulness Classes on **Mondays** - check Facebook for dates

FITNESS CLASSES – Strength and Stretch Class on **Tuesdays, 8:10-8:55pm. \$10/class. Drop ins are welcome.** Message Natalie – 306-981-4358. E: natalieshy17@gmail.com

PARKS & RECREATION EVENTS

NEW: VOLUNTEER POSITION OPEN – One position on the board is vacant – apply here: https://hepburn.ca/recreation/parks_recreation_board.html

RECREATION TIMES – **on Selected Wed Evenings** – Volunteers needed. \$2 for youth and children, \$5 adult, \$10/monthly pass. Pickleball, badminton, and more! Dec 3, 10, 17. ***Men's Basketball is starting soon!**

NEW: SNOWSHOE OUTINGS – Watch for news about snowshoe outings, and Full Moon Treks in Hepburn Forest. Parks and Rec has snowshoes to loan out. Email recreation@hepburn.ca to book a pair or more.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES – Donate your year-end giving to Hepburn Projects - Winter Programs, Light the Night, Festival of Trees, Christmas Break & More! Click: www.hepburn.ca/doing_business/sponsorships.html

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD – Nominate a worthy Hepburn & Area Resident who makes a difference with their time and energy! Email recreation@hepburn.ca to give a name and reason for your nomination. ALSO - **Nominate a YOUTH VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR** (Aged 13-19 years of age).

PUBLIC SKATING TIMES

Sundays 1:30-4:30pm generally
Volunteers needed for supervision- watch for Facebook posts about opening date
- possibly Sunday, December 14th.



SAVE THE DATE

Winter Festival
March 6-8, 2026

***WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU** – **Write us a letter or email!** Due Dec 3. Next Meeting is Dec 8. Want to get involved? Volunteer with the board. Town Council Rep is **Joe Homontowski**.

Hepburn Parks and Recreation Dept

E: recreation@hepburn.ca

F: www.facebook.com/HepburnParksandRec





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HERITAGE COMMON COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

INDOOR WALKING PROGRAM @ HC Gym

Mondays through Fridays, 9:00-11:30am. There will be a drop box for payment located outside Office B115. **\$2 for child/youth/adult drop in, \$10/month.** Email recreation@hepburn.ca to sign up for a pass.

BUILDING HOURS

*Heritage Common (703-B

Door) weekdays 8:00am-4:30pm. Rental bookings will affect access to the building.

Note the whiteboard sign in the **Atrium**. During Hepburn School Athletic Season, hours will vary. ***Town Office (703-A Door)** weekdays 9:00am-4:30pm. Interior Office Doors are closed for lunch 12:00-12:30pm weekdays. Changes will be posted and announced. Reminder - Children under 10 years of age should be supervised when in the facility.

YOGA CLASSES

Registration is open for yoga classes starting in early 2026! A range of styles will be offered, including Yin, Hatha, and Gentle Vinyasa, as well as free community classes on January 3rd. All classes will take place at Heritage Common in Hepburn. More details and registration forms can be found on my website: <https://moodymoonyoga.ca/services/> Register early to receive a 10% discount on fees! Drop in options coming soon.

There are a number of spots still available for the Winter Solstice Celebration on December 21st. If you anticipate a busy holiday season, this celebration will help you slow down and hit the reset button before diving into other festivities! Visit my website to register Jennifer Baetz, RYT -Moody Moon Yoga moodymoonyoga.ca

BUSINESS, ECONOMIC, & REGIONAL NEWS

THE GOLDEN CHEF

CLOSED Dec 22 – 26, 2025

OPEN regular hours Dec 27, 2025

Thank you,
Jingping Ma, Owner



NEW BUSINESS ANNOUNCEMENT

Kaitlin Schultz Massage Therapy is here at Heritage Common – she will be taking appointments out of room B141 by the gymnasium. Generally Mon and Wed mornings, and Mon evenings.

<https://www.facebook.com/kaitlin.schultz.rmt/>

HEPBURN AGENCIES – UPDATED HOURS & REMINDER

Hepburn Agencies is now open on Mondays from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. We also want to let you know that we accept courier deliveries in the office as a value-added service for our clients. Thanks for your continued support — we're always happy to help however we can.

ROSTHORN & DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Pick up a registration form at Heritage Common Gym Foyer or here: www.facebook.com/RosthernChamber We encourage Hepburn Local and Area Businesses to join in with the nearest Chamber this season!

NEW BUSINESS? Do you have a new business to highlight? Let us know! Want advice on how to get your business idea launched? Contact Lisa at events@hepburn.ca to find resources from Sagehill, SK Startup, SREDA, SEDA, etc.

**Next Howler
Submission Deadline
is Tuesday, December 23, 2025.**

**January EDITION goes out
on Monday January 5, 2026.**

**Send info to
reception@hepburn.ca
or call 306-947-2170**

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or email? Let us know!**

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<https://hepburn.ca/governance/newsletters.html>**