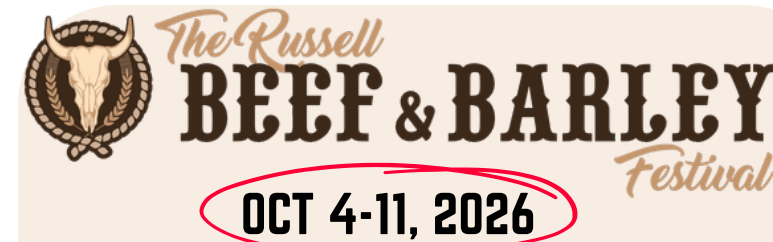


UPCOMING EVENTS



Join Beef & Barley on socials!
Facebook: Russell Beef & Barley Festival
Instagram: @russellbeefandbarley



Coats for Cold!

Coat to Give?

Donations of clean, gently used winter coats, hats, mitts, toques etc. can be made at:

- Reavies Pharmacy or
- Knox United Church (200 Memorial Ave N, Russell)

any time before October 24, 2026!



A Russell & Area Food Connections Initiative!

Need a Coat?
Gently used winter coats available in all sizes
Saturday, October 24, 2026
10 am - 1 pm
Grace Lutheran Church
114 Bonny Ave S, Russell



THANKS & REMINDERS

As harvest continues, we'd like to highlight the hard work, resilience, and dedication of our local farmers, growers and producers. This season has brought its share of challenges, delays, and setbacks, creating added stress and uncertainty for many.

Know that your efforts do not go unnoticed- we are grateful for the vital role you play in our community and local food system! We see the countless hours you invest to feed our region and beyond. On behalf of the whole community, we extend our utmost appreciation and wish everyone a safe, productive, and successful harvest!

As the current Council term comes to a close, the Municipality would like to thank our residents, businesses, volunteers, staff and community organizations for their continued involvement and commitment to Russell Binscarth. Municipal government works best when residents stay informed, share their ideas and take part in their community.

We encourage all eligible residents to exercise their right to vote in the 2026 General Municipal Election!

Elections information can be found online at:
<http://russellbinscarth.com/election26>

Next Council Meetings:

October 13 & 27, 2026

6:30 pm - Russell Civic Centre



Thank You



As our kids get in the back-to-school routine, please **remember to drive safely and watch your speed**- especially in school zones and residential areas.

Let's work together to keep our streets safe for students, families and neighbours!

A WORD FROM YOUR FIRE CHIEF

Happy Thanksgiving from the MRB Fire Department! Since the last newsletter update, MRB Fire has had 12 members complete the Provincial Basic Level 1 course. The course entails:

- Firefighter Safety & Behavior: Learning how fire spreads, building construction basics, and personal safety.
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE): Correctly wearing gear and using Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) in smoke and toxic environments.
- Fireground Operations: Handling and laying fire hoses, operating nozzles, and raising ground ladders.
- Search and Rescue: Locating and safely removing victims from burning or hazardous buildings.
- Ventilation & Overhaul: Cutting or opening roofs/windows to release heat and smoke, and checking for hidden fire embers.
- Tools and Equipment: Properly using forcible entry tools, axes, and extinguishers

Now that everyone's busy summers have ended, members of the Fire Department will be enrolling in the provincial Fire Fighting Level 1, at the end of October. This will further expand the skills they have learned in the past year and help all members be better prepared for that inevitable emergency situation.

Some of you may have noticed a new addition to the fire hall in Russell, in the spring we purchased a new truck chassis for the water tank, as the old one had far exceeded the life expectancy of that unit. Now, with a new to us truck underneath it, it'll be a great addition to our fire protection services. A little update on the brand-new fire truck, it's currently on the floor at Fort Garry Fire Trucks, getting the pump, piping and equipment cabinets installed. The delivery date is still early in the new year, but if you want to maybe get a sneak peek, just follow Fort Garry Fire Trucks on social media and you may catch a glimpse of it!

On August 28, the FD in association with the RCMP, local EMS, the CERTeam, and Twin Valley COOP, participated in a touch-a-truck event. The event was well received, and due to its popularity, another event has been planned for the Beef & Barley weekend.

With October being Fire Prevention Month, and home safety being of the utmost importance, we would like to remind you to change the batteries in your home smoke detectors. Now that Manitoba is going away from a twice-yearly time change, it's a good idea to set up a reminder on your phone to change smoke detector batteries every 6 months!

The Russell Binscarth Fire Department

RECREATION REPORT

The Recreation Department offered a variety of courses this fall. We hosted a Safe Kids and Babysitting course that catered to rural life situations. There were 2 First Aid courses, 2 Hunter Safety, and 2 PAL courses offered as well.

We are pleased to welcome our new fitness instructor, Marianne Aumais! She is teaching a Pick-Your-Pace Boot Camp on Monday & Wednesday mornings from 9:30-10:15am and a HIIT (high intensity interval training) Class on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:15-12:45- lunch break fitness! We are looking forward to adding some pop up classes in the future! These classes have a \$10 drop in fee, no registration necessary!

We have FREE Public Skating every Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30-10:30am.

Pickleball is on Tuesdays from 1-3pm and Thursdays from 9-11am and 7-9pm in Russell at the George P. Buleziuk Hall (106 Shell River Ave S) Pickleball is FREE and all equipment is provided. Never played? We will teach you! Clean indoor shoes required.

Badminton is on Sundays from 7-9pm in Russell at the George P. Buleziuk Hall (106 Shell River Ave. S.) Badminton is FREE and we provide all equipment needed. Clean indoor shoes required.

Adults & Tots open play time starts in October! Located up in the Bunge Rm at the Russell Memorial Multiplex (Main St entrance and up the stairs). This is a FREE open gym type atmosphere for kids under age 7 to come play, supervised by their grown up. Wednesdays from 1-3pm October 14, 21, 28 November 4, 18, 25 and Thursdays from 9:30-11:30am October 15, 22, 29 November 5, 12!

-AMY TWEET, RECREATION DIRECTOR

WASTE DISPOSAL GROUNDS HOURS

	Russell	Binscarth
Monday	1 PM - 5 PM	CLOSED
Tuesday	1 PM - 5 PM	9 AM - 12 PM
Wednesday	1 PM - 5 PM	CLOSED
Thursday	9 AM - 1 PM	2 PM - 5 PM
Friday	1 PM - 5 PM	CLOSED
Saturday	10 AM - 3 PM	1 PM - 5 PM
Sunday	CLOSED	CLOSED

REMINDER!

Winter hours
begin
**October 16, 2026–
April 14, 2027**

**THE RE-USE IT
CENTRE
CLOSING
NOVEMBER 1, 2026**



CEMETERY CLEAN UP : OCT 5–9

Public Works will be conducting the semi-annual cemetery cleanup from October 5–9, 2026.

Staff will remove items that are clearly deteriorated, damaged, or have become debris.

Care will be taken to identify and leave fresh flowers, recent memorial tributes, and decorations that appear to be actively maintained.

Our staff will use their discretion throughout the cleanup process to ensure that meaningful and recently placed items are respected. **However, anyone wishing to safeguard a particular decoration or memento may wish to remove it temporarily before cleanup begins.**

Thank you for helping us keep the cemetery clean, safe, and respectful for all visitors.

SEASONAL REMINDER: MOVE RV’S, TRAILERS & BOATS BY OCT 31!

As the boating and camping season comes to an end, residents in Residential General (RG) and Residential Multi (RM) zones are reminded that recreational vehicles, travel trailers, and boats may be stored in front driveways only between May 1 and October 31.

To help keep streets clear for winter maintenance and snow clearing operations, all RVs, trailers, and watercraft must be relocated to an approved rear yard storage area or an off-site storage location by October 31.

Why does this matter? Clear streets improve visibility, support efficient snow plowing, and help keep roads safe and accessible throughout the winter months.

- ✓ Move RVs, trailers, and boats by October 31
- ✓ Store them in an approved rear yard or off-site location
- ✓ Help keep our community winter-ready

Thank you for your cooperation and for helping maintain a safe, accessible community during the winter season.

–JODI COOK, TRI-ROADS PLANNER

2026 FALL CLEAN UP: OCT 19–23

The Municipality of Russell Binscarth will be providing residential pick up in both Russell and Binscarth.

Items are to be placed at the FRONT street on the following day:

Russell

Monday – **October 19 – Russell North**

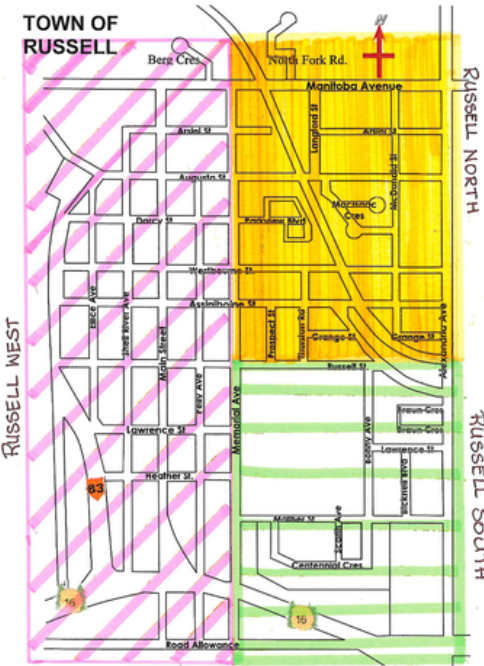
Wednesday – **October 21 – Russell West**

Friday – **October 23 – Russell South**

Binscarth

Tuesday – **October 20**

**NOV 3 : LAST DAY FOR
YARD WASTE PICKUP!**



**Items Accepted for
Pickup:**

- Excess Household Garbage
- Tree Branches
- Excess Garden Waste

Items NOT Accepted:

- Furniture
- Appliances
- Electronics
- Paint
- Any Chemical
- Mattresses
- Construction Materials

THANKSGIVING CLOSURE: OCT 12, 2026

Please be advised that the Municipality of Russell Binscarth Municipal Office, Public Works, Waste Disposal Grounds and Recreation Department **will be closed on Monday, October 12, 2026** for the Thanksgiving holiday.

GARBAGE & RECYCLING PICKUP WILL REMAIN UNCHANGED.

2026 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION

A vote of the Municipality of Russell Binscarth will be taken to elect one mayor and six councillors on Wednesday, October 28, 2026.

Voting Places will be open **8 am – 8 pm on October 28**

→ **George P. Buleziuk** or → **Binscarth Drop-In Centre**

Advance Voting in the **Brad Room** at the Municipality of Russell Binscarth Civic Centre on **October 17 from 8 am – 8 pm.**

Mobile Voting on October 28 → **Russell Health Centre from 10:30–11:30**

→ **Russell Personal Care Home from 1 pm– 2pm.**

Applications to vote by sealed envelope must be made in person **between Sep 30–Oct 25** OR **by mail or email between July 30 & Oct 25** to the Senior Elections Official :

Danielle Arran, Senior Elections Official
178 Main St N, Box 10, Russell, MB
election@mrbgov.com

2026 ASSESSMENT APPLICATIONS FOR REVISION

Applications to appeal property tax assessments must be made before November 3, 2026. The Board of Revision convenes on **November 19, 2026** to review applications for revisions. Full details on how to appeal your property assessment are available online at:

www.russellbinscarth.com/property-tax-assessment