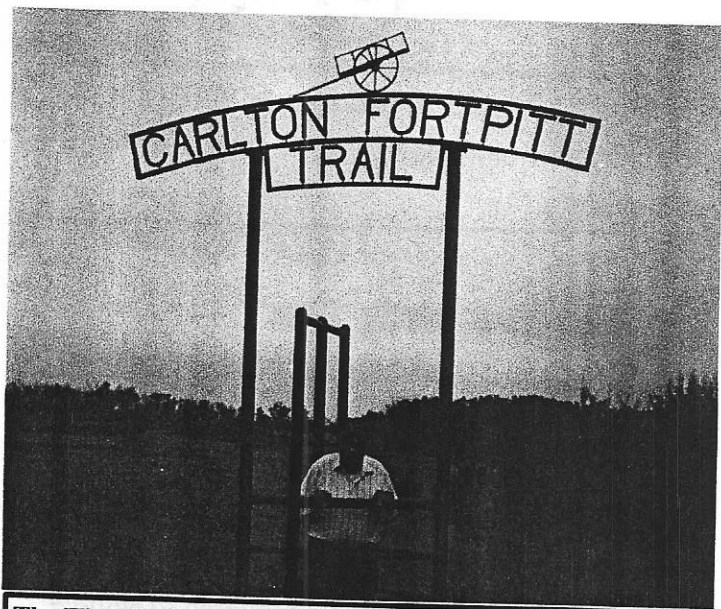


## Historic Travelers

*The following is from a diary kept by George M. Grant, Secretary to the Sanford Fleming Expedition of 1872.*

Aug. 22, 1872 (circa) Just as the sun was setting behind the Moose Mountain, we had ascended the high ridge that rises from Middle Creek, and were crossing the narrow plateau that separates it from Moose Creek. Getting across the plateau to the edge of the descent to Moose Creek, a glorious view opened out in the glowing twilight. To our immediate left, coming from the west, and winding south and east, the Saskatchewan, not quite so broad as at Carlton, but without any break or sand-bar, flowed like a mass of molten lead, between far extending hills, covered with young aspens like the Rhine with its vine-clad slopes near Bingen. Right beneath, was a deep rugged valley of Moose Creek, broken into strange transverse sections by its own action and by swirling overflows of its great neighbour, and running round north and north-west into the heart of the mountain that fed it, and that formed our horizon. Crossing the creek we camped on its bank. Out tents were pitched and fires burning brightly, long before the twilight had forsaken the west. Then a mighty supper of buffalo steak for, and limitless pemmican for our Cree visitors, rounded off one of the pleasantest days of the expedition.



The Historic Carlton Trail may someday be linked again to Riverland. Pictured here is Frenchman Butte historian, Edgar Mapletoft.

## Membership form

☐ **Yes!** I want to support the local trail so sign me up as a member.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_

Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Individual Member \_\_\_\_yr X \$10 \$\_\_\_\_\_

## Special promotion

**Buy 3 metres of local Riverland Trail for \$99.**

All proceeds will go to actual trail building in the County of St. Paul. Free membership included.

Donation (RECEIPTS ISSUED) \$\_\_\_\_\_

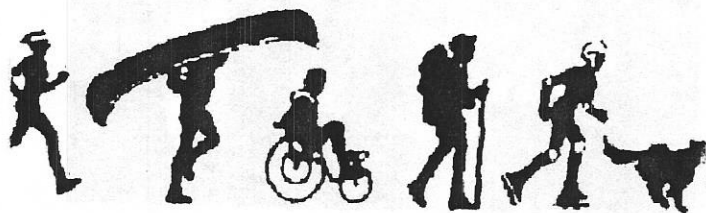
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# Riverland News

A Newsletter from the Riverland Recreational Trail Society

Building Trails From Fort Saskatchewan to the Saskatchewan Border

September 2000

## What is the Riverland Recreational Trail Society?

Riverland Recreational Trail Society (RRTS) is an umbrella group which seeks to coordinate the efforts of trail enthusiasts in N-E Alberta. Once a month recreationalists, business people and government representatives meet. Presently we have one section of trail in use: The Iron Horse Trail, 34 km in length from Elk Point to Heinsburg. It is our purpose to work with all interested parties to find a widely agreed upon 300 km route for trail from Fort Saskatchewan to Onion Lake, Sask.

Meeting are scheduled for the first Thursday of the month. The next meeting is:

Thursday, October 5 @ 7:30

Portage College, St. Paul

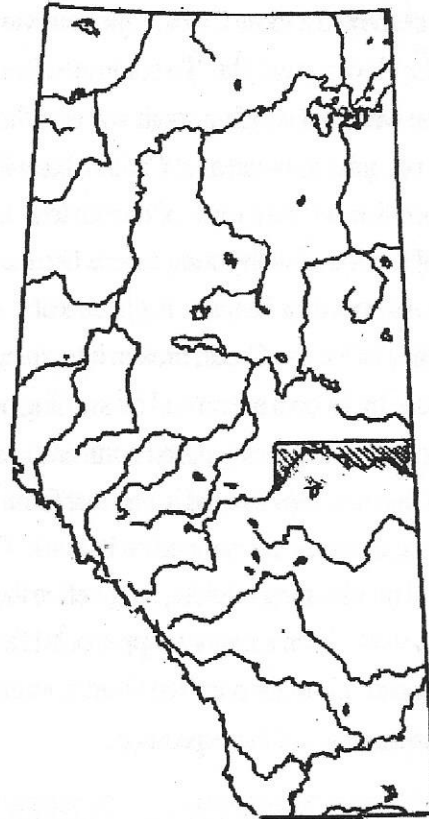
Our present executive members are available to answer questions you may have about trail development and how you can get involved.

President: Jerry Bidulock 645-4499

Vice President: Marvin Bjornstad 724-2061

Treasurer: Danny Smyl: 645-414

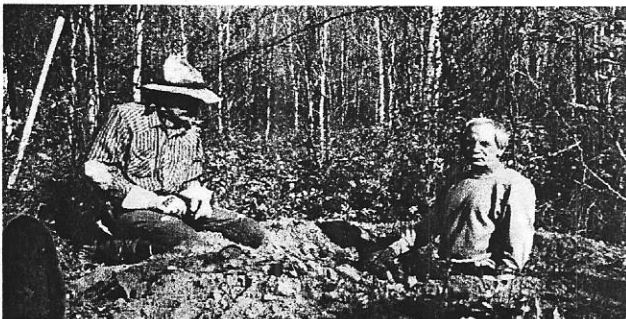
Secretary: Sheila Thompson 724-2007



**It is the RRTS goal** to find a route through N-E Alberta by way of Smoky Lake, St. Paul, Elk Point and Heinsburg.

## Hike The Iron Horse Trail

**3** hikes are planned for the fall season which will cover the entire Iron Horse Trail. Each hike is approximately 8 km and should take two to three hours, starting at 10:30. Call Sheila (724-2007) for more information. Sunday, Sept. 17: Elk Point to Lindbergh Saturday, Oct. 14: Lindbergh to Middle Creek Sunday, Oct. 15: Middle Creek to Heinsburg



**Are we there yet?** Roy Scott and Ken Tripp working on facilities for the Middle Creek Campsite