

Thank You -- Canada Day 2023

The Cut Knife July 1st Celebration was a huge success. There are a lot of people I would like to thank beginning with the planning committee which consisted of Doug Robertson, Lisa Drake, Grant & Darla Wasmuth, Brett Roberson and Sgt. Matt Robinson. Thank you to Robert Keys for keeping all of the sign-up sheets and orders up to date and thank you to Natasha Toews for designing and advertising the posters and spotlighting the events. Thank you to Don McCallum for being our Parade Marshall as well as being the judge for the bed races and thank you to Lyle Cronk and the Public Works for taking care of the barricades.

Thank you to the retail vendors Dwight Pazuik, Mimi Weikle, Emma Riou and Miss B Blooms for showcasing their crafts that were displayed along the Quilt Walk, which was organized by the Clayton McLain Memorial Museum and Terri Pazuik. Everyone really appreciated the chance to look at all of the quilts. Thank you to the Cut Knife Family Restaurant for setting up their food truck and to Sheila Churchman Vaadeland and Ned Ramsay for providing the music at the Tomahawk Park. A huge thank you also goes to Grant and Darla Wasmuth along with their family and volunteers who helped with all of the games and escape room for the kids during the afternoon.

Thank you to Heloise Vermeulen of Fun Play Party Rentals for supplying the bouncy houses at the park which were sponsored by Veikle Bros Farm, Garan Farms Ltd, Veikle Agro and Nutrien Ag Solutions. Thank you to DARCK Contracting Ltd for sponsoring the face painting and also to Lisa Drake and her crew for face painting and making all of the kids very happy. Thank you to Doug Robertson for also cleaning out the cook shack at the campgrounds.

Thank you to Lance and Sherrie Berrecloth for giving all of the wagon horse rides throughout the day. It was great experience for the youth and also brought back memories for our elderly residents. We appreciate everyone who participated in the parade and a thank you to Mike Wismer for his ice cream truck and also to the RCMP for sponsoring the BBQ supper on Broad Street.

Thank you to the Cut Knife Elks Theatre for screening a free movie for the kids. Thank you to Rene and Sandy Feser and for also setting up the beer gardens which allowed people to enjoy a cold one when it was so hot outside. Thank you to Digital Keys DJ's for sponsoring the music on Broad Street as well. Unfortunately, the rain shut everything down for an hour but luckily everything was able to get set back up in time for the evening events.

Thanks to everyone who purchased tickets for the Great Golf Ball Race, due to the rainy weather we were able to set up the rotating drum and have Gabriel Hogan draw the lucky golf ball. Congratulations to LuLu Pewap who won the \$740 draw. The other half of the 50/50 will go towards maintenance along the boulevard. It was amazing to revive the Bed Races, we hope that we can keep it going next year with even more competitors. Congratulations to all of the first, second and third place winners.

Thank you to the Cut Knife Fire Department for giving us the fireworks show to cap off the night and thank you to Gerald Makohoniuk for all of his expertise. Thank you to all of the fireworks sponsors: Accumark Airspray, Agrocrop Processing Ltd, Alexander Stock Farms Inc, Cheryl Finley, Duncan Acres, Cut Knife AG Foods, Cut Knife Country Roads, Cut Knife Pharmacy, Eagle Ridge Electric, J&M Acres Ltd, Jeanne Gilchrist CPA Prof Corp, K5 Insurance, Lucerne Hotel, Melonie's Hair Nook, R.M. of Cut Knife, Roger and Gwenn Kaye, Scallywag Farms Ltd, T.C. Garage and Wirstuk Farming & Ranching Ltd.

Thank you to the Town of Cut Knife for putting forward the budget to cover behind the scenes expenses. Most of all THANK YOU to everyone who came out and enjoyed the day. I'm really sorry if I forgot anyone who I should have thanked. It was really too bad that a thunderstorm rolled though in the evening but it was definitely a memorable day filled with people visiting and laughing. Being so thankful we live where we do.

Mayor Gwenn Kaye
Town of Cut Knife