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INSIDE Westman News Bike Races & more!

From the Executive Director's Desk...

How do you define a legacy? I have taken the last few days to reflect on the history of the Association. The individuals that laid the foundation of CPMB, and how we have lost two of them in the last six months. **Elwood Haas** started the Bike Race in Winnipeg, and **Ron Wells** started the Bike Race in Brandon. We celebrate their lives and their legacy.



I was first introduced to Elwood at the 1994 Bike Race. I had just joined the Board of Directors and received my assignment for the Bike Race. I was working with **Betty Wilson** on the electric sign boards and the stats. With a smile and a wink, you could see Elwood along with **Eric** giving direction, encouragement to all the riders, and the pit crew. Whether it was solving all sorts of problems or making sure the race ran like clockwork, you knew Elwood was in charge.

The work that went into organizing and working out the technical aspects of the Race was always a family and friends effort. The Pit Crew was a hybrid of family—**"The Cousins"** as we called them, and friends of Elwood. I remember one planning meeting for the race when we were about three weeks out and we didn't have a full pit crew confirmed. Elwood calmly stated "I'll make some calls", and that was all it took.

For all of us that are blessed with the legacy of the Bike Race, we can celebrate that we are supported by the next generation with their family team, and the hard work of all "The Cousins" that organize the current pit crew. Beyond the "Elwood effect" and his family, all through the Bike Race we are on the second generation of support. I know the next generation is in training.

When Elwood and the Board of CPMB laid out the framework for the Bike race and proved the model, Ron Wells and the committee in Brandon took the

Race and made it their own in Westman. As you can see on **pages 2–5**, both the Winnipeg and Westman races were very successful this year, our 37th and 32nd years running. **A great big thank you to you all, we can't do it without you.**

What does the Bike Race mean to the Association? It means we have financial stability, independence and a big community.

Elwood started and sustained many organizations along with family. I know that he was heavily involved with Manitoba Cerebral Palsy Sports Association and travelling with Eric across Canada playing Boccia. Elwood's legacy is with the Association, his family and so much more.

On **page 7** is the tribute to **Dave Wilson**. The Wilson family is still a large part of the Bike race and the Association, a key part of "The Cousins". Our condolences to the Wilson Family.

In May we received an email from a long time team captain that one of his riders suddenly passed away. We want to honor **Daniel Otulak** and his commitment to the Association. Our condolences to his family, friends and teammates. **(see pages 6–7)**

On **page 6**, we have **Susan Sutter's** obituary. Susan was a great friend of the Association. Susan worked at Brandon Mobility in Brandon. She was my go-to resource as far as equipment and a leader in Westman. Our condolences to her family, friends and colleagues.

At both Bike Races in 2027, I ask all to raise a glass, offer a wink and smile and celebrate the life of all that we love, cherish and that are a part of the CPMB family.—**David Kron** ☺



Mission: Possible—ANOTHER WESTMAN RECORD!

Ride AND Ask—CPMB Westman Stationary Bike Race MISSION:POSSIBLE Success! The 32nd annual fundraiser was held on Saturday, April 18th in the UCT Pavilion, Keystone Centre in Brandon. CPMB family and friends all gathered to ride and raise funds to enrich the lives of our Members! **THANK YOU to our Sponsors, Donors, Captains, Riders, Volunteers and especially Tom, Eileen and the Westman Committee** for their amazing efforts in achieving another ***NEW BIKE RACE RECORD—\$88,912.50!*** Well done to everyone! HUGE THANKS to our Sponsors: ***New Title Sponsor — Brandon Mobility*,**

Brandon Fire Fighter Paramedics Local 803, Keystone Centre, CJRB Radio 1220 and DiscoverWestman.com, Joe Beeverz Bar and Grill for our hot dog lunch, Larry and Dylan from **Freedom Concepts, Regent Custom Cresting, Carberry Signs, Genumark, Tough Duck, Trident** and **all our generous Event (see page 4) and Prize Sponsors.** Funds raised pay for much needed equipment like scooters, wheelchairs, adaptive bikes as well as supports adaptive hockey, accessible playgrounds and assists our Members in living more independent lives! **Thank you, we could not do this without ALL OF YOU! #CPProud** 🌟



*** * * SAVE THE DATE * * ***
Saturday, April 17, 2027

33rd Annual CPMB Westman Stationary
Bike Race • Keystone Centre, Brandon
*** * * NEW ROOM: Brandon Curling Club * * ***



Brandon Firefighters Tri-Charity Rooftop Campout



This year's Campout and Bootdrive, held March 10–13th, 2026 at #2 Firehall in Brandon, raised \$10,000 dollars in support of CPMB Westman. Sincere thanks to Kyle, Sheldon and all Brandon Fire and Emergency Services for their generosity and support. **CPMB Members were on hand to wish the Fire Fighters well as they climbed up to the roof!** #CPProud



Earlier this summer, Tom and the CPMB Westman Committee were proud to donate \$5000.00 towards accessible components for the playground at J.R. Reid School, Brandon.

MISSION: POSSIBLE Success!

Thank you Westman—Together we raised
***\$88,912.50!**

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Saturday, April 18, 2026
NEW Bike Race RECORD!
 UCT Pavilion, Keystone Centre, Brandon

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Team Rank by Total Pledges

Team Rank by Total KMs

Rank	Team Name	Total Pledges
1	Tia's Team	\$16,988.40
2	Chantal & Paul's Charmers	8,284.90
3	Zach's Pack	6,575.30
4	Maddy's Mighty Riders	6,323.30
5	Redneck Ryder's	5,136.30
6	Heart Attack Pedal Bike Gang	4,986.00
7	B's Cirque du sore legs!	4,928.30
8	No Limits	4,739.90
9	The Touchwood Thunder	4,567.60
10	Bryce's Bobcats	4,539.20
11	Catie's Crew	4,071.90
12	Odin's Odyssey	3,879.70
13	Clay's Cowboys	3,059.50
14	Viking Football	2,406.90
15	Dillan's A Team	2,156.30
16	B's Bikers	1,386.00
17	Spare Tires	387.00
18	Baker's Dozen	100.00

Rank	Team Name	Total KMs
1	Bryce's Bobcats	222.36
2	Viking Football	217.77
3	Tia's Team	203.50
4	Heart Attack Pedal Bike Gang	200.70
5	Odin's Odyssey	190.90
6	Catie's Crew	188.97
7	Clay's Cowboys	143.73
8	B's Bikers	141.87
9	No Limits	127.70
10	Chantal & Paul's Charmers	127.00
11	B's Cirque du sore legs!	120.90
12	Maddy's Mighty Riders	120.60
13	Dillan's A Team	117.36
14	Zach's Pack	112.40
15	The Touchwood Thunder	66.07

Total KMs 2,301.83

*** **NEW RECORD** *** Total Pledges \$88,912.50

Final Results from Saturday, April 18, 2026 • Brandon, MB

MISSION:POSSIBLE Bike Race SUCCESS total: \$255, 899.63!

THANK YOU MANITOBA! Our

MISSION: POSSIBLE theme is a true inspiration to our CPMB Members, Families, Board of Directors, Staff, Volunteers, Captains,



Cyclists, Sponsors and Donors—all working together to make our annual CPMB Stationary Bike Race a HUGE SUCCESS! Our 37th event was held on Saturday, May 30th, 2026 at Blue Cross Park, Home of the Goldeyes.

Canada Life, our Presenting Sponsor, 37 years and running, is a most important supporter and integral part of the continued success of our CP Association. Sincere appreciation to **Ekaterina Bletnitsky** and **Bjorn Kristjanson**—Captain of both Canada Life Bike Race Teams. Thank you **Canada Life**, for your steadfast commitment to our event and generous support of our CPMB Members and Association.

Another great kick off: **Jim Pattison Toyota on Regent** proudly sponsored our 3rd annual VIP Breakfast. Thank you to **Don Saranchuk**, General Manager and **Lolita**, back for her 2nd CPMB Bike Race! And, *merci beaucoup* to **La Belle Baguette** for the most delicious croissants!

Thank you to our Media Sponsor **The Winnipeg Free Press**, and **Sandra Westman** for her invaluable advertising support.

Our Pit Crew and Mobility Sponsor **Freedom Concepts** was again providing mobility for many of our Riders with their amazing adaptive bikes. Special thanks to **Larry Penner**: congratulations on your retirement Larry—we wish you all the best!

Our Hydration Sponsor, **Coca-Cola Canada Bottling Limited**, provided bottled water to each and every

Rider—thank you **Spencer Golden!**

Sincere appreciation to our Official Print and Program Sponsor, **The Prolific Group • Light Visions** and, heartfelt congratulations to **Dean Zammit** on his retirement.

Faithful Event Sponsors: **Taylor McCaffrey**—thank you **Geoff Nevin**, **Grant Mitchell** and all your Riders! As well as **Kyle McIntosh** and **Connor Normandin** from **United Fire Fighters of Winnipeg - UFFW LOCAL 867**—we appreciate you!

Thank you returning Event Sponsor **Cambrian Credit Union**, Captain **Glenn Solar** and all Cambrian Cruisers for another great bike race!

Our Home Sponsor—**Blue Cross Park, Home of the Winnipeg Goldeyes**. Thank you **Regan, Andrew, Will, Melissa, Jason, Marika, Lindsay** and all your crew—you are amazing!

Merci encore to Race Sponsors: **Franck Blandignères** from **Franck Blandignères Language Services**, **Gavin Rich** from **Tough Duck** as well as **Gerry, Lorna** and **Andrea Trapp** from **Trapp Doors**.

Sincere thanks to our Merchandise Sponsor—**Genumark**—**Jonathan** and **Jamie Wilson**, in addition to **Neil Haas** and all the **Wilson, Haas** and **Lavich Family Members** who each year, volunteer as our amazing **Pit Crew**. THANK YOU—we could not do this without you!

BIG thanks to **CXT Hardcore**, **Northway Pharmacy**, **Evolve College of Massage Therapy**, **Transportation Equipment Network**, **Aime's Music** and **Anthony** from **Your best Shot!**

MISSION: SUCCESS UPDATE:
Thanks to everyone's Ride AND Ask efforts, we raised an amazing total of \$255,899.63!
THANKS SO MUCH—this is only POSSIBLE BECAUSE OF YOU!



See you in 2027!

Together we are #CPProud. See you in 2027! Sincere thanks from the bottom of my heart, **Susana**
—**Susana Schanel** 🇸🇪

SPECIAL THANKS to our Co-op ad Sponsors:



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Team Rank by Total Pledges

Rank	Team Name	Total Pledges
1	Canada Life 1 and 2	\$33,302.20
2	Ryder's Riders	15,485.60
3	Riders for Richard	12,679.80
4	Owen's Heros	12,371.60
5	Charlotte's Crusaders	11,118.10
6	Distance Matters	9,344.50
7	Handlebar Hooligans	8,324.36
8	Luc's Lucky Charms	8,095.00
9	Équipe de Marianne 1	6,267.60
10	TDS Tigers	6,194.50
11	Lucy in the Sky with Diamonds	5,851.70
12	John & Jeremy's Bike Riding Friends #2	5,715.10
13	Ashley and Allyson's Angels	5,697.80
14	The Toon Squad	5,655.00
15	TOUR DE FRIENDS	5,366.50
16	Adam's Angels	5,142.30
17	Freedom Concepts	4,819.02
18	Équipe de Marianne 2	4,584.00
19	Public Interest Law Centre	4,308.30
20	Les étoiles d'Aminata	4,136.91
21	Watervale	3,901.65
22	John & Jeremy's Bike Riding Friends #1	3,831.09
23	Para Storm	3,815.30
23	Kaity and the CP Warriors	3,735.90
24	Andrew's Angels	3,723.35
26	Taylor McCaffrey LLP	3,535.60
27	Cambrian Cruisers	3,495.50
28	CXT Hardcore	3,400.50
29	Leegals Express	3,262.70
30	Prolific Predators	3,219.50
31	Spare Tires	2,600.75
32	Marianne's Knights	2,241.90
33	AJ's Riders	2,005.50
34	SQUISHIES	1,904.44
35	Team Conor	1,657.90
36	The Super Novas	1,257.40
37	The Riding Crooners	1,189.86
38	Les Bleus pour Marianne	1,058.50
39	Team Whiskers	1,050.80
40	Heather's Hustlers	967.00
41	Friends for LIFE	813.00
42	Heather's Pedal Pushers	711.10
43	HSE Wheeling Together for Community	500.00
44	St. Paul's College Students' Association	326.00

Total Pledges — \$255,899.63

Team Rank by KMs

Rank	Team Name	Total KMs
1	Canada Life 1	285.09
2	John & Jeremy's Bike Riding Friends #1	278.90
3	Cambrian Cruisers	248.63
4	TOUR DE FRIENDS	248.00
5	John & Jeremy's Bike Riding Friends #2	242.94
6	Watervale	240.43
7	The Toon Squad	231.47
8	Freedom Concepts	230.36
9	Canada Life 2	224.24
10	The Riding Crooners	219.24
11	Marianne's Knights	218.18
12	Handlebar Hooligans	210.46
13	TDS Tigers	208.10
14	SQUISHIES	206.24
15	Public Interest Law Centre	206.10
16	Riders for Richard	204.81
17	AJ's Riders	204.40
18	Les Bleus pour Marianne	193.92
19	Lucy in the Sky with Diamonds	189.10
20	Luc's Lucky Charms	187.37
21	Les étoiles d'Aminata	174.89
22	Ryder's Riders	170.22
23	Team Conor	168.19
24	Para Storm	166.76
25	Kaity and the CP Warriors	166.51
26	Prolific Predators	164.82
27	Adam's Angels	163.05
28	Ashley and Allyson's Angels	162.46
29	Équipe de Marianne 1	158.97
30	CXT Hardcore	158.84
31	Distance Matters	158.54
32	Charlotte's Crusaders	155.14
33	Équipe de Marianne 2	153.23
34	Leegals Express	148.12
35	St. Paul's College Students' Association	145.19
36	Andrew's Angels	134.63
37	Owen's Heros	133.14
38	HSE Wheeling Together for Community	120.96
39	Taylor McCaffrey LLP	116.44
40	Friends for LIFE	102.78
41	The Super Novas	102.23
42	Heather's Pedal Pushers	87.23
43	Team Whiskers	40.81

Total KMs — 7 731.13



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In Memoriam

Elwood Charles Haas

(age 78) • April 16, 1948 ~ July 19, 2025

Elwood Charles Haas passed away suddenly on July 19, 2026, at the age of 78, leaving behind a legacy of love, faith, service, and generosity that will continue to inspire all who knew him.

Beloved husband of Connie for 52 years, devoted father of Eric, Neil, and Alex (Kyla), and proud grandfather of Blake, Reagan, and Dylan, Elwood's greatest joy was his family. Born in Gimli, Manitoba on April 16, 1948, he earned a Bachelor of Science from the University of Manitoba before beginning a rewarding 43-year career with Great-West Life.

Together, Elwood and Connie built a life rooted in faith, hard work, and community in the country near Île-des-Chênes where they raised their family and welcomed countless friends and loved ones into their home. A lifelong member of the Notre Dame de Lorette parish community, Elwood lived his faith through quiet acts of service and compassion.

Inspired by his son Eric, Elwood helped establish the Cerebral Palsy Association of Manitoba's Stationary Bike Race in 1989. Through his tireless dedication, the event has raised



more than \$5 million to support programs and opportunities for individuals and families living with cerebral palsy. He also generously shared his financial expertise with the Catholic Foundation of Manitoba and the Tache Food and Resource Centre.

Whether travelling, fishing, playing hockey, spending time at the cottage, or building with his hands, Elwood found joy in life's simple moments. He will be remembered for his quick wit, gentle humour, unwavering integrity, generous heart, and willingness to help others.

Above all, Elwood will be remembered as a loving husband, devoted grandfather and grandfather, loyal friend, and faithful servant whose kindness and selflessness touched countless lives. His legacy lives on in the family he cherished, the community he served, and the many people whose lives are better because of him. ☺



Susan Veronika Sutter

(age 64) • Jul 24, 1961 ~ May 27, 2026

It is with great sadness that we share the passing of Susan Veronika Sutter, a woman who loved and cherished her family deeply, especially her late husband, Ron Brodie, and her two sons, Alexander (Jillian) and Marcus.

Susan passed in the Brandon Hospital surrounded by friends and

family after putting up a fierce battle following an illness.

Susan was born in Toronto to Swiss parents, Willi and Dolly. She grew up in the city, eventually taking a job at Coca-Cola which took her to places far and wide. Ultimately, her heart led her to rural Manitoba where she created a beautiful life with her beloved husband, Ron Brodie. They welcomed two sons and built a community of friends and family.

Susan was a trailblazer who seized every opportunity

that came her way. Cooking and gatherings were her love language. You'd always find mom in the kitchen, cooking her world-famous perogies. It didn't matter if you were a long-term friend or a complete stranger, there was always a plate at her table for you.

She was deeply passionate about her work in health care accessibility. Specifically, building meaningful connections with her co-workers, clients, and peers. She truly loved what she did, and it was far more than just a job to her. Mom took her passion beyond the workplace, being heavily involved in the Cerebral Palsy Bike Race, as well as serving on the board of Brandon Wheelchair Sports and Leisure.

We will always love you, Mom. We hope that wherever you are, Dad is with you, spending time in a tent on a trampoline under the stars.

A come and go celebration of life took place at the Rapid City Hall on Friday, July 17th.

Memorial Donations may be made in Susan Sutter's name to The Cerebral Palsy Association of Manitoba. ☺



Daniel David Otulak

(age 40) • February 6, 1986 ~ April 29, 2026

It is with very heavy hearts to share that Daniel Otulak passed away suddenly on April 29, 2026. At only 40 years old, Daniel had so much more life to live, but the impact he made in his short time will never be forgotten.

Daniel is survived by: parents Franciszek and Czeslawa Otulak, mother-in-law Karabou Ama, wife Catherine Agoli-Agbo, brother Victor Otulak (Jessica), and brother-in-law Anicet Agoli-Agbo. He also leaves behind nieces and nephews Emery, Brinlee, Kurby, Kavany and Kilyan. Including his

numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Daniel was born and raised in Winnipeg. He graduated from River East Collegiate and then became journeyman electrician through Red River College. Daniel worked at New Flyer for the past 12 years as a maintenance electrician. He was an integral part of his work team and enjoyed the work. He made many long-lasting friendships at New Flyer, and always had funny stories to share about his coworkers.

Daniel was an outgoing man who enjoyed talking with anyone, about anything and everything. He always showed up to the party. He was



Those that touch our
lives stay forever
in our hearts! 

Dave Frederic Wilson

(age 70)
November 14, 1955 –
February 7, 2026

Tribute written by Dave's
son Jonathan:

One month ago today, on February 7th, we had to say goodbye to the greatest man I've ever known—my dad.

I'm heartbroken and sad, yet grateful that he's no longer suffering.

My brother reminded me how lucky we were to have worked with him so closely for as long as we did. Getting to see him nearly every day for almost 10 years makes the pain hurt at least a little less.

I learned everything from him.

He taught me to learn - and to never stop learning.

He taught me how to sell.

He taught me how to have fun.

He taught me to appreciate great food, wine, scotch, and cigars.

He taught me how to tell a good joke (and really bad ones too).

He taught me how to be funny.

He taught me how to be a great father and a great husband.

Maybe most importantly, he taught me how to love unconditionally.

Which speaks to everyone who has reached out. The outpouring of love and support has been overwhelming in the best way. It says a lot about his character, his kindness and, referencing the last picture, his honour and integrity.

While I want so badly to see what else he would have done with more time, I'm comforted in knowing he lived his life to the fullest. As the home decor piece hanging in his house says:

"A man who lives within his means lacks imagination."

I'll miss you forever BDD. ☹️

Thank you all for Supporting CPMB...

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- In Memoriam – Ron Wells
- In Memoriam – Daniel Otulak
- Starbuck All Charities
- SIMAD Conference
- Westman Group Inc



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52 years
of support!



approachable to others and was easy to get along with. He knew many random facts about different topics, which made talking to him easy. He had many hobbies, including painting, Warhammer, playing video games, going to the gym, and cooking meats in his smoker.

Daniel took great pride in his Polish heritage. He loved letting others know he was Polish, and enjoyed teaching others Polish traditions and phrases. He often reminisced on his travels to Poland with his parents and brother. He proudly volunteered yearly at the Polish pavilion at Folklorama.

Daniel was just starting his next chapter of life with his wife Catherine. The two of them just wed in October 2025 in a beautiful ceremony. They had recently celebrated their honeymoon in January, where Daniel had the pleasure of

meeting Catherine's family and friends from back home. This trip was a highlight of the next chapter in life he was just starting. Daniel and Catherine had just started home renovations and planned to grow their family together.

It gives us peace knowing he will be welcomed by his beloved dog Delilah, and his grandparents and friends in heaven.

A funeral Service was held at the Holy Ghost Parish on Monday, May 11, 2026. Interment followed at Holy Ghost Roman Catholic Cemetery.

Daniel participated in the Cerebral Palsy Bike challenge yearly.

If friends so desire, donations may be made to: Cerebral Palsy - Manitoba — www.cerebralpalsy.mb.ca/donate ☹️

CPMB in the Community...

Congratulations Jenny K!



On March 21st, Jennifer Kowalson was awarded the HEART Award of the Year from ASC— Accessible Sport Connection Manitoba. This honour highlighted Jenny's enthusiasm and advocacy for para sport—inspiring participants of all abilities to challenge themselves and thrive. Way to go Jenny! 🌟

We thank the United Way Pembina Valley

March 26th, Winkler, MB: Congratulations **United Way Pembina Valley** for another successful campaign—over \$110,000—benefiting the entire community. CPMB values this special partnership and truly appreciates their ongoing and generous support of **CPMB's Sledge Hockey Program in Pembina Valley.** 🌟



Unexpected generosity...



David was notified a few months ago that the **South Interlake Mutual Aid District—SIMARD Conference** held on May 14th in Selkirk had

chosen CPMB as the charity of choice to honour with a \$500 donation. We sincerely thank the organizers and attendees and appreciate all emergency service workers for keeping our communities safe! 🌟

CPMB takes Members out to the ball game!

On July 10th, about 95 Members, family & friends enjoyed the Goldeyes 11-4 win over the RailCats. Thank you **Lindsay, Bonnie and Jennifer Turczak** for selling 50/50 with Susana! CPMB appreciates the generous support of the **Goldeyes Field of Dreams Foundation!** 🌟



Goldeyes Field of Dreams Bike Presentation

On March 25th, **Andrew Collier** and the **Goldeyes Field of Dreams Foundation** generously provided an amazing gift of mobility—a **Freedom Concepts bike** to Layne! Thanks to everyone at Prairie Rose School in Winnipeg this a special day for Layne! 🌟



RCC Resource Fair at SSCY



On April 29th, David headed out to SSCY Centre in Winnipeg where he was happy to meet with families at the **Rehab Centre for Children—RCC Resource Fair.** 🌟

Bake Sale Raises Funds for CPMB Bike Race!



On May 17th, three amazing ladies put on a Bake Sale in support of our 2026 Bike Race. **Thank you Violette, Emma and Milenne** who raised \$422.50 in support of CPMB! If everyone did something small...

TOGETHER, we could achieve something BIG! 🌟

Great day for PRIDE Parade

On Sunday June 7th, **CPMB and Manitoba Possible** floated **"Together in Pride"** in **2026 Winnipeg Pride Parade.** It was a great day to be **#CPProud together!** 🌟



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Dear Members,

On June 16, the IAS Steering Committee released its final report. Thirteen recommendations to transform how Manitoba supports adults with disabilities. So many of you showed up to support us on that day. Thank you!

On June 30, we delivered an open letter to the government signed by over 1,000 of you.

The story has been heard widely. CBC's The Current, CTV News, Winnipeg Free Press, APTN, Radio-Canada, and others picked it up — bringing provincial and national attention to what Manitoba's disability support system is failing to do. (check out all the media attention by heading over to <https://www.lockedoutoflife.com/>)

We need to keep the pressure on.

The Government of Manitoba has until December 16, 2026, to deliver its full response. The government has accepted the recommendations in principle — but the decisions being made right now will determine whether that acceptance results in real, structural change or fades into a general statement that work is underway.

Your MLA can impact that decision. On June 16th, we wrote to every MLA in Manitoba. Now we need their constituents, people like you, to follow up.

Our ask is simple: Contact your MLA and ask them to go on record supporting the IAS recommendations.

MLAs aren't at the legislature right now — they're at their riding offices, and that's exactly where your call or email should go. When MLA offices get 5-10 calls on the same issue, it gets attention!

Here's what to do:

1. Find your MLA at <https://www.electionsmanitoba.ca/en/voting/MyVotingInfo> - enter your address to find yours. Once you find your MLA, note which party they belong to: we've given you a slightly different message depending on whether your MLA is in government (NDP) or not (PC, Liberal, or Green). It takes 30 seconds to check, and it makes your message more effective.
2. Go to Locked out of life website for more information and templates.

This is not a partisan issue. Nearly one in three Manitobans lives with a disability. Every MLA represents people who are affected by this — regardless of party.

For all parties, if they ask what the IAS project is:

"It came out of a human rights case. The pilot showed that adults with disabilities get much better outcomes with proper support. The full report is at [lockedoutoflife.com](https://www.lockedoutoflife.com) — and a letter was already sent to every MLA in June."

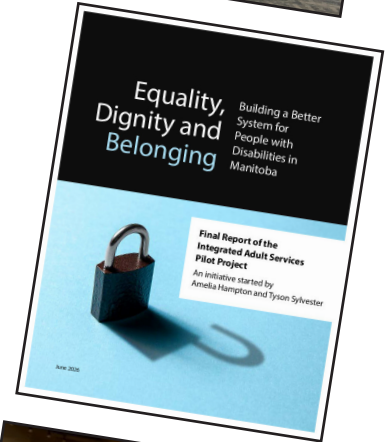
For all parties, if the MLA is unavailable:

"That's fine — I just want to make sure the message is logged. My name is [Name], my address is [Address]. Thank you."

Thank you for staying in this with us. Stay tuned for more active advocacy starting up in September!

David Kron

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Party**

Uptown Alley
Winnipeg

December TBC

AGM

**Annual
General
Meeting**

Winnipeg

**Apply for CPMB
Grants ONLINE:**

cerebralpalsy.mb.ca/grants
or scan the QR code below

CPMB's Grants Program funds mobility and communication equipment to members upon application.

1. Fill in each field with the requested info.
2. Upload any quotes or support (PDF) docs
3. Click SUBMIT!

And, your are DONE!

An email will be sent confirming receipt of your Grant Application.
APPLY TODAY!
Have questions?
Call David at 204-982-4842 or 1-800-416-6166



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**Cerebral Palsy
STATIONARY
bike race**

+ BRANDON MOBILITY
HEALTHCARE SOLUTIONS

Saturday, April 17, 2027

33rd Annual CPMB Westman Stationary
Bike Race • Keystone Centre, Brandon

* * * **NEW ROOM: Brandon Curling Club** * * *

MISSION: POSSIBLE



**CEREBRAL
PALSY
STATIONARY
bike race**

+ **canada life**

**Saturday,
TBD 2027**

38th Annual CPMB
Stationary Bike Race
Blue Cross Park
Winnipeg

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