

Meewasin Valley Explorer

Riverfront Phase I

Meewasin is undertaking the development of Riverfront Phase I (between the Traffic Bridge and the Senator Sid Buckwold Bridge) and Riverfront Phase II (between the Senator Sid Buckwold Bridge and Victoria Park). Meewasin's Manager of Design & Development Landscape Architect, Lloyd Isaak, is responsible for managing both projects.

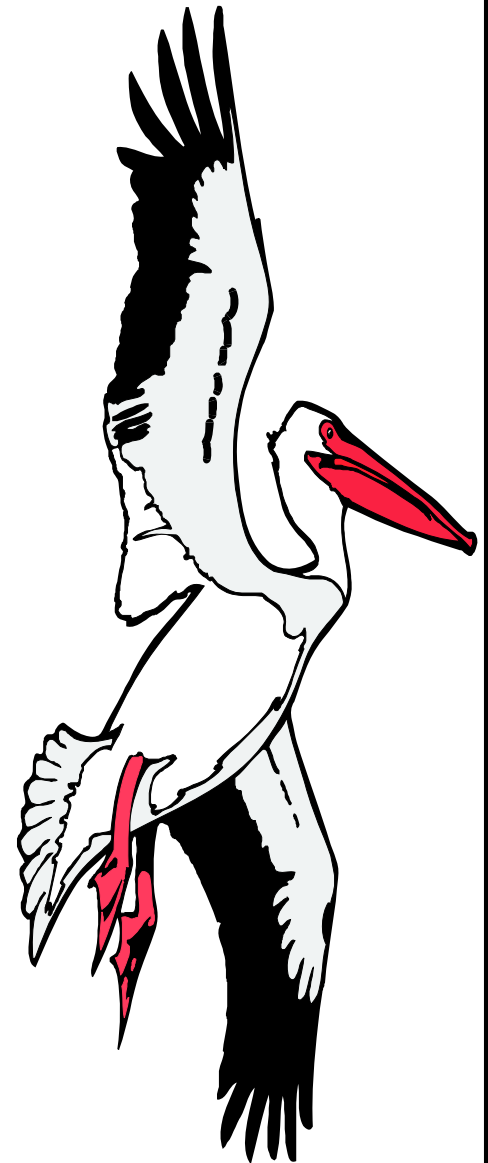


Lloyd Isaak- Meewasin Design and Development Manager

Plans for Phase I this spring include the completion of the suspension bridge, river walk, lighting, plantings and site furnishings. The Meewasin trail along the river and the floating dock next to the Traffic Bridge are targeted to be open to the public later this summer. In addition, the construction of the pavilion, the amphitheatre and the pedestrian service links will begin this summer.

Plans for a water feature (a water play area) are in the development phase. This will be a major feature of the site, covering approximately 30,000 square feet. This feature will model the Saskatchewan River Basin geographically, naturally and culturally. The water feature is a play area with educational value, and the design plans for it to be attractive, durable and unique.

The Cameco Riverfront Campaign will be starting shortly and will provide sponsorship opportunities to assist with the funding of the Riverfront Phase I project, an \$11 million project. The July/August edition of the Meewasin Explorer will highlight the Riverfront Phase II Development. For more information, please contact the Meewasin Campaign Office at 665-6887.



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Meewasin - Saskatoon Credit Union Clean-Up Campaign 2006- THANK YOU!

A big thank you to everyone who has, and to those of you who are planning to, take part in this year's campaign. Your support for this event is greatly appreciated. If you have not yet registered you can still participate! Visit www.saskatooncreditunion.com or call Meewasin at 665-6888 for details!



Celebrate Canadian Rivers Day on Sunday June 11!



Join Meewasin and the Partners FOR the Saskatchewan River Basin in celebrating the third annual **Canadian Rivers Day!** This celebration takes place across Canada to celebrate, commemorate, and preserve Canada's spectacular rivers. Canadian rivers represent adventure and discovery. They are a continuing source of beauty and joy for all of us.



Meewasin will be hosting a Shearwater River Celebration Cruise and barbeque from 7 – 9 pm. The cost is \$30.00/person which includes a river cruise and a delicious barbeque on board the Saskatoon Princess. Pre-registration is required and will be done on a first come/first pay basis. Register soon, as this event fills up quickly. Contact the Meewasin Valley Centre at 665-6888 for details and to register.



Meewasin Plant-A-Tree & Memorial Forest Commemoration

Meewasin's 20th Annual Plant-A-Tree & 7th Annual Memorial Forest Commemoration will be held this June, in the bowl area at Innovation Place (15 Innovation Blvd) on the University of Saskatchewan grounds. Final preparations for the event are in progress. Please call 665-6887 for more information.

Meewasin Rink



The Meewasin Skating Rink, located in Kiwanis Memorial Park beside the Delta Bessborough Hotel, enjoyed an excellent 2005/2006 skating season. In keeping with the idea of Saskatoon's Centennial year, the skating rink was open for a total of 100 days.

Thanks to our supporters, sponsors, and staff, it was a very good season indeed. We had more than 15,000 skaters from all over the world enjoy the rink this season. One of the highlights this year was a newly married bride and groom in full wedding attire taking a relaxing, romantic, post-nuptial skate. The Meewasin team hopes you enjoyed using the rink this winter and looks forward to seeing you again next winter!

Doors Open Saskatoon

In conjunction with Saskatoon's 100th birthday, the Saskatoon Heritage Society, the City of Saskatoon and the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee offer **Doors Open Saskatoon**. This unique program offers the opportunity to visit spaces not generally accessible to the general public. Call 242-7700 for more information.



Living Artfully



As part of the celebrations for Saskatoon's centennial, join Meewasin and the rest of Saskatoon for a family fun day that includes the areas of Victoria Park, the Mendel Art Gallery and the South Saskatchewan River, on Saturday, June 3, from 12:00 noon to 9:00 pm. There will be live entertainment, a River Regatta and activities for children. Check the City of Saskatoon web page for more information.

Meewasin Valley Centre *and Gift Shop*

402 Third Avenue South ~ 665-6888

Open 9 to 5 Weekdays - 12:00 to 5 Weekends & Holidays

May is a month of Discovery

On display in the gallery for May and June - Student Art Show - Georges Vanier School.

May 7 - Mother's Day - For Kids ages 6 - 12 (2 pm)

Mother's Day is next week, so please join the Meewasin team while we learn about the history of Mother's Day and make a beautiful tea light holder to take home. Please call 665-6888 for more information and to pre-register. Cost \$2.00/ craft.



May 14 - "Saskatoon's Castle" Presentation - For Everyone (2 pm)

Why did the Delta Bessborough Hotel wait 4 years to open after it was finished? Who was the first registered guest? What are some other stories about Saskatoon's castle? The answers to these questions can be found at the Meewasin Valley Centre today.

May 22 - Queen Victoria's Birthday - For Kids (2 pm)

Learn about Queen Victoria, and learn why we celebrate her birthday every year. We'll make a craft that was popular during Queen Victoria's reign and share birthday cake! This program fills up quickly, so please call 665-6888 to pre-register now! Parents/guardians must accompany. Cost \$2.00/child.



May 28 - Doors Open Saskatoon - For Everyone (1 - 5 pm)

Doors Open Saskatoon will unlock the secrets of more than 20 remarkable buildings, most of which are normally closed to the public. These buildings of architectural and historic interest are located in Downtown, Riversdale, Broadway and the University areas. The Meewasin Valley Centre is pleased to be the headquarters for this event. Please call 242-7700 for more information.

Meewasin Valley Centre Celebrates the South Saskatchewan River in June

June 4 - "Bridge Tales" For Everyone (2pm)

Saskatoon has seven Bridges that span the South Saskatchewan River, and Archie, the fictional narrator, has stories about each. How many do you believe?



June 11 - Canadian Rivers Day Celebrations - For Adults

In celebration of Canadian Rivers Day, Meewasin is planning an evening boat cruise and barbeque along the beautiful South Saskatchewan River. (Please see previous page for more information.) Please call 665-6888 to pre-register for this program.



June 18 - Father's Day - Sailing with Dad - For Kids (2 pm)

This Father's Day come to Meewasin to learn about the history of boat traffic along the river and then make your own sailing boat to take home. Please call 665-6888 to register. Parents/guardians must accompany. Cost \$2.00/craft.

June 25 - Gallery Closing - Student Art Show Georges Vanier School - For Everyone (2-4pm)

The students of Georges Vanier School have created collages of landscapes that show how we are connected to our environment. Refreshments will be served.

July 1 - Canada Day! - For Everyone (2 - 4 pm)

Come and join the Meewasin staff in a celebration of Canada Day. Learn more about the history of our flag, make a Canadian Flag Windsock and enjoy some "Canada" birthday cake! Cost \$2.00/craft.



Beaver Creek Conservation Area

Invites You to Explore...

Sensational Scenes of Spring

Marvelous May
Sundays at 2:30 pm



Awaken all your senses on an interpretive hike and discover who's back and 'springing' to life. Birds, bees and budding trees will all be here for you to see. Binoculars will be provided.

Jubilent June
Sundays at 2:30 pm



Jump into June by participating in an interpretive hike that celebrates the wonder of water. Discover the diversity of wildlife in and around the watery world of Beaver Creek through Project Wet & Project Wild activities.

Beaver Creek Group Bookings
Daytime and Evenings



Book your next group adventure at Beaver Creek Conservation Area. Environmentally based programs offer a variety of guided hikes, nature crafts, and special guest speakers. We'll tailor the program to meet the specific needs of your group. Daytime and evening group bookings are available. Call Beaver Creek at 374-2474 for program costs and bookings.

Mother's Day May 14 & Father's Day June 18

Visit Beaver Creek Conservation Area on Mother's Day to discover the life of wild mothers. On Father's Day explore the behaviour of wild fathers. The program is available from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm with come & go discovery stations.

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13km on Highway #219
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Open May 1 to June 30
9 am to 5 pm Daily
July 1 to September 4
9 am to 9 pm Daily

