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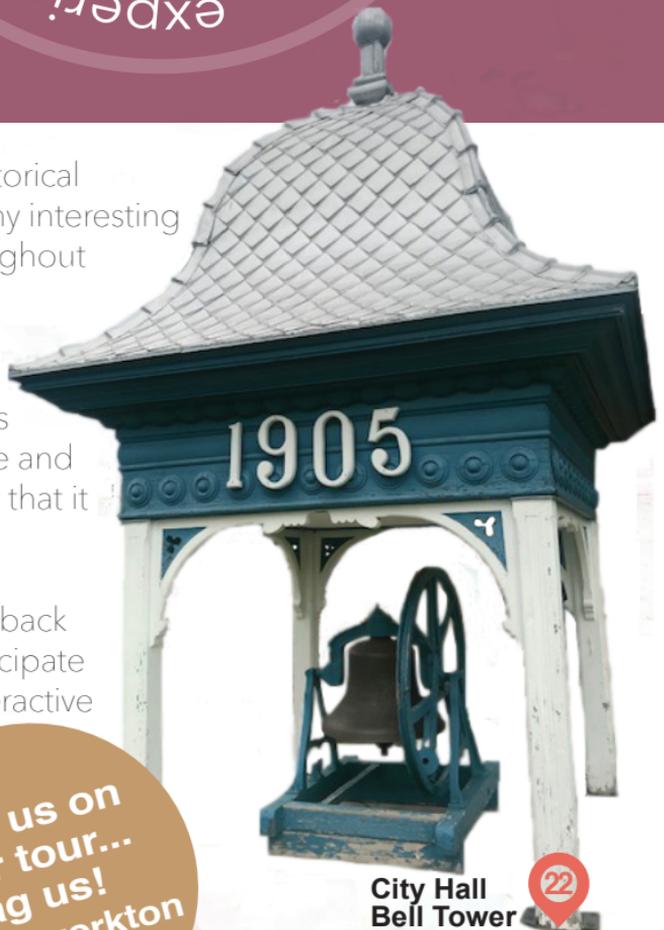
experience



Explore the vast historical significance of many interesting landmarks throughout the City.

Discover the rich heritage that makes Yorkton the unique and diverse community that it is today.

Experience a step back in time as you participate in a number of interactive tours.



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City Hall
Bell Tower





Dr. Patrick Monument

Patrick Park - 112 King St. W.

A cairn was unveiled in July 1982 in Patrick Park to commemorate Dr. T. A. Patrick's efforts with conservation issues, as well as his work as a pioneer physician and legislator.



Rodney Ridge

Roslyn Ave.

The beautiful bowl shaped park was dedicated to former Yorkton resident Dave Rodney. Rodney is best known as the first Canadian to ascend to the summit of Mount Everest twice. Dave Rodney is also an honoree of the Yorkton Sports Hall of Fame.



Trans Canada Trail Monument

The Trans Canada Trail is the longest recreational trail in the world and was initiated in 1992 as a lasting legacy of Canada's 125th birthday celebration. Names of local area residents that contributed to the endeavour are inscribed on this monument that graces the entrance to Logan Green.



W.E. Quine Memorial

Logan Green - Tupper Ave. S.

A memorial wall erected in memory of W. E. Quine is nestled in a peaceful spot inviting you for a rest on the bench along Logan Green walking trails.



Events and Festivals

The Threshermans Show is held annually in August at the Western Development Museum. Visit www.yorktonevents.com for information about this and other events.

Memorial Tree Park

A heart shaped path encircles a little park of planted trees and a memorial plaque.



Yorkton Brick Mill

The Yorkton Brick Mill Heritage Society has preserved the oldest surviving flour mill in Saskatchewan and it is located downtown Yorkton. The building and grounds are under development to become a community meeting place and interpretive centre.



Morris Rod Weeder

Yorkton Tourist Information Centre - Junction of Hwy 9 & 16
George Morris of Yorkton was a pioneer, inventor and manufacturer of agricultural equipment. His unique invention of the rod-weeder is proudly displayed on the grounds of the Yorkton Tourism building.



Smith Street 100 years

Corner of Smith St. and 2nd Ave. in front of Fire Hall
One of many of the history stops that are scattered throughout Yorkton highlighting the rich history of the City. Here you will find fascinating facts about the early years of Smith Street, including earliest information on Yorkton's first fire hall.



The Railway Story

City Centre Park
Another history stop featuring the interesting story and many photos of early rail travel in Yorkton.



City Centre Clock and Sundial

City Centre Park
The stylized wheat sheaf and digital clock is prominent in City Centre Park and is actually two clocks in one representing time over the past 100 years and into the future. The past is represented by an accurate sundial plate where the wheat sheaf casts a shadow at 12:00 noon on the north side of the centrepiece every day.



History in the Park

City Centre Park
The series of history stops enjoyed by visitors were funded by the Good Spirit Economic Development Authority in 2010. At this stop you will take a trip back in time to the early days of downtown Yorkton.



Balmoral Hotel Story

Corner of Broadway and 3rd Avenue
Another of Yorkton's most notable stories is told on the Balmoral Hotel history stop located on Livingstone Street behind the Cornerstone Credit Union. The Hotel had much historical significance, just ask a local about the legends of tunnels used for distribution of alcohol during the prohibition era.



Harry Bronfman Story

Corner of Livingstone and 4th Avenue behind Cornerstone Credit Union
One of Yorkton's most interesting stories involved Harry Bronfman and his family that were the proprietors of the Balmoral Hotel and the Seagram's empire.



Land Titles Building

The historic building was constructed of brick and stone in 1908 to house title records. The building was completed with an addition in 1930 and 1970. Today the building is used as an event facility.

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Yorkton Centennial Time Capsule

Godfrey Dean Cultural Centre - 49 Smith St. E.

The Yorkton and District Historical Society buried a capsule at the Godfrey Dean Cultural Centre. The capsule is to be opened on 2082.

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Yorkton Memorial Cenotaph

Darlington St. E. in front of the Court House

A memorial dedicated by the Royal Canadian Legion General Alexander Ross Branch in 1930 to armed forces members killed in service.

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WWII Memorial

Darlington St. E. in front of the Court House

A large boulder that displays a bronze plaque dedicated to the memory of those who served in the Second World War.

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Legion 60th Anniversary and Memorial Time Capsule

The monument and time capsule commemorates the 60th Anniversary of the Royal Canadian Legion and is to be opened June 6th, 2026.

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Ukrainian Pioneers

First Ave. N. and Henderson St. E.

A monument erected in the Ukrainian Pioneer Park pays tribute to Ukrainian Pioneers in Canada.

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Dulmage Farmstead

Ravine Ecological Preserve

Remnants of one of the areas earliest farmsteads is located within the Ravine Ecological Preserve. The Dulmage Farmstead was part of the York Farmer's Colonization Company that settled the area in around Yorkton in 1882.



Western Development Museum

Highway 16 E.

The museum chronicles stories of immigrants to Saskatchewan. A glimpse of life in Saskatchewan over the past century. A unique feature is an extensive outdoor agriculture display.



City Hall Bell Tower

Western Development Museum

The original City Hall Bell Tower was erected in 1905 when the combination library, fire hall and city hall building was constructed. When the building was demolished to make way for new construction the Bell Tower was relocated to the museum grounds.



Western Development Museum Sign

Western Development Museum - Highway 16 E.

The mid-century sign was donated to the Western Development Museum in 1972. The funky, space-age sign was formerly a sign belonging to the Eftoda car dealership.



Monuments and Memorials



Museums and Exhibitions



Historical landmarks and buildings



History Stops



Walking tours

Heritage Display

Gallagher Centre - 455 Gladstone Ave. W.

A display of historical photographs and interesting facts providing an introduction to the very interesting history of Yorkton. Located on the first floor.

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Sports Hall of Fame

Gallagher Centre - 455 Broadway St. W.

The Hall of Fame displays memorabilia and equipment revealing Yorkton's rich sporting heritage and commemorating the achievements of local heroes, many of who have achieved national recognition. Located on the second floor.

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Brother Stanislaus Greenway

The greenspace where St. Joseph's College once stood is dedicated to Brother Stanislaus as a tribute to his contributions as an educator and inspirational leader. You will also find a history stop with a wealth of historical information about St. Joseph's College.

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Sacred Heart of Jesus

Sacred Heart High School - 280 Gladstone Ave. N.

The large statue of Jesus stands watch over the entry to Sacred Heart High School. The statue was originally erected in the former school building in 1958. The statue was moved to the new location in 2003. Contact the school office to arrange viewing.

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Walking Tours

City Cemetary

City Cemetary - King St. E.

The cemetary walking tour of grave sites of some of the City's most interesting pioneers and contemporary figures. Self guided tour booklets are available from Yorkton Tourism, Western Development Museum and Gallagher Centre.



Promise and Potential Heritage

Leisurely stroll through the center of Yorkton where buildings that capture the essence of a young community with promise and potential are highlighted. Map and information are available at Yorkton Tourism and Gallagher Centre.



Broadway and Back

An interactive video tour that can be viewed from your smartphone and takes you back in time to historic old town centre. You can upload the tour at Yorkton.ca



Pioneer Ways and Bygone Days

This self guided tour provides a close-up look of the history of city centre Yorkton. Tour booklets available from the Gallagher Centre.

