

## JYD President's Report

Portage Junk Yard Dogs Inc. had another successful year because of the support from members and volunteers. JYD took in \$10,700 in membership fees in 2022, which supports out ambitious program of cycling, hiking, snowshoeing and cross country skiing. JYD is a unique amongst recreations clubs in Manitoba. We are the largest recreation club and the most self-sufficient financially of any other club in the Province. This is something to be proud of. In addition to JYD's regular activities, the Club is partnering with the City of Portage la Prairie to construct an Activity Park, which will include a bike park, accessible hiking trails and upgraded toboggan run. Due to our financial position, JYD was able to put \$10,000 into the project as seed money.

As of December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022, JYD had 384 members, which is double pre-pandemic numbers, but down from a high of near 600 during the pandemic. Below is a breakdown of membership. Ninety-three percent of members are from Portage and District. Family memberships represent 81% of total members.

R1N + R0H Ptg and district	358	93%	
Other	26	7%	
day passes	18		\$ 10.00
Total not including day passes	384		

Individual	73	19%	\$ 40.00
Family - all family members	311	81%	\$ 65.00

I would like to thank the Board of Directors who help manage the business of running the Club.

President: Blair Geisel

Vice Pres. Trevor Shackleton

Secretary: Gary Bergen

Treasurer: Rhonda Kitchen

Members at large:

Rosemarie Holtman: Portage Active Transportation and Bike Week Committees Rep.

Cara Gillis: Kids of Mud coordinator

Chad Gillis: Kids of Mud coordinator

Jeff Skinner

I would also like to thank the Junk Yard Activity Park fund raising committee. To date, JYD has raised \$380,740 for Junk Yard Activity Park

Chris Kitchen

Natasha Ralph  
Jason Green  
James Galston

I would also like to thank the volunteers that build and mow trails, remove deadfall, groom cycling/hiking and cross country ski trails.

Trevor Shackleton  
Gary Bergen  
Jon Phipps Brian Apperley  
Jeff Skinner  
Brett Finney  
Dale Cramer  
Michael Northrup  
Craig Roberts  
Blair Geisel

The community also acknowledges JYD's effort. Our Club was well represented in a 2022 City of Portage la Prairie tourism video Island on the Prairies <https://fb.watch/j604uL-Up7/?mibextid=NnVzG8> . In addition, JYD won a 2021 Central Manitoba Innovative Tourism Award and a 2022 Portage Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Not-for-profit Award.

Once again, thank you to our members and volunteers.