RECOMMENDED TRAIL ACCESSIBILITY UPGRADES FOR WINNIPEG 2nd Draft







Wheelchair Adventures Manitoba

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Accessibility Recommendations for Trails in Winnipeg

Hello, my name is George Loewen. I've always loved exploring, exercising, and being outdoors. In 2019, a mountain biking accident left me an incomplete quadriplegic, and I now use a wheelchair full-time. During recovery, I searched for accessible activities, which led me to create Wheelchair Adventures Manitoba (wheelchairmanitoba.com), a website offering resources for wheelchair users.

As I regained some mobility, I wanted to return to the trails but encountered barriers—some minor, others making it impossible to navigate with an adaptive three- or four-wheeled cycle. Having previously been active in the trail-building community, I shifted my focus to assessing accessibility on trails like the Trans Canada Trail, Fort Whyte Alive, and various Winnipeg businesses. I believe outdoor access is essential for well-being and movement.

My goal is to provide honest feedback and recommend improvements, including slope adjustments, side slope corrections, and turning radius considerations for hand cycles and quadricycles. Minor tasks like branch clearing and sand removal could be handled by volunteers, while some areas need grading, levelling, and gravel or, possibly, new trails built!

I'm grateful to have received a small Manitoba Accessibility Fund grant, which I plan to use to improve Winnipeg's trails and reduce barriers for individuals with mobility challenges. To start, I'll outline key maintenance priorities in a PowerPoint presentation. Some slides may be detailed, but they will serve as seint for accessibility improvements. a clear starting

Thanks, George Loewen







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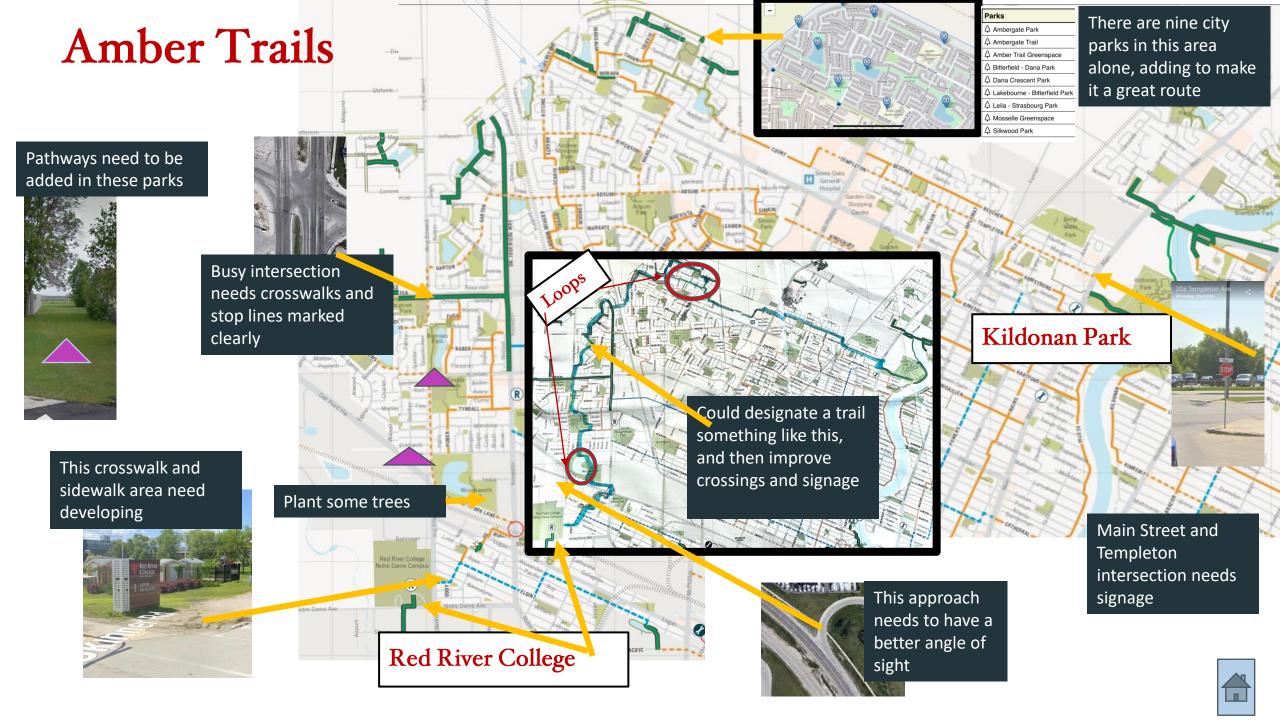
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Northern part of the St Vital Park Loop gets flooded out. Trail can be improved by putting down some compacted rock instead of bark mulch.

Legend Bishop Grandin Greenway Trail other trails park / open space

Red River

- parking washroom / refreshments



The blind spots in these sections of trails could be made safer by maintaining pruning of the bushes.

Community Gardens - This long straightaway sees some fast cyclists coming through. With all the young families living close to the trail here - it would be nice to pave a separate safe area for the children to play.

> Bishop Grandin Blvd This Blindspot corner could have cyclists approaching from both sides. Best to trim back the shrubbery and have a view that would be safer.

Points of Interest Fort Garry Bridge Park

- **Butterfly Gardens** Fruit Orchard
- **Community Gardens**
- Public Art named 'land/mark



Eco-Education Site

Louis Riel Sr Route

Sage Creek Trail

Bois Des Esprits Trail System

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This pedestrian and cycling trail crossing should have yield signs. Could be busy with gravel trucks.

Bishop Gran Trail

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Sage Creek

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It would be

nice to have

trail made

accessible

here to St

Vital Park.

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Bishop Grandin Trail East - 7 km

kishop Grandin Trail is Winnipeg's longest multi-use trail, spanning just over 12 km, and se ransportation spine for south Winnipeg. The trail connects from the residential communi anaport action splite or social vinifipings i ne cara communities and in the resonance commonly or ange Creeke the far east of Winnipeg, passes through many communities along the way and winnoning for ange Creeke if the way to the community of Charleswood. Because the trail crosses over the Red River - it is often efferred to as the Bishop Grandin Trail East (7 km) of the Red River and Bishop Grandin Trail West (Skm).

Bishop Grandin Greenway Trail - 4 km

Bishop Grandm Greenway Trail is more than a system of pathways - it is a network of nature areas that includes 3 retention ponds (named Apakway, Eagles and Nature's Haven) and public pathways that link and support human and wildlife commission. If an and grand port community citaters interested in in enhancing and conserving the area along Bishop Grandm Boulevard between the Red and Seine River, formed the volumer charciable organization Bishop Grandm Greenway Inc (BGG).

Fast I	Facts		
	Asphalt surfacing	• Pa	rking / Washrooms / Refreshments
	7 km Distance markers installed	0	St Vital Park - 190 River Rd
•	7 km Distance markers installed	0	St Vital Shopping Centre - 1225 St Mary's Rd
Point	s of Interest		
0	Fort Garry Bridge Park - Located in St. Vital between the two bridge lanes, this timy park contains two fascinating interpretive monuments that mark the completion of the Winnipeg Aqueduct and the development of Bishop Grandin Boulerard.	0	Public art named "land/mark" - Commissioned by the Winnipeg Arts Council, this unique interpretation of the area's history, titled Tand/mark' greets trail users as they 'round a bend in the trail.
0	Butterfly gardens - More than 20 varieties of native plants were placed on this site in an attempt to renaturalize the area and to provide a habit for several butterfly species.	0	Eco-Education Site - This interpretive site provides an opportunity for local schools and members of the community to explore nature in an urban setting
0	Fruit orchard - Winnipeg first public orchard has a wonderful variety of fruit trees and shrubs including Norland apples and	0	Louis Riel Sr Route - An asphalt trail which is part of the Seine River Greenway system. Bois Des Esprits Trail System - An asphalt
0	Nanking cherries. Community Gardees - A partnership with St. Bonflice / St. Vital Rotarians and Bishop Greenway Inc. offers area residents a chance discover their green thumbs and grow their own produce.	8 9	trail which is part of the Seine River Greenway system. Sage Creek Trail - a crushed stone trail that leads into the developing community of Sage Creek.







Dakota Avenue crossing (NW) at the St V mall. Needs bus info post moved over, bus bench moved back, and curbing beveled.



attachments, cycling groups, etc.

St. Marys Rd crossing at the St V mall. Needs bus info post moved over and curbing beveled.





Crosswalks can be painted wide enough but the concrete approaches may be built too narrow, the sidewalk also built too narrow, and additionally, the bus info post or light may be installed as a barrier previously unseen.

These 8 Busy Intersections

- on Awasisak Meskanow Trail all have one or more of the following common problems:
- Narrow sidewalks as you approach the intersections (not accessible by today's standards).
- Narrow approach ramps onto traffic islands. (Too much curbing)
- Approach angles that don't allow adaptive cyclists to see oncoming traffic.
- Traffic islands that may have a bus shelter, a bus stop post, light post, or a bus bench acting as barriers.
- Crosswalk and traffic Island areas have excessive road sand or debris.
- Crosswalk markings and stop lines that are worn off.





 Parking o Linden Ridge Shopping Centre on Kenaston Blvd o Kenaston Crossing on Kenaston Blvd Washroom / Convenience Sto

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serving as an active transportation spine for south Winnipeg. Because the trail crosses over the Red River - it is often referred to as the Bishop Grandin Trail East (7 km) of the Red

River and Bishop Grandin Trail West (5km). Bishop Grandin Trail West is also part of the Trans Canada Trail. The trail travels on top of a high berm offering a panoramic view of south Winnipeg, passes along side the residential developments of Bridgwater Forest and Whyte Ridge, alongside south Winnipeg's 'big box shopping developments and via the McGillivray Trail - connects into FortWhyte Alive nature centre. Currently, a section of the Bishop Grandin Trail West is gravel and will be asphalted when Kenaston Blvd roadway is extended

o Red River Co-op - 1745 Kenaston Blvo

Bishop Grandin Trail West - 5 km

 asphalt surface • 5 km route length

further south (~ 2012 / 2013).

Fast Facts

Points of

Interest

- McGillivray Trail a multi-use connector trail that fo McGillivray Blvd connecting Pembina Hwy to FortWhyte Alive.
- or Bishop Grandin Ditch provides fish and bir Navin Drain
- Crampton's Market at 1765 Waverley is an on-the-trail attraction with an ice cream shop, a seasonal grocery store that specializes in locally produced in-season fruit and veggies, natural meats, made in Manitoba grocery items, and an in-store bakery.
- Albrin Park This small children's playground park gives you a terrific view of the trail in both directions
- Bishop Grandin Trail East An asphalt multi-use path that follows Bishop Grandin from the Red River east to Lagimodiere Blvd.

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and surrounding parks - www.F

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Bois-des-esprits Trail - 2 km

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Bois-des-esprits

Forest

trailhead needs the concrete approach

Brush trim

smoothed

Entrance needs to be trimmed

Downslopes @ Royalwood Bridge need some grade adjustments/switchback to maintain the 5% grade safe for all





Improvements to this trail entrance could include:



Repair asphalt/remove puddle, remove curb, add asphalt to the mud trail area, trim branches/make entrance more visible and inviting



Blind corner, needs trimming

Points of Interest 1 Louis Riel Sr. Trail

John Bruce Bridge

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- 'Woody' a giant carved elm tree
- Great grey owl forest carving 6 Royalwood Bridge



Mowing edges of the trail would give 2way traffic more





This section leading to under the RoyalWood Bridge needs some slope and cross slope improvements

These 3 trees should be taken down for safety reasons

















Bois-des-esprits Trail - 2 km

This 117 acre urban forest contains five different ecosystems - rive forest, aspen forest, and grassland and is considered a vital part of t Greenway, the 'heart and lungs' of the parkway system. It is the largest remaining riverbank forest in the city and is situated on the frontline of urban sprawl. What makes it so treasured

is that it is still 'virtually undisturbed.' One special feature of the woods is a series of oxbows or abandoned riverbeds. These can be identified as U-shaped low lying areas along the trail. Oxbows were formed when a sharp bend or loop in the river eroded over time until the narrow neck of land between the two banks finally cut through creating a new straighter river channel. These abandoned river beds become highly productive riverbottom and wetland habitat supporting a rich variety of vegetation and wildlife. They are a favourite resting spot for the 20-30 whitetail deer that call the Bois home.



Points of

Interest













- 2.0 km route length
- Parking
- o Parking circle on west side of John Bruce Bridge o Extra Foods parking lot at St Anne's Rd and Southglen Blvd
- washrooms / refreshments o Extra Foods on St Anne's Rd at Southglen Blvd
- Louis Riel Sr Route An asphalt trail which is part of the Seine River Greenway system.
- John Bruce Bridge Once a bridge for vehicular traffic, this is now 0 a scenic foot bridge and an inviting starting point for this walk. Nearby riverbottom forest contains some of the largest trees in Winnipeg
- Woody This three-metre tall wood spirit guards the Bois-des-esprits ß forest. It was carved from a giant dead elm tree by Walter Mirosh and Robert LeClair of Les Gens de Bois and at a special aboriginal ceremony was given the name "Mhtik".
- Great Grey Owl carving One of the many carved owls and wood 4 spirits that you'll find along the trail. Self-taught Metis carver Murray Watson has transformed dead branches and stumps in the forest into works of art for visitors to enjoy. Join the treasure hunt in searching out these mysterious carvings hidden away in the Bois.
- Royalwood Bridge With the encouragement of Save Our Seine 6 the developers of Royalwood chose to build an attractive open span bridge rather than a box culvert, allowing safe paddling and winter walking beneath it no matter the season.

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Needs safety timber edging

Trail could be made accessible to river



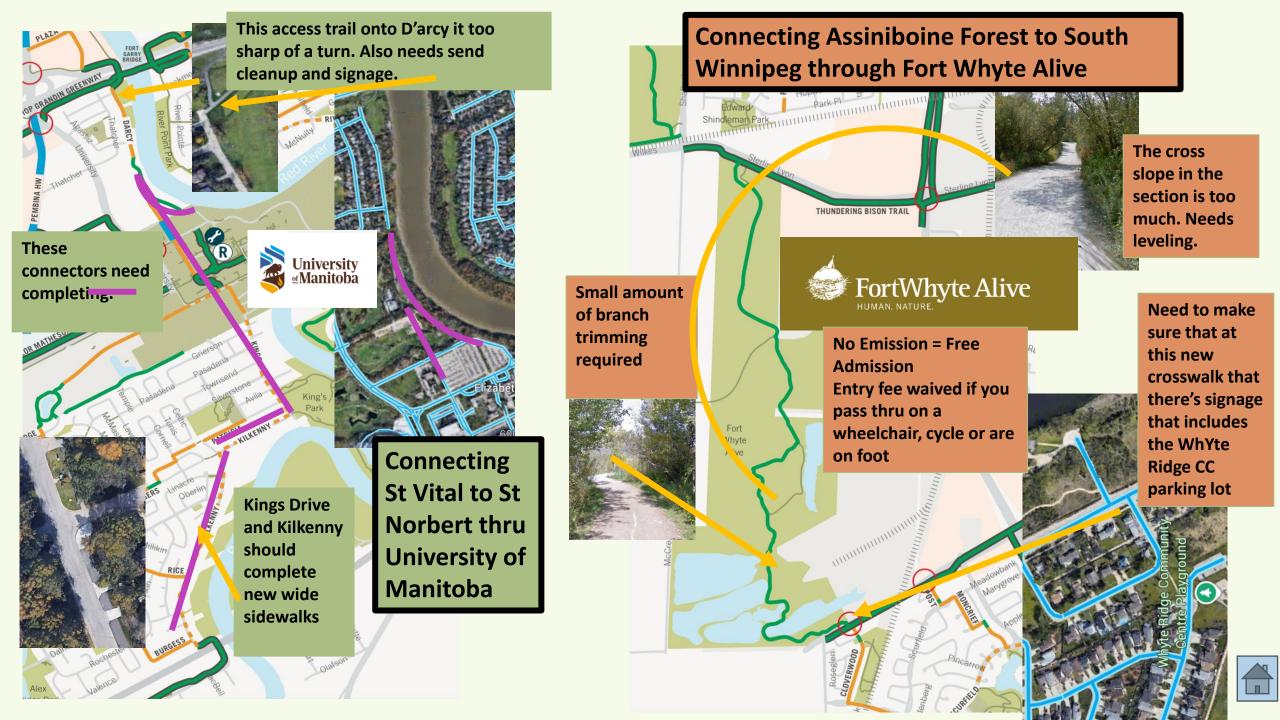


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FERMOR AVE to CHURCHILL DR/JUBILEE AVE



Fermor Ave side Lane is



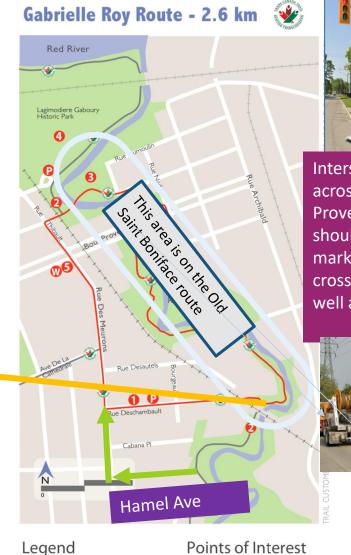


The exit for rue Deschambeault is not accessible so Hamel Avenue is the route to get back to Des Meurons.





Signage required at turns to show route



- trail route other trails Trans Canada Trail park / open space
- Gabrielle Roy House Seine River Greenway Trail
- Dumoulin Park ß
- 4 Lagimodiere Gaboury Historic Park
- G Franco Manitoban Centre
- washroom / refreshments

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Intersection across **Provencher Ave** should have well marked crosswalk as well as signage.



whose several books have been translated and read in all corners of the globe. Her writings span the country, but as often as not, Roy's settings and characters are the people and places she knew while growing up in Manitoba.

Gabrielle Roy Route - 2.6 km 😼

Fast Facts Combination of crushed limestone and cement sidewalk surfacing

This route in the east quarter of old St Boniface is half on sidewalks and half on the Seine

River Greenway. Much of it follows the Trans Canada Trail. It is named in honour of famed author Gabrielle Roy who was born and raised in the rambling frame house at 375 Rue

Deschambault. From her prairie roots, Roy became one of Canada's most prominent authors

• 2.6 km route length

Parking

Points of

Interest

- o Lagimodiere Gaboury Historic Park parking lot o residential street parking
- Washrooms / Refreshments o Franco Manitoban Centre - 340 Provencher Blvd
- Gabrielle Roy House 375 Rue Deschambault was home to one of 0 Manitoba's most celebrated authors. It is now a museum, where you can tour the rooms and views made famous through her writing, including the novel Rue Deschambault (Street of Riches).
- Seine River Greenway Trail This crushed limestone trail is a 2 natural recreational space for passive activities like walking and birding or canoeing, cycling, and x-country skiing. It is also a wonderful habitat to flora and fauna, and an outdoor classroom for nature and local history
- 0 Dumoulin Park - An open green space adjacent to a residential area on the east side of the Seine.
- Lagimodiere Gaboury Historic Park This former industrial 0 land has been transformed into a unique park with interpretive signage and an often wild, nature trail along the Red River to the confluence of the Seine River.
- 6 Franco Manitoban Centre - maintains, encourages, and supports all types of French language cultural activities. The Centre houses many cultural groups such as Le Cercle Molière, that contribute to the cultural and artistic vitality of the Franco-Manitoban community.
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Gabrielle Roy

Route

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Notre Dame St. entrance to the park. Needs to be cleaned up and look inviting, needs to be paved and needs signage.



Bus stop here, sidewalk not accessible.



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Harte Trail - 6.5 km

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Some intersections along the trail have stop signs, most don't. Maybe they should all have at least a yield to traffic or watch for traffic sign, even if they're given the right away.

Legend



End of trail. Could install another bench here. Perhaps some signage.

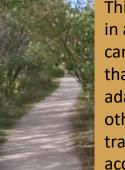




Points of Interest

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- Thundering Bison Trail
- Preston Trail
- Assiniboine Forest Trails
- Van Roon Prairie Garden
- 5 Headingley Grand Trunk Trail



This trail requires a little pruning but in addition, if the sides of the trail can be mowed a little wider, then that allows for users (especially adaptive cycle users) to bypass each other more easily. This can make the trail more user-friendly and accessible trail.

Minor pothole repair

Assiniboine forest, start of trail. Perhaps there should be a portable toilet here perhaps even parking space for 4 to 5 vehicles.

One of the areas along the trail where a bench could be installed.



Harte Trail - 6.5 km 🛛 👻

This popular trail is part of the Trans Canada Trail and runs through a narrow strip of wilderness on an old raiway bed. The path is intersected by half a dozen streets, and it is clear where the locals gain access, from numerous well worn footpaths meeting the trail. Its name is taken from the Harte Line, the first section of Grand Trunk Pacific Railway built in western Canada in 1894.

Over the years fruit bearing shrubs, Siberian elm and other native plants have grown up as shelter. This is a perfect example of how a variety of natural growth takes over when land is left alone.

- Fast Facts

 Crushed limestone surfacing
 - 6.5 km Distance markers installed
 - Parking

 Marj Edey Park 4230 Ridgewood Ave
 - Fraser Meadow Park Municipal Rd at Ridgewood Ave
 - Washrooms

 Marj Edey Park 4230 Ridgewood Ave

Points of **1 Thundering Bison Trail** - Asphalt trail connecting Fort Whyte Alive, Preston Trail, Assiniboine Forest and the Harte Trail.

- Preston Trail Limestone trail weaves through Assiniboine Forest. Named in honor of Charleswood pioneer family.
- Assiniboine Forest Trails A variety of wood chip, asphalt and crushed limestone trails wind through forest, prairie and marsh in Canada's largest (280 hectare) urban nature park.
- Van Roon Prairie Garden Native species garden and tree area.
 Named in honor of long-time Charleswood residents.
- The Headingley Grand Trunk Trail This relatively new trail, also built on an old rail bed, leads from the Perimeter Highway out to Beaudry Park.



Harte

Trail

6.5

MAP DESIGN



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Kilcona Park and Harbourview Recreation Complex

Norris Road and Springfield Road intersection needs signage and crosswalk painted

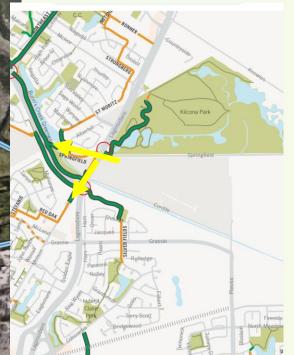


Since you might encounter off leash dogs on this Section of trail can use these other connecters to make it a longer in and out & check out some of the amenities of Harborview

Off leash area

arbourview Park & O

This intersection requires road sand cleaned up, crosswalks painted and signage.





This can be connecter for Bunns Creek Trail (top) and also for Sunrise Trail (bottom) (need to add this connecter sidewalk)





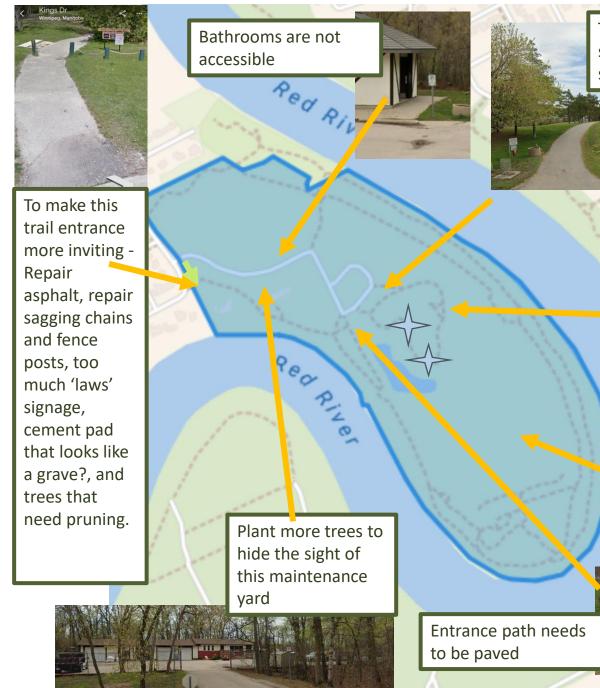
Kings Park



The trail sidewalk ends at the car entrance to park, but should extend at least to the trail entrance (and beyond down Kilkenny Dr)

Accessible bridges (2) have been installed, but there's some lips that need grinding down





This trail entrance is too steep. Could have a slight switchback built.

> Make an accessible short trail to view the waterfall Also, the approach to this hill needs to have slope checked.



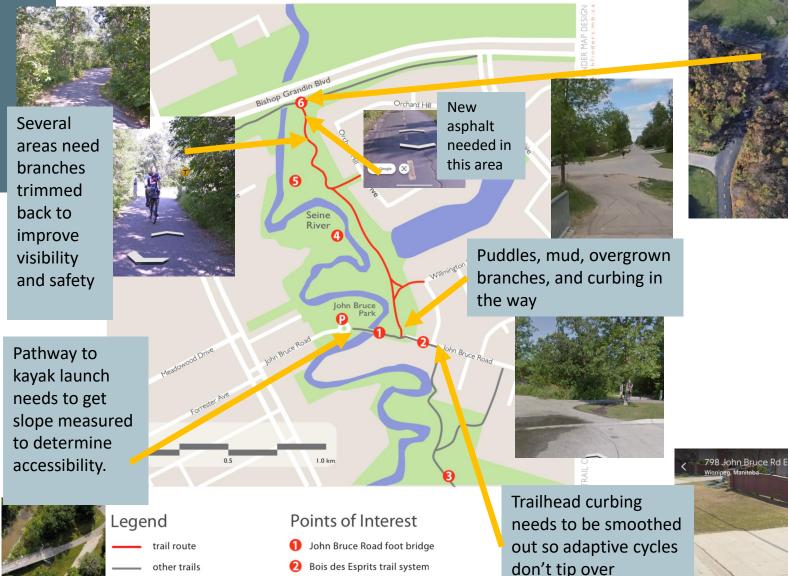
Should add a trail loop in this beautiful bush section that would be accessible

Louis Riel Sr Trail - 0.65 km

park / open space

washroom / refreshments

parking



Woody (wood spirit tree carving)

6 Bishop Grandin Greenway Trail

4 Riel Mill Site

Orchard Hill Park

Dangerous intersection on a busy trail. Left side needs a yield sign. Curves in this trail make it essential that the shrubbery be trimmed back. Also, rough payment in this area add to make it less safe.

Fast Facts

Points of

Interest



Louis Riel Sr Trail - 0.65 km

This short pathway runs along the Seine River adjacent to the residential community of Royalwood. It is named in honour of Louis Riel Sr, the father of Louis Riel, arguably Manitoba's most famous son and perhaps the most controversial figure in Canadian historiography. Louis Riel Sr who was born at Île-à-la-Crosse in what is now Saskatchewan, moved to the Red River settlement in 1843 where he married and had eleven children of whom the eldest was Louis, the famous Métis leader. Riel Sr became well known as the 'miller of the Seine' after he established a mill on the Seine River, near St. Boniface.

- Asphalt surfacing
- .65 km route lengtl
- Parking
- o near the foot bridge on John Bruce Road off St Anne's Road
- John Bruce Road foot bridge Once a bridge for vehicular traffic, this is now a scenic foot bridge and an inviting starting point for this walk
- Bois des Esprits trail system Comprising 47 hectares, this trail 0 winds through the largest contiguous river bottom and upland forest in Winnipeg. The parkland is diverse in habitats that support a wide range of wildlife and fish species.
- Woody A three-metre tall "Mhtik" (wood spirit) carved from a 6 giant elm tree, guards the Bois des Esprits forest.
- Riel Mill Site In the 1840s, Riel Sr established a mill on this site to 4 grind grain and card wool for the Grey Nuns of St. Boniface. Tradition has it that almost single-handedly, he dug a nine mile channel to divert water to turn the mill wheel.
- Orchard Hill Park A manicured green space butts up against 6 the wild native river forest vegetation of the Seine. This linear park follows the course of the river adjacent to the upscale residential neighbourhood of Royalwood.
- Bishop Grandin Greenway Trail Extensive tree plantings, 6 interpretive signage, eco-education and bench installations as well as a community garden make this 6 km multi-use trail a vital link to communities and amenities in southeast Winnipeg.

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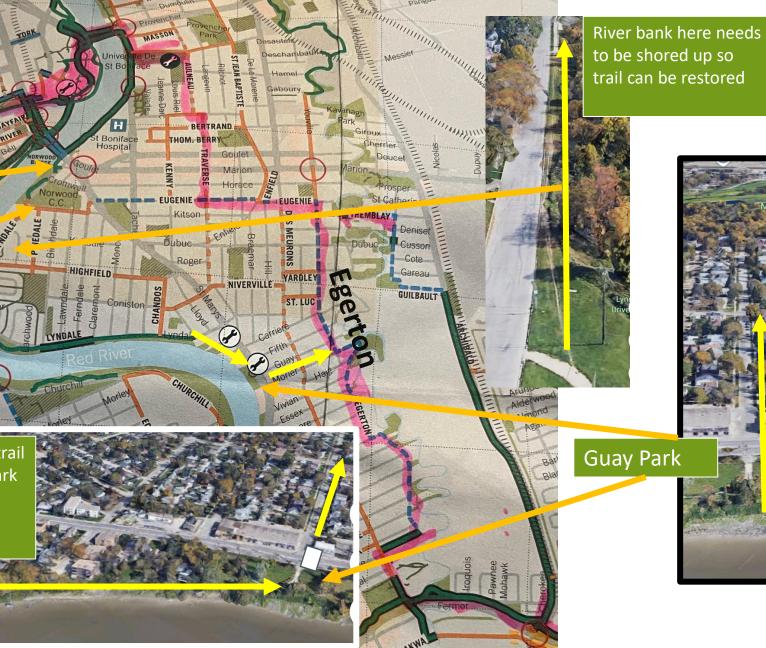


Winnipeg Rowing Club is on city property. Be great to have a trail along the river to join under the bridge or get them to build a nice trail around the front

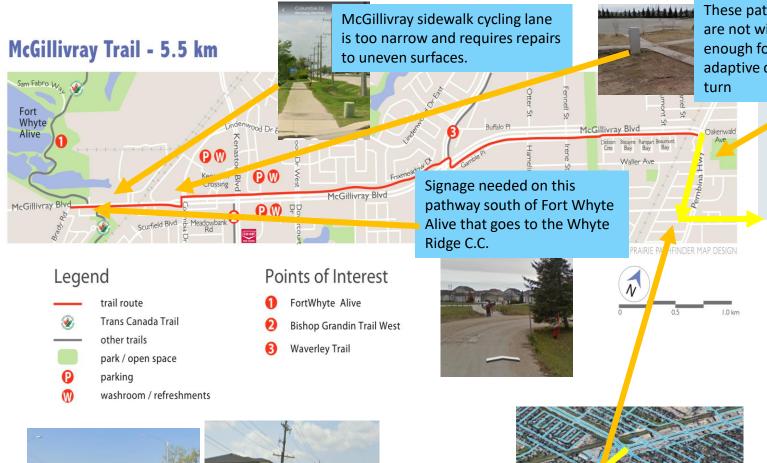
> A trail entrance partial crosswalk needs to be painted so cars don't block entrance

Propose to build a 'shored up' river trail from end of Lyndale Drive to Guay Park where there is an existing crosswalk. This trail would avoid the busier intersections on St. Mary's.

Lyndale Drive to Egerton





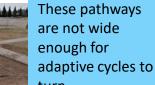


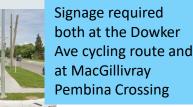


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lines needed here & in many places in the city









McGillivray Trail - 4.5 km

The McGillivray Trail is a new multi-use pathway that runs east / west connecting Pembina Hwy to FortWhyte Alive. The eastern section that borders an older residential neighbourhood is the most scenic and boasts a fine canopy of mature trees. The western section runs adjacent to Linden Woods on a nicely bermed and landscaped path before it meets up with Winnipeg's largest 'power centre' - a large collection of big box stores.

asphalt surface 3.5 metres in width

 Washroom / Convenience Store o Red River Co-op - 1745 Kenaston Blvd

• 4.5 km route length

Parking





Points of Interest

Fast Facts



FortWhyte Alive - is a rural oasis inside the city. It offers more than 240 hectares of aspen forest, tall grass prairie, scenic lakes, hiking trails and floating marsh boardwalks. The interpretive centre includes a Touch Museum as well as the largest fresh water aquarium in Manitoba. It is also home to Winnipeg's only urban herd of bison.

o Linden Ridge Shopping Centre on McGillivray @ Kenaston

o Kenaston Crossing on McGillivray @ Kenaston

- Bishop Grandin Trail West a new multi-use pathway that porders Bishop Grandin Blvd and Kenaston Blvd between Pembina Hwy and McGillivray Boulevard.
- Waverley Trail a new multi-use pathway that runs between Taylor Avenue and McGillivray Boulevard.



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Might be great to have a well signed & marked cycling route from McGillivray Boulevard coming through this neighbourhood on Dowker Ave for access to Crescent **Drive and Churchill Drive**



This great little connecter between Des Meurons and Egerton needs some cross slope grading.



Pathways such as this should be widened. minimum width 1.5m



This needs a straight path to crosswalk in order to see oncoming traffic properly. Also, blindspot needs trees trimmed

To be considered an accessible trail, traffic islands need improvements to follow specs especially along busy highway

Niakwa

Trail

4.1



Niakwa/Trail - 4.1 km PART 1





trail route

- park / open space
- parking

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washroom / refreshments



Points of Interest

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- King George Park
- Papoose Park
 - Royal Canadian Mint



Busy highway merge. Sidewalk turn needs to be widened so an adaptive cyclist can see oncoming traffic.

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• Parking

- o Superstore o King George Park o. Southdale Shonning Centre
- King George Park Located at the south end of Des Meurons this small recreational park contains a lovely children's play ground as well as a baseball diamond and outdoor swimming pool.
- Papoose Park This nicely treed strip of linear park atures a very picturesque foot bridge over the Seine
- 8 Royal Canadian Mint This eye-catching architecture houses a very high-tech, high-volum manufacturing facility. Every single Canadian circulation coin is produced here - literally billions each year. Established in 1976, this plant occupies a 14,864 m2 state-of-the-art facility.

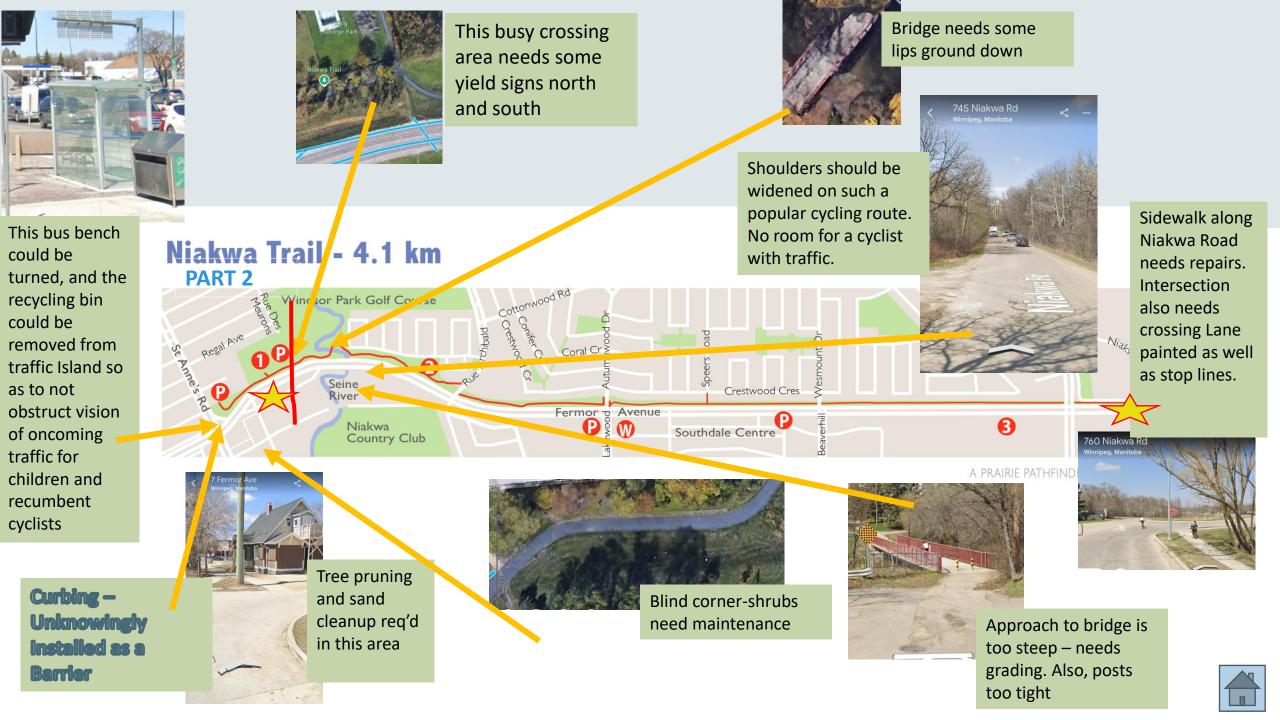


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It would be fantastic to add a link between these two trails. A bridge could be built over the Seine River and you could add another nice portion of riverbank Trail on the way to meet Northeast Pioneers Greenway..

Northeast Pioneers Greenway - 5.5 km

Signage needed here showing way to Bunns Creek pathway.

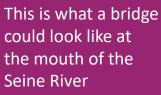
Sidewalk could get changed to the width of the crosswalk



Legend trail route P parking washroom other trail refreshments Trans Canada Trai



Points of Interest Centennial Park 7 Trans Canada Trail Michael Hrushovetz Park Bunn's Creek Trail



This is at the perimeter highway. Should have a bench and maybe some signage giving info about the trails - both the one coming so much back into the city and the one going north to Birdshill Park.

Gateway and Talbot - Could paint trail crosswalks the same we do for school crossings





Northeast Pioneers Greenway - 5.5 km

The Northeast Pioneers Greenway officially opened in 2007. The Greenway connects multiple communities in Northeast Winnipeg and to the Forks via a bike route. It is being embraced by the communities as both a recreation and transportation corridor. The asphalt trail, built on the former Marconi Spur rail line will be extended to Knowles Ave. in 2010. The Marconi Spur was constructed by the Dominion Government in 1878 and turned over to the Canadian Pacific Railway in 1881 as part of the main line between Rat Portage (presently Kenora) and Winnipeg. Today, area residents and the City of Winnipeg are partnering to install benches, shade canopies, interpretive signage, etc. The greenway connects to The Forks National Historic Site via the bike route on Riverton Avenue. Many people envision the trail connecting to Birds Hill Provincial Park in the future.



• 5.5 km Distance markers installed

- Parking
- o Chalmers Community Centre 480 Chalmers Ave
- o Centennial Park 800 Raleigh Ave
- o Gateway Recreation Centre 1717 Gateway Rd
- Washroom / Conveniece Store
- o Red River Co-op 1138 Gateway Rd o Tim Horton's - 1139 Gateway Rd



Northeast

Pioneers

Greenway

- Centennial Park Local residents united to save a large grove of oak trees from a housing development and the area was turned into Centennial Park.
- Trans Canada Trail This section of Trans Canada Trail currently follows sidewalks and city streets. Plans are underway to install a multi-use pathway in 2012.
- Michael Hrushovetz Park This small urban forest was onated to the City of Winnipeg by the Hrushovetz family, who were local market garden pioneers. This natural habitat had been owned by the family since 1925.
- Bunn's Creek Trail Bunn's Creek Trail, part of the Trans anada Trail, weaves through a quiet residential neighb situated alongside Bunn's Creek.





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Make trail under old train bridge



North Winnipeg Parkway

At St. John's Park it would be nice to have a pathway without so many twists and turns

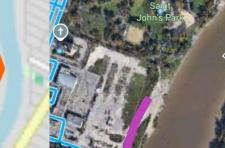
May not be worthwhile to built a riverside trail in this case

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199 Annabella St Wirinipeg, Manitoba

Annabella Street needs signage at both ends to make trail connection user friendly. Also, the posts could be further part to allow adaptive cycles passage.





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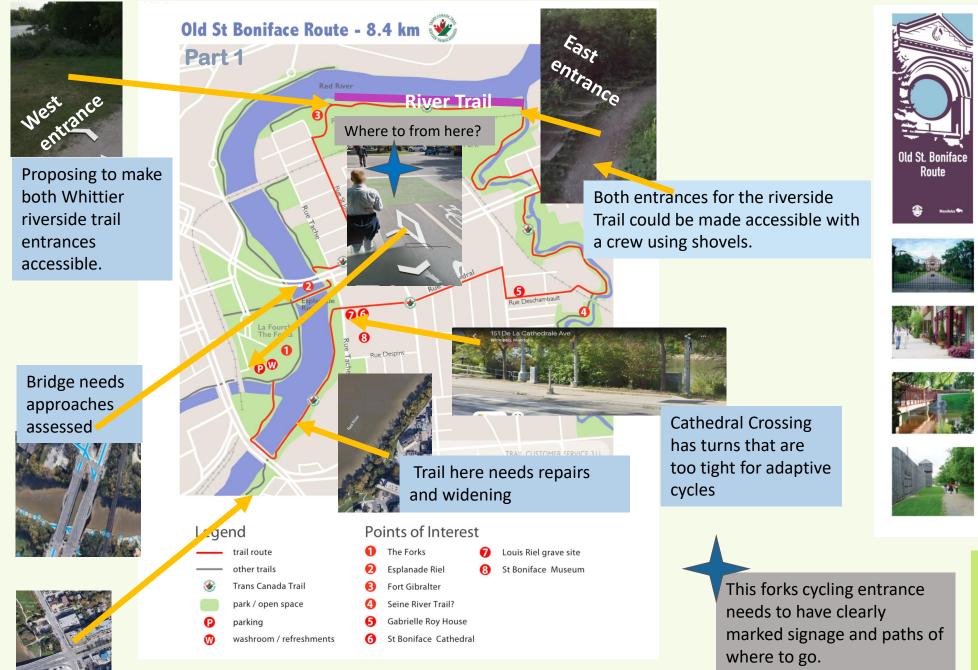
Add some signage for the Henderson Bridge turn off Not sure if this school would ever allow easement for the city to build a path along the

This trail completion under the bridge should happen soon

river

Rover Ave wrones iZbalter

End of Rover Dike - Need to make sure the gates allow passage of adaptive cycles and hand cycles.



This route has the potential to be a complete gem for Winnipeg, enhanced by being connected to The Forks and crossing three different rivers

Old St Bonface Route - 8.4 km 🕊

asphalt surface

8.4 km route length

was the main industry.

Romanesque facade

in North America

Louis Riel grave site

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outdoor classroom for nature and local history

 Parking o The Forks

settlers.

Fast Facts

Points of

Interest

This trail winds through St Boniface, the heart of French speaking Winnipeg and the largest francophone community in Western Canada. Established by the Roman Catholic Church in 1818,

this area is home to many people who are themselves the descendants of the earliest French

Old St Boniface revels in French Canadian culture which is still strong here. It is visible on street signs and audible in local shops and banks. As you stroll along St. Boniface's heavily treed streets you'll spot the names of many historical figures, such as religious leaders Provencher and Tache.

and fur trader La Vérendrye. And while St. Boniface is rooted in history, it continues to grow. The new Esplanade Riel has encouraged greater discovery of the area, and several new businesses have already opened near the bridge, including a romantic restaurant and a gelateria.

The Forks - A meeting place for thousands of years, this is the city's most

Esplanade Riel - This eye-cathching pedestrian walkway parallels the

post commemorates the early history of Western Canada when fur-trading

Seine River Trail - This crushed limestone trail is a natural recreational space for passive activities like walking and birding or canoeing, cycling, and x-country skiing. It is also a wonderful habitat to flora and fauna, and an

Gabrielle Roy House - 375 Rue Deschambeault, the childhood home of one of Canada's most distinguished writers is now open to the public.

St Boniface Cathedral - 190 Cathedral Avenue. The Basilica built in

1908 was destoyed by fire in 1968. The present structure, designed by

world famous architect Etienne Gaboury, incorporates the remaining

St Boniface Museum - Built in 1846, this is the largest oak log building

popular gathering place, attracting nearly four million visitors each year.

Provencher Bridge and connects downtown Winnipeg to St. Boniface. Fort Gibralter - This replica of the North West Company fur trading



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This switchback approach works great for a wheelchair but the corners are too tight for some adaptive cycles.

Two properties not owned by city are barriers to making this a complete great loop. The one business has pushed a storage bin across the trail claiming there's too many vagrants passing by - we could propose building him better fence with lighting and cameras & perhaps some flower boxes. If we can make this trail, nice and well used then the vagrants will move on, hopefully.

This entrance to The Forks is too steep and needs switchbacking also needs level resting areas. Grade should be 5% to make it accessible. Also, the repairs to the old train bridge to The Forks should be expedited.





Legend trail route other trails Trans Canada Trail park / open space parking washroom / refreshments



required

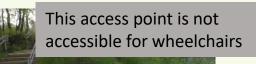
Marion Ave

Trailhead parking - Branch trim to allow cars to park properly & needs cleanup to look more inviting.

This crosswalk needs to be marked & signed properly

Trail access could begin at

Should plant some trees in this area.







Sagimay – asphalt Preston – hard packed gravel Side trails – a fairly well packed bark mulch, maybe suitable for some wheelchairs and scooters.

Trail entrance here could use some more inviting signage.



Sagimay Trail - 0.9 km

The Sagimay Trail was constructed in 1981, and its name originates from the Cree word neaning mosquito, however, a walk along the Sagimay Trail provides an opportunity to observe many types of wildlife including birds, deer, and other small mammals. During the spring, the trail comes alive with the songs of migratory birds. At the southeast end of the trail, an observation mound overlooks the Eve Werier Memorial Pond – a perfect place to look for vaterfowl and other wetand creatures. The Sagimay Trail also offers up linkages to 6 km of wood-chipped trails in Assiniboine Forest, which in turn provide access to the new crushed limestone Preston Trail, and the Harte Trail that runs along the south edge of the Forest.

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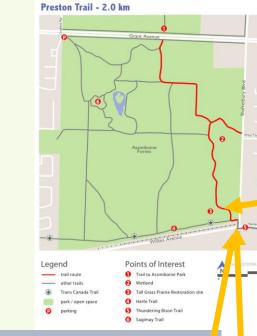
• 0.9 km route

• Parking Assiniboine Forest main entrance parking lot on Grant Avenue at Chalfont Rd.

- Prairie meadow This large meadow provides an example of prairie habitat, including tall grass prairie species such as Big tem and Prairie Sage.
- Eve Werier Pond This pond supplies water for wild life and waterfowl, and with this water source, deer can be saved from crossing busy streets to reach the Assiniboine River. Early mornings or at dusk you may come upon deer drinking at water's edge or see a flock of ducks feeding on wetland plants.
- Charleswood Rotary Boardwalk constructed by the Charleswood Rotary Club in 2002.
- Trail to Assiniboine Park This asphalt pathway continues on to boine Park, Assiniboine Zoo and other area features.
- Preston Trail Named after the Preston family that once resided here Assiniboine Forest is now, the trail has been designed to minimize ecological impacts, while providing an interesting and scenic route through this natural heritage area.
- Harte Trail Built on a unused rail bed, the 6.5 km Harte Trail is part he Trans Canada Trail system

Thundering Bison Trail - provides a key link to FortWhyte Alive

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The turning radius is too sharp for some adaptive cycles and hand cycles at this crosswalk Junction





To approve safety these crosswalks should have stop lines and crossing lanes painted



At this popular trailhead might be nice to have a bench as well as we could plant some trees in the open areas

> Preston Trail - 2.0 km The Preston Trail is located within Assiniboine Forest, Canada's largest 280 hectare urb nature park. This new granular trail is very popular with walkers, cyclists and joggers. Many bark chip trails extend from the Preston Trail enabling further exploration of the forest. Along the north portion, the Preston Trail winds through aspen and oak habitat, where smaller numbers of Balsam Poplar are also present. Midway along the trail, an observation mound provides great views of a recently constructed wetland, while the mound itself contain xamples of native tall grass prairie plant species. At the south end of the trail, visitors will encounter an 3 hectare section of restored tall grass prairie. Named after the Preston family that once resided where Assiniboine Forest is now, the trail has been designed to ninimize ecological impacts, while providing an interesting and scenic route through this natural heritage area Fast Facts crushed limestone surfac Preston 2.0 km route length Trail Parking o Assiniboine Forest main entrance parking lot on Grant Avenue at Chalfont Rd Trail to Assiniboine Park - This asphalt pathway or Points of iboine Park, Assiniboine Zoo and other area feature Wetland - The new wetland was constructed in 2005 as part of a drainage and wetland enhancement project to alleviate drainage challenges in Assiniboine Forest Tall Grass Prairie Restoration site - Formerly a landfill, this 3 hectare site was restored to tall grass prairie in 2004. The mound on the site provides a scenic view of the area Harte Trail - Built on a unused rail bed, the 6.5 km Harte Trail is part. of the Trans Canada Trail system Thundering Bison Trail - provides a key link to FortWhyte Alive Sagimay Trail - This trail leads into Assiniboine Forest from the 6 ain entrance parking lot strolled by its members, Red River Co-op is a nnipeg trails and the Trans Canada Trail 'Winnipeg Walks' by The Prairie Pathfinders, a an best selling guide highlighting 38 walks in Wint









shown.



Heritage Park. Would add an amazing section of river Trail!

Kilkenny Road should have a nice wide sidewalk installed. This would benefit not only adaptive cyclist and allow the trans can trail here to become accessible but also all the use of them students would also benefit.

090 Kilkenny Di







Sentier Cloutier Trail, part of the Trans Canada Trail system and the St. Norbert Heritage Trails, is located on a forty four acre provincially owned property in south Winnipeg. The trail is on land protected from development and the area contains four of Manitoba's habitats: river bottom forest, open tall grass prairie, oak and aspen forests and a wetlands area. Along with the native habitat, there are two mature tree nurseries located on the property containing countless varieties of native and non native plant species - many which are fruit bearing. Traveling along Sentier Cloutier Trail, you will see many birds and animals whose homes are hidden in the habitat. The trail was built in 2003 by local area volunteers and is named after a prominent St. Norbert pioneer family. Sentier Cloutier Trail is a key connection for the communities of Fort Garry and St. Norbert.





- Riverbottom Forest Pristine 'Type A' grade riverbottom forest, virtually untouched by man. This site provided excellent habitat for a number of species including white-tailed jack rabbits, squirrels and white-tailed deer. The site is also a good resting and feeding location for migrating birds using the Red River Flyway.
- Bark Chip Trail An informal trail often used by area residents to walk their dogs. Exceptional fruit and berry tree canopy over sections of the trail.
- Trans Canada Trail Kiosk Showing the route of the Trans Canada Trail in Winnipeg and local community events.
- 4 Mature Tree Nursery - Observe the linear rows of trees. Trees from this nursery were supplied to the Legislative grounds. Now the nursery is home to many species of birds and wildlife.
- 6 St Norbert Heritage Trails - Part of the Trans Canada Trail system, this historic trail weaves into the community of St. Norbert and highlights the areas' habitat and historical sites.



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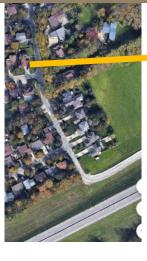






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Sentier Cloutier Trail - 2.0 km 🛛 🕸



A stop line and a crosswalk should be painted on the intersection here as well as signage

Grandmont Blvd Legend Ø trail route W other trails Trans Canada Trail

parking

washroom /

refreshments



The trail crossing here should have the turns made wider so adaptive cycles would be able to see oncoming traffic. Also, there should be crosswalk painted as well as the sand cleaned up.

Points of Interest

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Riverbottom Forest Bark Chip Trail Trans Canada Trail Kiosk

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4 Mature Tree Nursery 6 St Norbert Heritage Trails

Would be good to have signage, indicating the St Norbert Trail system

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South St Vital Trail - 2.6 km

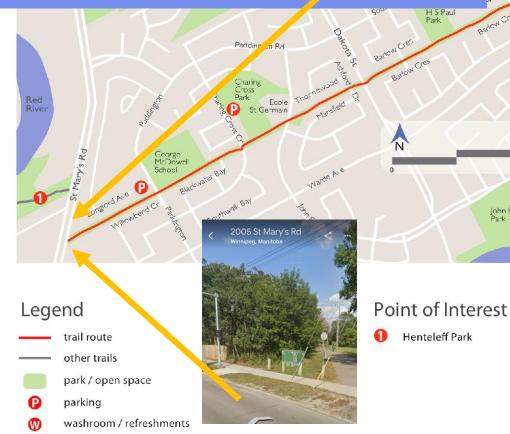
This crossing should have a better connection between the trail and the crosswalk to allow adaptive cycles to make the turns. Also improving the signage and marking the Hydro cables better recommended.

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John Forsy Park



The crossing on the east side of Saint Anne's Road could be made more accessible for adaptive cycles, scooters, etc. by improving the alignment of the sidewalk with extra concrete.



South St Vital Trail - 2.6 km

Stretching from St Mary's Rd to St Anne's Rd, this trail connects St Vital suburbs from west to east and is used primarily as a commuter route by surrounding neighbourhoods. Expect to see lots of children along the route as it provides safe access to green space and schools.

Aside from the nicely landscaped residential yards and gardens bordering the trail, you'll find an interesting variety of plantings along the corridor itself. Look for some beautiful Golden willow, Ontario maple, and Schubert chokecherry. In early spring the wonderful Hawthorne blossoms make this

Fast Facts • •	Asphalt surfacing 2.6 km Distance markers installed Parking o neighbourhood streets and parks Washrooms / Refreshments
	o Dakota Community Centre, 1188 Dakota Street
Points of 1 Interest	Henteleff Park - Once home to the Henteleff family market gardens, this land also served as the City's tree nursery for a number of years. Today you can see the many linear rows of mature native and ornamental tree species. Henteleff Park is now a set up for passive (low impact) recreational use. Collaborative efforts by the Henteleff Park Foundation and the City of Winnipeg are underway to restore the riparian habitats along the Red River and Normand Creek and improve the area for wildlife. Wood chip trails, benches and interpretive signage enhance the enjoyment of park users.
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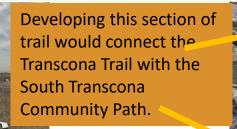


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South Transcona Community Path - 4.2 km

Points of Interest

South Transcona

Buhler Recreation Park

6 Lake Shirley, Provincial Water Ski Park,

Malting Plant

Mazenod off leash dog park

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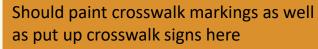
Legend trail route other trails park / open space

parking





Crosswalk markings would be good here as well as crosswalk signs





If this short section of trail was developed a little further, it would connect with the trail that goes to the Buhler Recreation Park



Malting Plant - Malteurop Maltin is one of the largest barley and malting barley producers in the world with an annual production capacity of 90,000 tonnes of Pilsen malt, used by brewers

as a base malt, particularly for lagers. Buhler Recreation Park (135 Murdock Rd) has ball diamonds vailable for softball and baseball ournaments; and athletic fields for soccer, flag football, ultimate Frisbee and field lacrosse. It also has 5 km of fitness trails and a canteen that may be open on summer evenings

Lake Shirley Water Ski Park this man-made lake built for the 1999 Pan American Games is used for water ski events as well as dragon boat

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Add signage at intersections to show trail users how to get to South Transcona Park and Buhler Recreation Centre



along Dugald Rd, a high-volume, high speed provincial highway. It runs from the intersection of Terracon Pl and Dugald Road out to the suburb of South Transcona. Residents of South Franscona used to walk through the CNR shops to get to downtown Transcona on a pathway known as 'The Midway'. When CNR closed that pathway there was no safe way to walk or cycle between South Transcona and the rest of Transcona. This paved path has been constructed to provide a safe commuter path and is enjoyed best on a bike.

South Transcona Community Path - 4.2 km

Fast Facts

 3.5 m wide asphalt surface west of Plessis, 2 m wide asphalt surface east of Plessis 4.2 km route length

o On Borden Avenue off Road

Park



South Transcona Transcona has a gas station restaurant and community club. In is a small suburb that looks and feels like a small town. The South Transcona Community Path ends in South Transcona but you may continue cycling east approximatel 2 kilometres to Murdoch Road. Turn south at Murdoch Road and cycle one kilometre to the Buhler Recreation

races





Sturgeon Creek Greenway Trail - 4.0 km

WP



Signage & crosswalk, painting required,

Hamilton Dr is a great connecter for **Sturgeon Creek** Greenway and the Yellow Ribbon Greenway. In future sidewalk here could be widened.

Yellow Ribbon Greenway >

This section of Trail can be unsafe because two straightaways come to a corner with blind spots. This due to branches that need trimming. Also, pathway should be widened here.

> Could add a bridge here at Saskatchewan Avenue to make this trail a loop





The Sturgeon Creek Greenway Trail runs adjacent to Sturgeon Creek from Woodhaven Park to Saskatchewan Avenue. The trail follows the creek which flows through areas that were once tall grass prairie. The biodiversity of fish species in Sturgeon Creek is quite high with at least 30 different species identified. Molluscs, crustaceans, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals also use the creek as habitat. A trip down this trail showcases the unique natural area and the numerous improvements Sturgeon Creek has seen that benefit its ecological health. In the 1990s, riffles and fish ladders were added to help improve water quality and fish habitat. As well, a "no mow buffer strip" was established to help stabilize the creek banks, benefit wildlife and improve biodiversity.

Sturgeon Creek Greenway Trail - 4.0 km

- Fast Facts Asphalt surfacing with crushed limestone between Woodhaven & Portage Ave and between Hamilton & Saskatchewan Ave. The asphalt trail goes under Portage Ave enabling good connectivity. You must use the sidewalk on Hamilton Ave to connect to trail on Silver Ave.
 - 4.0 km Distance markers installed
 - Parking
 - o Woodhaven Community Centre off Woodhaven Blvd o Sturgeon Creek Park - enter off of Booth Drive
 - o Vimy Arena 255 Hamilton Ave
 - Washrooms / Refreshment o Vimy Arena - 255 Hamilton Ave
 - T-33 Plane This plane commemorates the Golden Centennaires, as aerobatic team who flew in honour of Winniper's Centennial, 1967.
 - Grant's Old Mill The mill provides a glimpse of a real working watermill and is open to the public in the spring / summer / fall seasons. It is run by the St. James Assiniboia Pioneer Association 204 986-5613
 - B Fish Ladder - Located across from Grant's Old Mill, this stru designed to allow fish to migrate upstream
 - 0 Fishing Hole - This popular fishing spot southwest of the Nes Avenue bridge is used by locals throughout the summer months.
 - Tall Grass Prairie This endangered eco system contains native grasses and herbaceous plants, e.g. Big Bluestem and Purple Prairie

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> Perennial low area with standing water at times should have some asphalt added





Crosswalk painting required

Legend



T-33 Plane

Fish Ladder

Fishing Hole Tall Grass Prairie

Grant's Old Mill

Signage

required

Should have signage and a map at this parking lot showing connection to Assiniboine Park.

Assiniboine Park >

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Transcona Trail - 6.7 km



Legend

	trail route
	other trails
	park / open space
P	parking
W	washroom
R	refreshments
В	bench
CC	community club



- Train Park
- Off leash dog area

Points of Interest

- Transcona Community Bioreserve
- **Cordite Trail**
- George Olive Park





On map, parking lot is shown over at Costco, but there is no access there, so the arrow shows where parking is available.

Transcona Trail - 6.7 km

The Transcona Trail is an multi-use asphalt path used by walkers, runners and cyclists. It follows a variety of hydro lines along a Manitoba Hydro right of way. The western section of the trail follows the Central Manitoba rail line and is bordered by chain link fence on both sides. It starts at Regent Ave and runs to Ravelston where you'll find the entrance to the Rotary Tall Grass Nature Park at the corner of Ravelston Ave and Bradley St. Along the trail you may find a large variety of birds. You pass through quiet residential neighbourhoods and arrive at open fields. The Grand Trunk Pacific Railway purchased 800 acres of land east of Winnipeg in 1907 or 1908 for the construction of railway repair shops and a future town site. In 1910 the Transcona post office opened and the town population was 1,600 people. In 1911 the Transcona Board of Trade was established and in 1912 the town of Transcona was officially

- asphalt surface
- 6.7 km route length

Fast Facts

- o corner of Ravelston Ave & Bradley St o Transcona Bioreserve parking lot on Gunn Rd o Park City West Community Club @ Hoka Ave

and song birds.

edge of Transcona.

Transcona Community Bioreserve - This former site of an industrial plant has been

turned into a naturalized park with more

than 1.6 km of crushed limestone trails and

a large patch of Big Blue Stem Grass. In the

spring it is noisy with frogs. In the summer

it is full of colourful wild flowers, butterflies

Cordite Trail - is situated in a very open

meadow-like field area and runs along the

bank of the Cordite Ditch at the northern

George Olive Park - This 16 acre

nature park named for a former mayor of

Transcona, has ponds, waterfowl and its own

trails. The area was chosen to be preserved

because it is an excellent example of a natura southern Manitoba marsh ecosystem

o corner of Regent Ave & Peguis St

atmosphere

parking

incorporated. The Transcona Railway Shops maintained

railway cars for the National Transcontinental Railway

and the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway. The name

Transcona is a combination of "Transcontinental"

and "Strathcona". "Transcontinental" is for the

CPR transcontinental trains or for the National

Transcontinental Railway, plus "Strathcona" is for

Lord Strathcona, Donald Alexander Smith, a railway

industrialist who headed one of the groups responsible

for constructing the Canadian Pacific Railway. In 1913 the Transcona Shops officially opened. In 1961

Transcona had 13,000 citizens and became a city. In

1972 the City of Transcona amalgamated with the city of Winnipeg. Transcona has maintained its small town

Transcona

Trail

Train Park - During the late 1920's Canadian National Railways embarked on a programme of home shop locomotive building, and between 1926 and 1931 constructed a total of 72 engines of which 33 were fabricated at Transcona Shops. Locomotive #2747 was the first steam locomotive to be built in western Canada

Off leash dog area - This section of trail from Plessis Road to Hoka Avenue between the Manitoba Central Railway tracks and well kept backyards, is an off leash dog area. Please clean up after your pets on the trails.

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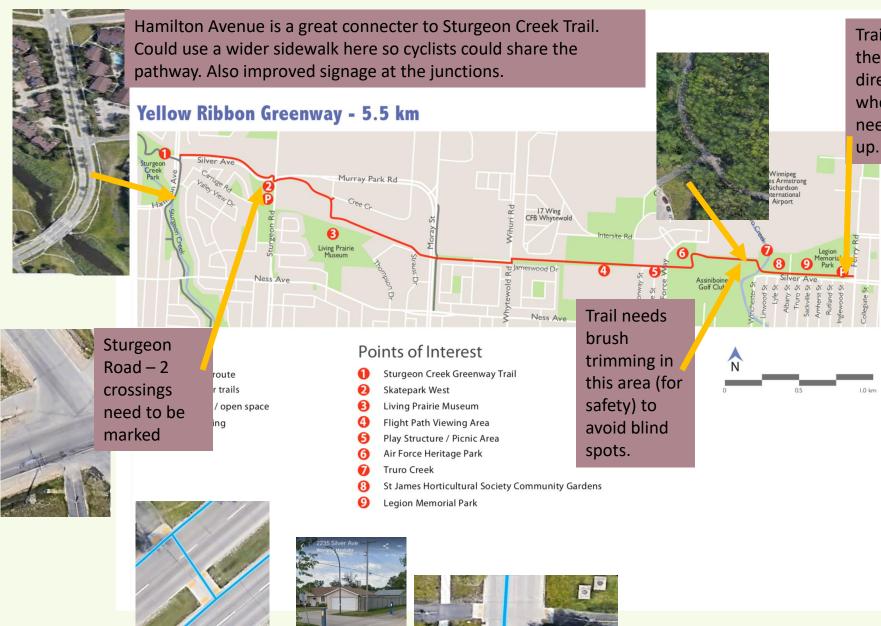












Would be good to have all the crossings marked

Trail ends here, but there's lack of signage directing trail users where to go. Also, needs to be cleaned



Yellow Ribbon Greenway - 5.5 km

This new multi-use pathway, named in honor of the Canadian Armed Forces, provides a crucial east west link in Winnipeg's trail network. The westerly end of the Yellow Ribbon Greenway connects into the Sturgeon Creek Greenway Trail system and the easterly end of the trail links to employment areas of the Canadian Forces Base, James Armstrong Richardson International Airport and continues on via on road cycling infrastructure to the Polo Park shopping areas. One of the most captivating aspects of this stretch of trail is the opportunity to stand directly beneath incoming aircraft as they descend onto the runways of the James Armstrong Richardson International Airport.

٠	3.5 m wide asphalt surface	•	Parking
•	5.5 km route length		 Skateboard Park at Silver Ave and Sturgeon Rd Air Force Heritage Park at Air Force Way north of Silver Ave Legion Memorial Park at Silver Ave and Ferry Rd
Point	s of Interest		
0	Sturgeon Creek Greenway Trail - is a beautifully scenic pathway that follows the creek for 4 km from Woodhaven Park to Saskatchewan Avenue. This trail showcases a unique natural area and the numerous improvements Surgeon Creek has seen that	0	Play Structure / Picnic Area - Located between Moorgate St. and Airforce Way, this is a family friendly area with a play structure and benches - a great location for pionics and watching incoming aircraft!
0	benefit its ecological health. Skatepark West - Although one of the	0	Air Force Heritage Park Museum - i the largest outdoor park of its kind in Canad and features 13 aircraft tracing the history o
Ū	city's smaller skateparks, this site has become a favourite for locals, mainly due to its variety of obstacles including a bowl with extension, hips, C-ledge, hubba ledges, many rails, and quarter pipe with cut-out section. The park is located at the corner of Silver Avenue and Sturgeon Road.	0	military flight. Truro Creek - This small, but vital tributary of the Assimboine River is an important site for fish spawning in the spring and provides habitat for ducks, dragonflies, frogs, and fingerling fish.
0	Living Prairie Museum - This 30 acre tall grass prairie preserve is home to over 160 species of prairie plants and a great array of wildlife.	8	St James Horticultural Society Community Gardens- has been gardening since WWII. This site is just one of the man community allotment gardens administered by the society.
0	Flight Path Viewing Area - Align yourself with the runway mavigation lights for a stellar vantage point to watch incoming aircraft descending onto the runways of the james Armstrong Richardson International Airport.	0	Legion Memorial Park - a family friendly park area with play structures and benches.
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