

## Assiniboine River Corridor



The Assiniboine River Corridor stretches for 17 km through the heart of Brandon, Manitoba. The Corridor includes a network of parks and public lands which range from natural riverbottom forest to tailored walks, formal sporting venues and historic downtown Brandon.

In 1995, Brandon Riverbank Inc., a non-profit, charitable organization, began the long-term process of developing the area in accordance with the 25-year Assiniboine River Corridor Master Plan.

Over the past ten years, more than five million dollars have been invested in the area, creating a destination for Brandon's citizens and visitors in every season. These changes and improvements mean that there is always something new to discover, a new feature or vantage point from which to view the river corridor and the surrounding beautiful city of Brandon.

## Riverbank Discovery Centre



Home to the Brandon & Region Tourism Centre and Ducks Unlimited Canada Provincial Offices, the Riverbank Discovery Centre is located in the heart of the Assiniboine River Corridor. The Brandon & Region Tourism Centre is open year-round, offering many services for Brandon's visitors including:

- Travel information for the City of Brandon, Southwestern Manitoba, Canada and the U.S.
- Brandon souvenirs
- Hospitality packages for events and conventions
- A summer campground greeting program
- Interpretive information for the Riverbank area

The Riverbank Discovery Centre serves as a starting point for the extensive trail system and self-guided tours around the Interpretive Ponds that are adjacent to the facility. Meeting facilities are available at the DiscoveryCentre.

## Eleanor Kidd Gardens



Adjacent to Eleanor Kidd Park on 18th Street North, the Gardens offer a beautiful setting within the serenity of the Assiniboine River Corridor. Eleanor Kidd Gardens have many features including:

- A Performance Plaza with a small stage and seating area for community arts performances
- A Fountain Plaza, featuring a life-sized bronze sculpture of a doe and two fawns by local artist Peter Sawatzky
- Numerous varieties of shrubs, trees, annuals and perennials including over 100 hanging baskets

Eleanor Kidd Gardens are open to the public at all times, however, individuals planning weddings, photos and family gatherings are asked to book the Gardens by contacting the Riverbank Discovery Centre at 204-729-2141.

## Interpretive Programs



There is always something new to learn when you visit the Assiniboine River Corridor. Some of the programs offered from the Riverbank Discovery Centre include:

- Self-Guided Interpretive Pond tour brochures to help you learn more about the habitat of the wetlands around the facility
- Interpretive signs along the trails, providing information on the history and geography of the River, and the nature that can be found in the heart of Brandon!
- Interpretive Programs on more than a dozen topics offered to school and tour groups from May to August
- Summer workshop series from June through August
- Many special events throughout the year, including the Cancer Society's Relay for Life and Brandon's Canada Day Celebrations.

## "The Discoverer"



An exciting addition to the trail system provides a scenic way to enjoy the Assiniboine River. "The Discoverer" provides a pedestrian ferry connection between the Riverbank Discovery Centre and Eleanor Kidd Park.

Guided Interpretive Tours are also available throughout the summer months (fee involved). Tours are approximately 45 minutes and take visitors along the River to Dinsdale Park and back to the Discovery Centre. Tours describe the history of the River, its natural habitat and the Riverbank project.

To assist you in experiencing the trails and the River in numerous ways, Stream n' Wood Rentals Centre offers canoe, kayak and roller blade rentals as well as paddling instruction and self-guided tours of the Assiniboine River. For rental information or to book a River Tour, please call 204-726-0447.

## Trails for all Seasons



The trail map on the reverse side provides a complete description of the many destination areas found in the Assiniboine River Corridor. The parks and attractions are joined by a trail network that ranges from paved and lit promenades to less-travelled paths that offer interaction with the natural beauty of the area.

Brandon Riverbank Inc. urges you to get the most out of your experiences on the trails of the Assiniboine River Corridor. Please take care of others who are out on the trails and respect the habitat of the plants and animals that make this area so special.

We cannot continue to expand and enhance the Trail System without the support of individuals like yourself. A \$100 donation will purchase one metre of riverbank trail and ensure its protection and beauty for generations to come. To become a Metre Donor, please contact:

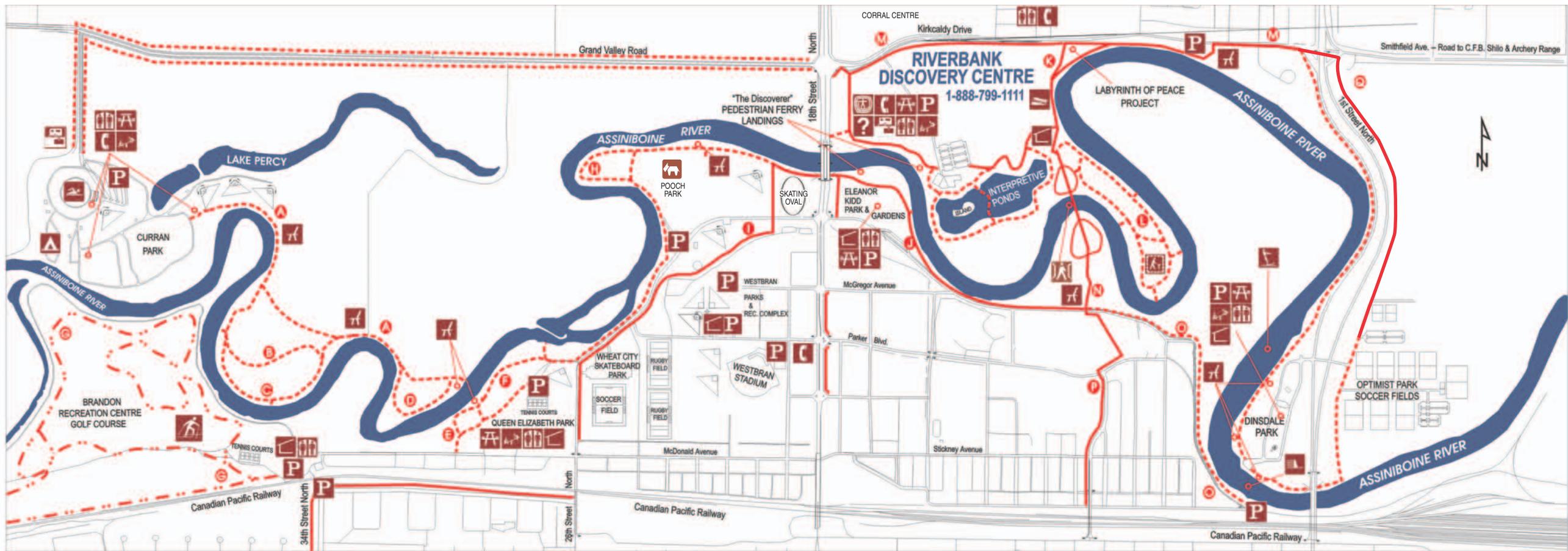
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## Brandon's Riverbank and Trail Map



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## LEGEND

|  |                      |  |                                 |  |                              |
|--|----------------------|--|---------------------------------|--|------------------------------|
|  | Tourist Information  |  | Picnic Area                     |  | Boat Launch                  |
|  | Pay Phone            |  | Trail Shelter & Picnic Facility |  | Water-Skiing Area            |
|  | Parking              |  | Bench                           |  | X-Country Ski Trails         |
|  | Washrooms            |  | R.V. Dumping                    |  | Dam                          |
|  | Playground           |  | Campground                      |  | Red Willow Pedestrian Bridge |
|  | Swimming Pool        |  | Environmental Study Area        |  | Interpretive Trail           |
|  |                      |  | Pooch Park                      |  |                              |
|  | CITY STREETS         |  | PAVED WALKWAYS                  |  |                              |
|  | X-COUNTRY SKI TRAILS |  | NATURAL (UNPAVED)               |  |                              |



## TRAILS FOR ALL SEASONS

### West of 18th Street

**Curran Park:**

|                           |        |
|---------------------------|--------|
| A. Curran Park Trail..... | 1385 m |
| B. Antler Trail.....      | 388 m  |
| C. White-tail Trail.....  | 875 m  |
| D. Peninsula Trail.....   | 352 m  |

**Queen Elizabeth Park:**

|                                    |       |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| E. Queen Elizabeth Trail West..... | 355 m |
| F. Queen Elizabeth Trail East..... | 524 m |

**Recreation Centre Golf Course:**

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| G. X-Country Ski Trail                      |        |
| lighted trail (on Golf Course).....         | 3500 m |
| unlit trail to the West of Golf Course..... | 4500 m |

**Westbran Area:**

|                             |        |
|-----------------------------|--------|
| H. Westbran Trail.....      | 2000 m |
| I. Westbran Trail East..... | 1370 m |

### East of 18th Street

**Eleanor Kidd Park:**

|                                |        |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| K. Red Willow Trail North..... | 610 m  |
| L. Vireo Trail **.....         | 2217 m |
| M. Kirkcaldy Trail.....        | 1934 m |

**D. U. Conservation Area:**

|                                |       |
|--------------------------------|-------|
| N. Red Willow Trail South..... | 610 m |
| O. East Dike Trail.....        | 941 m |
| P. 8th Street Trail.....       | 590 m |

**South of Pedestrian Bridge:**

|                            |        |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Q. First Street Trail..... | 1811 m |
|----------------------------|--------|

*\*\* Please note: Because of the delicate nesting season of certain birds, we ask the public to refrain from using the Vireo Trail from the start of June to mid-July. These trails are being developed as interpretive trails and are designated as walkways exclusively in order to preserve the pristine nature of these areas. Thank you.*

*For more information, contact:*

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