

## MDS July 2026

Joy's role in MDS this year was Hospitality. When the volunteers arrived, she helped them find their way around, showed them where they would sleep, and generally tried to help them get settled in.





## Work team assignment schedules

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| Steven Harrison<br>DB01                                                             | Turel O'Brien<br>DB02                                                               | Carmell Monias<br>DB03                                                              | Kim Lauze<br>DB04                                                                   |                                                                                     | 7604916-0557                                                                        |
| Truck 3 17                                                                          | Truck #11                                                                           | Truck #118                                                                          |                                                                                     | 117                                                                                 | LPD - Duane Neufeld                                                                 |
| Cooler #1                                                                           | Cooler #2                                                                           | Cooler #3                                                                           | Cooler #4                                                                           |                                                                                     | OM - Adeline                                                                        |
| INSULATION<br>POLY                                                                  | PRIME, PAINT                                                                        | BOARDING, AWD                                                                       | PRIME, PAINT                                                                        | BLOWN INSULATION                                                                    | Cook - Sara                                                                         |
| ELECT / IAN<br>MONDAY                                                               | STEVE<br>4                                                                          | DON<br>GLEN<br>4                                                                    | SIDING, GORD<br>BLOWER                                                              | GORD<br>MARIANNE<br>PETER<br>ERNIE<br>ZEB                                           | ASST - Hannah<br>Hospitality - Joy                                                  |
| ISAAC - POLY<br>IAN<br>5<br>Tony<br>Matthew<br>Austin<br>Troy                       | CLUB COUS + REAMS                                                                   | IRON DOOP<br>REPAIR                                                                 |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |
| 2) RON - INSUL<br>DUSTIN                                                            | JAYCO<br>Roof edge to fascia corners<br>Laurie<br>O'Brien<br>Harrison<br>Morgan     |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |
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Vans used to transport volunteers to and from work sites.



Week 13 volunteers: Can you spot Steve & Joy and Marianne & Gord?



There was a variety of tasks to be performed: Like –



Carrying drywall and insulation into the homes.



Installing closet doors and “constructing” door frames.

There was time for recreation, for some of the volunteers, not including ours, that included fishing.



As a long term volunteer – Steve was tasked as a crew leader: His first crew included Marianne, a young woman from Ontario, and a young couple southwest Saskatchewan.



Which at times involved figuring out some concepts and learning to speak the same dialect, when taking and communicating measurements. Measure twice – cut once – right??



MDS protocol includes interacting with one of the families in the community one evening a week. Carmell's family joined us. The next morning conversation was of a different tone. We were going back to continue the same job, but now we were working on Carmell and Ivan's house.



Gord was also tasked as a crew leader.

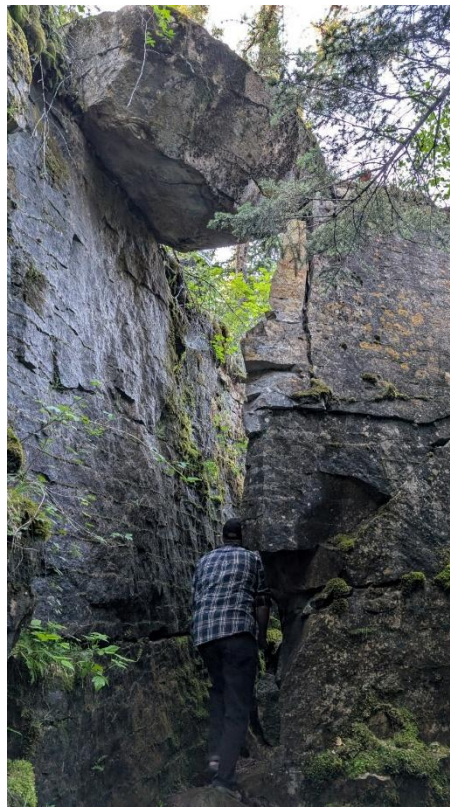
First project was installing board and baton siding on Ivan's house.



Then on to mudding and taping at Kim's house:



And one day an opportunity for a side visit the crevasses with the other volunteers.



One week Gord's crew of 5 were given the job of blowing in the insulation in the attics of all 4 homes.





The drywalling and taping crew worked fast in order to - - -



stay ahead of insulating.



That done; on to installing flooring:



And importantly - -

Leaving the finished job, clean and tidy.

