



FESTIVAL GUIDE

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TAILGATE MUSIC FESTIVAL

SEPTEMBER
25-26



FRIDAY • ROCK

THE TREWS



SATURDAY • COUNTRY

JAMES BARKER BAND



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WELCOME TO TAILGATE MUSIC FESTIVAL!

Welcome to the 2026 Tailgate Music Festival! We're incredibly excited to be expanding this year's festival to two days, happening Friday, September 25th and Saturday, September 26th. We're so proud to welcome legendary Canadian rockers The Trews as our Friday night headliners, followed by one of Canada's hottest country acts, and 6 time 2026 CCMA Nominee James Barker Band, headlining Saturday night, along with an incredible lineup of talented support artists. Add in great food trucks, cold drinks, and plenty of other exciting festival experiences, and we're ready for our biggest and best Tailgate yet! We hope you have an amazing time, make some great memories, and join us in supporting our fundraising efforts for the West Perth Village Seniors' Community. Thank you for being part of Tailgate, we couldn't do it without you!

SUPPORTING WEST PERTH VILLAGE SENIORS' COMMUNITY

The Tailgate Music Festival is proud to continue its meaningful partnership with the West Perth Village Seniors' Community, this September. Over the past two years, the festival has raised more than \$60,000.00 to help enhance essential programs, activities and care initiatives, significantly enriching the lives of local seniors and helping create an even stronger sense of community.

As we celebrate another incredible weekend of live music, great entertainment and community spirit, we're honoured to continue building on that success and supporting an organization that makes such an important difference in West Perth. Together, we hope to build off of the tremendous success of the festival, while making a meaningful impact right here at home.



THE WEEKENDS SET TIMES

FRIDAY SCHEDULE

THE TREWS	10:20
SMALL TOWN STRIP CLUB	8:50
FERAL MINKS	7:30
ANDY COLONICO	6:25
DAVE WARD BAND	5:30
RILEY THOMPSON	5:05
GATES OPEN	5:00

SATURDAY SCHEDULE

JAMES BARKER BAND	10:15
THE PRAIRIE STATES	8:30
MITCH ZORN	7:30
HAYLEY MCNEIL	6:20
ROB FITZGERALD	5:25
ANGELICA APPELMAN	4:30
BRAYDON HALL	3:35
BERNIE HALE	3:05
GATES OPEN	3:00

DO'S AND DON'TS

ID + Wristband = Party Passport bring valid 19+ ID, grab your wristband, and keep it on.

Skip the traffic: walk, bike, if you must drive, pre-buy a \$15 parking pass with your ticket at tailgatemusicfestival.com

Dress for every forecast: sunscreen, shades, hats, poncho and warm weather clothing... Ontario weather demands it.

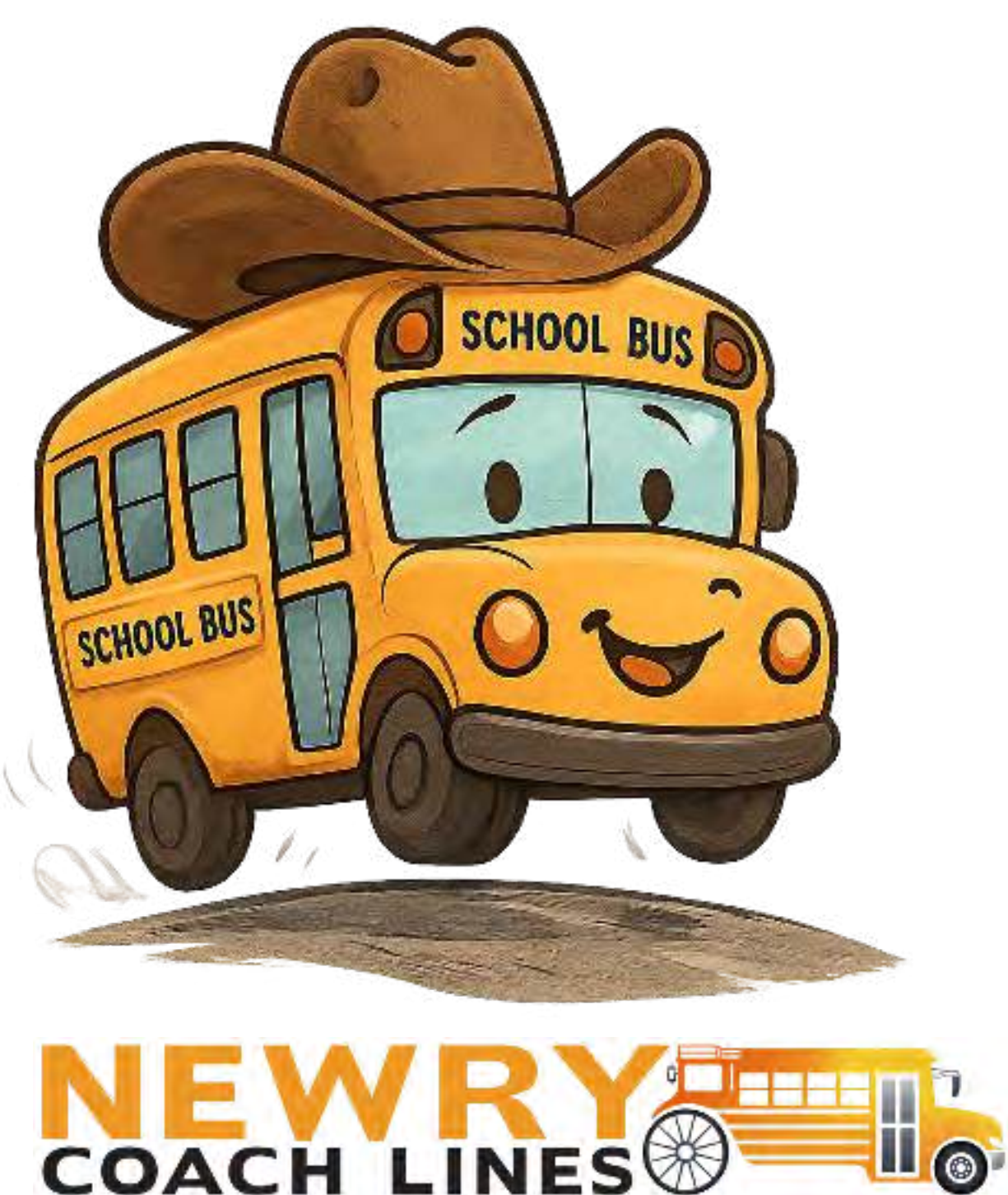
Pack light comfort: blanket or low chair for chill zones, and toss trash in bins.

Spread good vibes: shop the vendor village, cheer the performers, and respect your fellow fans.

No outside food, drinks, glass, coolers, or mega-bags our food trucks and bars have you covered.

No re-entry leave the grounds and the night's over.

Zero tolerance for illegal substances, weapons, aggression, or extreme intoxication.

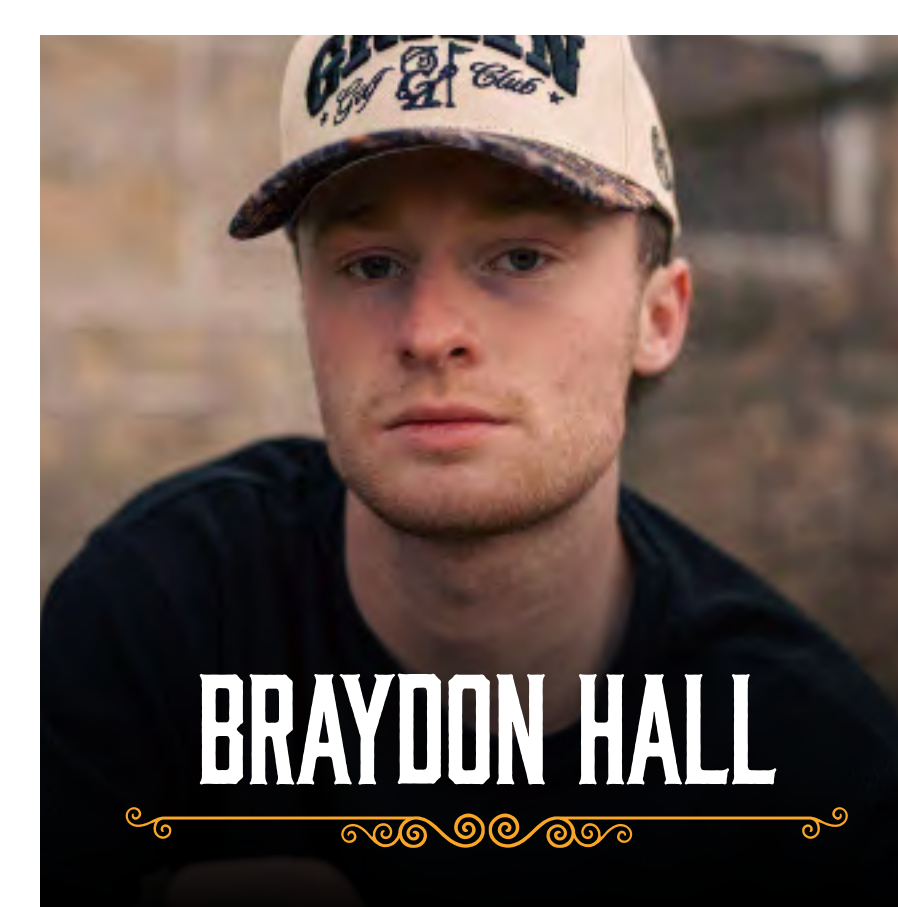
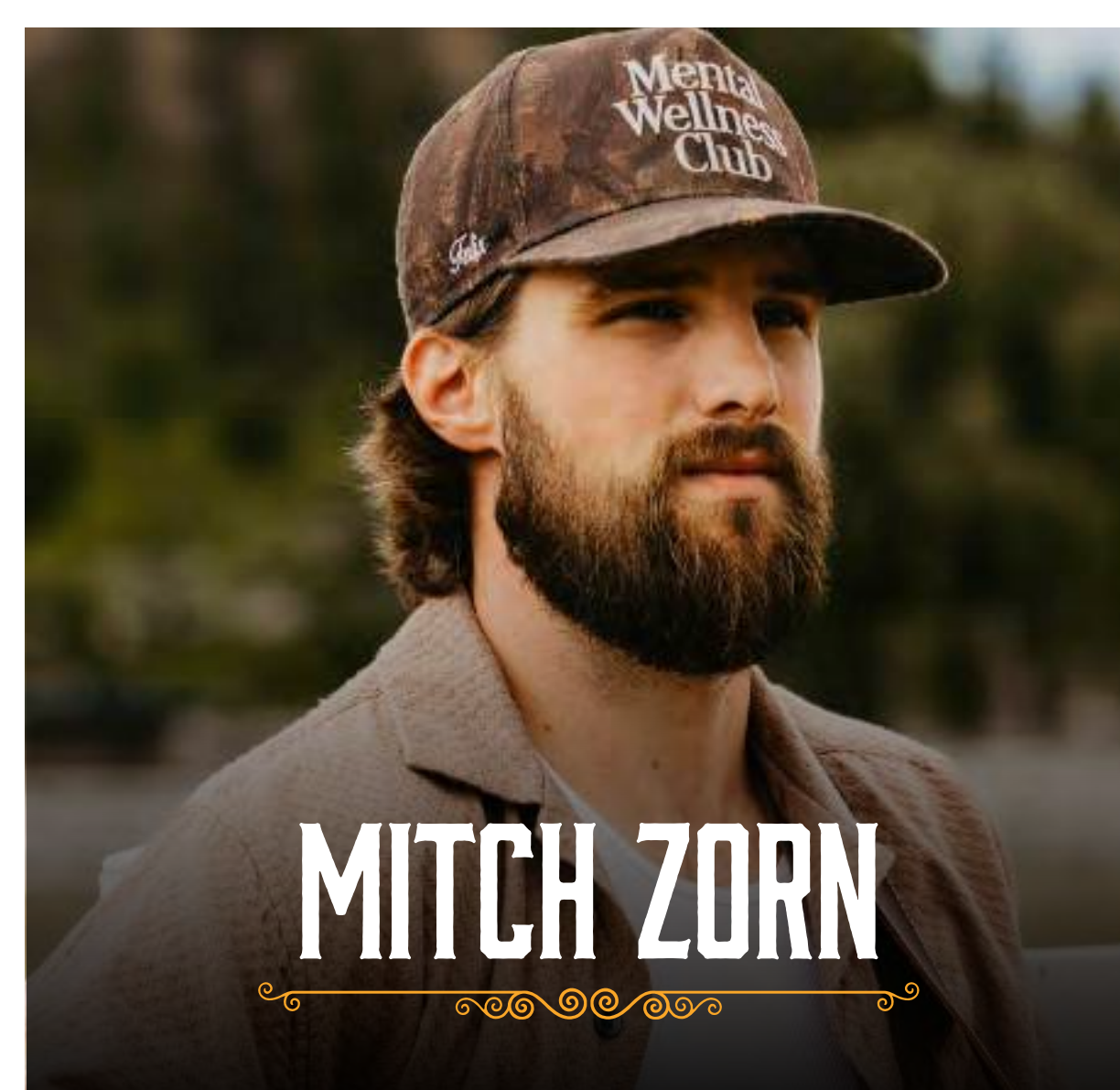
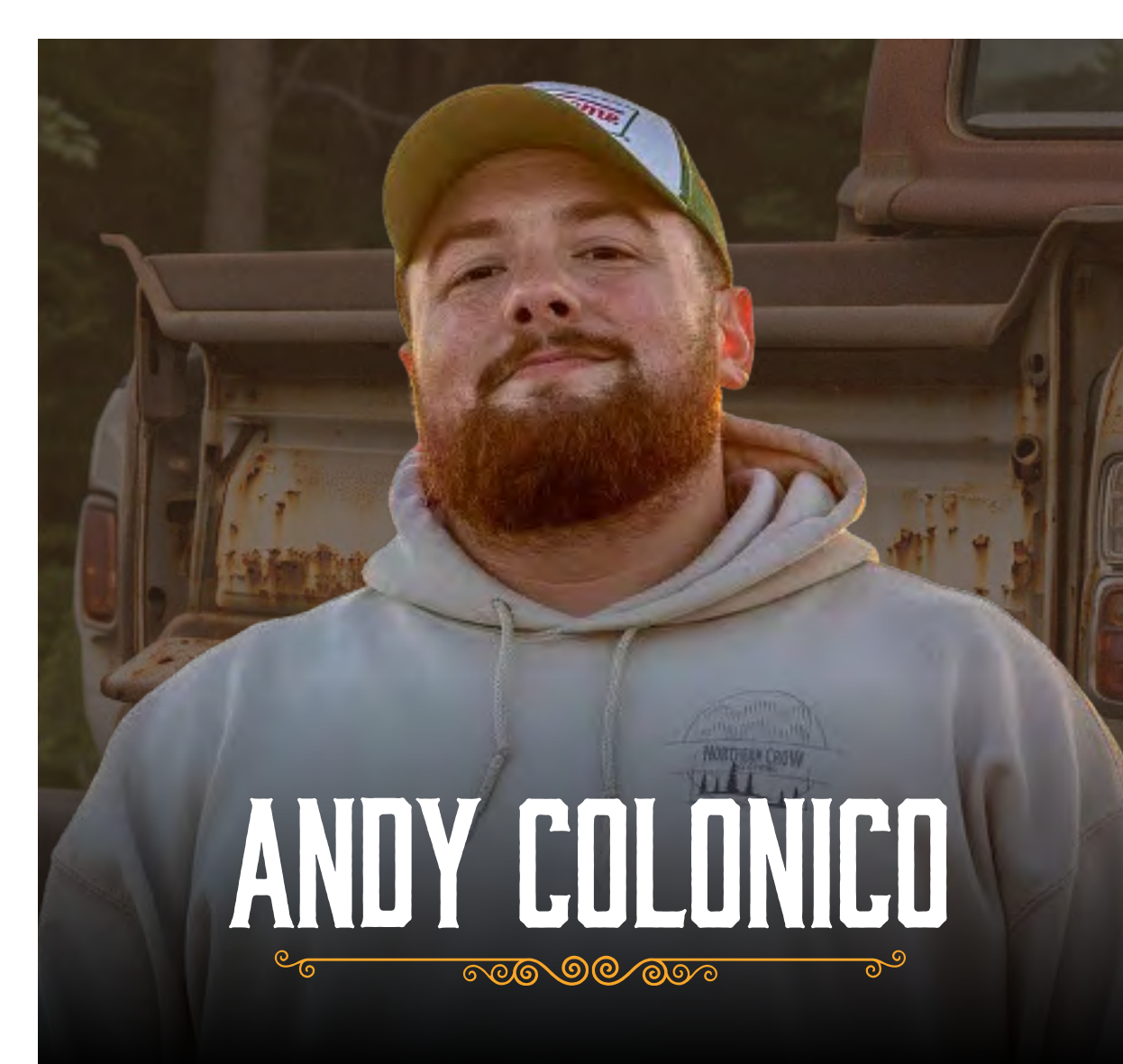
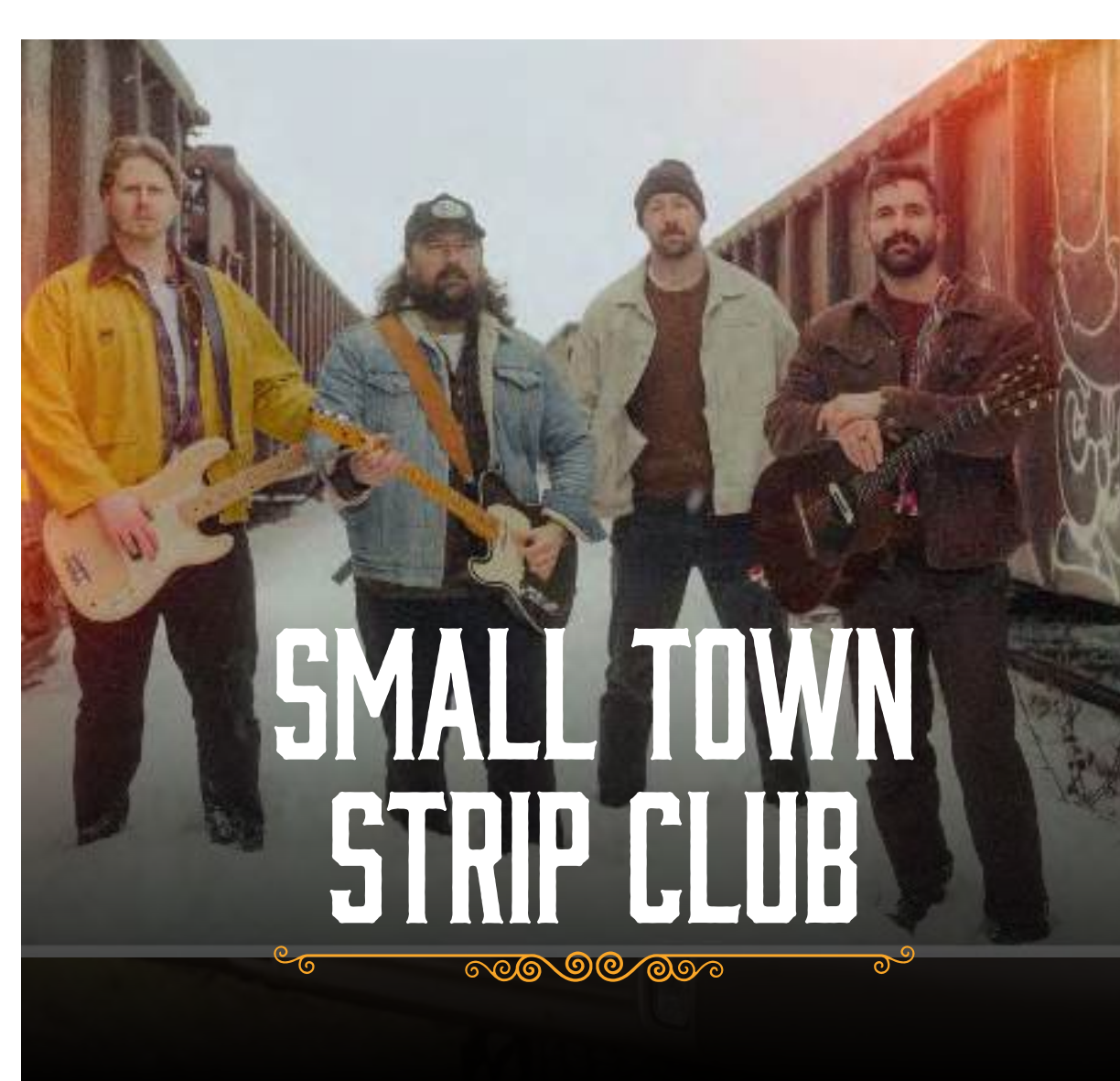


WE HAVE SHUTTLES THIS YEAR!

Getting to and from the Tailgate Music Festival has never been so safe and easy. Forget about parking, choosing a designated driver or worrying about getting home after a great night of music and fun. Our shuttles will run throughout the evening and continue until 1:00 a.m., ensuring all patrons can get to and from the festival safely.

We're offering two convenient routes. The Stratford route will travel from Stratford to Sebringville and on to Mitchell, with the first pickup at 4:30 p.m. in Stratford. Our second route begins in Listowel, making stops in Atwood and Monkton before arriving in Mitchell, with the first pickup at 2:30 p.m. in Listowel. All shuttle pick-up locations will be announced shortly.

MEET OUR ARTISTS



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PRESENTING SPONSORS



We are proud to recognize Veg-Gro and Stovel-Siemon, along with Robinson Chevrolet - Seaforth, as the Presenting Sponsors of the 2026 Tailgate Music Festival. Their generous support and commitment to the community of West Perth will help make this year's event possible. Known for providing our community with amazing fresh fruit and vegetables, Veg-Gro and Stovel-Siemon embody the spirit of giving back and nourishing not only our tables but also our sense of togetherness. Robinson Chevrolet - Seaforth brings that same community spirit, standing behind local events that bring people together.

We're also grateful to Country 104 and FM96, two great local radio stations, for committing to being our Presenting Media Sponsors, helping us spread the word and bring even more music lovers out to this year's festival. A big thanks to Sleeman Brewery and Cottage Springs for signing on as our beverage providers, keeping the drinks cold all weekend long.

Thanks to these partnerships, we are able to celebrate incredible music and create memories that will last for years to come.

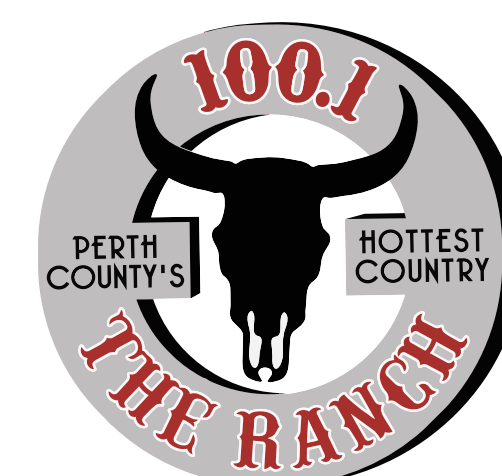
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