

MJ's Tilling & Yard Care

MJ's Tilling & Yard Care began in 2005, with tilling gardens being the first service offered to the community. Until then, dairy farming had been a way of life. Monroe purchased the farm from his parents in 1983, with its challenges of haymaking through the summer, rain or shine, and its year round responsibilities of milking, calving, etc.

It was a pleasure to work together as a family. After selling the quota and cows in 2004, the big questions was "What now?!" A combination of an appreciation of the great outdoors, as well as family employment led us to the inspiration of yard care. Our entire dairy farming years were affected by the weather, particularly rain; this occupation was to be no different.

Our first purchase was a compact tractor with a rototiller and a mower. Advertising brought phone calls, and we found that tilling gardens for others soon brought inquiries about lawn care.

How shall we identify ourselves? After tossing a few ideas around, we decided MJ's Tilling & Yard Care would tell everyone what we were doing. A tidy yard and well tilled garden were priorities at home, so we thought it might be a service that others might like. Many people do their own, so the residential side of it looked a little slim. Municipal parks and cemeteries in the RM of Lac du Bonnet became an opportunity to serve a greater area and let folks know who we were and what we did. We were reminded that it takes five years to build up a business, so we needed



to be patient as things started slowly. Word-of-mouth is often the best advertising, we find.

We have added a front mount Walker mower and a front mount Grasshopper mower to our fleet, as well as trimmers which make a job complete. Spring and fall clean-up which includes removing clippings off the grass, dethatching in spring, fertilizing anytime, and limited tree services are features as well as regular lawn mowing. We have added another dimension recently: selling cut and split ash, birch and tamarack firewood to keep you warm in the winter.

MJ's Tilling & Yard Care is a family operated, small community business which needs rural community support. We would like to thank you for your past support and look forward to seeing you in the future.

If you are looking for services, call us at 348-2974.

Check out our Website

www.rmwhitemouth.com

Add your business to our **Business Directory** and let people coming into our area know what you do or offer.

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