



9 MILE LEGACY BREWING AND BLACK BRIDGE BREWING ENTER INTO A JOINT VENTURE

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Two breweries with roots in Southwest Saskatchewan, 9 Mile Legacy Brewing and Black Bridge Brewing, have entered into a joint venture that will see increased opportunities for beverage production, distribution, and community investment. The joint venture will combine production capacity, sales expertise, and distribution networks to support both brands across Saskatchewan.

Black Bridge Brewing was founded by Clayton and Kari Stenson in 2014 and is located in Swift Current, SK. 9 Mile Legacy Brewing was similarly founded by two farm boys from the Cabri/Abbey area (Shawn Moen and Garrett Pederson) in 2015 and is located in Saskatoon, SK. Since those business launches, both breweries have received provincial and national accolades, receiving multiple business-related awards from local and provincial business organizations and national awards for the quality of their beer.

While the joint venture will bring both new opportunities and a few adjustments to existing business operations, fans can expect the same dedication to quality, consistency, and community connection that both breweries are well known for.

"Joining forces allows us to play into our respective strengths as a business," says Kari Stenson, President of Black Bridge. "One change will be that beer production will be consolidated in the 9 Mile Legacy facility during our transition period. At the same time, we are all committed to deepening the presence and investment of Black Bridge throughout Swift Current and the Southwest."

"As Saskatchewan's craft beer industry matures, collaborative models like this will be essential to allow breweries to thrive," says Shawn Moen, CEO of 9 Mile Legacy. "Garrett and I have continued family roots in the Southwest. We know how much the Black Bridge story means to Swift Current and the surrounding region – it means a lot to us too. That commitment remains at the heart of our joint venture and our teams are working hard to achieve a smooth transition."

Fans of the breweries can expect that favourites such as IPA! and Milk Stout from Black Bridge and The Ticket and Eagles and Bulldogs from 9 Mile Legacy will remain staples in the Saskatchewan craft beer scene, with improved market reach and stability. Consolidating production in Saskatoon is a strategic step that allows both breweries to maintain quality and efficiency in a challenging economic environment, while keeping both breweries strong for years to come.

"Black Bridge Brewing is not closing – its business model is changing with support from our friends Shawn and Garrett," says Stenson. "While our taproom location will close before Christmas, we are deeply grateful for the support of the Swift Current community over the years. We certainly recognize this change will be tough for some. This closure is temporary and transitional, giving us space to plan something better suited to the next chapter of Black Bridge in Swift Current."

"Our joint venture is exploring several opportunities to re-establish and enhance our community presence, taproom identity, and brewery presence in Swift Current in 2026," Moen adds, "Together, Black

Bridge and 9 Mile Legacy are building something that reflects our shared roots, values, and commitment to making high quality beer and building great communities – all with an eye to long-term success. It’s a very exciting moment.”

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