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## Village of Valemount gets new top staffer

By Laura Keil

Valemount will finally have a new Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) after a lengthy search. Eric Depenau, currently the regional executive assistant in Conservative MP Todd Doherty's office in Prince George, will be moving to Valemount and starting in his role as the Village's top staffer on July 4th, 2022.

"Council is extremely excited to be making this announcement," Mayor Owen Torgerson said. "Mr. Depenau brings an essential blend of experience, education, cadence, leadership and energy that will be absolutely crucial in engaging the opportunities and challenges that are in front of us."

The Village has been without a permanent CAO since the departure of former CAO Wayne Robinson in October 2021.

Depenau, who is also a Captain with the Rocky Mountain Rangers, says that he is very much looking forward to joining the Village of Valemount's team.

"The thing that I look forward to the most initially is just getting out and learning about the fantastic team that's been in place helping support mayor and council to run the municipality up until now. I understand there's some long term staff who've done an exceptional job of filling in in the CAO's absence over these number of months and also with all of the challenging things that have happened in the past, whether that's the flooding or the heat dome. So I'm looking forward to learning from what has been successful in the past and where we can be more efficient if we have circumstances arise again."

While he admits he doesn't have the background in municipal government that other CAOs may have, he says municipal governments have always been a partner in his jobs with the public service, such as his time as supervisor with the BC wildfire service, his role in the MP's office and even the military.

"It'll be a new relationship for myself with municipal government, which I'm looking forward to, but some of the pieces that I've seen have been in emergency management, project management, some of these complicated and sometimes urgent issues," he said. "I certainly look forward to bringing up that technical competency but a very calm presence is what I hope to bring and get the other pieces shored up quickly."

He says his wife and one-year-old daughter will remain in Prince George where his wife has a busy career, but he'll be in the community Monday to Friday.

"I'm planning on really investing a lot of time out there. it'll certainly be a second home and my primary."

When asked if the Village is providing housing what that arrangement entails, Mayor Torgerson said the housing terms are contractual, so the details of that arrangement remain confidential.



Evening Grosbeak

Although Evening Grosbeak are named for their tendency to sing at night, this brightly coloured beauty was out singing and playing midday. /ANDREA ARNOLD



New Valemount CAO Eric Depenau / SUBMITTED



Eric Depenau's family will keep Prince George as their home base. /SUBMITTED

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# McBride issued boil water advisory and water conservation notice

By ANDREA ARNOLD

As of June 17, 2022 the Village of McBride, in consultation with the Drinking Water Officer of the Northern Health Authority, has issued a boil water advisory. The Village has also issued a water conservation notice to preserve the existing supply of usable water. Due to the cooler weather and high level of snowpack, the need for the notice has occurred later this spring than in past years. “The snowpack is at 261 per cent,” said McBride CAO Chris Tupy. “Last year at this time it was at 182

per cent.” The notice states that “warmer temperatures and rain have kicked off spring freshet conditions, and have resulted in rising turbidity - the measure of relative clarity of a liquid - in Dominion Creek.” Village staff are distributing notices throughout the community today to notify businesses and residents. “We understand that the notices are difficult for the community but we are monitoring the situation closely and will remove the order as soon as possible,” said McBride CAO Chris Tupy.

Work Bee

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Sports day



On Friday June 10 Valemount Elementary School students from Kindergarten to Grade 3 got to participate in sports day at the school. Students and teachers participated in a variety of fun activities. /TRISH GAIR

Singing Sisters



This group of ladies stopped by Margaret Kinley's to sing her happy birthday. They call themselves the Singing Sisters and have started singing happy birthday to members of the Valemount community since the beginning of COVID-19. /TRISH GAIR



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# Dunster Fine Arts School Society



SUBMITTED BY NANCY TAYLOR

The Dunster Schoolhouse is a community hub operated by the Dunster Fine Arts School Society (DFASS). This non-profit formed in 2010 when School District #57 closed the school due to low enrolment. DFASS was formed because a non profit structure was required to purchase the School and adjacent property. In the fall of 2010 DFASS negotiated a mortgage with School District #57 and the school was purchased by the DFASS.

The mission of DFASS is to provide a welcoming place, connecting all individuals by engaging in Arts, Culture and Education, while encouraging the outside world to experience our community.

The modus operandi of DFASS has been fundraising. Ten years ago the goal was to pay off the mortgage, which we managed to do in record time. To get to this milestone our fundraising efforts included the 8"x8" art auction, the Mother's Day sale and burger concession, and rentals for meetings, workshops, concerts, theatre productions and retreats. Funds from recycling bottles and renting out cross country ski equipment add to the DFASS coffers ongoing.

Recently we have had to find new innovative methods of raising money because Covid restrictions kept us from renting out the Schoolhouse. In the winter of 2021 local writers who previously met

at the Schoolhouse agreed to reach out to others interested in sharing their stories. Like many other organizations we saw how digital technology could be an asset during these unusual times. Through email connections and Zoom meetings an anthology of local stories, "Long Winters Short Stories" was created and published.

The project raised funds to meet our operational expenses when usual fundraising methods were limited. So as well as keeping the Schoolhouse alive, "Long Winters Short Stories" provides a rich account of our diverse, rural culture. The book can be purchased for twenty dollars at the Rocky Mountain Goat, The Dunster General Store, The Valley Museum and Archives and the Dunster Farmer's Market.

In 2019 the DFASS Board identified the energy efficiency and beautification of the Schoolhouse building as priorities in our strategic plan. To that end two large provincial grants were approved to undertake the construction of a new roof, doors and windows and new siding. If you drive by the Schoolhouse you will see it is currently a construction zone!

Once more, fundraising is necessary to meet additional costs related to inflation and supply chain delays. This summer we are sharing the concession profits at the Dunster Farmer's Market with the Dunster Community Association. We held our second Fun Friday Facebook Auction in

May and now local bike enthusiasts are organizing the "Tour de Read Road" family biking event on July 9th. We are grateful for all the volunteers and supporters that make these fundraisers successful! The plan is to have the Schoolhouse available for rentals again in the fall of 2022.

Systems scientist, Peter Senge claims that, "a learning organization is an organization that is continually expanding its capacity to create its future."

Since its inception over 100 years ago the Dunster School has been a learning organization. As the focus of DFASS adapts to current realities the Board is learning how to work together. We are learning how to collaborate with other community groups. And we are learning how to reach out into the bigger world to share our vision. We are a progressive and dynamic

organization shaping our future. And at this point in time, it is looking good!

DFASS Contacts: President: Marie Hyde  
1-306-734-7545  
Treasurer and rentals: Donna Hampson  
250-968-4435



The Dunster Schoolhouse is currently undergoing an intense facelift. This image is a glimpse of what the main entrance area to the building will look like when the dust has settled. /SUBMITTED

## WHAT IS YOUR NON-PROFIT UP TO?

Share it with the community by submitting a column up to 350 words on the great work your organization is doing! Is it absolutely free. Inquire or send your column (and any photos) to [goatnewspaper@gmail.com](mailto:goatnewspaper@gmail.com).

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BY BILL BRYSON

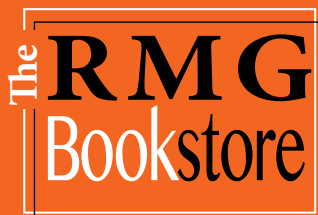


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BY BILL FERGUSON




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# Editorial



## Standing up for frontline workers

By LAURA KEIL, PUBLISHER/EDITOR

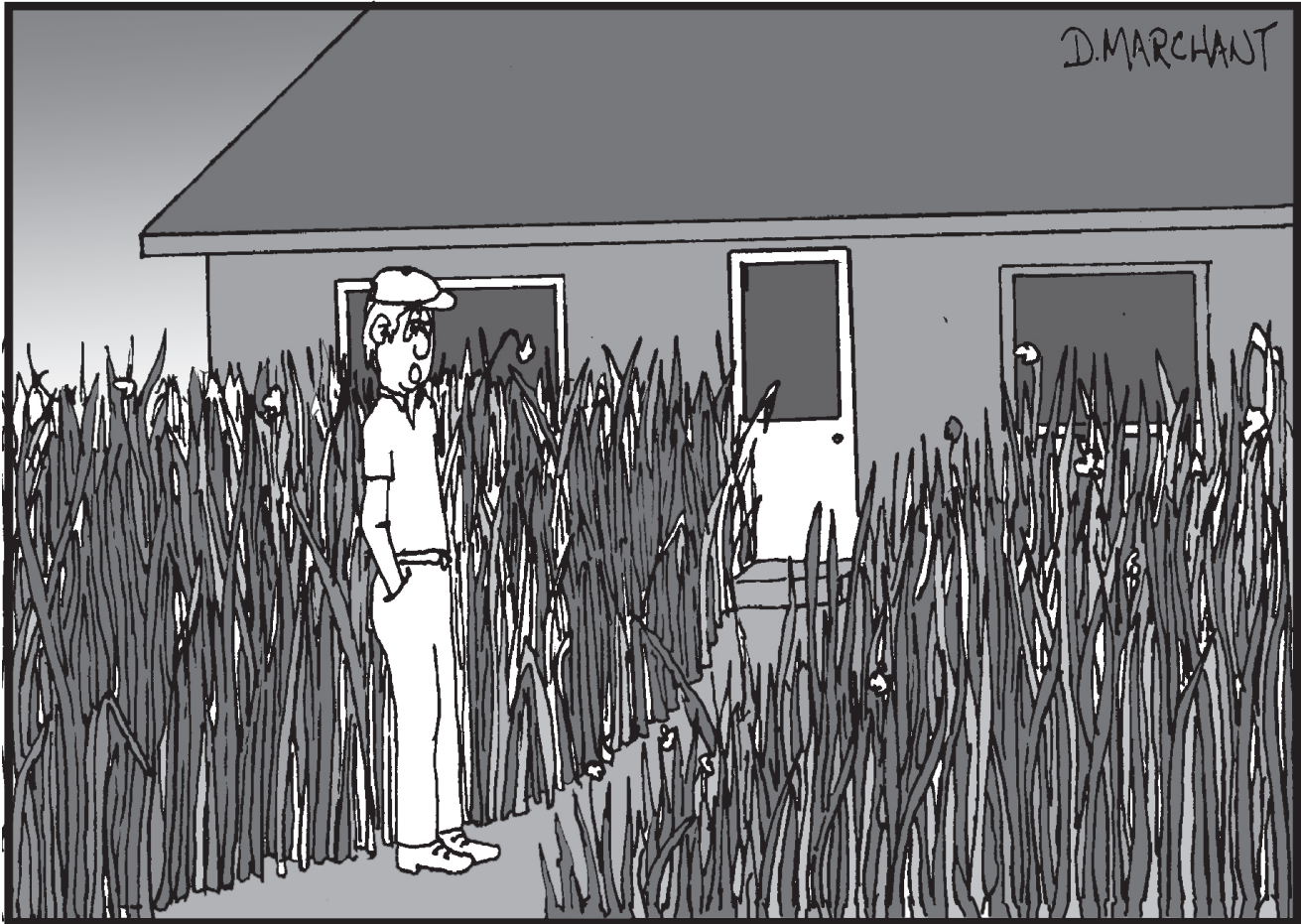
I've heard some dispiriting accounts of abuse towards frontline staff lately, most notably at the Valemount IGA.

It's true, our grocery store is in turmoil. Inconsistent supply, shortages of both food and staff. People want answers as to why. People want to pick a recipe and actually find all of the ingredients at the store. People want their grocery list to stop being a Valemount-wide scavenger hunt.

But one thing that is compounding the problem with staff shortages is harassment by customers. I know it's only a few bad apples among many, many positive people, but unfortunately these episodes are the kind that provoke staff to quit or go on stress leave. I heard recently that the store has switched to "night stocking,"

which is how it sounds: people work at the store in the evenings to restock shelves. One of the benefits is no interactions with customers. I also saw some signs that urge people to "Have Patience." Yes, they should. But I'd go further: if someone is antagonizing frontline staff, that person should be banned from the store. There are ways to provide feedback and giving heck to tellers and shelf stockers is not the way to do it. Everyone has the ability to stay calm while purchasing groceries. If someone decides not to stay calm, I would then assume that that person has made a decision that laying into a hardworking, low-paid food industry worker is more important than their access to groceries.

It is heartening when I see management take a stand for their employees. By doing so, they are taking a stand for all of us who depend on them.



“GAS WAS SO EXPENSIVE, I DECIDED I WOULD NO LONGER MOW THE LAWN, BUT MAYBE I SHOULD JUST BITE THE BULLET.”

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# Global Thoughts

BY GWYNNE DYER

Gwynne Dyer is a Canadian-born independent journalist whose column is published in more than 175 papers in 45 countries.



## South Africa: How Did Ramaphosa Get So Rich?

Four years ago Cyril Ramaphosa looked like South Africa's last, best hope. Since the end of apartheid in 1994, the leadership of the country's ruling African National Congress (ANC) had passed down from Nelson Mandela to the intellectual but ineffectual Thabo Mbeki and then to the corrupt and ignorant Jacob Zuma.

But in 2018 the fractured and demoralised ANC pulled itself together, remembered its purpose, and replaced Zuma as president with Cyril Ramaphosa. He was the ideal candidate: an activist in the struggle against apartheid, a former trade union leader – and so rich that he didn't need to be corrupt.

For a while it went well. The economy didn't grow much and unemployment stayed high, but Zuma's chief cronies fled abroad and even Zuma himself wound up in jail. Ramaphosa was at least trying to clean up the mess – but then,

two years ago, there was a burglary at his wildlife game farm.

Ramaphosa didn't mention it publicly at the time, allegedly because the burglars found \$4 million in cash hidden in cushions on his sofa. That's not a good look for a president whose USP is fighting corruption, so maybe he just swallowed the loss.

If that was his game, it didn't work. Early this month Arthur Fraser, former head of South Africa's intelligence agency, told the police that Ramaphosa's 'presidential protection unit' had tracked down the burglars and bribed them to keep quiet about the cash.

This comes at just the wrong time for Ramaphosa, who faces a leadership challenge in the ANC in December. His anti-corruption campaign within the party has not prospered, and Zuma's supporters staged riots that killed hundreds when he was jailed. Now Zuma's out of jail, and Ramaphosa is

tarred with the same corruption brush himself.

There's a lot that's wrong with this story. Arthur Fraser, the former spy chief who brought the complaint against Ramaphosa, is a close ally of Zuma's. The South African president does hold regular cash auctions of his prize Ankole cattle at his farm, but why would he hide the cash in pillows? Tax avoidance?

This is a man who has sat on literally dozens of boards and is allegedly worth \$450 million. If he wants to avoid taxes, he has lawyers aplenty; he doesn't need sofa cushions. The whole 'burglary' operation, and especially the source and the timing of the 'complaint', smells like a political sting. Nevertheless, Ramaphosa is in deep trouble.

The real object of the sting would have been to highlight Ramaphosa's great and unexplained wealth. He probably didn't break the law to get it, like Zuma did, but he didn't didn't earn it by hard work.

He just got paid huge sums to sit on boards, and invested the proceeds wisely.

Ramaphosa got on those boards as part of the ANC-sponsored 'Black Economic Empowerment' programme, one of whose purposes was to provide a reliable, low-profile income stream for its political work. The chosen 'BEE' appointees were expected to donate much of their large incomes to the ANC.

It's less lurid than Zuma's route to great wealth via partnership with Indian 'entrepreneurs' in a project of 'state capture', but both men's riches come from their ties to the ANC. To the average voter in Alexandra township, they look exactly the same.

That's why the ANC will probably lose its majority in Parliament in the 2024 election, after 30 years in power. High time, really, even though nobody knows what's coming out of the box next.



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VALEMOUNT COUNCIL NOTES

VCF/VIP appointments, lift station, roof sprinkler

By ANDREA ARNOLD

Mayor Torgerson began the June 14, 2022 with a public hearing portion to address proposed zoning amendment – ZA 22-03. The proposed request would amend the zoning of 1155 6th Avenue from R2 (Residential- Single and Two unit) to R3 (Residential – Multi unit.)  
Hearing no verbal or written comments or questions from public members or council members, the public hearing was closed and the meeting transitioned to the regular Council meeting.

VCF/VIP appointments

Councillor MacLean recused herself due to her connection to the community forest. Council confirmed two appointments to the VCF/VIP Board of Directors, including one member of Council. Jr Osadchuck was voted in as director at large and Councillor Pete Pearson appointed as Council’s representative.

Quad Riders parade

Council agreed to support the Quad Riders ATV Association by allowing use of Main Street and 5th Avenue for their parade during the first week of August. Permission is granted

providing that road closures are not required, and the RCMP have no objections to the event.

Bylaw Enforcement Summary Report – May 2022

There were 11 new bylaw files opened in May: two animal control violations, one business license bylaw, one open air burning bylaw and seven zoning bylaw. There are currently 18 ongoing violations being handled in addition to the 11 added in May.

Lift station project

Council received the Lift Station Tender – Dogwood East area and 17th Ave report for information. One bid was received by the Village in the amount of \$9,100,000. Council had previously allotted \$3,000,000 so this amount seemed unrealistic so staff is working with Urban Systems to amend the tender in preparation to repost in the fall. Staff is also looking for grant options to provide more funding as the budgeted amount has not increased with the increased cost of materials.

Garbage truck

Council approved the agreement with Rollins Machinery Limited for the purchase of a new garbage truck in the amount of \$206,810.23.

Zoning bylaw - automobile repair

Council adopted Village of Valemount Zoning Bylaw No. 847, 2021 Amendment Bylaw No 858, 2022 as presented. This amendment changes C2 and C4 zones by adding automobile repair shop to the list of permitted uses and addresses inconsistencies in the Accessory Dwelling Unit regulations.

Elections bylaw

Council moved to adopt the Village of Valemount General Elections and Voting Bylaw No 860, 2022 as presented. This bylaw is to establish election procedures no less than 56 days before the first day of the nomination period of the upcoming general municipal election.

Zoning bylaw - multi unit

Council moved to give the Village of Valemount Zoning Bylaw No 847, 2021 Amendment Bylaw No 861, 2022 third and fourth readings. This amendment would change the zoning of the Village owned lot at 1155 6th Ave from R2 (Residential- Single and Two unit) to R3 (Residential – Multi unit) for the development of a fourplex housing unit for the purpose of staff housing.

Roof sprinklers

Councillor Blanchette brought up the news that Logan Lake figured out how to get a sprinkler system on everyone’s roof. She asked

if Valemount wanted to look into something like that. Mayor Torgerson said there has been a local group awarded \$8000 from the Regional District of Fraser Fort George for the initial leveraging of funds. Lynda Lafleur is looking to see if Columbia Basin Trust can at least match that. He suggested they could start with homes on the outskirts of town. Council passed a motion directing staff to get in contact with Logan Lake representatives in regards to wildfire interface prevention.

Public Comment

Rashmi Narayan  
Regarding the lift station tender. Wanted to express concern about it not getting done soon. Wanted to offer her assistance and the use of senior needs as a way of broadening the grant search if that may speed up the process money to see the project through in a more timely manner.

In camera

Council moved to an in-camera meeting for consideration of one (1) item per Section 90 (1) (a) of the Community Charter to discuss matters related to (a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the municipality.

# Who’s running who’s not: Dannielle Alan - Regional District Director

By GOAT STAFF

Area H Director, Dannielle Alan plans to run again in the fall election in hopes to continues representing the communities in the Robson Valley

“I truly love working with the various communities in the Robson Valley; learning about what is important to the people who live here and helping where I can,” said Alan.

“Helping build communities that people want to live in and

can thrive in is deeply fulfilling for me.”

If she is re-elected she hopes to see the issue of food security continue to be addressed as well as emergency preparedness and working to protect our communities from wildfire.

She will focus on making sure that we have the services for families that we need, including childcare, health services and recreation services. Supporting the people who are actively working to build our communities.

“I would love to see community members more engaged and involved in the decisions and services that affect them,” she said. “There is no one issue - only opportunities to make our communities stronger!”

During this last term as Area Director, Alan valued the opportunities to help support various community groups as they struggled through the pandemic. For her, a highlight was seeing how resilient and capable the communities were as they faced enormous challenges and met them with grace and a helping hand. She also viewed the arrival of many new families to the valley with hope and optimism for the future.

“I love that there are so many positive things going on in the valley - that is the highlight for me.”

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Do you have Delinquent Taxes?

Property Tax Sale

A tax sale is a public auction of properties within a municipality which have *unpaid property taxes from two years prior to the current year.*

Annual Tax Sale

At 10:00 am on the last Monday in September, the municipal collector must conduct an annual tax sale by offering for sale by public auction each parcel of real property on which taxes are delinquent.

Delinquent taxes are any taxes remaining unpaid **on** December 31, two years after the year the tax was imposed. For example, taxes imposed in 2020 and still unpaid become delinquent on January 1, 2022


The tax sale is held in the council chambers at municipal hall of each municipality in B.C.

Home Owner Grants

The Village office no longer processes Home Owner Grants.

Apply online at:  
[www.gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant](http://www.gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant) OR call 1-888-355-2700.

Home Owner Grants must be applied for prior to the July 4th due date to avoid penalties.



Leave your pets at home!

If you need to run errands on a hot day, please leave your pet safely at home.

If you see an animal in distress in a vehicle, call local law enforcement (1-250-566-4466), Village of Valemount Animal Control (1-250-566-4435) or the BC SPCA Animal Helpline (1-855-622-7722).

Do NOT break the window

While most people mean well when they say they’d be willing to break a glass window to get an animal out of a roasting vehicle, it’s strongly recommended you don’t.

Only the RCMP or local law enforcement and BC SPCA Special Constables have the authority to enter a vehicle lawfully to help a pet in distress.

Not only are you putting yourself at risk when you break a glass window, but you also risk harming the animal.

If the outside temperature is 21°, the temperature inside the vehicle will rise

- to 32°, after 10 minutes
- to 37°, after 20 minutes
- to 40°, after 30 minutes

Village of Valemount 2021 Annual Report

The 2021 Annual Report has been made available for public inspection on the Village website and at the Village office in paper format.

The public is invited to review the Annual Report, provide comments and ask questions during the Regular Council meeting held on June 28, 2022.

Public Comments will be accepted at the Village Office, or via email to [dof@valemount.ca](mailto:dof@valemount.ca) up until June 28, 2022 at 3 pm.

2022 Tax Notices

2022 tax notices have been mailed out. If you have not received your bill, please call the Village office at 250-566-4435 or email [adminservices@valemount.ca](mailto:adminservices@valemount.ca).

Tax payments must be received in the Municipal office on or before July 4, 2022 to avoid penalties.

Canada Day Celebrations


WHEN: Friday, July 1st

TIME: 7 pm - 10 pm

WHERE: Sportsplex Grounds

Join us for free cake and live music

Fireworks start at 10:00pm



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# Drinking water grants, train station, Canada Day

By ANDREA ARNOLD

The June 14, 2022 McBride council meeting was called to order at 7:03pm by Mayor Gene Runtz.

### Grant application support

Council directed staff to submit an application for grant funding for the Village of McBride Integrated Community Sustainability and Implementation Plan Project through the Canada Community Building Fund in BC – Strategic Priorities Fund – Capacity Stream. Council further moved to support the project and is willing to cover any cost overruns, ineligible costs and provide overall grant management.

If the application is successful the money could be used to update the Official Community Plan and update zoning bylaws.

### Drinking water

Council directed staff to submit an application for grant funding for the Village of McBride Drinking Water Filtration System Project through the Canada Community Building Fund in BC – Strategic Priorities Fund – Capital Stream. Council further agreed to support the project and is willing to cover any cost overruns, ineligible costs and provide overall grant management. Council discussed their concern about asking for a grant to install a filtration system when the feasibility studies and other planning have not been completed. At this time, the Village does not have

details as to the type of system, or the installation costs. CAO Tupy assured Council that the funder is aware of the timelines.

### Budget increase

Council approved an increase to the Capital Budget for the train station roof replacement project up to \$190,000. This is an increase of \$40,000 following two tender submissions, and taking into consideration the increases in market conditions.

### Canada Day events

Council directed Administration to send confirmation to Dannielle Alan confirming Mayor Runtz's attendance to the 2022 Canada Day celebrations in McBride. Councillor Green hopes to attend, Councillor Hruby will be there as part of the Chamber and Councillor Frederick is hoping to stop by but has prior commitments. Council also approved a \$250 grant-in-aid to the McBride and District Chamber of Commerce to support the celebrations. The Chamber is planning cake and games in the park and the singing of O Canada.

### Lheidli T'enneh meeting

Council asked Administration to respond to Kevin Brown with any additional topics to be added to the meeting with Lheidli T'enneh Chief and Council on Friday, July 15, 2022. Council also confirmed they would like the following additional events and activities planned during their time together: common interests, forest management overview, beaver management and concern about fish populations. Council also confirmed that arrangements for

lunch need to be made.

### Zoning Bylaw

Council gave first and second reading to Zoning Bylaw Amendment No 810, 2022 and directed staff to schedule a public hearing. The following are all items being addressed in the motion:

- 1) The addition of "Hotel" to the list of permitted uses in the "Highway Commercial (C2) Zone." Currently "Motel" is permitted, but not "Hotel."
  - 2) Rezoning of 797 Bridge Road to the Highway Commercial (C2) Zone (to permit the use of a Hotel)
  - 3) Adding "Light Industry" as a permitted use at 275 McBride Road South.
  - 4) Amended definition of "Retail" to permit bulk sales.
- The motion was amended to include:
- 5) A building height restriction to keep the number of tall buildings under 10.5 metres to prevent the need for a ladder truck for fire protection.

### Elections Bylaw No 811.2022

Council moved to rescind Bylaw No. 779.2018 regarding General Local Government Elections, and approved first and second reading to Bylaw No 811.2022.

Council discussed the election procedures and requested that Beaverview Lodge and Mountainview Manor be classified as areas covered under "special voting opportunity."

Council approved third reading to the bylaw including the amendment.

### Utility bill relief request

Mayor Runtz excused himself as a member of the Elks prior to discussion of

the next item. Council did not approve a grant in aid request for \$250 to help cover the 2022 Elks Hall utility invoice, having been told that Pioneer Days brought in a considerable amount of money for the group.

### Train station deck

Councillor Diane Smith requested a discussion regarding the decking at the train station. She referred to its condition as deplorable, and she was worried someone might get hurt if the boards gave out. Council discussed that the issues lay where planters had been located, and water became an issue, rotting the wood. Councillor Rosemary Hruby had taken a look earlier and she didn't see it as being as big of an issue as Smith was saying. However, all Councillors agreed that if replacing a few boards now could prevent having to replace many later, then action needed to be taken. Council passed the motion to proceed with a repair patch job on the deck of the train station.

### In-camera

Council moved to proceed to an in-camera meeting for considerations of matters of the Community Charter related to Section 90 (1) (c) labour relations or other employee relations and (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provisions of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public.

The public portion adjourned at 7:53pm.

## Robson Valley history in print

By ANDREA ARNOLD

Lloyd Jeck lived in the Robson Valley for the first 48 years of his life, and now is sharing his life stories in a 65-page booklet called Robson Valley - A Concise Story in Time, complete with vintage photographs.

"The stories included in the booklet are derived from my personal experiences and the recollection of stories passed down to me from older family members," said Jeck.

Jeck began writing as a hobby after his retirement in 1996 and has had three books published in 2000, 2011 and 2017. In late 2021 Jeck heard about a project that the University of Northern British Columbia had conducted: The Upper Fraser Historical Geography Oral History Project. By the time Jeck heard about it, he had missed the opportunity to contribute by several years. He was offered an opportunity to contribute written comments on topics he had a special interest in. These documents would be added to the archives as a separate donation. The booklet was the result of his collection of stories that tell of early and mid-twentieth century conditions and events.

"These compositions are meant to provide another window opening into a lifestyle that had much to offer but not without sacrifices

given," he said.

Jeck was raised on the family farm four and a half miles outside McBride along the old Highway 16. He experienced farm life as well as an early introduction to forestry through his father's work.

"Just before my 11th birthday, my brother not yet a teenager, our dad set us up with a one-week contract at his camp," he said. "We were outfitted with a team of horses and a wagon loaded with horse and boy feed (food). It was a 10-mile trip to the camp where we were alone for one week. Our task was to limb and buck, into specific lengths, quite a number of pine trees which had been pre-felled by dad's hired crew before they were laid off at the end of winter season. We then used the horses to move the logs down to the railway 1.25 mile away. No chainsaws, just hand tools like axes, crosscut saw etc. It was springtime at the farm but still winter conditions at the camp."

The pages of the booklet are filled with his personal recollections of times like these as Jeck grew up, running the family farm, a small logging/sawmill business and an RV Campsite and all the other jobs he held. He also recorded stories passed down from older family members.

There is a limited number of booklets available and anyone interested in purchasing a copy can contact Jeck directly through [majeck.books@gmail.com](mailto:majeck.books@gmail.com)



Lloyd Jeck is seen here holding his new collection of work "Robson Valley - A Concise Story in Time. Jeck used his own experiences as well as stories passed on from other generations to tell of some of the Valley's history. /SUBMITTED

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**Brad McFarland**



**Bronya Mazereeuw**

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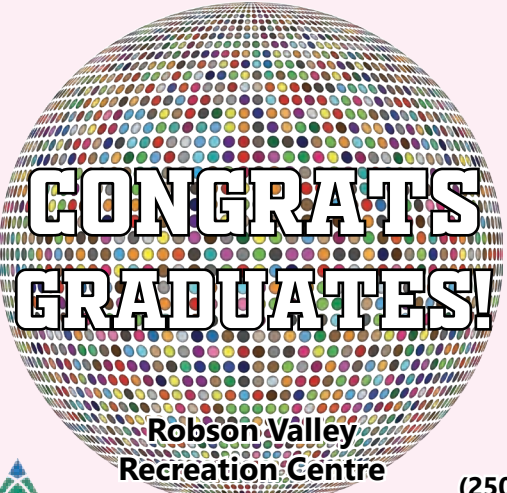
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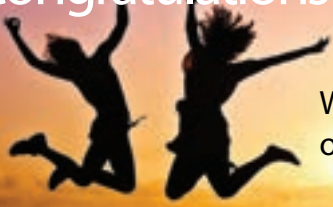
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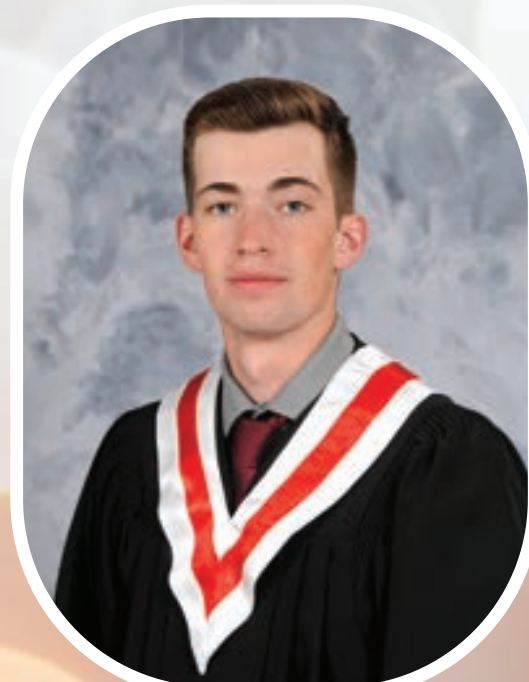


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## 2022 McBride Grads



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## 2022 McBride Grads



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On May 27th some students at the Valemount Secondary School submitted their own art piece for the Indigenous Art Contest. The theme for their original work was on Reconciliation through music and the winner was said to be rewarded with a \$100 honorarium. Arayah Tinsely- Dawson had won the contest with her original hand painted piece of an Indigenous woman beating a drum. /ANNA MATA



A close up of Arayah's original piece for the Indigenous Art Contest. This was created using a combination of watercolour and acrylic paints. /ANNA MATA

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VALEMOUNT

THUR JUNE 23 from 4:30-6pm, come and help out during a **Work Bee at the Valemount Community Garden** and help make our gardens a better place for all. Tasks include, weeding, watering, moving soil. Snacks will be provided, please bring garden equipment if you have it. If you have a small machine you're willing to bring that can move wood chips and gravel, please reach out to Rebecca at [foodsecurity@rvcsbc.org](mailto:foodsecurity@rvcsbc.org). Registration is not required. 250-566-9107 for more info.

MON JUNE 27 from 3:30-4:30pm, RVCS is welcoming youth ages 12-18 who'd like to build resiliency against anxiety during a **Yoga For Teens** class with Rebecca Wylie at our office location. Please register: 250-566-9107/events @rvcsbc.org.

MON JULY 4, 5 & 6 Rebecca & Isla are offering a **Kids with Tools** workshop for 7-10 year olds from 9-11am at the Valemount Community Garden. Learn new skills by building structures, which will help to make the community garden a better place. Registration is required. Please register: 250-566-9107/events@rvcsbc.org

THUR JULY 7 from 10:30am-noon is **Parent & Child Foraging Walk with Jean Ann & Rebecca**. This workshop is open to all ages of children with their parents or caregivers. Meet at the Valemount Community Garden for a stroll and discussion around naturally foraged plants, and eat some wild foods. Please come prepared for the weather, with good footwear, sun protection and a water bottle. Registration is not required.

MONs **Family Place Drop-In** is now on Mondays from 9am-noon with Hannah. Come for the connection with other families, parenting resources and fun for you and your 0-6 year old children at RVCS unless otherwise stated below (99 Gorse St)! Call 250-566-9107 or email [events@rvcsbc.org](mailto:events@rvcsbc.org) for more info.

TUES- Join us for **Seniors Walking & Wheeling Group** every week at 2pm for a 30-45 minute stroll or roll around town with Shae beginning at 99 Gorse St. All fitness abilities welcome. No registration required. Call 250-566-9107 for more info or email [events@rvcsbc.org](mailto:events@rvcsbc.org).

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June 27: Canadian Multicultural Day, bring an item that represents your family's culture

TUE JULY 19, 20 & 21 from 10am-11:30am, Rebecca and Hannah are leading **Landscape Art at the Marsh** for teens aged 11-18 years. Drop –off and pick-up is at the Best Western parking lot by the Cranberry Marsh trailhead, and we will teach kids to paint and draw using landscape techniques while enjoying the outdoors. Snacks will be provided. Please register: 250-566-9107/events@rvcsbc.org

TUE JULY 26, 27 & 28 join Rebecca and Hannah for **Wild Art at the Marsh** from 10am-11:30am where they will help kids aged 7-10 years learn to paint/draw landscapes and objects found in nature while outdoors. Caregivers are to drop off and pick up at the Best Western parking lot at the Cranberry marsh trail head. Snacks will be provided. Please register: 250-566-9107/events@rvcsbc.org

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JUNE 27- Canada Day craft at Steve Kolida Park

WEDs **Seniors Drop-In** is on Wednesdays from 1-3pm with Sandy. All seniors are invited to come by for both structured and unstructured recreational, educational and social activities at RVCS (942 3rd ave). No registration required. Call 250-569-2266 for more information.

JUNE 22: Home made salves, tinctures & learn about healing benefits of local plants/herbs with Joy

JUNE 29: Appetizers & punch

TUES Join us for **Seniors Walking & Wheeling Group** every week on Tuesdays at 2pm for a 30-45 minute stroll or roll around town with Sandy beginning at 942 3rd ave. All fitness abilities welcome. No registration required. Call 250-569-2266 for more info.

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DUNSTER

JULY 9 Weekly **Dunster Farmer's Market** begins, 11:00 to 1:00 at the Dunster Community Hall. Vendors welcome - no charge for table. Burger Concession. Bedding plants, baking, crafts, odds and ends, etc.. Buskers Welcome. Contact: Pete 250-968-4334 or Loretta 250-968-4453



*Pete Amyoony has lived, worked and gardened in the Dunster area for 43 years. He tries to deal with the “down to earth nuts and bolts of organic gardening” in his columns.*



## Darn cabbageworms

This week, I would like to continue on dealing with another one of the common pests that are a real problem for so many local gardeners. “Today’s special” is the imported cabbageworm.

This one inch (2.5cm) long, light green larva hatches from a small white egg that was laid on the underside of the leaf of any member of the “crucifer” family such as cabbage, cauliflower or broccoli, radish, rutabaga or summer turnip. The parent is a white butterfly with black spots on the wings and can be up to 2 inches (5cm) across the wings. They usually first appear around our area sometime in late April or early May.

If you look carefully, you can see the small white eggs on the underside of the outer leaves of the plants. These hatch into small light green caterpillars that feed on the outer leaves at first and then move into the center of the heads. If you only have a few heads of cabbage or cauliflower, you can check them each day and hand pick the eggs and small larvae.

If you plant a lot of members of this family, you may want to try using a light polyester row cover such as

Reemay to cover the plants as soon as you put them out in the garden. This does not let the butterfly access to the leaves to lay her eggs. If you use this, you have to be careful to bury the edges of the material in shallow trenches so the wind doesn’t lift it off the plants. Placing stones or heavy pieces of rebar around the edges will also hold it in place.

For the last twenty or so years there is a biological control called BT that is sprayed on the leaves and will kill off the caterpillars but has no effects on other insects or humans. The variety of BT needed for these pests is BT Berliner. This has the greatest effect on the imported cabbageworm larvae.

Of course you can do as I did one year when they were especially bad in my long rows of cabbage. I hired the local children and gave them butterfly nets and paid them 25 cents per butterfly. It cost me a few more dollars than I expected as the youngsters saw it as a great sport! For the next two years, there was hardly a cabbageworm to be seen!


For the past few years, I have been quite careful in

keeping a few butterfly nets around the greenhouse and gardens and whenever I catch sight of one of those little butterflies fluttering around my cabbage plants, I head out on the hunt. I find it is almost impossible to catch them high in the air as their flight pattern looks like they have just come off a two-week “bender”. They change direction every few seconds. I get the best results by waiting for them to land on a leaf and then gently position the net under them and swoop in an upward motion just as they start to fly.

I also try to check the outer leaves every day or so for eggs and the small caterpillars. If caught at this stage, you can prevent another generation from developing. This little pest can produce up to five generations per summer before they over winter in the pupa stage in plant residue or along the edges of the garden.

If you have stopped planting these wonderful cabbage family crops because of this pest, I would strongly suggest that you try some under row cover. Others in this area were quite happy and surprised with the results.

# PUZZLES



ANSWERS ON P13

CROSSWORD

- Across
- 1 Man of the house

4 \_\_\_, but not least ...

8 Little toymaker

11" \_\_\_ for the money, two for ...

12 Cave effect

13 Mendacity

14 Hair product

15 Start to come around

16 Contribute

17 Reuben ingredient

19 Small vegetables

21 Varsity group

23 Headliner

26 Witness

29 Developer's concern

30 Serve drinks

31 Brought about

33 Use a keyboard

34 Subject of Bohr's theory

35 Verse creator

37 Must-haves

41 "Not a moment \_\_\_ soon!"

43 Airport rental
- 45 Mommie deer

46 Used to exist

47 Glide aloft

48 Card game named for a drink

49 It's mined and refined

50 Means may justify them

51 Final word, often
- Down
- 1 Hounds

2 Over again

3 Meat slicer locale

4 Subordinate

5 Group of scenes

6 Object of a FedEx pickup

7 Flew (through)

8 Easily stretched

9 Top

10 Given food

18 Music lover's purchase

20 Presuppose

22 Art of flying

24 Put one's food in one's mouth

25 \_\_\_ herring (ruse)

1	2	3		4	5	6	7		8	9	10
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			35		36		37		38	39	40
41	42			43		44			45		
46				47					48		
49				50					51		

- 26 Go (for)
- 27 Little guy
- 28 Verb for a hypothesis
- 32 Philanthropists
- 36 This goes with something
- 38 Scoring advantage
- 39 "Whatcha \_\_\_?" (slangy word)
- 40 A parody (with "up")
- 41 Solid blue pool ball
- 42 Canoe mover
- 44 Furious

Answers on P13

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## SUDOKU

HOW TO PLAY

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9 only once.

Each 3x3 box is outlined with a darker line. You already have a few numbers to get you started. Remember. You must not repeat the numbers 1 through 9 in the same line, column or 3x3 box.

Answers on PXX

The Toughie

by Myles Mellor

- Across
1. Darling

5. Dentist qualification

8. Sting

12. Villainous monk in "The Da Vinci Code"

14. Quarter segment

15. Heavy reading

16. Fishing net

17. "Field of Dreams" setting

18. Weaponry

19. James Bond's childhood home

21. Bond opponent

22. City near Syracuse

24. Doctor's charge

25. Shrinking Asian sea

28. Small bird

30. Married woman

33. Young seal

35. Abyss

36. "Yikes!"

37. Roger Moore starred in it

41. Prefix for form or verse

42. Cake decorator

43. Holland's flower

44. Enfield or Marvin

45. Deny

48. Kind of bag

49. Cardinal letters

50. Northern Nova Scotia town

52. Bond villain
54. Bond villain

58. Mid-apple

59. Beehive, e.g.

62. Icy dwelling

63. Skye for one

64. Binge

65. Dalai followers

66. Discharged

67. "Have some"

68. Certain
- Down
1. Believers

2. Macbeth dagger

3. Beauty products provider

4. In a legal fashion

5. \_\_\_ gratias

6. Morning moisture

7. Jamaican music

8. Gawk

9. Succotash ingredient

10. Bullets

11. \_\_\_ amis

13. Bed board

14. Roger follower

20. Blitzed

21. Hate with a passion

23. Emily Dickinson's home, in Massachusetts

24. Put in a folder

25. Terrible

26. Wine region

27. Home with a view

29. Trifle

30. \_\_\_ Park, N.J.
31. On again

32. Internet phone company

34. Bank profit source

38. West Coast sch.

39. King, in Cádiz

40. Exhausted

46. Leafy, shady recess

47. Actor Brynner

49. Candied

51. Disturb

52. Rib

53. "Alice's Restaurant" singer \_\_\_

55. A Muppet

56. Good earth

57. Apportion medicine

58. Alliance that includes Ukr.

59. Native American

60. Small green veggie

61. "Who \_\_\_?" (slangy query)

Answers on P13

# HOROSCOPES



## BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

### Happy Summer Solstice

Celebrations around the globe hail this alignment of the sun, which has marked a change of season worthy of monumental feats of building from the ancient and traditional annual festivals that continue to this day in Iceland, Spain, Canada, Croatia and more. From the curious slabs of Stonehenge to the ancient Cahokia Mounds of Illinois, all hail the center of our cosmic system on the longest day of the year.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). It is easy to look back and think, "That was then; this is now," but history has a way of repeating itself. Maybe it hasn't done so yet, but it will. The question is, how prepared are you? You'll get much more so this week. Oddly enough, it's harder to ready yourself for the best-case scenario than the worst-case scenario.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Your organized mind will be a thrill to operate. In the early week you'll set yourself up for success, and by month's end you'll have the prize. You'll get your ducks in a row so you can shoot them down, gallery-style, or lead them safely to a pond, vegetarian-style, as suits your preference.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Each person brings out a different side of you -- perhaps subtly so, but in certain cases you discover an aspect of yourself you were entirely unaware of. This compels you to keep meeting new people. Not only does it make things interesting, but each new person provides a chance to know yourself more completely.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). YSmall acts of kindness are so easy for you, you might consider small acts of selfishness, which are going to feel strange but will improve your life, nonetheless. When people are subconsciously deciding how to treat you, they are taking their cues right from you.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Your cosmic talent is strong discretion, which you use superbly on behalf of others and even more brilliantly for yourself. When you want people to know what you think, your words and actions will be clear. And when you don't want them to know, they will never be able to read you.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Insert a few long breaks somewhere in that tight agenda. As you allow yourself to follow your whims, it might feel as though you're loafing, loitering, listless -- but there are great, if intangible, benefits to loosening up the reins on yourself and following the clues provided by your attractions, distractions and impulses.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Although you'd like all your possessions to be useful, beautiful or both, the truth is, much of what you own comes with complex reasoning that defies

category. You'll pare down, spiff up and generally organize. By the end of the week your possessions will better represent the person you are becoming.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You're sometimes hesitant to solve problems for others because a co-dependent dynamic ultimately helps no one. When everyone is working together and contributing all they can, it is safe to give generously. Make sure your care for others is counterbalanced by a strong sense of your own needs and wants.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Unseen? It will work to your advantage now. It's easier to be productive when people don't interrupt or insert their ideas into your work. Do amazing things under the radar while you can because you won't get to use this invisibility cloak much longer. You'll soon be noticed and applauded.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). With the abundant creativity flowing through you this week, you'll delight people who are notoriously hard to please. This pays, but take care. Money that's yours free and clear makes life easy. Money that comes with strings and contracts makes life harder. Decide your next financial move accordingly.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Making a decision on data alone is like buying a house sight unseen. Everything has a feel, and you don't know until you go there. It is also not ideal to base decisions strictly on feelings and thoughts. The success of this week's venture will have to do with a curious mix of sentiment and fact.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). If you wonder why you admire someone so, the resonance has to do with qualities you share, some of which are obvious and others that lie dormant inside you. Your attractions teach you what might be awakened in you. Follow up with a move to develop skill in this direction.

**THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS:** Your love and warmth are indisputable, and yet the year also brings assertive vibes. Though attentive to the needs of others, you still recognize your authority over your own focus. You live up to the responsibility to create the life that honors what's best in you. You'll often pause and assess your use of time. You'll invest your energy and resources where they give you a desired return. You'll travel in pursuit of fun and games with your team. A young person shines under your tutelage.

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SUDOKU ANSWERS

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TOUGHIE ANSWERS

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## Soccer wraps up



Valemount's Bear Cubs finished up their soccer season last week with final games, pizza and ice cream. The season relied on a slew of volunteers to coach and organize. Coaches included Don Giroux, Josh Ball, Allen Reale, John Crowley, Jolene Thrasher, Ryan Malone, Asacia Anderson, Justina Trach, Hannah Williams, Isaac Williams, Hillary Amann, Tamesh, Anik Leclerc, and Nathalie Neilands. Management included Jayme Duerksen, Anja Karle, and Jasmine Gasser. The wrap-up party pizza was sponsored by Cougar Mountain Lodge, the ice cream by The Source Tree Service. /LAURA KEIL



The 5- and 6-year-old team photo caught the ball in action. /LAURA KEIL



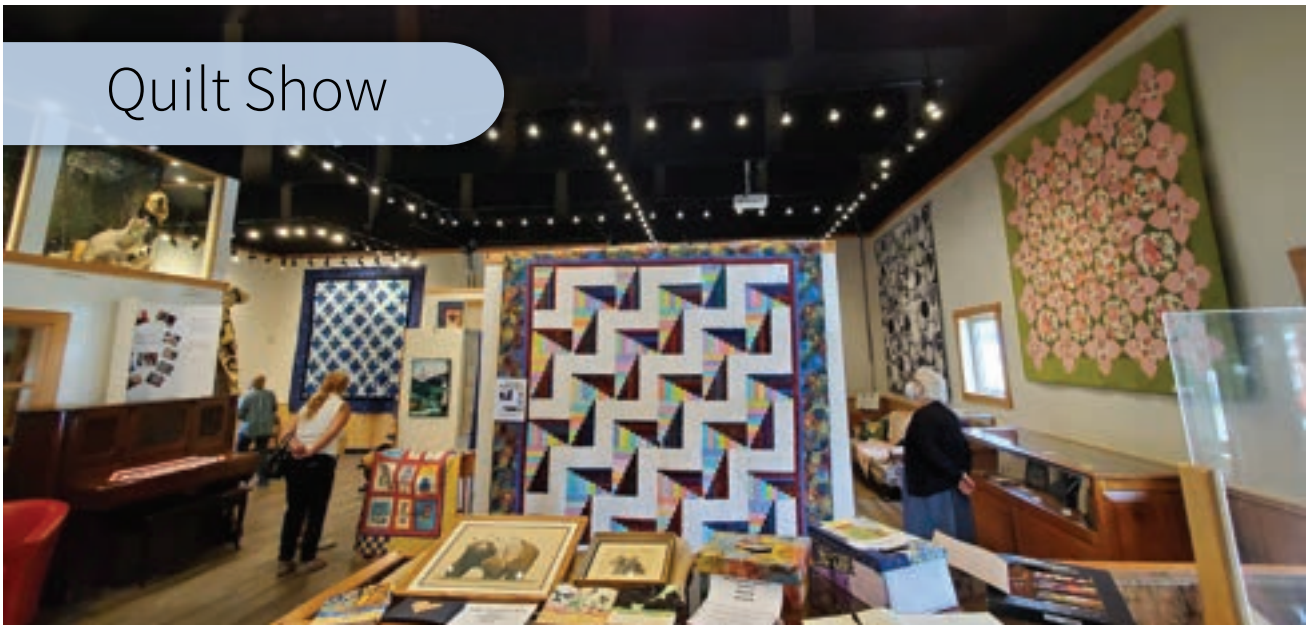
Hazel, Rowan, and Mathais enjoyed ice cream from the sidelines. /LAURA KEIL



This giant yellow swallowtail (*Papilio cressphontes*) is the largest of all North American butterflies although the female tiger swallowtails approach the same size. Both male and female have dark brown wings with yellow markings, including a large horizontal yellow stripe across the wings. This yellow swallowtail is on some lilacs of McBride resident Vern Pawloske in his yard. These aren't just any ordinary lilacs as they are really large in size. "They are special as nobody else in the Valley has this subspecies," Vern says. "It came from Alberta back in the 1940s." / SANDRA JAMES



Tanner Ross shows off his two-seater at the brewery Friday night during Bike Fest registration. People were encouraged to showcase unusual or vintage bikes. / LAURA KEIL



# Quilt Show



The Valley Piecemakers held their bi-annual quilt show June 17 & 18 at the Valley Museum and Archives. The display illustrates the detail and care that goes into each of the creations. Included in the exhibit was the raffle quilt, and the final opportunity to buy tickets. The draw was held Saturday afternoon, and valley visitor Carol Harbin will be receiving the large and lovingly made souvenir. The quilt display has been extended until June 24, 11-4. /ANDREA ARNOLD



Joan Marchant was on site working on hand stitching her latest project. The bulk of the project is supported by a table and the work held taught by a quilting hoop. Hanging nearby is one of her previous projects that she also quilted by hand. /ANDREA ARNOLD



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