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You may have noticed many small orange coloured butterflies around lately feeding on nectars from various flowers such as this purple thistle. These are Skippers, often termed as an intermediate group between butterflies and moths. This means that they have characteristics of both groups within Lepidoptera. Skipper butterflies have furry bodies similar to moths, but fly during the day and sit at rest similar to butterflies. They are called skippers because of their short flights, which are often quite erratic. / SANDRA JAMES.

Environmental Health Officer shortage

By Andrea Arnold

Environmental Health Officers (EHOs) under Northern Health are being required to prioritize their jobs due to a shortage of qualified individuals available. Normally, EHOs assess public health risks, address health hazards in the community, permitting and inspecting a wide range of facilities such as drinking water systems, food establishments and other regulated facilities. At this time they are having to focus on the areas that have the highest potential risk to public health.

Northern Health Chief Medical Health Officer Dr. Jong Kim says this is not an isolated issue.

"While other health regions are experiencing similar staffing challenges, Northern BC is particularly impacted and currently has approximately one third of the full complement of EHOs it requires."

Adverse water quality result assessments, drinking water system advisories and notices are areas that fall under the highest priority for the Northern Health Environmental Public Health team. This is an area of concern that could directly impact the people of McBride.

Village CAO Chris Tupy commented

that recently McBride was without an EHO for approximately a month.

"We had to send out water testing information and questions to a generic Northern Health staff mailbox," said Tupy. "However, they were able to recruit a new EHO and we have a direct [point of contact] once again. Even during the time we were redirected to the generic staff box, I believe someone always got back in a timely manner."

As water-born illness is listed as one of the highest priority scenarios CAO Tupy thinks that McBride will continue to be well served on items related to the local water system.

Northern Health has kicked up their recruitment efforts in hopes to draw EHOs into the region by offering incentives, working in partnership with post-secondary institutions to develop affiliation agreements and increase intake of student EHOs, and developing targeted recruitment campaigns that showcase the opportunities available in Northern BC.

Northern Health asks that people still take the time to call in or e-mail with any concerns and questions about matters of public health.By phone or email: 250-565-7322 or php@northernhealth.ca.



There will be no newspaper August 4th to accommodate staff vacation. Thanks for your understanding and support! We will continue to post breaking news on our website during that time.



Village issues utility fee refunds

By Andrea Arnold

The Village of McBride has issued a refund to the previous owners of three empty lots along Horseshoe Lake Road. The money covered all water and sanitary sewer charges for 455 Horseshoe Lake Road, the sanitary sewer charges for 275 and 295 Horseshoe Lake Road, as well as any penalties and portion of interest charged to these properties between 2017 and 2022.

This year, development on 455 was started by Steven and Andrea Garhammer in anticipation of moving a modular home onto it this summer. In March, a dig was performed by the Village of McBride Public Works staff to locate the water main for the purpose of their planning, and workers discovered that the line ends at the eastern edge of 295. Further investigation revealed that the sewage line ends short of 275 Horseshoe Lake Road. This means that the property at 455 does

not have the ability to connect to either utility and the other two do not have access to sewer service.

The developers of 455 brought to the attention of Village staff that the owners of the other two properties should also be retroactively exempt from the billing. Village staff looked into the history of the properties and issued the utility fee refund along with a letter of explanation and apology to the property owners.

This stretch of road was not originally

part of the Village footprint. It was amalgamated from the Regional District of Fraser Fort George in the mid 1990s. The Village passed a new bylaw between 2017 and 2018 stating that vacant lots with the ability to connect to the infrastructure would be subject to annual utility fees. There are maps created at that time by engineers that showed that the

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Danish tourists get a taste of local goods

By Andrea Arnold

A tour bus of 35 visitors from Denmark, their tour guide Jorri, and their driver arrived at the McClinton farm just outside McBride on Thursday July 21, 2022.

This was the seventh year the tour has included a local property in their 10-day tour.

"Seven years ago we were at the community market when the tour from Denmark arrived in town," said JoAnn McClinton, a local producer. "The driver told me that many of the guests get tired of seeing the cities and they would love to include a bit of country into their schedule."

The two continued to be in touch and the next summer, the first tour arrived at the McClinton home for a taste of what the Robson Valley has to offer. Not only does the stop provide the travellers with a delicious meal, but it also gives them a glimpse into the lives of a local Mennonite family.

The tours came to a stop for the last three years as COVID prevented international travel, but this last week, the family was overjoyed to catch up with their friend Jorri and to welcome a new set of visitors.

"They looked around the farm, and checked out the garden," said McClinton. "Grandpa fired up the small sawmill out back and gave a demonstration of its production."

Included in the unique stop was a home cooked meal prepared by the family using a variety of locally sourced ingredients. They made hearty hamburger soup, fresh bread, and for dessert, blueberry pie with homemade ice cream.

"The berries were picked from nearby mountains, and the cream came from a local dairy," she said.

As the guests mingled around the property they were thrilled to see the VIA passenger train as it made its way past the home.

Before they left, each visitor was given a handmade pot holder with "McBride BC 2022" embroidered across the centre to commemorate their experience.

McClinton says that usually they have only had one bus stop, but one summer they were treated to two. This year is one of the exceptions as a second bus is scheduled to stop on July 31. This time lunch will not be served, but guests will be treated to homemade cookies and coffee as they take a look around the property and visit with the family.

The busses stopping are a highlight for the family and although it takes some work to be prepared, they really enjoy presenting the valley to the visitors.

"I love it," said McClinton. "I would do more if I could." The McClintons and tour guide Jorri are already looking forward to their next visit.



The guests all gather for the home-cooked meal prepared by the McClintons. /SUBMITTED



Each of the visitors to the McClinton farm received one of these pot holders as a gift from the family. /SUBMITTED



Blueberry pies, made with berries picked off local mountains, were made fresh Thursday morning and served with homemade ice cream. /SUBMITTED



The Danish guests were watched over closely by the McClinton scarecrows during their visit. There is one scarecrow representing each member of the family. JoAnn says they are very effective, having seen a deer visibly jump after spotting them. /ANDREA ARNOLD



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McBride works towards Active Transportation Network Plan

By Andrea Arnold

Valemount resident Jared Smith has been hired by the Village of McBride to create an Active Transportation Network Plan.

Half the funding for the plan is covered by the Active Transportation Network Planning Grant. There is also funding available to implement aspects of the plan after it is created. The Village Council approved the grant submission almost exactly a year ago, in the hope that the plan would help the community obtain grants for active transportation infrastructure projects like improved sidewalks, walking trails, and creation of bike lanes.

"The goal is to find ways to get more people travelling around town by human powered means," said Smith.

He spent a few days in town last week and is now in town for a week talking to people trying to help determine what barriers are in place preventing more people from using human power to travel, and how to facilitate an increase of foot/bike traffic.

Smith has a Bachelor of Science in Geology and Environmental Studies. He has done work for the Village of Valemount including a report that helped them secure funding for the new childcare facility.

During his time in McBride he hopes to get a feel for the community specific needs through the eyes of a valley local with knowledge of small town limitations. He has always tried to live somewhere that provided him the ability to walk or bike most of the time, as that is important to him.

"One of the things I've already noticed is the lack of bike racks," said Smith. "Most of the places along Main Street do not have a designated place to lock up bikes while you are in the building."

He is finding through conversation that for some, lack of security plays a role in the decision to not ride a bike. For others, it is the expense of a new bike, or maintenance. Others have given totally honest answers saying it is a habit to drive or they are lacking inspiration.

"One of the things I am finding people saying is that anyone who wants to walk or ride a bike can," said Smith. "It's a small, flat community that is easy to navigate."

However, he is looking into the small details like how senior friendly the sidewalks and paths are, and what can be done to help connect areas just a few kilometres out of town with the village. For those trying to commute in from outside the village footprint, navigating the highway is a necessary evil.

"It does not matter how careful you are, everyone hits the rumble strips when you're driving," said Smith. "So for people walking or biking, the highway can be scary."

He spoke of one local who bikes every day, some days great distances. He is no stranger to highway riding, and he was clipped by a vehicle not that long ago. He was clipped hard enough to end up in the ditch.

"Drivers need to be more aware," said Smith.
"Especially where there are no designated bike lanes or trails and people are forced to share the highway. In town, I have observed that most drivers are considerate and abide by the speed limits."

Smith set up a table at the Community Farmers Market on July 22, 2022 where he gathered feedback. He also held an event on Saturday at Steve Kolida Park. He created a scavenger hunt that took participants around to the more regularly visited areas to help them see how easy it is to get around town. Zac from Caribou Cycles in Valemount was on hand on Saturday helping with small bike repairs and modifications. Those who attended received a few slices of locally made pizza.

Smith has created a survey to collect information from residents. It is available at the McBride Village office and the McBride and District Public Library.

The survey can also be found online at: tinyurl. com/3ydxmuyp

The deadline for survey submission is August 12, and two participants will receive a \$50 gift certificate to a local business of their choice. Smith felt that both events were well received

and was happy with the feedback he has been given so far.

"There are a lot of people commuting by walking and biking already who have great ideas about improvements to make it even more accessible, safe, and enjoyable," he said. "There's a culture shift happening with more and more people wanting to reduce their dependence on their vehicles. People know the benefits of being active and are finding creative ways to incorporate that into their everyday routines, not just as recreation during the evenings or weekends."

Utility fee refunds...

infrastructure reached the corner of the furthest lot along this stretch. This means according to the map that 455, and the other two lots, would be capable of connecting if someone wanted to develop the site.

Tupy said that, unfortunately, this situation has shown that the Village can not guarantee that everything is exactly as it is shown on maps provided by an outside source. The Village has reviewed its map distribution process and will be including a stamp that states "The information contained herein is for internal use only. Not to be relied on unless confirmed by site inspection and/or investigation."

The site inspection is important as McBride Village bylaws state that any development on lots that do not have utilities service connection includes the cost of connections.

The Official Community Plan addresses the Village's role in infrastructure installation. "It is the policy of Council to maintain and monitor the capacity of municipal infrastructure systems and carry out upgrading or extensions to these systems in accordance with future demands, as municipal finances permit."

The Village staff welcome feedback from residents about any concerns they may have. They ask that this is done respectfully, and that they are given an opportunity to respond.

"If you feel there has been an error in your village based billing, please express your concerns to the Village and we will investigate," said CAO Tupy.



One of the few visible indicators along the empty lots on Horseshoe Lake road indicating where the village water lines end.

/ANDREA ARNOLD



Jonah, Aldrine and Cohen receive scavenger hunt instructions from Jared Smith at the Steve Kolida Park on Saturday July 23, 2022. / ANDREA ARNOLD



Betty Long waits as bike mechanic Zac takes a look at her ride during the event on Saturday. /ANDREA ARNOLD

Editorial



Positive reinforcement

By Andrea Arnold, Associate Editor/Reporter

In a conversation I was having recently, it became so clear to me that good news does not travel as fast as bad news. I do not have kids, but I am privileged to play a part in many small people's lives and have many friends who are parents. These parents are doing their best to raise their kids to be caring, responsible and valuable members of society.

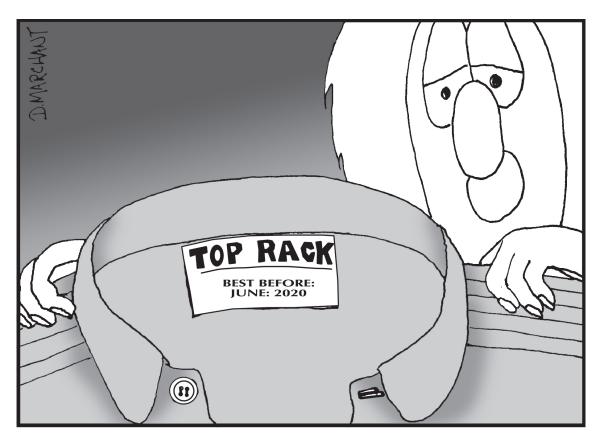
So when I see a kid being amazing, I usually try to pass that information on to those responsible for raising them. After the aforementioned conversation, I am going to make

Why are parents or guardians predisposed to a gut feeling of "what did they do now?" accompanied by an internal groan when someone says, "do you know what I saw your child do?" It is because that is often followed with a story of negative words or actions that have come from their charges. Why do we not put that much effort into building up the efforts of parents, and the actions of children?

Parents need to hear when their kid does something amazing, or kind, or responsible. I think that the child also needs to hear a positive reaction to their actions as well. I'm not suggesting anything big and grand because embarrassing them might put an end to it. Just a quiet word of encouragement to say, "Good job."

I'm not naive. I know kids aren't perfect. Parents do need to have the opportunities to help redirect a child's actions, so sometimes, respectful tattling might be in order. Parents, as this information comes to you, take a moment to receive it in the manner in which it was intended.

I often hear people complain about the younger generations and the lack of respect they show to those around them. Let's start building them up by recognizing the small moments of kindness and responsibility. By passing on to parents how amazing their kids are when they think no one is looking, we will also be building them up as they navigate the jungle that is child rearing.



"SURELY YOU'RE NOT GOING TO WEAR THIS SHIRT, IT'S NO LONGER IN FASHION."

CORRECTION

In addition to being available directly from Nadia Kovaroik Shafer her new book "Life Happens: Cheerful Story of Gloom" is available through Amazon.

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For those members of clergy that are still preaching, but are now non-believers, and have been for some time, there is help at The Clergy Project. These people are ex-members of clergy and can help you to find a new way of life.

As have so many members of clergy in the past that faced the same dilemma and did not have others in which they felt they could confide, please do not do anything drastic.

For members of clergy to come out as

non-believers, is extremely difficult, because those of you who do, might lose your only means of income, often you will lose your families, and those you thought were your friends. You will be shunned.

After being a non-believer for approximately five years, while still preaching, ex-pastor Mike Aus came out with his admittance on National television. If you go to YouTube Mike Aus A Pastor's Journey to Atheism Humanists of Houston, you will hear his responses to the many questions asked by those in

the audience.

As will you, if you come out as non-believers, he had and has support from members of The Clergy Project.

Although it might seem that you are alone, as you will learn, you are far from being alone.

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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.



Monkeypox is a Reminder

Monkeypox is very unpleasant and it spreads very fast, but it's not a real killer: 16,000 cases in 75 countries in only two months is impressive, but there have been only five deaths.

Yet the World Health Organisation (WHO) has just declared monkeypox a global health emergency, which is a big deal. That seems disproportionate, but there's a reason.

"Covid-19 is broadly viewed as being a 'once in a lifetime' or 'once in a century' pandemic. Modeling work based on historical data shows that this is not necessarily the case," reported the epidemiological start-up Metabiota last year. That's because "the frequency of 'spill-over' infectious diseases like Covid is steadily increasing."

It's increasing because quick-killer pandemic diseases only started thriving in human societies when we began living together in large numbers.

The natural home of those diseases were birds and animals that lived in big

flocks and herds: lots of potential victims to sustain the transmission. But when human beings created big civilisations and domesticated some of those animals, the pandemic diseases happily transferred across and thrived amongst us too.

For most of recorded history, successful transfers were rare: new killer pandemics only came along every few centuries. However, now that there are eight billion people and millions criss-cross the planet every day, the disease vectors spread much more efficiently.

According to Metabiota's calculations, it's even odds that we will have another new pandemic on the scale of Covid-19 in the next 25 years. In other words, the probability of another global pandemic like that is between 2.5% and 3.3% every year. It could even arrive next year.

Monkeypox is not that disease. Despite its rapid spread, it is transmitted mainly between men who have sex with men. There is already a vaccine for it (the same one that eradicated smallpox, which no

longer exists in the wild). And hardly anybody dies from it.

So WHO director-general Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus had some explaining to do when he broke a stalemate at his 'emergency committee' and decreed that monkeypox is a global emergency.

He explained that it was to speed up research on "the new modes of transmission that have allowed it to spread", and to press countries to use vaccines and other measures to limit the numbers infected. These are all sensible things to do, but they really don't justify declaring a global health emergency.

What Ghebreyesus didn't say is that he really intends it as a reminder of our peril and a spur to action. The whole pandemic response system needs an exercise that incorporates all the lessons learned from our stumbling response to Covid, and monkeypox provides an excuse to do it.

Ghebreyesus is manipulating the system in an attempt to get the world to build better systems for containing dangerous

emergent diseases in general. You can see his point, because we haven't learned enough from our harrowing experience with Covid.

The vaccines were developed faster than in any previous pandemic, and two-thirds of the world's population has been fully vaccinated in sixteen months, but the rate of immunity in the poorest countries is abysmal.

Just spending one-hundredth of what the world spent on fighting Covid to improve global readiness for the next pandemic - building local vaccine production facilities, regional labs with good analytical capabilities, and stronger reporting networks - could spare us another two years of the misery and loss we had with this pandemic.

If that's Ghebreyesus's real goal with this monkeypox 'emergency', it's all right



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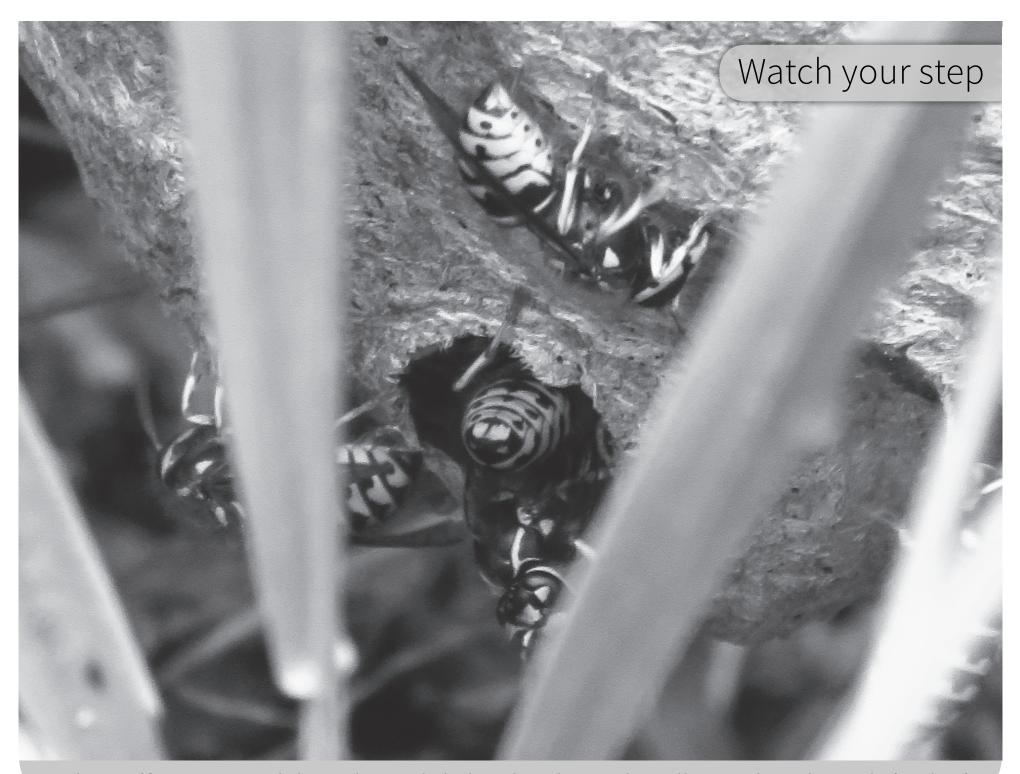
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Tis the season of flying stinging insects. This hive served as a reminder that they can be anywhere. It was discovered by a curious dog nose, hanging only a few inches off the ground. Other underground nests have been discovered locally as well. /ANDREA ARNOLD

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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.

Fire Smart - Grass Fire Prevention

Dry hot weather and long grass can lead to disaster. Grass fires start fast, spread quickly, and burn hot. The best way to prevent a grass fire is simple. By mowing your lawn, you are reducing the amount of material to burn and reducing the impact that wind will have on fire spread.

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The Village of Valemount Good Neighbour Bylaw does not allow grass to be in excess of 8 inches. Enforcement measures are increased during wildfire season.

Permissive Tax Exemptions

Section 224 of the Community Charter, gives Council the authority to exempt certain land and/or improvements from municipal property taxes. Council considers Permissive Tax Exemptions for non-profit organizations that contribute to the well being of Village residents, make improvements to the quality of life for residents, and/or are an extension of Village Services.

A new application must be completed each year and must be accompanied by all required documentation. The deadline for applications to be received by the Village Office is August 1, 2022.

To be eligible for a Permissive Tax Exemption an organization must comply with the guidelines and be approved by Council.

Applications are now available at the Village Office located at 735 Cranberry Lake Road or online at: www.valemount.ca.



Seeking Employees for the Election

The Village of Valemount is seeking election workers to facilitate voting in the 2022 Municipal Election.

Applicants must be:

- Eligible to work in Canada
- Available to attend a training session during the last week of September or the first week of October (date of training yet to be determined).
- Available to work extended hours on Election Day - Saturday, October 15, 2022.

Remuneration for these positions will be \$375.00 for Election Day and training.

Applications are available for pickup at the Village Office or online at www.valemount.ca. Applications will be accepted until 4 PM on Friday August 26, 2022.

Please submit your completed application in person (735 Cranberry Lake Road) or via email to:

Carleena Shepherd, Chief Election Officer

Email: corporate@valemount.ca



Category 2 & 3 fire ban issued

By Andrea Arnold

Starting Thursday July 28, 2022, category 2 and 3 fires will not be allowed in the Prince George Fire Centre's jurisdiction.

Due to the forecasted increase in temperatures, the restrictions for all public and private lands are being put into place to help reduce wildfire risk and public safety.

Fires that fall under the prohibited categories are any fire other than a campfire (under .5 m in diametre), one or more windrows and stubble of grass over an area exceeding .2 hectares.

The following are included in the ban: fireworks, sky lanterns, binary exploding targets, burn barrels or cages (any size) and air curtain burners.

This order does not ban campfires that are a half-metre high by half-metre wide (or smaller) or cooking methods that use gas, propane or briquettes. However, residents are reminded to follow the provincial campfire regulations. Eight litres of water or a shovel must be on hand while the fire is lit. A fuel break around the campfire, cleared of combustible debris is required, and the ashes of the fire must be cool to the touch before you leave it. At no time, may the fire be left unattended.

Heat Warning in effect

By Andrea Arnold

Environment and Climate Change Canada has issued a heat warning for the Robson Valley, along with most of the northern interior of BC. Areas included under the warning are: North Columbia, Kinbasket, North Thompson, 100 Mile, Chilcotin, Cariboo, Prince George, Stuart - Nechako, Yellowhead, Bulkley Valley, Lakes District, McGregor, and Williston.

The forecast calls for daytime highs of 29-34 degrees celsius with a warm low in the early mornings between 12-14 degrees celsius.

Wednesday through Friday are expected to be the hottest days, with temperatures peaking in the late afternoon and early evening. Cooler temperatures are possible through the weekend and into the beginning of August.

The Environment and Climate Change Canada website reminds everyone to monitor their own health as we navigate the next few days, but also take time to check on those who are at higher risk of heat stroke or other complications.

Young children, pregnant women, older adults, those with chronic illnesses and people exerting themselves outside for work or exercise are all more likely to suffer. Watch for signs of heat illness: swelling, rash, cramps, fainting, heat exhaustion, heat stroke and worsening health conditions.

To get more information: Check the local news for health and safety updates.

Check HealthLinkBC online resources about heat-related illness and how to protect yourself at https://tinyurl.com/3t33nf9n.

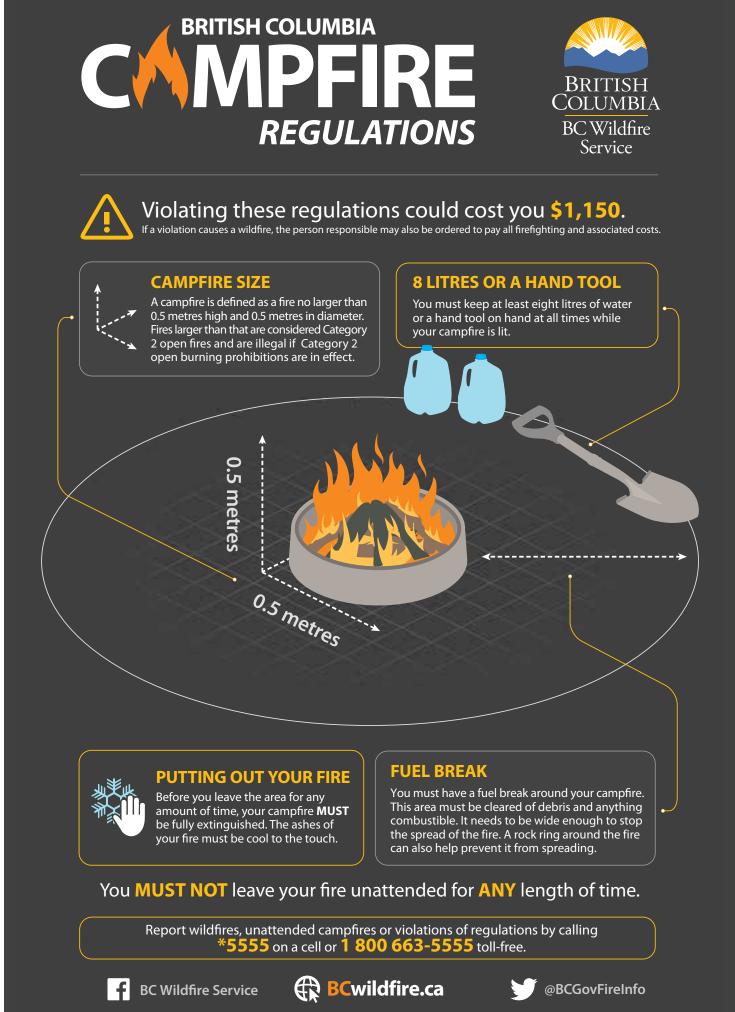
Call HealthLinkBC at 8-1-1 to ask about heat-related illness.

The BC Government website states that anyone found in contravention of an open-burning prohibition may be issued a violation ticket for \$1,150, may be required to pay an administrative penalty of up to \$10,000 or, if convicted in court, may be fined up to \$100,000 and/or sentenced to one year in jail. If the contravention causes or contributes to a wildfire, the person responsible may be ordered to pay all firefighting and associated costs.

At 11:00am on Monday July 25, 2022, B.C.. Wildfire Dashboard showed 41 active fires in the province as the forecasted heatwave is just beginning.

To report a wildfire, unattended campfire or open burning violation, call 1-800-663-5555 toll-free or *5555 on a cell phone or through the BC Wildfire Service mobile app.





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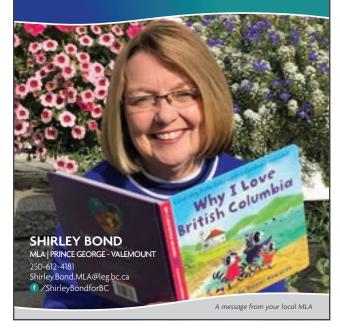


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My wife Helen and I had a beautiful weekend over July 23/24 camping in the alpine meadow just down over the ridge from the top of Paradise Trail located in the McBride area. I'm sure everyone who has hiked this area can testify that this area truly is a little slice of paradise. The trailhead is located just a short drive past where the pavement ends on Mountainview Road on the right hand side. It's about a 9km hike to the top. It's a very good trail with lots of switchbacks. The elevation is around 8,000 feet, about equal to McBride Peak. With the snowpack melting rapidly now, the wildflowers are springing up to beautify the landscape. Pictured below are globe flowers which are one of the first alpine flowers to bloom. /LEON LORENZ





On the afternoon of Friday July 22, 2022 a group of about 25 from the Seventh-Day Adventist church left to backpack and camp from the parking lot near McBride Peak over to the Paradise Trail area. We camped overnight about halfway amid the wildflowers and continued on next afternoon to the Paradise Trail area. Many enjoyable moments and sights were enjoyed together throughout this weekend. /LEON LORENZ



 $Friday\ night\ the\ group\ was\ treated\ to\ a\ specular\ light\ show\ by\ the\ aurora\ boreal is\ or\ northern\ lights.\ /LEON\ LORENZ.$

Preventing the spread of invasive plants

Submitted by the Northwest Invasive Plant Council

The Robson Valley is an outdoor enthusiast's playground, with a multitude of recreation choices and opportunities. While we are recreating and enjoying our natural environments, invasive species become "hitchhikers" and latch onto gear, clothing, equipment, footwear, and firewood. This is how invasive species are introduced or spread. However, YOU HAVE THE POWER to control this.

Education and Prevention

While there are high priority invasive plants of concern being managed by the NWIPC in the Valemount area and Hwy 5 corridor, there is a much greater focus on programs promoting changing people's behaviours to prevent the introduction and spread of invasive species (plants and animals). Under that umbrella, there is the Play Clean Go program focusing on recreation activities and the now familiar Clean

Drain Dry program targeting the prevention of invasive aquatic species into the lakes and streams of BC. Anyone travelling the Robson Valley corridor has likely noticed the pull out on Hwy 16 near Mount Robson that requires any watercraft to be inspected.

How YOU Can Help

Identification and Reporting Apps

You can help by reporting known or suspected invasive plants using free apps such as Report Invasives BC (has replaced the old Report a Weed app) and iNaturalist.

Both apps can assist with identification and at minimum, if you're not sure, you can take a photo and submit it for identification.

NWIPC Hotline (toll free) 1-866-449-3337

Call our toll-free number and leave a detailed message including your name, telephone number and or email if you want to report a suspected invasive species or want general information.

Tips to prevent the introduction and/or spread of invasive species

- 1. **REMOVE** plants, insects, and mud from your boots, gear, and pets. Pick off seeds, burrs and bugs and brush off dirt.
- 2. CHECK your tires on bikes and ATVs. Remove any mud and plant parts before moving to a new area.
- 3. **CLEAN** your gear before entering and leaving a recreation site. Clean your footwear at a trailside boot brushing station or pack and use your own boot brush.
- 4. **STAY** on designated roads and trails.

Keep invasive species localized by staying on marked or designated trails.

- 5. **LEARN** how to identify common invasive species and report them. Report unfamiliar or unusual plants or wildlife you see.
- 6. PREVENT invasive plants from going to seed. Dead-head or cut blooms before they go to seed. Wear gloves.

Don't purchase or exchange invasive plants and check wildflower mix contents.











High Priority Species in the Valemount Region

Common tansy (Tanacetum vulgare)



Spotted Knapweed (Centaurea stoebe)



Baby's breath (Gypsophila paniculata)



Photo credit: Steve Dewey, Bugwood.org

Hoary alyssum (Berteroa incana)



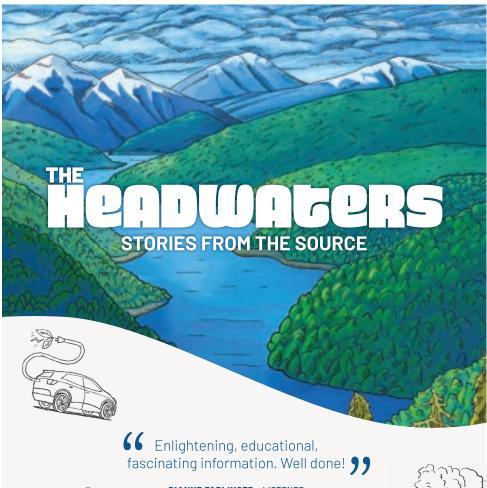
Toxic to poisonous to

Cypress spurge (Euphorbia cyparissias)



All parts contain a toxic latex (whitish sap) that are irritants to humans and potentially toxic to horses and cattle

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 $Mc Bride\ and\ District\ Public\ Library\ director\ Abi\ Ward\ read\ a\ story\ to\ those\ attending\ the\ Children's\ Tea\ Party\ at\ the\ Mc Bride$ Open Gate Community Garden on Friday July 22,2022. The event was put on by Decoda literacy, the Library, and the Open Gate Community Garden. The kids enjoyed story time, a scavenger hunt, tea and lunch, and rock painting. /ANDREA ARNOLD



Magnus savors the sweetly decorated cupcake that was included in the lunch portion of the tea party. /CHELSIE **STUBBS**



Jane sips her drink and enjoys the shade provided by her sun hat. /CHELSIE STUBBS



Little ladies (l-r) Morgan and Tiana showed up in style for the dress up encouraged party. /CHELSIE STUBBS

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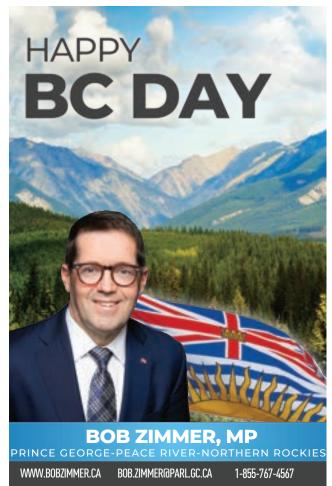
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Across

- Pot pie morsels 1
- Stabilizer muscles
- Rejuvenating retreat
- 11 Pricing spec
- 12 Check for accuracy
- 13 Board game piece
- 14 Playhouse location
- 15 Dory power
- 16 Right and proper
- 17 Monogram letter
- Like the Witch of the West 20 23 Rx items
- 26 Workable wood
- Cleverly constructed
- 29 Ravioli filler
- 30 Bacon unit
- 32 Scheduled to arrive
- 34 Slalom down a slope
- What steeplejacks face daily
- 37 Athletic award

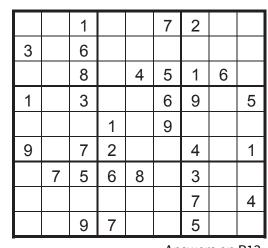
- 39 If things go well
- Certain TV announcements
- "The odds ___ ..."
- Hotel's swimming
- 48 Faint
- 49 Filming location
 - Coin featuring Leonardo da Vinci's Vitruvian Man
- 51 Genetic info
- 52 Dines on
- 53 Slow-cook

Down

- Dog or cat, usually
- Organ with a small hammer
- Standout pitcher
- Mideast chief
- Stayed away from Edged out
- 6
- Comics' venue
- Guinness category
- Soft food for babies
- 10 Busy crawler
- 21 25 41 42 49
 - 18 Still in the package
 - 19 Steady the arrow 20 Bee relative

 - Key's cousin
 - 22 Charm and more
 - Great Bear or Great Slave Move slightly
 - 28 Ammunition
 - 31 Bridge proposal
 - 33 Sinuous sea creature
- 36 Rover's rope
- 38 Blood groups
- Alaska's is nearly 600,000 square miles
- Write, as a P.S.
- 42 Subway noise
- 45 Not safe at home
- 46 It's discovered in veins
- Weather-map area

Answers on P13



Answers on P13

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 samee line, column or 3x3 box.

The Toughie by Myles Mellor

Across

- 1. Proud ____ peacock 4. Approval sign
- 9. Car insurance
- mascot 14. Double-crosser
- 15. Hawaiian island
- 16. Extraterrestrial
- 17. Chocolate dessert piece
- 20. Worth a C
- 21. Beijing coin
- 22. Ouarter-snatching
- emporiums 26. Church dignitary
- 31. "Deck the Halls"
- contraction 32. Alternative to
- acrylics 34. Sugar substitute for
- the kitchen
- 35. Hebrew scriptures
- 37. Swabs 38. It'll happen quickly without you
- realizing 43. "Okay if __ myself out? 44. Pago Pago resident
- 45. Spuds
- 48. Milk, prefix
- 49. Mach 1 breaker
- 52. Adversaries
- 54. Fast cat
- 56. German name
- 58. Fishing need 59. Time for the mice

- law enforcement
- 69. Dual conjunction

Down

- leader
- 2. Surfin' trip for the Beach Boys
- 5. Little bit 6. What Vanna may
- turn over
- 8. Picture of a star
- 11. 102 in old Rome
- 13. Can. province
- 18. Slice of history
- 19. Dumbo's jumbo pair
- 23. Way out
- hard
- 29. Conical tent
- to raid the kitchen
 - leagues

- 66. Mark of courage for 67. Really bother 68. Take a wrong turn
- 70. Replies to an invitation, briefly

- 1. Former West Bank
- 7. Countless
- 9. Red stone

- 25. Makes laugh really
- 28. Swear to

- 33. Sandbar

- 71. Turn red, maybe

- 3. Top stories 4. Camera type, briefly

- 10. Wych or white
- 12. Barbie's beau
- 24. Dublin's location
- 27. Sprite flavor
- 30. Division in many
 - Slayer'
- 35. Commemorative pole
- 36. Poison ivy, e.g. 38. Sting 39. Liveliness

46. Unruly one

- 40. Celebration 41. NYC ex-mayor Ed 42. Tiny Archibald
- 47. Actor Green of "Buffy the Vampire
- 49. Put away 50. Pay 51. "And
- announcer's call) 53. Helm 55. Emissions
- tubers 59. Ring org.
- 57. Andes edible
- 60. Chinese dynasty
- Tonight Show" off!" (racetrack 62. International
- 63. Off-road goer, for controllers short
- abbr.

Answers on P13

announcer Hall Committee of the

Red Cross, e.g.

61. Former "The

64. Spigot 65. Fleet, Wall, etc.,

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

Lion Eats the Moon

This week of the new Leo moon lives up to its dramatic potential with a riveting tension between Venus and Jupiter. Next, a reality show-style blowout between Mercury and Mars keeps us tuned in for the plot twist, provided by Jupiter turning retrograde just when Leo eats the moon in one gulp. The drama will bring an adrenaline rush, accompanying the opportunity to find out what you're

like when the stakes are raised. ARIES (March 21-April 19). Your personal energy is like that of a rechargeable battery. It will deplete if you use it, and it will deplete if you don't. So you may as well apply yourself, without worrying too much about whether you're wasting it on silly things. Trust that there's an intelligence at work. You'll gravitate toward

worthy pursuits. TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Conventional wisdom suggests you can't solve the problem if you don't know what it is. This will turn out to be untrue. You'll be drawn to making things comfortable, fair, lovely and healthy. Your improvements will solve problems you couldn't have articulated before this process.

Everything is connected. GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Your luck will not be obvious. There's no big win or small prize, not even a sense of progress or justice to acknowledge. That's precisely why it is so meaningful to stop, take stock and celebrate, without reason or qualification, all that is going on for you these days. You

cherish the preciousness of life. CANCER (June 22-July 22). To have a choice in whom you follow puts you in the minority of humans in the history of humanity. While many blindly ascribe to the ideologies of their group, you'll put more thought into your choices, striving for objectivity and weighing the morality of your options. Your

consciousness will inspire others. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). As you focus strictly on what it takes to get your special project to the next place, much of what's going on outside your project will no longer concern you. You'll be liberated from worrying about what others think of what you're doing. The reactions and responses of others hardly seem worth ruminating over.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). It's no mystery how being with the right company makes for a better experience. When you're relaxed, your perspective shifts. Lovely details float up to the surface of your awareness, making the moments more joyful. Often the right company will be just you, as you're quite comfortable with yourself.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Just because a person is in a position of power doesn't mean they possess a talent beyond your own. Timing, nepotism and any number of other reasons can contribute to a rise in status. This week, it would be a mistake to let anything intimidate you or stop you from believing in your abilities. Keep your eye on the prize.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). There was a time when you wanted something very particular and it just didn't happen. You'll never know how things would have developed had you gotten everything you wanted back there, but it certainly wouldn't be as great as what's happening now. When things don't go to plan, you now assume it's for the best.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Many equate success with abundance, though they aren't always synonymous. There's always a point in which too much becomes cumbersome, an obstacle rather than a boon. You're wary of the envy one attracts by showing off. You'll be luckier this week as you travel

light and keep things lean. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Running can feel more like flying than being in a jet. Even though you've had great success feeling out your options, things don't always feel like what they are. It's a week to use analytical resources, including your senses and, more importantly, the hard data. You're favored to make your best

decision yet. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). To help those you love is easy. And almost anyone is nice enough to those they want something from or are attracted to. But you've been known to give yourself to people you want nothing from at all, a testament to your big heart and a behavior you'll repeat

plenty this week. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You've worked hard and used your resources well. The only thing missing is a little faith. Resources seem limited, but there's a lot more coming. Loosen your grip, relax your thinking and let playful creativity into your dealings. That's when you'll see how to

arrange things for maximum success and abundance. THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS:

The only thing stopping you from getting what you want is the other thing you want. At the start of this solar return, your desires are in direct competition with one another, but as soon as you figure out which you want more it's smooth sailing from there. You will actually feel a wonderful liberation as you give up all things opposing your goal. Later, if you want to come back to the other one, you can. A presentation you give will land you new and interesting work with a bright team.

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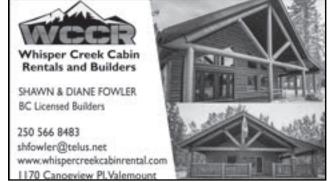
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AUG 15: Make windchimes at Centennial Park AUG 22: Sensory play at Centennial Park

AUG 29: Painting at Centennial Park

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.

MONs **Seniors Drop-In** is on Mondays from 1-3pm. All seniors are invited to come by for both structured and unstructured recreational, educational and social activities with Shae at RVCS (99 Gorse St). No registration required, unless stated. Call 250-566-9107 or email events@rvcsbc.org for more info. AUG 1: NO DROP IN (stat)

AUG 8: Berry picking - meet at RVCS at 1 pm (bring your own bucket)

AUG 15: Rock painting at the community garden (meet at garden at 1 pm)

AUG 22: Tech Café, one-on-one tech support at RVCS AUG 29: Board games at RVCS (Yahtzee, Scrabble, Jenga, Dominoes & more!)

MON AUG 8, 9, 10 & 11 from 9am-12pm we are hosting a Mindfulness Camp for kids ages 6-10 years at Centennial Park. Come and meet Skidboot the dog and enjoy some yoga, nature walks, crafts, play, sensory exploration and build strategies that help with emotional regulation. Registration is required: 250-566-9107/events@rvcsbc.org

AUG 9 -- SEPT 4 Come to the Valemount & Area Museum during the month of August to see the travelling art exhibit from the Two Rivers Art Gallery entitled, Immigration: A Conversation. The exhibit reflects on immigration from the perspective of eight artists whose lives have been touched by it. The museum is open from 10am to 5pm every day in July and August.

FR AUG 19 & SAT AUG 20 Mount Terry Fox Trek In support of cancer research. Trek up Mount Terry Fox north of Valemount on Aug 20th. Three route options, all led by a local guide: Huckleberry Hill: A return trip

distance of just 3 km and an elevation gain 250m a good option for beginner hikers or family groups looking to join the Trek this year. Start Time: 9 AM. Big Rock/Lower Teepee Lake Loop: This route offers a return trip distance of 13 km and a total elevation gain of 950m. Start Time: 7 AM. Terry Fox Summit: A total distance of 18 km and an elevation gain of 1,450m, this journey typically takes 10-12 hours to complete and is for experienced hikers. Start Time: 7AM. Register as an individual, family or a team. The evening before, Friday, August 19, meet your fellow trekkers, get your custom Mount Terry Fox T-shirt, and enjoy a beer tasting at the Three Ranges Brewery with Fred Fox, Terry's older brother. You can also grab a bite at the nearby food truck and pizzeria.

SAT SEPT 3 & SUN SEPT 4 KINBASKET LAKE FISHING DERBY Throw in a line and just see what happens. Held every Labour Day Weekend at the Marina on Kinbasket Lake. Well over 100 anglers from little kids to great grandparents head out to the lake to try their luck. Pull in an impressive rainbow trout, or haul in a kokanee. Prizes go out to the biggest catches of the day, and all the children who take part in the event walk away with smiles and a prize. Saturday 10:00 am - 7:44 pm (sundown). Sunday 10:00 am - 4:30 pm ADULTS - \$10, YOUTH & TEENS (7-15 yrs) – \$7, 6yrs and under – FREE, FAMILY \$20.

THURs Valemount Farmers Market at the Visitor Info Centre 4-7pm.

MCBRIDE

THURs & FRIs Weekly Adults' Programs at the McBride Library: Fibre Artists (Thurs, time varies), Writing Group (Fri, 1.30pm). Call 569 2411 for details.

MONs Family Place Drop-In is now on Mondays from 9am-noon. Join for connection with other families, parenting resources and fun for you and your 0-6 year old children at RVCS unless otherwise stated below (942 3rd ave). No registration required. Call 250-569-2266 for more info.

AUG 1: BC Day-Office Closed

AUG 8: Constructing with Styrofoam in Village Park

AUG 15: Face painting at the Village Park

AUG 22: Water Day at RVCS

AUG 29: Edible pudding slime at RVCS

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.

JULY 27: Picnic in the Park (bring a chair, meet at Steve Kolida Park 1 pm)

AUG 3: Let's build a puzzle together at RVCS

AUG 10: Cards and games at RVCS!

AUG 17: Pictionary, a fun drawing game at RVCS

AUG 24: Bean Bag Toss at Koeneman Park (1pm

meet at RVCS)

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WED AUG 3 & SEPT 7 In-Car Bingo Main Street Presented by the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #75. Cash prizes. Drive in between 1st and 2nd avenues on Main St. McBride. Bring your own dabbers, clip or lap boards to hold your cards. Games start at 6:30 sharp. Cash only.

SAT AUG 6 & SUN AUG 7 Arts in the Garden. Over the two days, participants will visit eight local gardens and have the opportunity to purchase locally grown/produced goods directly from the producer. Attendees are asked to bring cash for any purchases made throughout the tour. Lunch on both days will be provided, and Kat Vickery will be releasing butterflies. Limited tickets are \$10/day for adults and \$5/day for under 12 and are available at Welcome Home in McBride. Brought to you by the Robson Valley Arts and Culture Council. Questions can be directed to Chelsie @ chelsiestubbs01@gmail.com or 250-204-2041

MON AUG 15, 16, 17 & 18 from 9am-12pm we are hosting a **Mindfulness Camp** for kids ages 6-10 years at Koeneman Park. Come and meet Skidboot the dog and enjoy some yoga, nature walks, crafts, play, sensory exploration and build strategies that help with emotional regulation. Registration is required: 250-569-2266/events@rvcsbc.org

All summer long, pop onto the McBride library's facebook page or stop by at the library for a paper copy of a **Main Street scavenger hunt**. Fun for kids of all ages! In partnership with Decoda Literacy.

FRIs 11am-2pm McBride Farmers Market every Friday between now and September 2. The white and purple food booth will be open each week with a lunch selection of hot dogs, hamburgers and taco in a bag. There are still vendor spots available. Interested parties need to contact Jackie Edwards at jackie.c.edwards@gmail.com

AUG 12-14 Robson Valley Music Festival, River Road Dunster B.C. Musicians from around the world, family-friendly event, camping on site. Weekend passes only. 12 years and under free. For tickets visit rvmf.tickit.ca

DUNSTER

SATs Weekly **Dunster Farmer's Market**, 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

Gardening with Pete



Pete Amyoony has lived, worked and gardened in the Dunster area organic gardening" in his columns.

for 43 years. He tries to deal with the "down to earth nuts and bolts of

Peppers And How To Measure The Heat!

Seeing the new peppers in the greenhouse reminds me to share some information I have gathered over the years on this interesting and varied fruit. The purists would insist that the true name is "chilli" and that "pepper" should only be used for the black peppercorn. However most of us call them "peppers".

Almost 100 years ago, a pharmacologist named Wilbur Scoville decided to come up with a way of measuring the "heat" of different peppers. He gathered a group of tasters (brave people!) and fed them various solutions of extracts of hot peppers mixed with slightly sweetened water. He added more and more of the water until they could taste no heat. He then rated the peppers by the dilution factor. For example, a gallon of Jalapeno extract would need four or five thousand gallons of sugar water to get to the point where it could not be tasted. This measure became known as "Scoville Units" and is used around the world to measure the heat of peppers.

The following list will give you the range for some of the more common peppers and explain why one pepper may be sweet and the next one a mouth scorcher:

Sweet Bell, Pimento Anaheim 500 - 2,500 Jalapeno 2,500 - 4,500 Hungarian Wax 5,000 - 10,000 Serrano 7,000 - 25,000

Cayenne 35,000 - 40,000 Tobasco 35,000 - 50,000 Hot Thai 50,000 - 100,000 Scotch Bonnet 100,000 - 200,000Red Savina Habenero 350,000 - 550,000

As you can see, the heat factor can go from one extreme to the other. Even within one variety, you will sometimes find one plant that produces a mildly hot pepper and the next plant a "real burner"! I have been surprised a few times so have learned to take a little taste of the tip of the pepper before taking a big chomp. The tip is usually milder while the stem end, seeds and membranes are much hotter.

If you do bite into a really hot one, don't run for the cold beer or water. These liquids will just spread the flame! The best fire fighters for "hot pepper mouth" are bread, milk, ice cream, yoghurt, crackers or rice.

As peppers are real heat loving plants, it is pretty well necessary to grow them in a greenhouse in our area. Plants started in early March will begin producing in July in the greenhouse and will give a decent crop if fed well, given water on a regular basis and watched closely for aphids, as they will go to a pepper plant before almost anything else. The short season ones will do the best here and seem to set fruit better if interplanted with some short bright flowers to attract bees and other pollinators. If you pick your peppers before they are fully ripe, the plants will keep producing until the cold fall weather arrives. If you let a few ripen on the plant, they usually stop producing.

I prefer to dry all my peppers for yearround use but have tried freezing them and found them to hold their flavour well.



that was held in McBride on July 20, 2022. Ian, Austin and Sofia's father, was thrilled to have stumbled across the event as they were visiting from out of town. "We thought we would come down to the park for a bit today," he said. "This is great. The kids are loving it." Representatives from Prince George-based CCRR visited McBride on Wednesday July 20, 2022. They brought with them a variety of crafts and simple outdoor game supplies for ages 0-12 years. Their goal is provide a free active playgroup opportunity for children. They do require that all children are accompanied by an adult. They are traveling to 39 parks/schools between July 11, 2022 and September 2, covering ground from Mackenzie to Valemount. They are scheduled to be in Valemount on Tuesday, August 30, 2022. At this time, they are not sure what time they will arrive, but their goal is to provide the opportunity to all kids, without running into naptime. CCRR is funded by the BC Ministry of Education and Child Care, and is sponsored by the YMCA of Northern BC. /ANDREA ARNOLD









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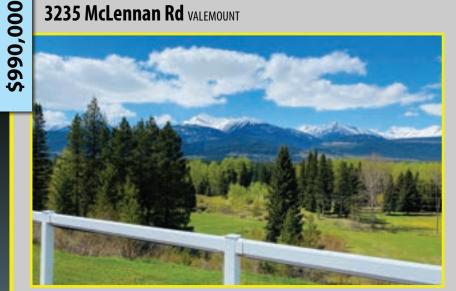
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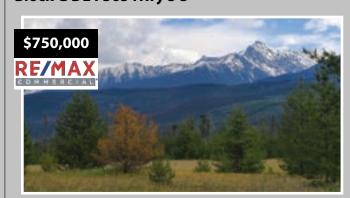
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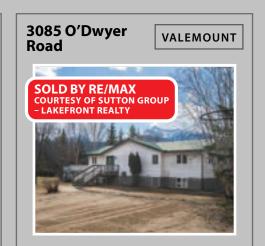


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