

Game club still fights Bill C-68

Gun owners still have time to fight gun registration, which is scheduled to start October 1 this year, but does not become mandatory until January 1, 2003. That was the message at the Sunday meeting hosted by Otter Valley Fish and Game Club.

Ron Jones, of the local game club, introduced speakers Harry Sullivan and Joan Easdown, who represented Responsible Firearms Owners Coalition of B.C. This organization was established as an umbrella for all of the firearms and hunters clubs in B.C. RFOC is a member of The Canadian Institute for Legislative Action (CILA) and its purpose is to fight Bill C-68, better known as the gun control law.

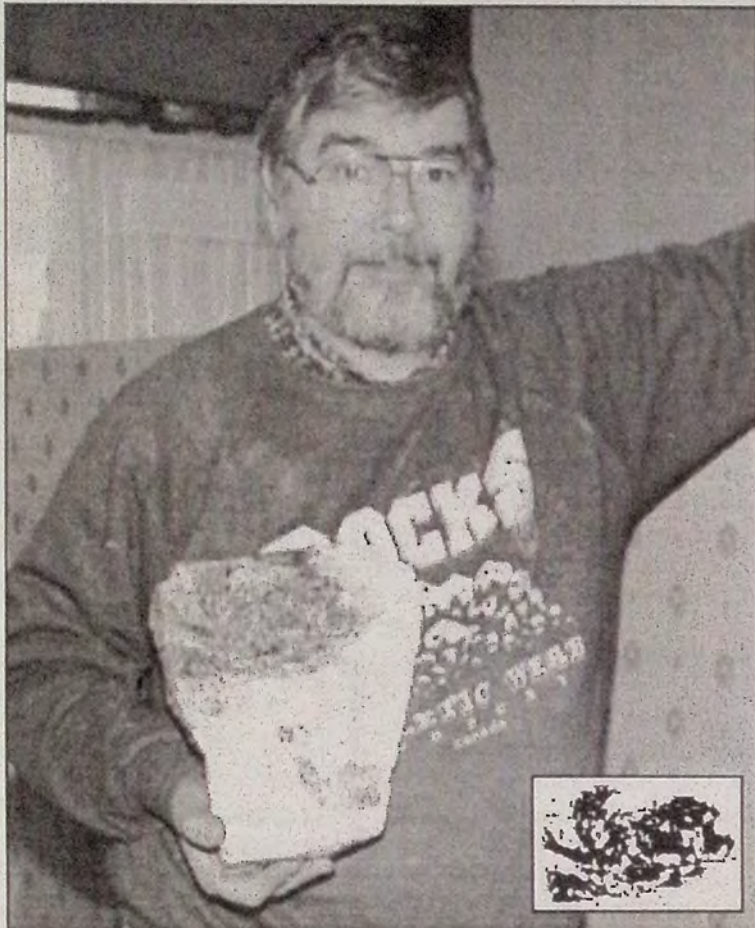
C-68 was passed in 1995, and was meant to be implemented by January 1, 1996, but has been stalled due to strong opposition from gun owners across Canada.

Sullivan talked about the source of the resistance. He says people are not opposed to simple registration, they are opposed to the next step they fear will come after registration: confiscation. He urged every firearms owner to support a private Member's bill being introduced by Garry Breitkreutz, an M.P. from Yorkton-Melville, who wants to enshrine property rights in the Canadian constitution. Canadians have no right to property under the constitution, and therefore no protection against seizure of their property. Breitkreutz knows it will affect Bill C-68, but is introducing it on behalf of others who have had property seized by the government, such as grain seized from prairie farmers who wanted to sell it privately and people who have had satellite dishes seized because the dishes were not approved by CRTC.

Joanne Easdown made a plea for people to oppose the Liberals in

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The News Leader will be closed Easter weekend
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Paleontologist Ken Pugh holds important fish fossil uncovered at Peterson Bluffs during road construction. Note black and white outline of what appears to be a fish head.

Aaron Heuser

Community mourns popular 1997 PSS grad

For the second time in just over a week, the community gathered at Princeton arena on a Friday afternoon to say a last good-bye to a well-loved young man.

Aaron Heuser, age 18, died suddenly on March 28 at Okanagan University College while playing basketball. He was the son of Ken and Anne Heuser, a brother to Becky and Jessica Heuser.

The service by Pastor Bob Stewart was a true celebration of Aaron's life. Aaron was a young man who thoroughly enjoyed life, and who would have been delighted as friends and family gave him a cheer at the end of the service.

Aaron studied sciences at OUC, and had considered teaching or computer sciences as a career. He was learning to build web pages with his friend, Ryan.

His love of sports was for basketball first and foremost, but he played hockey and soccer for Princeton, and he was quick to lay down a loonie and play pool.

Jessica Heuser gave the eulogy, expressing the many sides of her brother's character and interests.

She expressed the great love the family had for him, as well as their appreciation for his great sense of humour, his caring ways, and his determination to achieve.

The family expressed an appreciation of the community in which

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Aaron Heuser in basketball uniform.

Dozer unearths forty million year old fossils

Fish fossils 48 million years old have been uncovered by bulldozers moving earth at Peterson Bluffs on the Coalmont Road.

Ken Pugh, adjunct professor at the University College of the Fraser Valley travelled to Princeton on March 28 to see the fish fossils found at the bluffs. He viewed fossils picked up and saved by people working at the site, then examined fossils at the fossil bed.

Pugh studies non-marine fossils of British Columbia and is compiling a comprehensive reference of fossils that includes countless references to Princeton's fossil finds. He has catalogued the entire collection at Princeton Museum, as well as the Pollard collection.

The fish fossils he picked up at the site will be stored with the research collection at the Fraser Centre for Non-Marine Cenozoic Research in Chilliwack. Some of the fossils will be returned to Princeton and be on display at our local museum. Pugh says the fossils found at Peterson Bluffs are from the Eocene period, are fresh water fish, and were probably living in a large lake that existed here those millions of years ago. Pugh says this part of the world was not under the sea. The coastal mountains pushed this area to a higher elevation, changing the climate from sub-tropical to temperate, as it is today.

"You people in Princeton do not know how valuable your fossils

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Minor hockey struggles for future

Difficulty in recruiting executive members is a problem again for Princeton Minor Hockey Association. Following the April 2 Annual General Meeting, there is no President, no Treasurer, no Head Coach, no Promoter, and no Fundraiser.

Fourteen women and five men turned out to the meeting and the women filled most of the positions by volunteering. Val Mowry is Registrar, Lisa Naylor is Secretary, Dani McWhirter is Ice Ambassador, Michelle Wilkinson is Vice-President, Shelley Hogg is Equipment Manager, and Theresa McCarthy is Concession Co-ordinator. Peter McDonald is Head Referee and Barry Luchsinger is Risk Manager.

McDonald chaired the meeting and announced three major awards given annually. The Wolf Hauschild Award went to Ed Nault, Coach of the Year Award went to Clay Clifton, and The Sportsmanship Award went to the Novice team, coached by Clint Clifton. None of the men named were in attendance at the meeting, so no presentations were made.

There will be another meeting held April 30. Those who are trying to keep Minor Hockey functioning are hoping to see many more parents turn out.

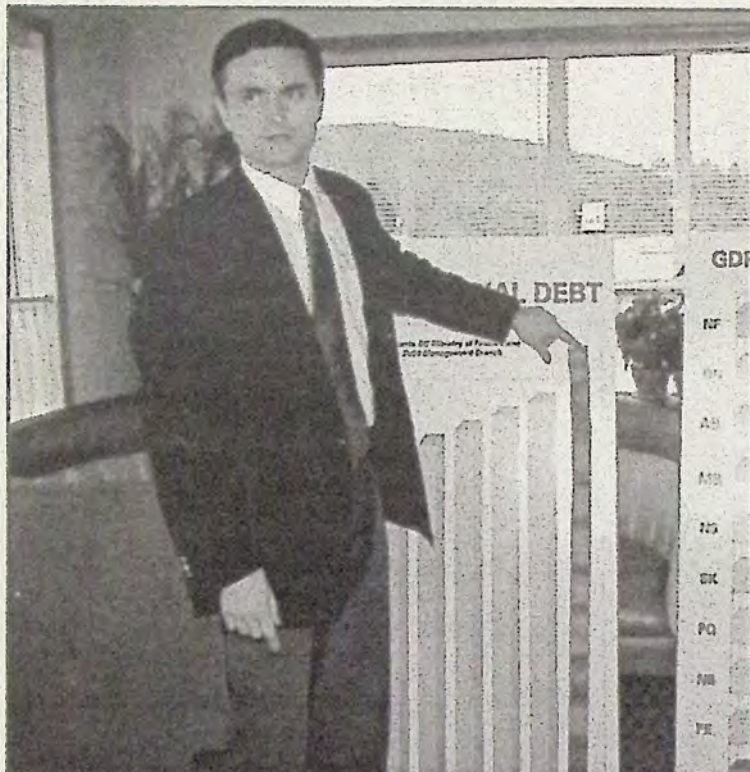
Other issues were discussed, beginning with the financial condition of the association. Peter

McDonald said, "The club is solvent, but we'll be scrambling next year."

The hottest issue was the tier system of selecting players. One parent stated that tiering is against the Minor Hockey constitution. The majority were opposed to having rep teams because there are so few players in the association. Finally, they voted on a motion which states that when there are enough players for more than one team, those players will be divided evenly between the teams. This was to prevent the formation of a stacked team that wins all of the time, and a less skilled team that loses all the time. One parent stated bluntly that tiering will discourage so many youngsters that the association will ultimately collapse.

Weather Watch

	High	Low	Precip
Mar 30	9.2	-2.5	
Mar 31	8.8	0.1	0.4 mm rain
Apr 1	13.5	2.7	
Apr 2	13	0.7	1.4 mm rain
Apr 3	12.6	3	0.8 mm rain
Apr 4	15	3	0.6 mm rain
Apr 5	9.7	1.5	0.8 mm rain
Wed-	Cloudy, sun low 1, high 13		
Thurs-	Cloudy, low 1, high 13		
Fri-	not available		
April 10	Sunrise-6:27 a.m.		
	Sunset: 7:42 p.m.		
	Daylight equal to Sept. 1		



Liberal MLA Barry Penner points to a graph showing the ever-increasing debt load carried by B.C. taxpayers.

NDP touts budget, Liberals blast debt

The 1998 BC Budget unveiled last week was touted as a three-year plan to stimulate B.C.'s economy, encourage investment, cut red tape and create new jobs. The number one priority set by Finance Minister Joy MacPhail is to help create good quality, family-supporting jobs for British Columbians.

The Liberals claim it will do nothing but increase debt repayment costs and will drain the economy.

The budget cuts taxes for small businesses and cuts stumpage rates. Some fees, such as civil action court fees, will go up, but others, such as B.C. Hydro rates, farm fuel and international jet fuel taxes will decrease.

Some government programs and overheads have been cut by five per cent, but health care and education remain priorities.

At a glance, the New Democrats seem to have recognized the importance of resource industries to the B.C. economy. Forestry, mining, oil and gas "will continue to play a key role in our province's economic success" was a statement in the official government news release about the budget. The government has cut stumpage fees, simplifying regulations, and bringing in new incentives for exploration and development.

Meanwhile, B.C. Liberals have launched a campaign called "Let's Make B.C. Number One Again". They claim private sector investment has dropped to last place among the six largest provinces in Canada. MLA Barry Penner was in Princeton on March 31 to talk about the big debt load and people moving to Alberta for jobs and lower taxes.

Rebekahs aid research

The Rebekah Lodges of B.C. support the Visual Research being done in Vancouver. By their efforts and assistance, Vancouver has the best unit in Canada. The Rebekahs collect old eyeglasses which will be sent to third world countries. If you have old glasses to dispose of, please contact 295-6056.

One of our past Presidents, Yvonne Isenor, has been elected as the Vice-President of the International Association of Rebekah Assemblies. She will be installed in New York in the summer, and will be the President of the Association the following year. These offices will give her jurisdiction in all Rebekah Lodges throughout North America.

Vermilion Rebekahs will be having a pot luck lunch before our next meeting.

The Easter bunny visited all sisters, leaving eggs and replicas of himself. Lovely refreshments were served and Sister Stenvold won the table prize.

To those sisters who are 'doctoring', we wish speedy recovery.

Happy Easter to all!

D. Stenvold p.c.

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Heuser

from front page

Aaron was born, and in which he was buried. Community was very much evident in the hundreds who turned out to mourn his loss and support the family and friends.

Aaron's friends remembered him fondly, and with humour as well as with admiration. Six friends were pallbearers: Jesse McLean, Ryan Black, Erik Dodds, James Reid, Mike Witt and Shem Hanna. Twenty-nine additional friends formed an honour guard as Aaron's coffin entered and exited. Although his life was cut short, he had earned a wealth of friends.

Fossils

from front page

are," Pugh says, "You have so many excellent fossil beds, you should be making fossils your top tourist attraction. People should be encouraged to search for fossils. If there are outstanding fossils, they can be left at the museum for everyone to see."

Pugh says the town of Republic, Washington, has established a thriving tourist trade based on its fossils, which are no better than ours.

People are allowed to freely hunt for, and own, B.C.'s fossils, but tourists are not permitted to take more than 10 kilograms of fossils out of the country.

Editor's note: Fossil hunters should obtain permission from the owner if fossil search area is on private land. Fossil hunters are reminded that it is an offense to litter in B.C.

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Premier seeks public input for Southern Interior Summit

Premier Glen Clark announced on April 1 that there will be additional opportunities for public input and advice towards a regional strategy leading up to the May 27-29 Premier's Summit on Economic Opportunity for the Southern Interior.

The summit will be held at the University College of the Cariboo in Kamloops and will bring together more than 150 business, labor, community and First Nations leaders, and youth from the region to develop a longterm strategy for job creation and economic development.

The summit is co-chaired by Environment, Lands and Parks Minister Cathy McGregg and Transportation and Highways Minister Harry Lali.

Lali stated there are two ways for residents to provide their input.

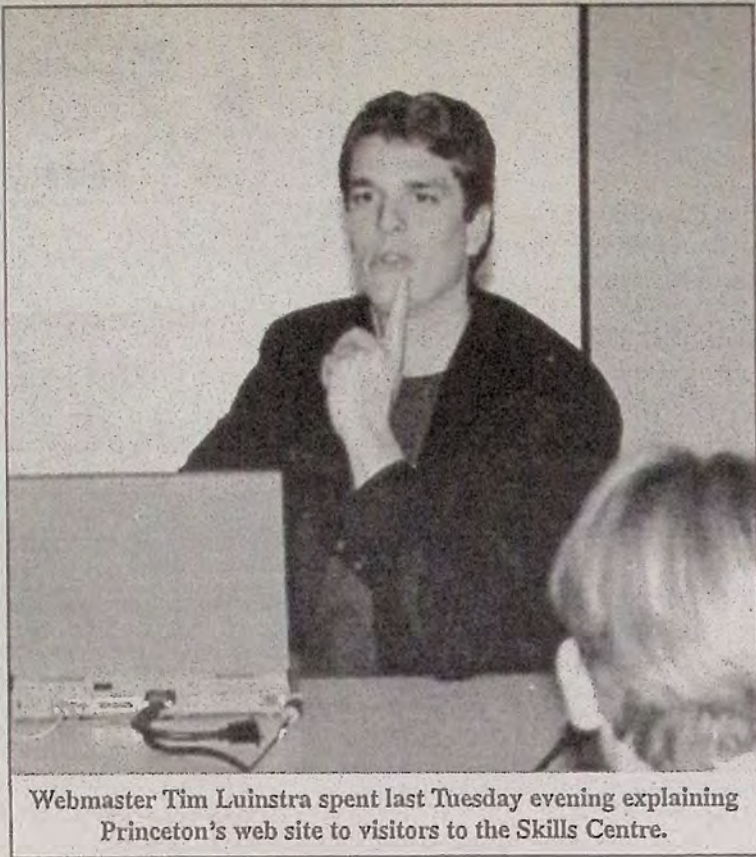
"First, we are launching a summit Internet home page where the public can post their ideas and comments. This is an interactive website where people can read and comment on each other's views. Second, we are inviting the public to submit papers on economic development, job creation and investment in the southern interior," Lali said. "These papers will be made available to the summit's participants."

Group consultations will be held in communities across the region with members of key sectors.

Premier Clark is encouraging individuals, organizations, industry, businesses and local and regional governments to participate by providing their input.

The deadline for the submissions of papers on economic development, job creation and investment in the southern interior is Friday, May 15.

Information on how to submit papers is available by contacting the Southern Interior Summit Office by phone at (250) 952-0262, or by fax at (250) 952-0111, or by visiting the summit's website at <http://www.ei.gov.bc.ca/KamSummit/>



Webmaster Tim Luinstra spent last Tuesday evening explaining Princeton's web site to visitors to the Skills Centre.

Princeton Website makes successful debut

Tim Luinstra drew a good crowd at the Princeton website open house held March 31. He demonstrated how the website works, and showed all of the pages and items in the website.

The website is comprehensive. All of the clubs, organizations, local events and public services are accessible at the site, as well as recreational opportunities including the golf course, China Ridge Ski Trail, parks and sports clubs. There is a message from Mayor Randy McLean, outlines of local industries and the business park plan.

Luinstra gave a complete description of what is available, emphasizing that there is room for more. Individual businesses will be asked to pay for listings for their businesses, but there will be room for every business.

The website is a project made possible by Community Access Program and the volunteer assistance of students from Princeton Secondary School. It is very much a community project.

Websites can be accessed through Internet by anyone anywhere in the world who has an Internet link.

Economic Summit gains logo

The Premier's Summit on Economic Opportunity for the Southern Interior will have its own logo. The logo was designed by Julie Hall, a digital art and design student at the University College of the Cariboo. Hall will receive a \$100 honorarium for her effort and the other 12 students who submitted designs will receive \$15 gift certificates from the campus bookstore.



Currie's Boys Gotcha!

Last Wednesday's CIOR morning news broadcast had the whole town talking about how Laurie Currie had sold the radio station and was starting Princeton's third weekly newspaper "Princeton Today". The show was a hoot, with local business people offering congratulations to Currie, and to George Elliott, who was to be the editor of the new publication.

This year's April Fool's Day broadcast was probably the best heard around here for years. It was almost believable. To our

delight, the News Leader had a call or two to ask us what we thought about the news. Nice going, guys!

Elliott says the reaction ranged from shock and surprise to support for the new business. He and sidekick Franco Moccia chose the idea of a third weekly newspaper for April Fool's Day because they thought it was too unbelievable to be taken seriously. Local people were happy to join in the joke, Elliott said of the business owners, fire chief, mayor and others.



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Pinewood Pottery: Something for everyone

By Patti Harrower
Hwy. 40 Reporter

If you are looking for variety along with a friendly country welcome, check out PineWood Pottery and Gifts, located just off Highway 40 (Osprey Lake Rd.) at the end of Pinewood Crescent, 28 kilometers north of Princeton.

Proprietor Paula Pateman is an artist of many talents. Browse for a while in her shop and you will see the evidence surrounding you.

The PineWood Pottery shop is full of quality hand-thrown, hand decorated pieces from oven, microwave, and dishwasher safe baking dishes and coffee mugs, to beautiful Raku pieces. There is a wide array of pottery that is not only artistic, but functional. Paula creates her own patterns and develops her own glazes as well. Making pottery is a highly technical art that takes time to perfect. It can take years to create a pattern or glaze that will work with a specific type of clay, since rates of shrinkage in the kiln can differ widely causing cracks or breakage. "You never know how a piece will come out of the kiln," says Paula. "To me," she says, "the beauty of pottery is that you can take the natural ingredients of earth, water and fire and create something useful and artistic."

Pottery is not the only art that can be found in the store. Paula is an accomplished spinner as well, and carries an exquisite line of

knitted goods she calls "Silk and Sam," made with yarn spun from a mix of silk and samoyed dog fibers, which makes it extremely strong and soft to the touch.

Handmade Japanese Tiffany lamps made from Hakari Silk/Rice paper, wind chimes, perfumes, incense, perfumed soaps and candles, jewelry and CD and cassette selections of Nature Music round out an interesting choice of gift items.

From time to time, Paula hosts entertaining events such as an afternoon of music featuring performers such as Jazz singers or guitar soloists, and seminars teaching spinning or pottery making techniques.

PineWood Pottery and Gifts also offers refreshment from the coffee bar. There are many different coffees and teas to choose from, as well as hot chocolate and muffins. You can even invent your own unique ice cream soda, choosing one or two of the many flavours of soda syrup available. When weather permits, you can sit on the open-air sundeck.

PineWood Pottery is a home-based business, and offers a unique blend of friendliness and professionalism along with a wide range of gifts, refreshment, and entertainment. It is truly a place where you can find something for everyone.



Paula Pateman demonstrates her skill at spinning in her home studio on highway 40 (Osprey Lake road)

Snowboard costs fine

Two snowboards disappeared at Manning Park on December 22, 1996. Mike Barker, an employee of the ski hill management company, began an investigation immediately. He looked along the road from the ski hill and found tracks going over the snowbank. He followed the tracks, and discovered the missing snowboards.

Later, he staked out the area and saw a van stop there, and heard people talking outside the van. When the vehicle left, he checked where the snowboards had been. They were gone. He contacted the police.

Chris Elzoer was one of two men charged with theft and possession of stolen property. He stood trial in Provincial Court in Princeton on April 2. Judge W. Klinger found Elzoer guilty on two counts of possession of stolen property. He was fined \$400 plus a \$40 surcharge on each count.

4-H Horse Club Enjoys good start

The Stormy ridge Riders have had three very successful meetings to start off the year and would like to welcome our new junior members: Vicki Haker, Fawn Coulson, Nadine Price, Danica LaValley, and Justine Pelly.

Our Executive has been voted in as follows: President - Falon Leroye, Vice-President - Mary Bowden, Secretary - Vicki Haker, Treasurer - Tara Silvius, Reporters - Mary Bowden and Melissa Bowen, Games Crew - Ashley Silvius, Danica LaValley, Jessie Beaupre, Fawn Coulson,

Justine Pelly and Nadine Price.

On Friday, April 10, at 7:00 p.m., Junior 4-H members will be at the Seniors Hall doing their speeches and demonstrations for their badges. The following day, they will attend a Farm Safety Clinic at the Clifton Bull Testing Station in Keremeos.

On Sunday, April 19, they will join the Walk for Wildlife, and the following Sunday, they will participate in calf judging at the Gereau ranch at 11:00 a.m.

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Court frowns on beating

A beating incident in Hedley on April 25, 1997, resulted in a court appearance for sentencing on April 2 in Provincial Court in Princeton. Donna Badari, Wade Badari and Eric Donald Laboe pled guilty to assault causing bodily harm to James Hamilton.

Hamilton had been a friend of the two men until the evening of the beating. The three had gone to Wade Badari's sister's home in Hedley. She was not there at the time, and the three men made themselves at home. Some beer was consumed and there were no problems. When Donna Badari arrived home, she identified Hamilton as a man who had been convicted for an indecent act, and as she had a child in her home, she ordered Hamilton to leave.

Hamilton depended on Badari for a ride, and was reluctant to leave. At this point, Wade and Donna Badari used force to remove him from Donna's home.

To this point, nothing criminal had occurred. When Hamilton was outside, Wade Badari punched him and kicked him. Then Laboe went after Hamilton in a rage, punching and kicking Hamilton until he was seriously

injured. Wade Badari was obliged to intervene to stop Laboe's vicious attack.

Judge W. Klinger gave Donna Badari an absolute discharge, saying she was within her rights to use force to remove Hamilton from her home, as he became a trespasser as soon as he resisted leaving.

Wade Badari was ordered to pay a \$500 fine and \$50 surcharge, and a one year probation.

Crown Counsel asked for a 90 day jail sentence for 31 year old

Laboe, but Judge Klinger heard evidence that Laboe suffers from Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, a condition in which an infant's brain is deformed because the mother drank alcohol during pregnancy.

Judge Klinger stated he did not believe Laboe was a suitable candidate for a correctional institution, as he is too easily led and might come out worse than when he went in. Laboe was ordered to serve a 60 day intermittent sentence in municipal jail, followed by a year's probation.

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OUR VIEW

Youth law gives names

Anyone watching American television news may have noticed the coverage of the Jonesboro, Arkansas, teenage murder story. One of the most significant differences we noticed is the name of the young murderers is not concealed as it would be here in Canada.

A recent teenage murder story out of Victoria, B.C. is handled in a strong aura of secrecy as to the identities of the youths who committed the murder. Some people might argue that the youths should have the protection of concealed identity. Concealing the identity of youths assumes the crime was done out of ignorance or some other problem related to upbringing and family difficulties. Those who designed our young offenders' legislation were probably not thinking about youngsters committing murder.

There is a prevailing presumption that youngsters do not really understand the law and therefore have made a mistake based on youthful ignorance. However, in view of the shocking crimes committed by youths in modern, civilized societies, our industrial nations are producing youths who know full well what they are doing and do not care that they are breaking the law.

We are horrified when a teenager commits murder. We are naive.

Teenagers are not innocent, they are not ignorant, and they are not brainless. They know the law of the land, and when they choose to break it, they do so on the same basis as most adults who break the law: they know what they are doing will bring consequences if they are caught. We can expect more youth crime if we shelter them from consequences.

We must stop treating youths as if they are innocent babies who do not know any better. If a simple thing like revealing their names publicly will help them mend their ways sooner, let's insist that the names of young offenders be made public.



YOUR VIEW

Game Club clears up concerns

Dear Editor;

I would like to clarify the facts surrounding the request made by the Princeton Fish and Game Club to town council for an area of land to construct a shooting range.

Our club did not state that the current ranges which are operated by Princeton Rifle and Revolver Club were unsafe. In fact, both ranges are approved and meet safety standards.

The concern that we have is the

fact that both these ranges are not suitable for sighting in high-powered rifles (which require a minimum range length of 100 yards).

This has created a minimum of three unapproved ranges on private land around the Princeton area.

These ranges were constructed and are being used without consent from the landowners and pose a threat to public safety. Our proposal was

to build a suitable range (100 yards +) which meets safety standards. Shooters using the range would be required to follow safety procedures and would be covered by our club's insurance policy.

My apologies to the Princeton Rifle and Revolver Club for any misunderstanding created by our request.

Yours truly,
John Ligtenberg, President,
Princeton Fish and Game Club

Reader offers rosy view

Dear Editor;

I think that Princeton needs a little cheering up, so I would like to offer a view through my rosy glasses.

A while ago I found myself in the Princeton hospital once again. It was when all h*** was breaking loose over the doctors taking a stand. The care I received was excellent, as always, even though the place was packed and the media were running around. Even Trudy, the chief and bottle washer, came upstairs to ask how we liked the food and if we had any requests. I was captive for only a few days when I was negotiating the option of going home with Home Support, so I went for it. My chronic condition is frustrating for me and for those trying to help me. The goal is to keep me on my feet as long as possible instead of sitting in a wheelchair

for the rest of my life. Anyway, the Home Support service through Public Health and Community Services are excellent. The care-givers and their supervisors are kind, patient and helpful. I progressed much faster at home thanks to all these services that I was able to access right here in Princeton.

More recently, March 28 and 29, I was sitting (standing, actually) at the Overwaitea (thanks, Overwaitea!) asking for donations to the Kidney Foundation. The time passed quickly as I chatted with many people and by Sunday afternoon I had collected the town's news and over \$500, which is wonderful considering every third person I spoke with was out of work.

Last week, I sat with a family who lost their son and brother; the week before I sent condolences to another family who had

lost a young man. Both of these deaths shocked the community and people seemed to come together, supporting one another and sending special thoughts and help to the Krenns and the Heusers. These two families faced the most arduous days of their lives with dignity, grace and a faith that we must admire and respect.

Through these eyes, this snapshot of the last few weeks in the history of Princeton shows a town that has amazing services for its size. Wonderful, dedicated people who serve in health care and home support. It also shows a town full of caring, compassionate individuals who do their best to contribute any way they can. We live in a valley amid rivers, lakes, hills, forest and rangeland which is still pure enough to speak to us of its beauty and (Continued on Page 7)

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Letter to the editor

Instructor praises Skills Centre

To the residents of Princeton;
I'm lucky. That is how I see myself as the Head Instructor of a three month long customer sales program, now underway at the Princeton & District Community Skills Centre. I have taken it upon myself to live in the Princeton community for the duration of this course. I was not aware of the controversy and difficulties that were encountered as the new Community Skills Centre was under construction. Admittedly, I am not burdened with whatever aspects of any controversy that may or may not have occurred. Therefore, all that I have to go by is what I see, and what I see is this. To this objective, casual observer I see a modern, state of the art facility that rivals any comparable center of this size.

Current computer hardware and software, excellent audio and visual teaching aids, not to mention the ever-present Internet access, that is made available to both students and drop-in visitors alike.

Any educational institution, however, is more than bricks and mortar. The atmosphere, the energy, the smiles, are what make up the mood and identity of a Skills Centre, one that fosters lifelong learning. The staff of the Community Skills Centre have offered me every professional courtesy and support that an out of town instructor could hope for.

In addition, I instruct a class that is made up of perhaps the best cross-section of capable students I have had the good fortune to teach in years. I admire the resilience that the Princeton community has shown throughout the last year, contending with economic hardships on several fronts. It is for this reason that I encourage the Princeton community to rally behind your new Skills Centre and to become one of the new techno-pioneers that are forging new frontiers, i.e. your new Web Page.

I like to keep things simple. Consequently, my tried and

proven litmus test for an excellent working environment is simply one where I look forward to arriving at work every day. So tomorrow, as I make my way to the

Community Skills Centre, I'll think to myself, I'm lucky.

Respectfully,
Daniel Messett
Summerland, B.C.

Rosy View

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soothe our souls.

I think if we pause for a moment, think of our kids, our parents, our friends and neighbours, our health care providers, our teachers, even the dedicated guy who has picked up the garbage for countless years, we should think of ourselves as very fortunate.

I am grateful to have had a place like Princeton to come "home" to when I needed to stop and regroup. I never saw myself living back in my home town, but I'm glad it is here for my daughter and me. I am thankful for the things I have, I don't worry any more about the things I can't have, and working together with friends, neighbours and other community members, I know I can help to effect change for the things we want.

Yours truly,

Dina Slowikowski-Campbell

Oops!

In last week's Rodeo Club dinner article, the editor had a moment of temporary amnesia and wrote that Anne Thomas was descended from John Fall Allison. Wrong.

Anne married Bill Thomas, a descendant of said Allison. The editor knew that. Anne is a descendant of Peter Popovich, and that is another long story.

TAXPAYER JOE'S JOKE

The \$31.2 billion provincial debt is like the falling Tulameen Freeway at the Thomas Ranch: you get that sinking feeling, and every time they try to fix it, it gets worse.

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Rodeo Club plans Western Pride

THE PONY EXPRESS LETTERS ARE AT THE POST OFFICE.

This year's ride starts at Tonasket, Washington and ends in Princeton, so the stamps on the envelopes will be American stamps. One of the stamps used is a limited edition triangular stamp which makes this year's Pony Express letters a real keepsake.

Constable Dale Sheets, a former member of the Musical Ride, and currently with the Keremeos RCMP detachment, has received permission to ride in this year's Pony Express. This should be quite a sight as Constable Sheets will be dressed in his red serge mounted on a black horse as he rides into Keremeos.

The Ride is scheduled for May 29th and will be the kick-off for the Senior Pro Rodeo on May 30th.

This year's Rodeo will be more exciting as we have scheduled a lot of the team roping for the slack time and have added a Cattle Penning Challenge against Tonasket and a Relay Race. The main Rodeo events will start at 1:00pm and the slack will start at 9:00am. The Rodeo Club will be distributing a number of admission tickets. There will be a \$100 Admission Ticket draw. You have to be at the Rodeo with the winning ticket to collect the prize. If the winning ticket is not claimed, the \$100 prize will be carried over to the 1999 Rodeo and another \$100 will be added to the pot.

The town has declared the week of May 24th to 30th as Western Pride Week. The Rodeo Club hopes to be able to offer the public rides on the Welby Stage Coach. The only catch is, you have to be dressed Western. The

Rodeo Club would like to encourage all the citizens of Princeton to show their pride and dress Western.

Weather permitting, the Rodeo

Club will put on a trail ride over Darcy Mountain on Saturday, May 9th. If anyone is interested, please contact Mona Willis at 295-6200.



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Monday, April 20 @ 6:30 to 9:30 pm

Test: Wednesday, April 22 @ 6:30 to 9:30 pm

CORE Course: Saturday, April 25 @ 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Monday, April 27 @ 6:30 to 9:30 pm

Wednesday, April 29 @ 6:30 to 9:30 pm

Saturday, May 2 @ 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Test: Monday, May 4 @ 6:30 to 9:30 pm

COST: \$150.00 CORE; \$80.00 CFS; Fees include books & exam fees. Princeton Fish & Game Membership included with CORE Course.

Minimum of 12 candidates needed to begin Course. To indicate your interest or for more information, contact one of us before April 10.

Ray Kinloch 295-7372

John Ligtenberg 295-7918

Brian Drobe 295-3749

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 1998

Table with 20 columns (WTBS, CHBC, KNOW, etc.) and 24 rows of program listings for Wednesday, April 8, 1998.

Wednesday, April 8

10:00 am WTBS (3) ** "Brewster's Millions" (1985, Comedy) Richard Pryor. A man goes on a 30-day, \$30 million spending spree...

8:00 pm WTBS (3) *** "48 HRS." (1982, Comedy-Drama) Nick Nolte. To find the fugitives who murdered his partner, a maverick police detective teams up with a temporarily released convict.

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6 AM	Little House	(Off Air)	Open Sesame	Maury	Medicine	(5:00) Col-umbo	Regis & Kathie	(5:30) News	(5:00) News	Big Garage	Maya-Bee	Sportsdesk	The View	Explore	Love Boat	Busy World	Maury	BugsDaffy	
7 AM	Mama	Body	Dudley	Barney	Montel Williams	Little House	Cosby	Martha	(7:10) Can-ada AM	Bingo	Kitty Cats	Sportsdesk	Rosie	Foodstuff	Paid Prog.	Chip-Dale	Cityline	PinkyBrain	
8 AM	Little House	Care Bears	Bus	Teletubbies	Jenny	Price Is Right	Quincy	People's Court	(Joined in Progress)	100 Huntley	Critters	Ghostbstrs	Sportsdesk	Price Is Right	Homeworks	Pictionary	Quack	Ziggy	Griffith
9 AM	Matlock (In Stereo)	Robison	Fireman	Charlie	News	News	Northern	News	Regis & Kathie	Dinner	Work in	Marie Soleil	Off-Record	News	Discover-	Judge Judy	Wonderland	News	Geraldo
10 AM	Movie: "Mr. Destiny"	Street	Options	Sesame	Days of Our	Restless	Law & Or-	All My Chil-	Movie Show	Dave Ruff-	OnInside	Bananas	Curling:	Neon Rider	House-	Martha	Busy World	Movie: "The	News (In
11 AM	James Be-lushi	Young-	Palace-	Barney	Another	As World	Columbo	One Life to	Travel	News	Innimate	Dudley	Champion-	As World	Foodstuff	H. Patrol	Torkelsons	Times of	Major
12 PM	Flinstones	All My Chil-	Economics	Arthur	Sally	Guiding	for Crime	General	News	Days of Our	Wedding	Menace		People's	Nature Sto-	Metalix	Movie: "The	MovieTV	Rangers at
1 PM	Looney	News	Out Alive	Sandiego	Jerry Spring-	Oprah Win-	Cosby Mys-	Oprah Win-	Another	General	MenTilts	Tell-A-Tale	PGA Golf:	Real TV	Pinup Girl-	Turtles	the Pirate	Cityline	White Sox
2 PM	Saved-Bell	Tax Talk	Basics	Creatures	News	News	Quincy	News	Bold & B.	Mad-You	HomeTime	Station	-- First	Extra	Travelers	Beverly	Mermaid	Keenen	Fam. Mat.
3 PM	Fam. Mat.	BugsDaffy	Journeys	News-	News	News	Northern	News	Videos	O'Donnell	Renovation	Garfield	(Live)	News	LstFrontier	Hollywood	Goof Troop	News	Saved-Bell
4 PM	Griffith	Rosie	Creatures	Business	Fortune	Fortune	Law & Or-	ABC News	Oprah Win-	Restless	Home Again	Bugs	Hockey	Wings	Discover-	Simpsons	Bonkers	Friends	Fam. Mat.
5 PM	(5:05) WCW	News	Destinos	Workshop	Friends	Promised	Biography	Figure Skat-	News	News	Medical	Rugrats	Hockey: To-	Newsradio	Wild Life (In	Wildest Po-	Flash	Media	Buffy Yam-
6 PM	(6:05) WCW	Friends	Studio BC	Sportsman	Seinfeld	Billy Gra-	New Explor-	Champion-	News	Star Trek:	Tutankha-	Odyssey	Leafs at Car-	Alright	Trails	Good Times	Goofy's	Movie:	Dawson's
7 PM	(7:05) Movie:	Home Imp.	Learning a	Mystery:	ER (In	48 Hours (In	Unex-	Gala for the	Fortune	Stargate	Connec-	Bugs	Curling:	Stargate	Boys' Toys	Cops	Success	Happiness	News (In
8 PM	"Acas: Iron Eagle III"	Friends	Music	Served	News	News	Law & Or-	News	Promised	Friends	Medical	Felix-Cat	World	News	Discover-	Soldier-	Movie: "The	News	Beverly
9 PM	(9:05) WCW	Nature of	Hemisphere	Backstage	night Show	(8:50) Late	Biography	Edition	Diagnosis	Seinfeld	Tutankha-	You Afraid?	Champion-	Grace	Wild Life (R)	Universe	Mobile	Movie: "If	In the Heat
10 PM	WCW Thun-	National/	Semana	Old House	Jones (R)	(9:52) Late	New Explor-	Politically	ER (In	News	Connec-	Flipper		Midnight	Trails	Beverly	Movie:	Looks Could	Simon & S-
11 PM	(11:05) Movie	News	Westland	Michigan	(11:07) Late	America's	Unex-	Gayle King	CTV News	Married...	Home Again	Tarzan	Sportsdesk	DB Entert	Boys' Toys	Gayle King	Movie: "Life	Judge Roy	Paid Prog.

Thursday, April 9

10:00 am WTBS @ *** "Mr. Destiny" (1990, Comedy) James Belushi. A mysterious stranger helps a man redirect his mediocre existence by altering the outcome of a long-ago baseball game.

South America.

8:00 pm FAM @ *** "The Gnome-Mobile" (1967, Fantasy) Walter Brennan. Two children and their uncle get caught in a madcap race to save two forest gnomes and reunite them with their clan.

ex-fighter pilots fly refurbished World War II planes against a drug lord in the jungles of South America.

9:05 pm CITY @ *** "If Looks Could Kill" (1991, Comedy-Drama) Richard Grieco. A teen-ager finds more than he bargained for during his French sojourn when spies mistake him for a secret agent.

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12:00 pm FAM @ *** "The Princess and the Pirate" (1944, Comedy) Bob Hope. Buccaneers capture an entertainer and a princess and hold them hostage on the Spanish Main.

10:00 pm FAM @ ** "Song of the Islands" (1942, Musical) Betty Grable. A romance between their children complicates the war of words between a Hawaiian cattle baron and a neighboring farmer.

11:00 pm CITY @ *** "The Life and Times of Judge Roy Bean" (1972, Western) Paul Newman. A small-time outlaw takes over a town by dispensing his own form of justice and confiscating property for court costs.

11:05 pm WTBS @ ** "Acas: Iron Eagle III" (1992, Adventure) Louis Gossett Jr. Four ex-fighter pilots fly refurbished World War II planes against a drug lord in the jungles of

Community Datebook

- April 9 - Racing Days Association AGM
 - April 10 - Good Friday
 - April 12 - Easter Sunday
 - April 16 - PSS Band Spaghetti Dinner
 - April 18 - Lions Auction and Flea Market
 - April 19 - Walk for Wildlife
 - April 25 - Foundation Gala fundraiser
 - April 30 - Family Fair, Princeton Secondary School
 - May 1, 2 - Princeton Trade Show
 - May 7, 8 - Regional Art Show
 - May 8 - Hospital Auxiliary /Museum Society Strawberry Tea and Fashion Show
 - May 9, 10 - Squirts minor ball tournament
 - May 14 - Royalty candidates fashion show
 - May 16, 17, 18 - Keremeos Elks Rodeo, Cathedral Lakes Powwow
 - May 23, 24 - Bantam, Midget minor ball tournament
 - May 24 - WESTERN PRIDE WEEK STARTS
 - May 28 - Royalty Speech Night and chocolate extravaganza
 - May 29 - International Pony Express Ride
 - May 30 - Princeton Senior Pro Rodeo
 - June 6, 7 - Pee wee minor ball tournament Princeton Secondary School Grad Tonasket Founder's Day and Rodeo
 - June 11 - Royalty Candidates Talent Show
 - June 13 - Route 66 rally in Coalmont
 - June 14 - Route 66'ers go to Hedley
 - June 20, 21 - Boys minor ball playoffs
 - June 25 - Last day of school
 - June 26, 27, 28 - Racing Days
 - July 18, 19 - Merritt Mountain Music Festival
 - July 31, August 1, 2 - Hedley Centennial Celebration
 - September 12, 13 - Princeton & District Fall Fair
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FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 1998

Table with 20 columns (WTBS, CHBC, KNOW, WTVS, WDIV, WTOL, A&E, WXYZ, BCTV, CITY, TLC, YTV, TSN, CHCH, DISC, FOX, FAM, CITY, WGN) and 12 rows of programming schedules.

Friday, April 10

10:00 am WTBS (3) *** "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" (1971, Fantasy) Gene Wilder. A world-famous confectioner offers a lifetime supply of candy to the five winners of a treasure hunt.

proximate. A run-down resort becomes the center of action after the owner writes flashy travel brochures to attract business.

El Nino Recalled

by Leona Brewer

This winter 1997-98 has been most interesting with the nasty word "El Nino", which almost gave me stomach flu each time I happened to turn on the news.

What I really want to do is thank the young people who cared enough to come to help Len shovel snow off the shed, plus a local family who called on us the other day.

With the simple curiosity of children, one of her sons is interested in the violin and Len was giving him some instruction regarding care of the violin.

This little man, I'm sure, is going to be a pillar to his community when he takes his place as an adult in the world.

EVERY PICTURE TELLS A STORY



This little girl just celebrated her 60th birthday in March. We are not telling, but we think we know who she is - Do you? HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MYSTERY GIRL.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 1998

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6 AM	Videos	(Off Air)	Open	Router	Newsbeat	(5:00) News	Biography-Kids	New Doug	For Better	101 Dalmits	Home Pro	Maya-Bee	Fishing	Foster Par.	Kids @ disc.	Goosebmp	Nilus	Indo	Paid Prog.	
6:30 AM	Videos	Beetlejuice	Learning	Hometime	Tday	(R)	Recess (R)	Jungle	101 Dalmits	Home Pro	Kitty Cats	Soccer Saturday	Humane	AnimalBite	Eerie Ind.	Billy the Cat	Dharti	Paid Prog.		
7 AM	National Geographic	Tintin	Dudley	Old House	Saved-Bell	Zoo Today	Sea Tales	Pepper Ann	News (R)	101 Dalmits	Furniture	Dragon Ball	Teams to Be	Children	Acorn	Goosebmp	Chip-Dale	Eye on Asia	Fishing	
7:30 AM	Geographic	White Fang	Wishbone	Workshop	City Guys	Fortune	(R)	Bugs & T.	New Doug	Furniture	Tex Avery	Teams to Be	Home	Tracks	Toonsylvania	Bonkers (R)		Paid Prog.		
8 AM	Explorer (R)	Batman (R)	Magic Bus	Michigan	Saved-Bell	Ghostwriter	New Explorers (R)	Bugs & T.	New Doug	Home Again	Mummies	Announced.	Rainbow	EXN TV (R)	Surfer	Darkwing	Polish Studio	Paid Prog.		
8:30 AM	Explorer (R)	Superman	Creatures	Anyplace	Hang Time	Sports III.	Jungle	Jungle	Recess (R)	Home Again	Spider-Man		Hunter	Movie	Sam & Max	Aladdin (R)		Paid Prog.		
9 AM	Movie: "Polson Ivy"	Bugs & T.	Art Attack	Sportsman	Hang Time	Weird Al (R)	Home Again	Pooh	Pepper Ann	Hometime	Rugrats (R)		Fish'n	Kids @ disc.	Student	Movie: "Little Nemo"	City Saigon	Soul Train		
9:30 AM	Movie: "Polson Ivy"	Bugs & T.	Escape	Great Lakes	Inside Stuff	TBA	Home Again	Science	Jungle	Hometime	Hey Arnold!	NHL-Shots	Fishing	AnimalBite	Golf		Cityline (R)	(In Stereo)		
10 AM	(1985) Michael J. Fox	Wrestling: Pan-Am	Work	Cars	Criminals	To Be Announced	America's Castles (R)	TBA	investors	investors	Renovation	Beavers	Rugby: France vs. Wales	Investors	Acorn	NHL	Adventures	Xena: Warrior		
10:30 AM	(11:05) Movie: "Meatballs 4"	World Champion-ships. (Live)	Woman	Wine 101	Frank Sinatra	Jones	Investigative Reports	Major League Soccer	NBA Basketball: Trail Blazers at Grizzlies	Highlights	Hometime	Turtles	Nations -- England vs. Ireland.	Counter-strike	Boys' Toys (R) (R)		Amazing Animal	Cubs at Ex-pos		
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1:30 PM	(12:55) Movie: "Club Paradise" (1986)	World Champion-ships. (Live)	Woman	Wine 101	Frank Sinatra	Jones	Investigative Reports	Major League Soccer	NBA Basketball: Trail Blazers at Grizzlies	Highlights	Hometime	Turtles	Nations -- England vs. Ireland.	Counter-strike	Boys' Toys (R) (R)		Amazing Animal	Cubs at Ex-pos		
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3:30 PM	WCW Saturday Night	Home Fish'n	1st Natns	Lawrence Welk	News (R)	News	Target: Mafia (R)	News	ing: Canadian Cham-pionships. (R)	WWF Wrestling to Jesus (R)	Eyewitness	NBA Dunk	Bloopers	Counter-strike	Wings (R)	Honey, I Shrunk	Muppets	News (R)	Earth: Final Conflict (R)	
4:30 PM	Major League	Pregame	Art	Keeping Up	Opening	Fortune	Mysteries of the Bible	Ent. Tonight	Travel Mag.	WineChse	Life Against	Rocko	Strongman	Sleepwalkers "Forlom"	Lions Kingdom (R) (R)	Cops (R) (R)	Billy the Cat	Quincy	Bulls Eye	
5:30 PM	Baseball: Braves at Phillies	NHL	Master-Pilot	Served	Riches	Jeopardy!	Medicine	Biography	Quincy	WineChse	News (R)	Life Against	Rocko	Strongman	Sleepwalkers "Forlom"	Lions Kingdom (R) (R)	Cops (R) (R)	Billy the Cat	Quincy	Bulls Eye
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7:30 PM	Movie: "An Officer and a Gentleman"	NHL	Master-Pilot	Served	Riches	Jeopardy!	Medicine	Biography	Quincy	WineChse	News (R)	Life Against	Rocko	Strongman	Sleepwalkers "Forlom"	Lions Kingdom (R) (R)	Cops (R) (R)	Billy the Cat	Quincy	Bulls Eye
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Saturday, April 11

- 9:00 am WTBS @ ** "Polson Ivy" (1985, Comedy) Michael J. Fox. High jinks at a summer camp include a reluctant counselor's romance with the assistant nurse.
- FAM @ ** "Little Nemo: Adventures In Slumberland" (1992, Fantasy) Voices of Gabriel Damon. A boy conjures up an adventurous world in his dreams where he becomes the playmate of a princess. (In Stereo) (R)
- 11:05 am WTBS @ ** "Meatballs 4" (1992, Comedy) Corey Feldman. A summer camp's wisecracking recreation director aims to blow a rival owner's takeover plans out of the water.
- 12:55 pm WTBS @ ** "Club Paradise" (1986, Comedy) Robin Williams. A run-down resort becomes the center of action after the owner writes flashy travel brochures to attract business.
- 6:00 pm FAM @ ** "Double Switch" (1987, Comedy) George Newbern. Feeling the need to get back to a simpler lifestyle, a teen idol trades identities with an unassuming look-alike.
- 7:00 pm WTBS @ ** "An Officer and a Gentleman" (1982, Drama) Richard Gere. Time Approximate. A hardened loser learns a lesson in responsibility when he enlists in the Naval Aviation Corps. Winner of two Oscars.
- 8:05 pm FAM @ ** "Brother Future" (1991, Fantasy) Phil Lewis. An inner-city teen learns a lesson in compassion after he is catapulted into the midst of a 19th-century slave revolt. (In Stereo)
- 8:30 pm WXYZ @ ** "Visions of Terror" (1994, Suspense) Barbara Eden. Psychic psy-

- chologist Jesse Newman believes that a cop killer may still be at large, despite a suspect's capture.
- CITY @ ** "Time Runner" (1992, Science Fiction) Mark Hamill. A futuristic space agent goes back in time to thwart an alien invasion of Earth.
- WGN @ ** "A Force of One" (1970, Drama) Jennifer O'Neill. A master of the martial arts embarks on a revenge-motivated search for the killers of his adopted son.
- 9:40 pm WTBS @ ** "Tribes" (1970, Drama) Darron McGavin. An unconventional Marine recruit's hippie lifestyle creates problems for his by-the-book drill sergeant.
- 10:00 pm KNOW @ ** "Ta Dona" (1991, Drama) Fly Traora. A forestry engineer sets out to find a ritual clay pot reputed to contain a medicinal plant with amazing healing power. (Subtitled)
- FAM @ ** "Sister Kenny" (1946, Drama) Rosalind Russell. A crusading Australian nurse develops a controversial cure for infantile paralysis.
- 10:30 pm WXYZ @ ** "Going Underground" (1993, Drama) Joanna Kerns. A battered wife faces a bitter legal battle when the courts won't allow testimony of spousal abuse in custody hearings.
- CITY @ ** "A Show of Force" (1990, Suspense) Amy Irving. A reporter learns that the U.S. may have sanctioned two protesters' murders in this account of a 1978 incident.
- 11:45 pm WTBS @ ** "Tank" (1983, Drama) James Garner. An Army sergeant uses his private Sherman tank to rescue his son from a Southern labor camp.

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Sunday, April 12

7:35 am WTBS (3) *** "McLintock!" (1963, Western) John Wayne. A cattle baron tries to handle disgruntled American Indians and cope with his strong-willed estranged wife.

10:00 pm FAM (26) *** "I Was a Male War Bride" (1949, Comedy) Cary Grant. A French officer in postwar Europe poses as a war bride to avoid the red tape involved in emigrating to America.

10:00 pm BCTV (11) *** "Reach for the Sky" (1991, Drama) Izabela Moldovan. Two young gymnasts endure the rigors of training at a world-renowned school in the hope of winning Olympic gold.

KIDS ZONE

Charlie's Wings

By Patty-Ann Peal

Mom and Dad Dragon wanted to go to the store, and little Charlie Dragon wanted to go too. "You can not go with us," said Mom. "You must first learn how to fly so you can keep up with us."

practice. She stretched her wings this way and that way. She stretched them up and she stretched them down. "If you do this every day," she said, "your wings will soon be strong."

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Skating

There was a little girl named Brooke. She was in skating. She loved skating. She had a red dress with lace under it. She was in competitions. She always won first place, but this time she did not.

her bags and snuck out of the house. She took all her skating things too. Her mom went to get her for supper but she was gone. Her mom phoned all her friends' houses but she was not there.

MONDAY, APRIL 13, 1998

	WTBS (3)	CHBC (4)	KNOW (5)	WTVS (6)	WDIV (7)	WTOL (8)	A&E (9)	WXYZ (10)	BCTV (11)	CITY (12)	TLC (14)	YTV (18)	TSN (19)	CHCH (22)	DISC (24)	FOX (25)	FAM (26)	CITY (29)	WGN (32)	
6 AM	Little House Review	(Off Air)	Open Learning	Sesame Street	Maury	Medicine Woman	Columbo	Regis & Kathie	(5:30) News	(5:00) News	Big Garage	YTV News	Sportsdesk	The View	Explore	Love Boat	Busy World	Maury	BugsDuffy	
7 AM	Mama	Body	Dudley	Barney	Montel Williams	Little House	Columbo	Martha	(7:10) Canada AM	Salty's	Rupert	Sportsdesk	Rosie	Foodstuff	Paid Prog.	Chip-Dale	Cityline	PinkyBrain		
8 AM	Little House	Care Bears	Bus	Teletubbies	Jenny	Price Is Right	Quincy	People's Court	(Jobed In Progress)	100 Huntley Street	Critters	Ghostbeats	Sportsdesk	Price Is Right	Homeworks	Pictionary	Quack	Ziggy	Griffith	
9 AM	Matlock	Robison	Fireman	Charlie	News	News	Northern	News	Regis & Kathie	Dinner	Work in Progress	Marie Soleil	Off-Record	News	Discover-y.ca	Judge Judy	Wonderland	News	General	
10 AM	Movie: "Matlock: The Investigation"	Street	Conserving	Sesame	Days of Our Lives	Restless	Law & Order	All My Children	Northern Home	Dave Rutherford	Oninside	Bananas	Fishing	Neon Rider	House-smart	Martha	Busy World	Movie: "The Rocking Horse Winner"	News (in Stereo)	
11 AM	Andy Griffith	Restless	Friends	Barney	Another World	As World Turns	Columbo "A Matter of Honor"	General Hospital	Travel	Coach	Leoproy	Intimate	Dudley	ing: CARP	As World Turns	Foodstuff	H. Patrol	Toraleone	Horse Winner (1949)	Empty Nest
12 PM	Flintstones	All My Children	Palace-Prairie	Arthur	Sally	Gulding Light	Columbo	Oprah Winfrey	Another World	General Hospital	Furniture	Tell-A-Tale	Golf	Real TV	Face Value	Turtles	Rangers	Mermaid	Keenen	Fam. Mat.
1 PM	Looney Dreams	Okanagan	Good Begin	Wishbone	Jerry Springer	Oprah Winfrey	Quincy	News	Bold & B. Living	Mad-You	HomeTime	Station	Five Pin	Extra	Travelers	Beverly Hills, 90210	Tale Spin	Ivory	Dreams	
2 PM	Saved-Bell	WonderYr	Nuclear Age	Creatures	News	News	Quincy	News	Videos	O'Donnell	Renovation	Garfield	Off-Record	News	LetFrontier	Hollywood	Goof Troop	News	Saved-Bell	
3 PM	Fam. Mat.	BugsDuffy	English	News	News	News	Northern	News	Real TV	Young-	Renovation	Uh Oh!	Sportsdesk	News	Movie	Cops	Darkwing	News	Saved-Bell	
4 PM	Major League	Rosie	Creatures	Business	Fortune	Fortune	Law & Order	ABC News	Oprah Winfrey	Restless	Home Again	Bugs	Hockey	Wings	Discover-y.ca	Simpsons	Bonkers	Friends	Fam. Mat.	
5 PM	Baseball: Braves at Phillies	News	French	AniQuees	Suddenly	Cosby	Biography: Chas.	Push "The Rivals"	News	News	Extreme	Rugrats	Major League	Suddenly	Behaving	Damon	Flash	Truth About Blondes	Bulls Eye	
6 PM	Movie: "Sleepwalkers"	Home Imp.	Learning	No Safe Place	Dateline (in Stereo)	Brooklyn South	Sherlock Holmes	Practice (R)	Fortune	The Closer	Operation	Holmes	Royals	Pollergest	Dino-Mania	Cops	Movie: "The Temp"	Movie: "The Temp"	News	
7 PM	Brian Krause	Cosby	By Design	Served	News (8:35) To-Night	News (8:35) Late Show	Law & Order	News	Suddenly	Suddenly	Extreme	Felix-Cat	Sportsdesk	News	Discover-y.ca	FX: The Series	Movie: "Darby O'Gill"	News	News	
8 PM	Movie: "Cat's Eye"	22 Minutes	BC Times	Antiques	night Show	Show	Biography: Chas.	Edition	Ally McBeal	Brooklyn South	Waco II (R)	You Afraid?	WWF Raw	Grace	Behaving	Universe	O'Gill	Movie: "Fa- your, the Watch"	Simon & Si-	
9 PM	James Woods	National/CBC News	I Wanna Be Adored	American Experience	Jones	Late Show (10:37)	Polrot	Politically	La Femme Nikita (R)	Sprts Nite	Operation	Flipper (in Stereo)	MotorTV	Psychic	Making Ba-ble: Cash	Beverly Hills, 90210	Movie: "Marty"	Movie: "The Temp"	Paid Prog.	
10 PM	Movie: "Darby O'Gill and the Little People"	News	Dotto's	No Safe Place	(11:07) Late Night	America's Store	Sherlock Holmes	Gayle King	GTV News	Married... Murphy	Home Again	Tarzan	Sportsdesk	MotorTV	Dino-Mania	Gayle King	(1955)	Movie: "The Temp"	Paid Prog.	

Monday, April 13

Dateline Tulameen

Abolish Easter? A View

by Joe Schwartz

10:00 am WTBS (3) **½ "Matlock: The Investigation" (1987, Mystery) Andy Griffith. Matlock discovers that a friend and lifelong client is the son of a mob boss.
 CITY (2) ***½ "The Rocking Horse Winner" (1949, Drama) Valerie Hobson. A boy discovers he can divine the outcome of horse races by riding a wooden hobby horse. Based on D.H. Lawrence's tale.
 12:00 pm FAM (2) *** "Out of the Past" (1947, Drama) Robert Mitchum. A former detective finds that he can't untangle past ties to a gangster and his mistress.
 6:00 pm FAM (2) ***½ "A Spaceman in King Arthur's Court" (1979, Comedy) Dennis Dugan. An accidental launch lands a NASA engineer and his look-alike robot in sixth-century England.
 CITY (2) ** "The Temp" (1993, Suspense) Timothy Hutton. A temporary secretary with predatory designs tries to sink her claws into a junior executive.
 7:00 pm WTBS (3) *½ "Sleepwalkers" (1992, Horror) Brian Krause. Time Approximate. Mother and son monsters bring their eerie appetites for teen-age virgins to small-town Indiana.
 8:00 pm FAM (2) *** "Darby O'Gill and the Little People" (1959, Fantasy) Albert

Sharpe. An old Irish caretaker captures the king of the leprechauns and forces him to grant three wishes.
 9:00 pm WTBS (3) **½ "Cat's Eye" (1985, Horror) James Woods. An unorthodox anti-smoking clinic, a deadly wager and an evil troll are featured in this trilogy from Stephen King.
 9:05 pm CITY (2) **½ "The Favour, the Watch, and the Very Big Fish" (1991, Comedy) Bob Hoskins. The romantic misadventures of a middle-aged photographer assigned to find a model for a religious advertising campaign.
 10:00 pm FAM (2) **** "Marty" (1955, Drama) Ernest Borgnine. An award-winning adaptation of Paddy Chayefsky's novel about a shy New York butcher's search for love.
 11:00 pm CITY (2) ** "The Temp" (1993, Suspense) Timothy Hutton. A temporary secretary with predatory designs tries to sink her claws into a junior executive.
 11:05 pm WTBS (3) * "Night of the Lepus" (1972, Science Fiction) Stuart Whitman. A researcher's attempt to wipe out Arizona's rabbit population results in the creation of a horde of superbunnies.

Every school day morning at Copper Mountain during the early 1940's, the teacher would have a Bible reading followed by the students' recitation of the Lord's Prayer. Later, while attending the large Vancouver Tech boy's school, we marched from our home room to the auditorium where the same procedure followed except it would be the Principal or Vice-Principal who did the Bible reading. This was considered part of our Canadian heritage and didn't seem to hurt anyone. The idea of respect for a higher authority, a Creator whose authority was delegated to the parents, teachers, law officers and responsible adults through Christian teaching was taken for granted and is reflected in our Parliament, legal system, currency and occasions such as the Cenotaph war memorial services. Events during the calendar year, such as Christmas, Easter, Thanksgiving are highlighted by statutory paid holidays. One could say much of our moral thought is based on the Ten Commandments and the "Golden

Rule" - treat others as you would like them to treat you. This basic guide is akin to other religions or beliefs, an example of which is the spiritual history of our native community. This faith gave reason for the existence, purpose and goal of life, something a parent could had down to their children, regardless of their state in life. This spiritual faith attempted to provide hope and support to persons who had nowhere else to turn to regardless of the severity of their problems. Persons who had persevered through life to retirement could enjoy the fruits of their labour, their grandchildren and friends, and prepare for the transition into the next world. It is said that mankind was given the gift of Christmas and the gift was Easter. Much of this has faded away perhaps with good reason. It is not the fashion to discuss or mix the natural with the supernatural. However, this is difficult to reconcile when one contemplates the vast mystery and order of the Universe or gazes upon the wonder, beauty and

uniqueness of a little child. What we seem to have now is a vacuum on which to base our moral values. Why shouldn't we take the car of the guy down the street if he has two and we have none? He can only drive one at a time anyway. If your old man offends you, why not smack him a good one on the schnozz instead of turning the other cheek? Why shouldn't your kid take drugs or hit the bottle? It's his/her body - and so on. There is abundant evidence - violence, lack of respect for authority and disintegration of the family. Perhaps the city council should hire a thinker like in ancient times, place him in the park and let him provide some ideas. Chances are, if this was done, the council would be hauled away in the "funny bus" until they regained their balance. Perhaps the computer chip or technology will provide a formula. Until then, perhaps we should abolish Christmas, Thanksgiving and Easter and save the taxpayer a bundle in holiday pay.

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Glowinski joins Presidents circle

Glen Glowinski of Coldwell Banker Crowsnest Realty has been selected to join the company's International President's Circle - an honour bestowed only to producers in the top four per cent of the more than 60,000 sales associates throughout North



Glen Glowinski

America. This is the second year Glowinski has been chosen as a member of this prestigious Coldwell Banker group.

They were recently recognized

at the company's International Business Conference, held recently in Orlando, Florida. More than 7,000 Coldwell Banker sales associates, brokers, managers, and employees attended the event that featured speaker Elizabeth Dole and singer Kenny Loggins.

"The International President's Circle recognizes those sales associates whose sales performance and dedication are exceptions," said Alex Perriello, President and CEO of Coldwell Banker. "Glen has proven to be an invaluable asset to our organization."

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Horoscopes for the week of April 7 to 14

ARIES - You may be stewing about some things you find frustrating. You must accept responsibility for choices you made. If you feel like life is holding you back, look to your own actions.

TAURUS - Life is more fun now, and surprises don't upset you. You will begin to feel much better next week. This is a good week to enjoy friends.

GEMINI - You may have to rethink some matters. If you feel the world is against you, you may be feeling the reaction to vibrations you put out earlier.

CANCER - Your life is power-packed, challenging, but much more positive now. Don't become complacent. Your career needs careful attention.

LEO - Proceed with caution, and be prepared for difficulties in regard to matters related to property held with another. Pay attention to paperwork. Expect the unexpected.

VIRGO - Things go more smoothly now, but don't relax, even though tempted. You gain personal power through productivity.

LIBRA - Endure this final week of standing still and feeling frustrated by others. Partnership matters go into high gear next week. Tie up loose ends now and be ready for action.

SCORPIO - This is a blah week. Matters you counted on seem to come to a halt. Pay attention to your health, and putter around home. This is a good time for spring cleaning. Get ready for summer.

SAGITTARIUS - Life is good, full of fun and romance. You rediscover your power to be yourself with others. Enjoy!

CAPRICORN - Life is still a struggle. Keep on doing what you're doing. Things will improve next week, you'll have more energy, but nothing is simple. More challenges ahead, but luck is on your side.

AQUARIUS - Big changes will happen by May 1. Tie up loose ends now. The big picture is this: life will challenge you to change. Do it willingly or painfully. The choice is yours.

PISCES - This is a good month for you, but you may be tempted to overspend and then feel cash shortages. Your timing is off. Try to organize for next week.

Man blames poverty

Fred Bell, of Hedley, pled guilty on April 2 to a breach of probation. Bell appeared in provincial court in Princeton to answer to a charge originating in Langley, B.C. Bell had failed to make \$313.37 restitution as ordered in his probation.

Bell explained that he had been out of work except for three months during the past 18 months, is a single parent, and there was not enough money left to pay the amount owed. As well as restitution, Bell owed a \$300 fine on which he had paid \$60.

Judge Klinger spoke with Bell, asking about future work prospects. Bell replied that he has a training course and job coming up soon.

Judge Klinger told Bell, "If it were not for your son, I would send you to jail."

Bell was ordered to serve a six month probation and to pay restitution by August 31, 1998.

Crib at the Legion March scores

Monday Partners

March 2
1) Dave/Al 2) Laura/Bernice 3) Marg/Jim

March 9
1) Helen G./Joe 2) Noreen/Bob 3) Ken/Flossie

March 16
1) Janet/Len 2) Noreen/Bob 3) Helen G./Joe

March 23
1) Charlie/Len M. 2) Clara/Rose 3) Dennis/Fern

March 30
1) Helen L./Sharon 2) Jack/Eddy 3) Clara/Rose

Friday Singles

March 6
1) Roberta 2) Clara 3) Bernice

March 20
1) Dave 2) Sandy 3) Guy

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 Two bedroom strata title duplex in private and quiet location. Close to downtown shopping & services, and elementary school. Very well landscaped yard. \$149,900. MLS.	 Excellent condition mobile home close to elementary school. Large fenced yard, new roof in 1996, comes complete with fridge, stove, washer, and dryer. \$24,000. MLS.	 Three-bedroom home on full entry-level basement, centrally located downtown. Zoned C2 commercial. Vendor leaving country. Must sell \$109,000. MLS.	 Older one-and-a-half storey, three bedroom home on 100x100' lot in the South end of town. Property has two road frontages, and a detached garage. \$87,500. MLS.
 Small one bedroom home in quiet area, across road from playground. Level 50x120' lot with lane access. Home needs work. \$39,900. MLS.	 One bedroom home on five acres nestled in the hills overlooking Link and Osprey Lakes. Full basement. Property backs onto Crown Land. \$132,000. MLS.	 Thriving variety store located in the heart of downtown Princeton. Excellent high-profile, high-traffic location. Price includes inventory. MLS. \$250,000.	 C2 zoned older two-bedroom home. Downtown location, good investment opportunity. Adjoining C2 zoned home and property for sale as well. MLS. \$74,500.
 C2 zoned three bedroom home on Vermillion Avenue. Lots of potential, good investment opportunity. Adjoining C2 zoned home and property for sale as well. MLS \$74,500.	 Small mobile home park in downtown Princeton. Property is 0.62 acres in size and is a short walk to shopping. Price includes two mobile homes set up in the park. \$86,500. MLS.	 Older, partly updated two-bedroom home in the heart of downtown Princeton. Only a few steps to the Post office, government services and shopping. \$72,500. MLS.	 26 unit motel with three bedroom living quarters. Great location on Vermillion Avenue, with lots of Highway #3 exposure. Adjoining lot also for sale. \$799,000. MLS.
 Two bedroom strata unit on Kenley Avenue behind the Post office. Fully self-contained and within walking distance of all services and shopping. \$79,900. MLS.	 Two bedroom bungalow-style home with fenced yard, located in quiet part of Allison Flats. Walking distance to downtown, and is across road from playground. \$59,900. MLS.	 Five bedroom, three bathroom split-level home on China Creek. Full finished basement, landscaped yard, large sundeck, natural gas hot water radiant heat. \$134,900. MLS.	 1,380 square foot three bedroom home with full basement on over two acres. Close to town and the golf course. Too many features to list. \$178,500. MLS.

Princeton Women's team wins third in Interior roll-off

Princeton women did well at the Interior Bowling roll-offs held March 12 and 13 in Salmon Arm. Their team place eighth out of 24, with Barb Gould placing second in the All-stars with a 262 average and Lyn Graff sixth with a 245 average.

The men did not place in the top ten. In fact, they placed twenty second out of 24.

In the mixed team division, Princeton placed seventh out of 24, and finished tenth overall (aggregate score).

Bowlspiel results

Princeton Lanes hosted a bowlspiel held March 28 and 29.

A Division winners were Aaron Gould, Suzanne Leseur and Dave Holland.

B Division saw Nat's Brats take the lead: Nat Young, Billie McKinnon and Sherry Wright.

In C Division Jean Hayes, Gina LaMarsh and Pete Langlois were the top.

Team High Triple and High Single went to Nat's Brats.

Aaron Gould took the Men's High Triple with an 865 and the Men's High Single with a 346 game.

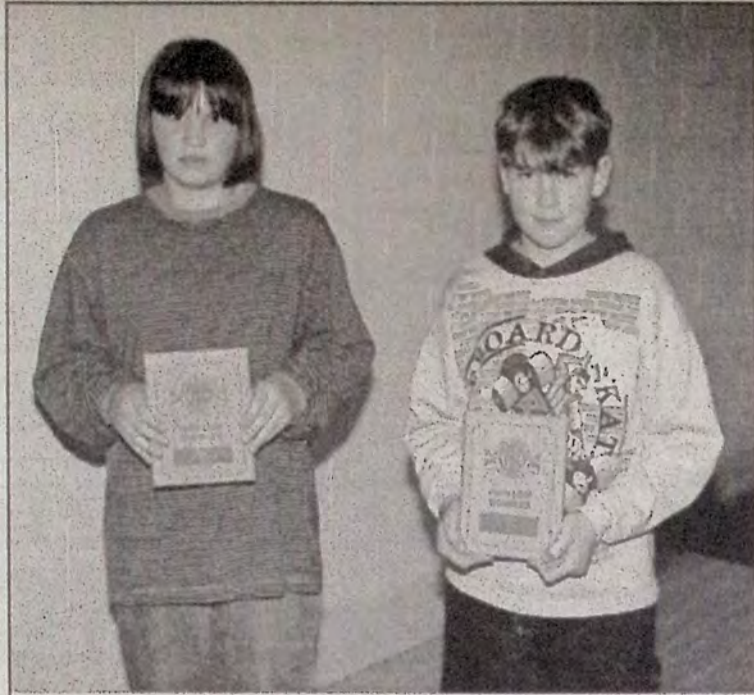
The Ladies High Triple went to Billie McKinnon for a 752, and she took the High Single with a 337 game.

Gun law from front page

the next election. She spoke as a taxpayer offended by the millions of dollars being spent to implement Bill C-68, and the hundreds of millions yet to be spent. She is a gun owner, but has found no voice among the Liberals. She has found support among the Reform Party Members of Parliament, and urged others to support the Reform Party. She added that many provinces have challenged the bill, but B.C. is not one of those provinces, and she wonders why the New Democrats will not support opposition to C-68.

Locally, the gun control law has been a hot issue, but it appeared to die down when C-68 was passed. Sullivan told the audience, "It's not too late. We are hiring a lobbyist in Ottawa."

Lobbyists cost money. Sullivan assured the gathering that property rights are worth spending some money to protect. He further reminded his audience that the Coalition for Gun Control has only 600 members, but they seem to receive money from many sources while hunters, farmers, ranchers, and gun club members seem reluctant to donate to make their voices heard in Ottawa.



Erin Lewis, left, and Shawn Batley won the Junoir division of the High-Low Doubles Tournament held in Osoyoos on March 29. Renee Kovacs and Ashley Dore finished third in the Bantams Division.

Trout Talk

What happened?

by John Sandness

The groundhog must have been nearsighted! Our spring has certainly been turned around, and it might as well be the time to clean out your tackle box and put your gear in order.

Whether you use a fly rod or spinning gear, there is something you should check at least once a year and, if you use the rods roughly, more often. Tip-top guides wear grooves in the lines. My first experience with worn tip-tops was when my partner, Norman Jacobsen, lost the first big rainbow trout he ever had on because of that problem.

I'll never forget how sad he looked, holding his broken line and looking down at the river where his six-pound-plus rainbow swam away. This was an eight pound tes spinning line, and it

snapped off on his grooved tip-top.

On a fly rod, a cracked or grooved tip-top can turn a \$40 fly line into a real mess in a hurry. Think of how many times in a day you retrieve the line, and each time it travels over the rough top, it wears off some of the finish.

Sometimes these tip-tops are very slightly damaged, so take a cotton-tipped swab stick and twist it into the top. If the top is faulty, the cotton will catch. My tip today: check your tip-top with a Q-tip.

If it is fault, replace it with a ceramic or tungsten carbide tip-top. Never use a cheap, chrome-plated tip-top. How do you know which is which? Price! The chrome tip will be \$1 to \$20, the better ones \$2.50 and up.

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Government cuts stumpage rate

Forests Minister David Zirnelt announced a price-driven stumpage rate reduction effective April 1. The Minister anticipates it will bring a \$25 million relief for B.C.'s strapped forest industry during the next three months.

In the Interior, average stumpage rates will be \$24.90 per cubic metre, a decrease of \$3.97 per cubic metre from January 1. The

Stumpage is a price paid to the provincial government for timber harvested on Crown land.

Free lunch

On May 14, at Princeton Secondary School, students will be cooks, waitresses, waiters and hosts to Princeton's senior citizens at a luncheon.

Anyone 65 or older who wishes to be invited to the luncheon should phone 295-7493 or 295-3218. There is no charge for the luncheon.

Interior rate reduction is greater than the coast reduction due to a greater reduction in average lumber prices in the Interior as measured by Statistics Canada.

Senior government officials continue to meet with U.S. trade officials to discuss U.S. concerns on stumpage changes within the context of the softwood lumber agreement.

Minimum wage climbs

The minimum wage was increased by 15 cents per hour on April 1. It is now \$7.15.

Premier Glen Clark stated, "A higher minimum wage is part of our government's plan for assisting the province's young people expand their opportunities," said Clark, "Raising the minimum wage to ensure that salaries are keeping pace with inflation is not only fair, it is absolutely necessary for improving options for youth."

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Owls and their habitats - Part 2

by Jerry Herzig

As most of the owl species in this area are nocturnal, they spend the daylight hours concealed in thick foliage or patches of dense timber. These sites may be located by looking for pellets, regurgitated clumps of indigestible hair and bone, dropped by the owls. It is possible to determine what many owls eat by examining these pellets. However, due to viruses carried by rodents, this practice should only be done after the pellets have been sanitized.

Following are thumbnail sketches of the remaining species found in our area.

Long-eared Owl - This is probably the most secretive of all our owl species. Found in areas of open rangeland with aspen groves and areas of thick growth for concealment. In winter months may be found roosting in groups. Nest site is usually the abandoned nest of a crow or magpie, occasionally the top of a broken snag. Nocturnal, preys mainly on small rodents. Field marks are prominent ear tufts, located close together above the yellow eyes. When discovered, this owl often compresses its feathers and elongates the appearance of its body. Length to 38 cm.

Northern Pygmy Owl - A diurnal (daylight) hunter most often seen in the winter when numbers of these small owls move from the higher elevation to the valley bottoms. Prefers mixed habitat, often perched in an exposed position, it hunts small rodents and birds. This owl is aggressive and will often take prey weighing more than itself, and will stare down an intruder many times its size. Nest site is in an abandoned woodpecker cavity. Field marks are long tail, often held slightly cocked, yellow eyes with light eyebrows, no ear tufts and when viewed from behind, two black nape spots that look like eyes in

the back of its head. Length to 17 cm.

Barred Owl - Most common in areas of mature timber, this owl may be increasing in numbers in our area. Chiefly nocturnal, this chunky owl will flush easily, rarely allowing close approach. Food is mainly small mammals as well as snakes, frogs and occasionally fish. Nest site can be an old crow nest or the broken off top of a snag. Northwestern portion of its range expanding rapidly. Field marks are: no ear tufts, dark eyes set in light facial disks, barring on the upper part of breast, striped below. Length to 53 cm.

Western Screech Owl - Elusive and hard to find throughout the Okanagan and this area, may be declining due to habitat loss. Habitat tied to groves of mature cottonwood and thick timber. Nocturnal, feeds on small mammals and large insects, sometimes fish. Nest in old woodpecker cavity or bird box. Field marks are yellow eyes and prominent ear tufts and dark bill. Length to 22 cm.

Flammulated Owl - Migratory, returning from Mexico and Central America in late spring. A nocturnal hunter that feeds on insects, this owl prefers a habitat of open pine forests. Uses cavities in old snags as nest sites, occasionally nest boxes. Field marks are small size, dark eyes, and inconspicuous ear tufts, more often heard than seen. Length to 17 cm.

Short-eared Owl - A daytime hunter of open areas, marches and grassy fields. This owl is most active in the late afternoon and can often be seen perched on fence posts along roads. Food consists of small rodents captured with a quick plunge from a few meters above the ground. Nests on the ground in areas of tall

grass. Field marks are tawny colour with a pale belly, ear tufts barely visible. Length to 38 cm. **Snowy Owl** - An uncommon winter visitor throughout the southern interior, most migration takes place on the coast. Usually seen perched on fence posts or hay piles in open country. A daytime hunter, it feeds on small mammals and will take waterfowl and other birds. Sporadic, with large numbers some years and few the next. Field marks are overall white plumage, round head and yellow eyes. Young birds are the most heavily barred and spotted with black. Old males may be pure white. Length to 58 cm.

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Jim Hart knocks Hepatitis C compensation plan

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The federal Liberals made a legal decision, an accounting decision, a budgetary decision. It had nothing to do with compassion, fairness or sense of right. This, my friends, is 100 per cent pure balderdash!

In 1989, the federal government set a precedent when they announced an extraordinary assistance package for all Canadians

who contracted the AIDS virus from tainted blood. There were no restrictions. The government said the payments were given "ex-gratia", a legal phrase meaning the government admitted no liability. Surely, this cold-hearted Liberal



government can treat those infected with Hepatitis C the same way as those infected with HIV.

There is a right way and a wrong way to treat the victims of Hepatitis C and this government has chosen the wrong way. Time and time again, Rock said that this government would not walk away

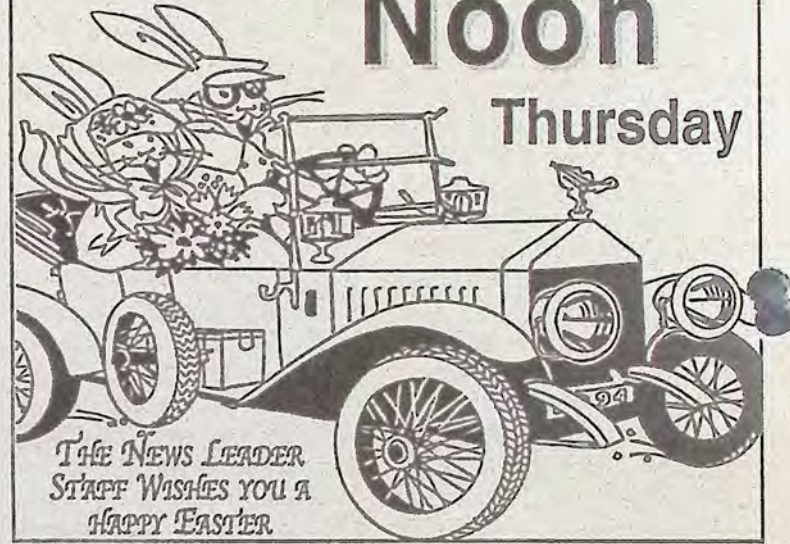
from its responsibilities. He broke that promise.

Tens of thousands of innocent Canadians have been abandoned by this government. We have heard the rationalization but there is no excuse for doing the wrong thing. There is no legal excuse. There is no administrative excuse. There is no political excuse. This Liberal government must do the right thing and compensate all those who contracted Hepatitis C through tainted blood.

What do you think? Write to me, postage free, at 301 Main Street, Suite 203, Penticton, B.C. V2A 5B7 Jim Hart, Member of Parliament for Okanagan-Coquihalla

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It is with great sadness, yet appreciation, for the time he spent with us that we announce the sudden passing of AARON CHRISTOPHER HEUSER on March 28th in Kelowna, B.C.

Born in Princeton almost 19 years ago he started attending Okanagan University College September last. His majors were Physics and Basketball.

He will be missed by sisters Jessica and Becky, parents Anne and Ken, and numerous relatives and friends. As a recent graduate of P.S.S. he will also be missed by his many school mates.

*A life so young released to heaven
Left on earth we wonder Why?
But some are sent among us briefly
They have spirits meant to fly.*

7 APPRECIATION

We appreciated the baby shower given by the Ropers on Wednesday evening. Hope you had a good time. Sorry we couldn't make it.
Kelley & Cache.

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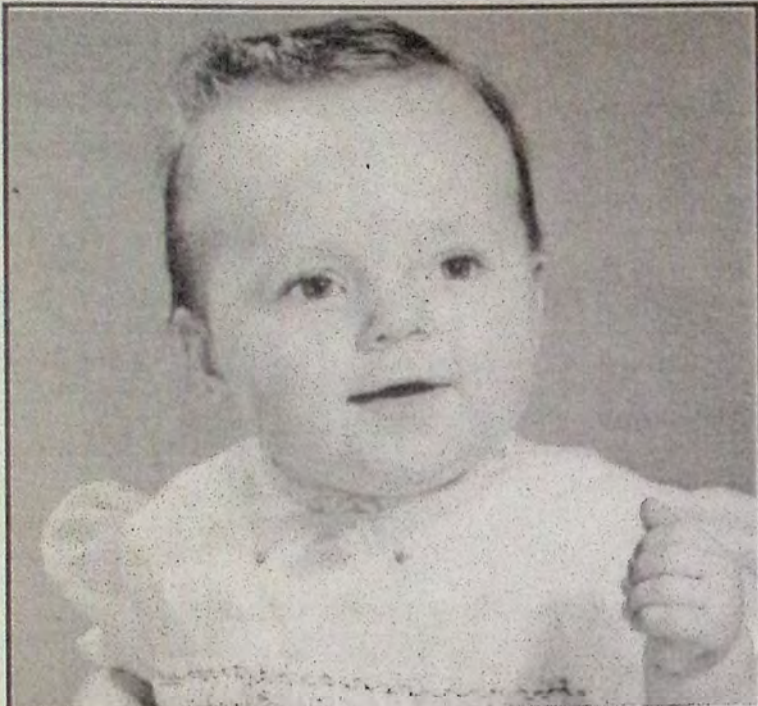
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Please submit your application in writing (quoting position title and location) by April 8, 1998 to: Human Resources Services Coordinator, Weyerhaeuser Canada Ltd., BC Lumber Business, PO Box 800 (1850 Mission Flats Road), Kamloops, BC V2C 5M7; fax (250) 828-7565.



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MECHANICAL TRADESMAN

School District No. 58 (Nicola-Similkameen) invites applications from Mechanical Tradesmen possessing a Grade A Gas Ticket (industrial) with electrical endorsement, as well as a BC Plumbing Trades Qualification ticket. Applicants are also required to have basic knowledge and experience in electrical maintenance such as replacing fixtures, switches and breakers, as well as making minor electrical additions.

The Mechanical Tradesman should have a minimum of 5 years experience in the gas and plumbing trades, good knowledge of electrical control systems and test equipment, and experience in working with Delta and Multi Net or other D.D.C. systems. The person is required to provide a good selection of hand tools.

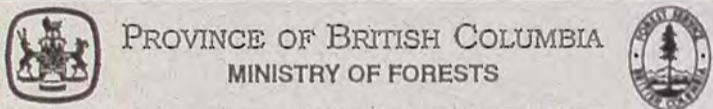
For further information contact the Maintenance Supervisor, LeRoy Wagner, (250) 315-1113; or the Secretary-Treasurer, Bruce Tisdale, (250) 387-5161.

Resumes, complete with copies of trades qualification certificates and at least 3 professional references should be forwarded to the Secretary-Treasurer, School District No. 58 (Nicola-Similkameen), Box 4100 Stn. Main, Merritt, B.C. V1K 1B8; or dropped off at the School Board Office, 1550 Chapman Street, Merritt.

Closing date for applications is April 22, 1998.

Town of Princeton NOTICE

THE PRINCETON LANDFILL WILL BE CLOSED EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 12, 1998

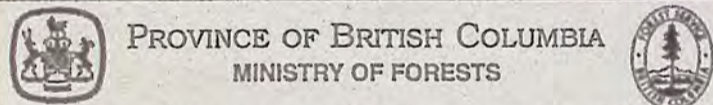


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MINISTRY OF FORESTS

TIMBER SALE LICENCES A55717 AND A56191 (BID PROPOSALS)

Bid Proposals A55717 and A56191 will be made available for review between April 20, 1998, and April 24, 1998, during office hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Any interested parties may view the proposals by making an appointment before April 17, 1998. Comments or concerns expressed by the viewers should be directed in writing to the District Manager at Ministry of Forests, Merritt Forest District, Hwy. 5A & Airport Road, P.O. Box 4400, Stn. Main, Merritt, B.C. V1K 1B8.

Bid Proposals can be viewed at the Merritt Forest District Office, Hwy 5A & Airport Road, Merritt, B.C., Phone (250) 378-8400.



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NOTICE INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR TIMBER SALE LICENCE A57417

Take notice that, pursuant to Section 20(1) of the *Forest Act*, sealed tenders will be received by the District Manager, Merritt Forest District, Hwy 5A & Airport Road, Box 4400, Stn. Main, Merritt, B.C. V1K 1B8 not later than April 27, 1998 @ 2:00 p.m. for Timber Sale Licence A57417, authorizing the harvest of Mountain Pine beetle infested timber located in the vicinity of Placer Creek, Merritt Timber Supply Area.

Only tenders from registrants in the Small Business Forest Enterprise Program, Category 1, will be accepted.

- Volume: 1709 cubic metres (m3), more or less
- Species: Lodgepole Pine 100%
- Term: 3 months (possible extension - 1 month)
- Upset Stumpage: \$25.33/m3
- Billing Method: Scale based
- Logging System: Conventional
- Logging season: Any, except break-up
- Access: Placer-Belgie Forest Service Road, approximately 40 km to Princeton

This licence requires the upgrading of approximately 0.5 km of road to access Block 2. The road will be upgraded to Forest Practices Code Standards.

The successful applicant will be the primary user of the Placer-Belgie and Placer Mtn. Forest Service Roads.

Sealed tenders will be opened at Merritt Forest District Office, on April 27, 1998, @ 2:01 p.m.

Tender packages and additional information may be obtained from: District Manager, Merritt Forest District, Hwy 5A & Airport Road, Box 4400, Stn. Main, Merritt, B.C. V1K 1B8, (250) 378-8400 or the Princeton Field Office, 151 Vermilion Street, Box 818, Princeton B.C. V0X 1W0.

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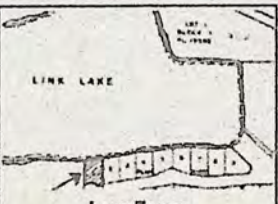


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Worth a Second Thought

The West is who we are

by Dawn Johnson

The last week of May is Western Pride Week in Princeton. Many people wonder what we ought to celebrate about being westerners.

If you spend some time in the east, you will soon discover the west is different. We live different lives, hold different attitudes, and enjoy life more. If North America has a heart and soul, it is located west of the Great Lakes.

Eastern North America has worked harder at mimicking Europe and Europeans. The European ancestry, and colonial inferiority complex, seem to have generated a social atmosphere obsessed with European ethnic origins. Easterners try to live like Europeans in brick or stone houses, crowded cities, filling their days with European customs and traditions, including their heavy focus on languages.

The West has its own culture, a North American culture. Ask any foreigner what North America is about, and that person will talk about cowboys, Indians, and wilderness. These are the West, the distinctly North American identifiers.

Some authors say the West is a culture based on traditions of pioneers and native people. Others say it is the cowboys and ranches that shaped the West. Still others say it is the land itself that shaped the people.

Regardless of what may have made us who we are, we have created a purely North American culture, and I believe we ought to be proud to be Westerners.

I can speak from experience when I say we are a culture of our own. I have travelled across North America several times, and lived in Europe for four years.

We Westerners are friendlier than most people. We have a great sense of humour. We laugh at life's misfortunes. We are generous. We are much less formal than easterners. We seem to be more plain-speaking but less rude than easterners, and we do not set much store by social position and racial origins. We tend to judge a person by actions, not by money or birth.

People who watch trends say the big trends start in the west, then move to the east. Certainly, the rest of the world has taken a liking to our blue jeans.

The west is where personal computers began, where the first huge dams were constructed, and where the movie industry dug its roots. Even the food is different in the west. There is more of it and it tastes better. Westerners love more variety in food. Fifty years ago, most westerners knew all about chop suey and it was not a common food for easterners. We love all kinds of different foods, from tacos to calamari to pizza and Ukrainian sausage. We have our own western foods, like corn on the cob and huckleberry pie and fried bread, and we dearly love these "down home" foods.

Perhaps the strangest thing about us is our lack of pride about our own ethnic customs, our own style of dress, and our own traditions. If we look at the other cultures who have adopted our blue jeans, western movies, cowboy music and all the rest, we can see that we have received the highest compliment: we are copied. When others copy us, it means they admire us. We really ought to take pride in ourselves.

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