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back an
hour...

Nov 7th, 2 a.m.

The Macktown Buzzette

Nov 4 - 17, 2021

The big little pellet gun incident

Schools, District properties and several downtown Mackenzie businesses were in lockdown Tuesday morning after Mackenzie RCMP received a report of a man observed walking in the community with a firearm.

The man was located after several hours and police discovered that the firearm was only a pellet gun.

The lockdown, which took place in the mall and other downtown businesses, cost some Mackenzie retailers wages and lost business. Some retail workers lost earnings after being told to stay home from work that morning.

In a brief media release, RCMP stated that no offence had been committed and no charges were laid.

Air guns with projectile velocities under 500 ft/second are classified as firearms for some purposes under the Criminal Code, but not others.

Section 86 of the Criminal Code describes offences related to handling and carry-

ing of firearms, but this does not apply to low-powered air/pellet guns.

Mike Morris, MLA for Prince George - Mackenzie, said that the B.C. government will be enacting legislation next year that will address concerns around imitation firearms and air guns in public places, including requirements for them to be carried in a case.

Currently, the District of Mackenzie prohibits only the discharge of firearms (including air guns) within specific town limits.

SD57 trustee by-election

School District 57 will be holding by-elections in Mackenzie and Prince George in January to replace two trustees who resigned last month. Nominations can be made starting November 30.

Both Mackenzie and the Robson Valley received dedicated seats on the school board in 2018. Shu-irose Valimohamed filled that role until September when she resigned, alongside board chair Trent Derrick, citing numerous concerns with racism and how the board functions.

More information on the nomination notice can be found at sd57.bc.ca.

Quotes:

“Physics depends on a universe infinitely centred on an equals sign.

— Mark Z. Danielewski
House of Leaves

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WHAT'S ON

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Nov 11. The Mackenzie Legion will hold a ceremony that morning. Contact them for details.

NOTICES

ONLINE DEMENTIA EDUCATION WORKSHOPS

for Fraser Fort George. Through Dec 2021. Nov 9: *Driving and Dementia 2* - 3:30 pm. Register: alzbc.org/online-education

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There's more going on in Macktown. Share it in The Buzzette! (250) 997-5038 TheBuzzette@gmail.com

Did you know?

During reconstruction of the World Trade Center in 2010, an excavation uncovered a wooden cargo ship built from timber harvested in the 1770s. The 30-foot-long shipwreck had been preserved 20 to 30 feet below street level.

The land under parts of Manhattan had been water in the 1700s. Developers had filled in rows of wharves with rocks and earth and refuse to create new real estate. The ship may have been used for the infill.



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News of the Odd:

Last winter the German city of Ulm unveiled futuristic insulated sleep pods for the homeless to shelter in on cold winter nights.

The small shelters, described by some as 'coffin-like', are located in parks and other strategic areas. Each pod can accommodate two people and is made of wood, steel, and plastics. Insulation lines the interior while air circulation is provided through vents.

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Mike Morris, MLA Prince George - Mackenzie

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Shifting Forward

COVID-19 Phase 3 Relief Program: MINE THE GAP: Shifting forward grant initiative

Centerra Gold would like to extend a large thank you to all the applicants that applied to Phase 3 of our COVID-19 Relief Program: **MINE THE GAP: Shifting Forward grant initiative.**

\$100,000 in new investment dollars have been awarded to 11 small local independent businesses across the region to assist in recovery from the pandemic and to strengthen their business model.

Congratulations to all the recipients that have been awarded funding for MINE THE GAP: Shifting Forward grant initiative!

Health and Wellness

Azu Health, Mackenzie
Mackenzie Counselling Services,
Mackenzie, McLeod Lake & PG

Sports & Recreation

Moly Hills Golf Course, Fraser Lake
Everybody Fitness, Fraser Lake
MXV Enterprises Inc, Fort. St. James

Arts, Culture & Heritage

Mackenzie Arts Centre, Mackenzie
Northern Nations Magazine,
Mackenzie, Fort St James to Fort
St John including Tumbler Ridge
& Dawson Creek and all the First
Nation Fuel stations in between.

Transportation & Manufacturing

Michael James Trucking Services,
Fort St.James, Takla Nation,
Mackenzie & Prince George
Stuart Lake Recycling Co-Op, Fort
St. James, Nak'azdli Whut'en,
Binchi, Tachie rural areas &
outlying communities

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If it's the Psychic Network why do they need a phone number? – Robin Williams



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Crossword from Oct 21 issue:



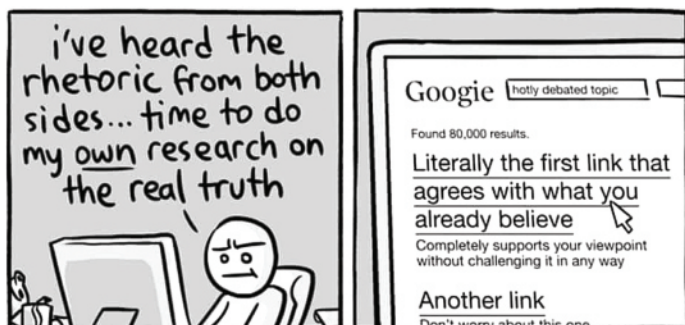
Note: A clue was missing for 21
Across in the print issue, corrected in
the e-edition.

MAGIC SQUARE

17		4	
		11	
	8		
5			2

Place the numbers (from 2 to 17)
without repeating. Every row, column
and diagonal must add up the same!

Chainsawsuit



In 1929, October 28 was a Monday, the opening night for New York's Metropolitan Opera.

Four thousand glittering attendees thronged to the elegant building on foot or in one of a thousand limousines to see Puccini's *Manon Lescaut*... Flash bulbs blinded the crowd, gathered to see famous faces and expensive gowns, as photographers recorded the arrivals of the era's social celebrities.

No one toasting the beginning of the opera season that night knew they were toasting the end of an era.

At 10 o'clock the next morning, when the opening gong sounded in the great hall of the New York Stock Exchange, men began to unload their stocks.

So fast did trading go that by the end of the day, the ticker recording transactions ran two and a half hours late.

When the final tally could be

read, it showed that an extraordinary 16.4 million shares had traded hands, and the market had lost \$14 billion.

The market had been uneasy for weeks before the 29th, but Black Tuesday began a slide that seemingly would not end. By mid-November, the industrial average was half of what it had been in September. The economic boom that had fueled the Roaring '20s was over...

from Heather Cox Richardson's *Letters from an American*, Oct 28, 2021

WORD SCRAMBLE

Unscramble these anagrams to spell out three 'northern' Canadian towns:

gas a ski punk _ _ _ _ _

he spun hoods _ _ _ _ _

rummy car fort _ _ _ _ _

211 service in the north

The United Way of Northern BC presented an overview of the 211 service to the Regional District board last month.

211 is a free, confidential, multilingual service that connects people to information and support for food and shelter, mental health and addictions, legal and financial issues and help for seniors by dialing or texting the numbers 2-1-1.

The service is non-profit and operates in partnership with the United Way and Government of British Columbia.

Help is available to people anywhere in British Columbia, 24/7 by calling or texting 2-1-1.

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THE MACKENZIE AUTUMN LODGE SOCIETY Annual General Meeting takes place Thursday, Nov 18, 7 pm, at the Seniors Centre (back of Ernie Bodin Centre). Membership (\$10) must be in good standing. More info: Judy 778-582-0571.

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