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MIKE MORRIS GOLF TOURNAMENT

JUNE 17, 2023

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Like mowing lawns?

The 92 Youth Centre is asking for help mowing their lawns this season. Whatever time community members can give to mow a section of lawn is appreciated.

The property has a front lawn (small), side lawn (long and skinny), and a rear field. More info: Camille 778-582-0516.





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CONFEX POWER LUMBERJACKS LACROSSE
Final home game: June 15, 8 pm. Allan Sheppard Arena.

LAWN GAMES FOR SENIORS June 16th, 1 pm @ Mackenzie Public Library.
Enjoy the outdoors and play some Library lawn games! Refreshments provided.

LEARN TO BELAY COURSE June 17, 2 - 4:30 pm. \$70. Contact the Rec

SUMMER READING CLUBS Starting at the Library
July 5th. Ages 5 - 8: Weds 12:30 pm. Ages 9 - 13: Thurs 3:30 pm. Free drop-in.

GRANT WRITING WORKSHOP June 20th, Callahan Room, Rec Centre.

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RCMP Report 

Investigations of Interest – May –

Note: This report is abbreviated for space. Read the full report at: TheMacktownBuzzette.com

- On 2023-05-01 Mackenzie RCMP conducted a proactive road stop of a vehicle. Through investigation it was determined the driver was under the influence of drugs. The driver was subject of a Standardized Field Sobriety Test to which he failed resulting in a 24 hr driving prohibition under the BC Motor Vehicle Act.
- On 2023-05-05 Mackenzie RCMP responded to a domestic assault. Members attended and obtained statements from the victim and a witness. The accused was arrested for Robbery and released on an Undertaking to attend the Mackenzie courts in August. The file is still under investigation for charge approval.
- On 2023-05-07 Mackenzie RCMP responded to a abandon 911. Members attended the residence associated to the number and located a male outside who was on extensive conditions put on him by the courts. The male was arrested for Breaching these conditions. Upon further investigation

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Quotes:

"Rhetoric does not get you anywhere, because Hitler and Mussolini are just as good at rhetoric. But if you can bring these people down with comedy, they stand no chance."

– Mel Brooks



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June 15 - 28, 2023

Close call on Ospika Crescent

Mackenzie Fire Department responded to a 3:45 am call Wednesday about a structural fire on Ospika Crescent. Fire Chief Jamie Guise said a neighbour had called it in. Two trucks with 11 firefighters responded, finding a garage fully engulfed. Two hoses put the fire down quickly, and no other structures were harmed. The cause was still under investigation at print time.

Liquor okayed for Purple Bike

Purple Bicycle has been approved in principle to serve liquor on its patio on Saturday nights through the summer under a Special Events permit. This week Council authorized Rec Services to approve a permit.

Ducks okay for backyard

Along with bees and chickens, ducks may soon be legal for Mackenzie backyards, after Council voted unanimously to allow them.

Resident Chelsea Thomas requested the change to the bylaw, stating that ducks are healthier and quieter than chickens, and do less damage to lawns. She says her family hopes to raise two Pekin ducks in their backyard for their 3-year-old son.

MLMCF to host Community Forests 2024

The McLeod Lake Mackenzie Community Forest is excited to announce that it will be hosting the BC Community Forest Association's Conference and AGM in June of 2024. The three-day event invites delegates from 60 community forests around the province and will draw up to 300 guests to the community. Exact dates will be finalized soon.

The Board of Directors and staff say they are proud to showcase the Community Forest's accomplishments and its communities. The event will include field trips, the conference and the AGM.

See "MLMCF 2024" over →

No renewal for Mountaineers

The District of Mackenzie will not renew its agreement with the owner of the Mackenzie Mountaineers, which expires July 31. Team owner and manager Derek Prue was scheduled to present to Council this week but did not appear.

Council voted not to renew based on several factors, including damages still owing to the District for a smashed exit sign and outstanding obligations to local businesses and non-profit groups.

See 'Mountaineers' over →

Mac 1 playground removed in part

Residents near Mac 1 school were surprised to see the removal of part of the south playground this week. On a smoky day on Tuesday, local contractors hired by the School District were seen removing one of the play structures and the large frame swing set.

A rep for School District 57 told *The Buzzette* that the structures were damaged from vandalism and that replacement parts are no longer available. The structure was removed for public safety.

Mac 1 school has been slated for demolition since 2020. After demolition, the District of Mackenzie will take ownership of the property, including

See "Mac 1 playground" over



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- members discovered that the male had also assaulted two other people. The male was also arrested for assault and held for a bail hearing. The accused was remanded by a Judge and transported by the Sheriff Services.
- On 2023-05-11 Mackenzie RCMP responded to a domestic in progress. Members attended and observed extensive damage to the residence. The accused was arrested for Mischief. A statement was obtained from the victim. The accused was released on an Undertaking to attend the Mackenzie courts in August.
 - On 2023-05-14 Mackenzie RCMP responded to a report of shots fired near the Mackenzie HWY 39 Junction. Multiple member response, area contained and conducted numerous high risk take downs to locate suspects. One male was arrested for obstruction during incident. Firearm and prohibited magazines were located and seized. Mackenzie RCMP is in the process of completing a package for charge approval.
 - On 2023-05-17 Mackenzie RCMP responded to a report of shoplifting. Members attended, obtained statements and were provided with surveillance footage of the incident. The accused was located and arrest for Theft under \$5000. The accused was released on an Undertaking to attend

- the Mackenzie courts in August.
- On 2023-05-18 Mackenzie RCMP responded to a report of an Assault. Members attended and obtained statements. The accused was located and arrested for Assault and Harassing Communications. The accused was released on an Undertaking to attend court in June.
 - On 2023-05-22 Mackenzie RCMP responded to a single vehicle motor vehicle incident on HWY 97. The vehicle had rolled down an embankment almost into the water and passenger was trapped inside with injuries. Members attended and with the assistance of BC Ambulance and Fire Rescue the passenger was safely removed from the vehicle. Both occupants sustained minor injuries and were taken to hospital as a precaution.
 - On 2023-05-31 Mackenzie RCMP responded to a domestic in progress. Members attended and obtained statements from the victim and witnesses. The accused was arrested for Uttering Threats and apprehended under the Mental Health Act for comments of self harm. The accused was transported to the hospital where a doctor completed a mental health assessment. The accused was later released on an Undertaking to attend the Mackenzie courts in August.
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➡ Read the full report at TheMacktownBuzzette.com



COMMUNITY...

- MIKE MORRIS GOLF TOURNAMENT** June 17. Register at (250) 997-5281.
- FREE SWIM** June 24, 8 am - 5 pm @ Rec Centre Pool.
- COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE** @ The 92 (92 Centennial Dr.) July 29th 8 am - 8 pm. Collecting items for donation. Contact Camille 778-582-0516.
- GRAD 2023** Rec Centre, June 24th. Dinner & Prom.
- JOURNEY THROUGH TIME** Magic Show w/ Leif David. July 14th, 10 am @ Mackenzie Public Library. Reserve a seat: (250) 997-6343.
- MOVIE NIGHTS IN THE PARK** will return starting in July. Every second Friday, 9 pm. Check @ Rec Centre for movie info.

Save the Date:

ROCKIN' THE RIDGELINE July 29. Downtown Mackenzie. Live music, art, food. Guided hike/bike tours. Free shuttle up the mountain.

Roses & RAZZBERRIES

- To the host of the Mystery Dinner. It was an amazing event, well organized, great food and a chance to see some familiar faces. Not only good food, but a gift bag as well. We are so glad we had the chance to attend. A great big "WOW!"
- To BCSSA division 8 (Cariboo) for hosting their swim meet in Mackenzie on June 10 - 11. This included 150+ swimmers, plus coaches, officials, volunteers and families.
- Roses to the new bylaw guy. Can already see an improvement!!!
- To ATV Mackenzie BC for cleaning up the bush last weekend.
- To businesses that do not return calls. Very poor business practice!

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'Mountaineers out'...

Mayor Atkinson, while noting the many positives the team brought to the community, said the league "has not been very good corporate citizens" with respect to these debts.

Councillor Barnes, who was actively involved with the team, said his concern was that the player experience did not live up to what was promised.

The league was part of a western expansion of the Ontario-based GMHL, and included four B.C. teams, one of which folded. After two rocky years which saw a chronic shortage of players, numerous changes of coach and management personnel, and outstanding franchise fees, GMHL West was dropped by the eastern league, according to *The Junior Hockey News*. Mr. Prue has started up a new league in its place, called the Northern Junior Hockey League.

Rec Services Director Terry Gilmer said that, notwithstanding the debts owing, the team brought about \$20,000 per year in revenues to the District through ice fees, advertising and alcohol sales, among other things.

Councillor Tapper was the sole vote against the motion to cancel the lease.

'MLMCF 2024'...

Chair Jim Atkinson says the board will be soliciting sponsorship from companies and organizations within and around McLeod Lake and Mackenzie. The board invites financial and in-kind support, and any other ideas to help make this event a success.

I love how margarine is now called "plant butter". -- heard in grocery line-up



PLAY FOUR

- ACROSS
- Hollow conduit
 - Figure or emblem, often religious (*alt sp.*)
 - ___ up & golf ready!
 - Starchy tuber popular for festive meals
- DOWN
- Sympathy
 - Popular Swedish retailer
 - Literary verse, sometimes rhyming
 - Purpose, goals, intention

WORD MORPH from last issue: BUILD - GUILD - GUILLE - GUIDE - GLIDE - GLADE - GRADE - TRADE. MISSING NUMBER: 5. Add 3 to the number in the left pie piece for the top number, multiply by 3 for the bottom number.

Did you know?

The Guinness Book of Records was invented by a director at Guinness Brewery. The first book appeared in 1955, supposedly as a resource of verifiable facts to help stop bar arguments. Later it morphed into the Book of World Records.

This week a new world record for solving the 3 x 3 Rubik's Cube was set in Long Beach California: 3.13 seconds.

'Mac 1 playground'...

ing the playground. According to that agreement, the old Mountainview School property will remain with the School District.

The other play apparatus at Mac 1 will remain, and the remaining swing set will be re-equipped with seats, according to the School District rep.

Mini - MORPH
Change one letter at a time, creating a new word at each step.

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N	A	G	S

Councillor Viktor Brumovsky said that playground is newer and was built through fundraising by parents.

One of the contractors on Tuesday said he hoped that would stay: "That was put in when I was a kid."

Users of the park noted that neither of the swing sets had been equipped with seats this spring.

MLIB re-elects Chingee

The McLeod Lake Indian Band held its Council elections on June 2. Six people ran for chief. Harley Chingee was re-elected with 110 votes. Eureka Carty came in second with 77 votes and Tania Solonas third with 65 votes. Six councillors and six trustees were also elected, as well as a Land Management Committee. Voter turnout was 65%.



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