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New Cariboo gold mine

An operating permit has been granted to Montreal-based Osisko Development Corporation, owner of Barkerville Gold Mines, for a new gold mine near Wells, B.C.

Cariboo Gold is an underground mine that will employ approximately 634 people and the capacity to process over a million tonnes per year of gold-bearing ore. According to the company profile the project covers an area of approximately 155,000 hectares.

It will include underground mining over 16 years, ore milling at the Quesnel River mine, approximately 58 kilometres southeast of Quesnel, storage of waste rock at the Bonanza Ledge Mine near Barkerville, and a transmission line from the Quesnel area to the mine.

A waste permit under the Environmental Management Act for the project is now being reviewed and a decision is expected in the coming weeks.

Ice rink re-opens

With the summer's arena slab work completed, the ice rink is officially re-opening this weekend with free community skating on Friday and Sunday. Check the Rec Centre for times.

The pool re-opened earlier this month after upgrades to the pool deck and change rooms flooring. It is offering free swimming this Saturday.

New councillor elected

Results of Mackenzie Council's byelection were made official last week and Peter Kylo was to be sworn in as the new member of Council this week.

Kylo, a longtime resident who also ran in the 2022 general council election, won with 192 votes. Runner-up Cassandra Carter, who moved to Mackenzie just over two years ago, received 115 votes. A total of 446 votes were cast, representing a voter turnout of 17%.

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CNC adapts to enrolment changes

The College of New Caledonia (CNC) announced last week it is communicating with staff about its financial and enrolment situation following federal changes this year reducing international study permits by 35%.

CNC says it has seen a decline in international student enrolment and is predicting very few international students to arrive in subsequent terms.

The college says if no changes are made, it anticipates an operating deficit in the 2025 -2026 fiscal year and is planning budget reductions, including layoffs.

Programs for current international students are being maintained while the college shifts its focus to domestic enrolment.

Programs will also adjust to align with federal changes to eligible occupations for post-graduate work permits.

Fun Facts:

In 1992, a shipping container carrying 29,000 rubber ducks spilled

into the Pacific Ocean near Hong Kong. The toys travelled on ocean currents, reaching Alaska by 1995, Hawaii and the Pacific Northwest by 1996, and the Atlantic by 2000. Some were found as far as Scotland in 2007, helping scientists study ocean currents.



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Trivia: What classes of citizens smoked tobacco in 14th century Europe? (Answer over →)



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Paper Excellence under scrutiny

Paper Excellence, the owners of the now shuttered Mackenzie pulp mill, is again under scrutiny by federal politicians with the news that owner Jackson Wijaya has acquired sole control of Asia Pulp & Paper from his father, according to *CBC News*.

The latter company has poor environmental and human rights records in Indonesia, and abandoned its U.S. operations after defaulting on \$13.9 billion USD in loans, according to other media reports.

Having acquired Domtar and Resolute Forest Products in recent years, Paper Excellence (reportedly now using the name Domtar)

See 'Paper Excellence' over →

Quotes:

"You know what happened to Oprah at 23? She got fired. Imagine firing Oprah. It wasn't a mistake. Because she wasn't Oprah. She was just some 23-year-old punk who needed to get fired so she could become Oprah. — Leslie Jones

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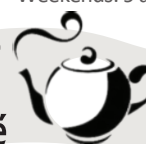
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'Paper Excellence...'

became the "largest private manager of forests in Canada", according to *CBC*, controlling over 22 million hectares of Canadian forests. It is also the largest pulp producer in Canada.

Critics say that, as private companies, information about their corporate structure, holdings and financial status are not visible to the public.

CBC reports that operating as Paper Excellence since 2010, the company has received "hundreds of millions of dollars in federal and provincial loans and subsidies, promising revitalization and jobs in...

economically hard-hit communities."

New court date for man charged

An arraignment hearing for the Mackenzie man charged with second degree murder will take place on December 10, according to the *Prince George Citizen*.

Drake Matthew Kerr appeared briefly in Prince George Provincial Court this week related to the September 29 incident of shots fired and a man's death discovered. (See also *Buzzette Oct 17*.)

Read more at: www.princegeorgecitizen.com

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FOREST OPERATIONS MAP
Chu Cho Forestry FLA94309 2024-3

Public review and comment from Nov 29 - Dec 30, 2024, at link below, or in person by appointment Mon - Fri 8 am - 4 pm. Contact the forestry department at the email or phone number below in order to schedule an appointment. 1200 Mill Road, Mackenzie, BC, V0J 2C0.

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COMMUNITY NOTES

WINTER MARKET Nov 30th, 4 - 7 pm @ Purple Bicycle (KL59 Mall).

22ND ANNUAL CHAMBER AUCTION @ the Legion, Nov 30th. Doors 6:30 pm. Entry \$5. Food, Live and Silent Auctions, Toonie bags, Heads & Tails.

FESTIVAL OF BELLS
Dec 6 - 7 in the new Arts Centre, 9 Laurier Drive. 3 - 8 pm (Fri), 10 - 3 pm (Sat). More details @ MCAC.

PARADE OF LIGHTS
Dec 7th, 5 pm. Contact the Rec Centre to sign up a float.

LEARN 3-D PRINTING @ the Library. Ages 10 to Adult. Two seats available nightly. To reserve your spot, stop in or call (250) 997-6343.

RUSSIAN SPIRAL BEAD WEAVING Dec 12, 5 - 7 pm @ the Arts Centre.

Send in your news & events for the Dec 12 issue. E-mail, or phone (250) 997-5038

OUT OF TOWN

SANTA CLAUS PARADE
Dec 1, noon. Starts at 2nd & Brunswick, Downtown Prince George.

LI APWÉEN DI MAWSHAY ("It is solved by walking") Landscapes by Quesnel-based artist Natasha Lepine open Dec 6 at Two Rivers Gallery, Prince George

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ACROSS

- Hint, key
- Age of liquor
- Tool for leaves
- Key on keyboard
- Military conflict

DOWN

- Resume (acr)
- La vida _____
- To _____ is human
- Ideas that shape one's reality
- Neutralizing chemical
- Locomotive
- Of the family vespidae
- Computer platform
- Yummy sandwich
- Affectionate term for father

- Type of carp
- Belittle, degrade
- Empty fluid contents accidentally
- Underwear

PLAY FOUR from Nov 14: Across: Fair, Eire, Eden, Dent. BRAIN TEASER: The number it doesn't work for is 8.

TRIVIA ANSWER: None, as tobacco was not introduced to Europe until the early 1500s.

My cat saw me knock over a plant in the kitchen so I had to spray myself with water to show that the law applies to everyone.
- @poodlesnart



Mackenzie Mixed Dart League Standings

- Dart Vaders 37
- Cereal Killers 36
- Outsiders 35
- Sharp Shooters 32
- Blazing Darts 31
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- We Can Fix That 23
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High Scores:
Ashley 160, 100
x2; Dick 156; Cody
100 x4; Jarrod
125; Rick 100; Kim
111; Joe 100; Mike
100; Sandra 110;
Dylan 103; Dave
100; Nate 118;

Maggie 114; James
100; Christine 117

Low Scores:
Darren, Terrance,
Cindy, Amy, Cody,
Debra, Jason, Darci,
Pia x2, Anthony x2,
Ashley, Matt, James,
Mike x2

MATH FUN

A bat and a ball cost \$1.10. The bat costs one dollar more than the ball. How much does the ball cost?



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