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EVENT SCHEDULE

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Trivia:

I have two current coins in my hand.
Together they total 55 cents.
One is not a nickel. What are the coins?
(Answer back page) →



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Enbridge Mack camp planned for next spring

Enbridge's Sunrise Expansion Project received federal approval last month which means work will begin this summer, according to a company news release.

The work will expand natural gas transmission capacity along the T-South portion of Enbridge's existing West-coast pipeline, which runs from the Peace region to the coast.

An anticipated 700-person Mackenzie work camp is still planned according to a company rep but not until next spring.

Spokesperson Rawna Low confirmed in an e-mail, "We target to install the temporary

See 'Mack camp' over →

Golf cart question pressed

A public hearing on a proposal to allow golf carts to travel on Mackenzie streets during summer months will be expedited after Council approved by a vote of 4 - 3 a motion by Councillor Kylo at the last meeting. Kylo was following up on a request raised with Council on two previous occasions.

A District staff report stated there would need to be a process including discussions with RCMP as well as community consultations before a change to policy could be approved - normally a four to five-month process.

Golf Club President Jeff Close spoke at the meeting, stating that cart shed space at the course is limited and in high demand.



News of the Odd:

A rare 20th century billionaire and shipping magnate took an unusual measure in the 1970s to prevent a dispute over his estate almost 20 years later.

Daniel Keith Ludwig married twice. His first marriage was brief and produced one child, whom he never acknowledged as his daughter.

Decades later, happily and long remarried with three adopted girls, Ludwig had his blood frozen.

After his death in 1992, the daughter by his first marriage, as he had feared, challenged his will. Analysis from Ludwig's preserved blood proved that he was not her biological father. It was one of the rare cases at the time to rely on DNA analysis.

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Local gov't's call for safety programs with DST

The District of Mackenzie will support a request to the province by the City of Langford for expanded programs and funding to ensure safety for B.C. school children traveling to school in the dark this coming winter with the implementation of permanent Daylight Saving Time.

The move away from Standard Time in winter, announced by Premier Eby in March, will mean a later rise of daylight on winter mornings in B.C.

Quotes:

“If you want something said, ask a man;
if you want something done, ask a woman.”
-- Margaret Thatcher

Forestry is NOT a solution?

What might normally be a benign slogan adopted by Council of Forest Industries this spring for their 2026 campaign is receiving some pushback from unexpected corners, even in this diehard forestry town.

Members of council debated at length at their last meeting whether to endorse the slogan, given the industry losses Mackenzie has suffered despite having the largest timber supply area in the province.

Other council members commented on the loss also of provincial oversight of logging practices.

Council ultimately chose to support the campaign and the District will distribute the information on its communication channels.

See 'Forestry' over →

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Happy 60th, old girl!

Some facts:

- Mackenzie was incorporated as a municipality on May 19th, 1966
- BCFP Pulp Mill opened in June 1966
- Approximately 200 people lived in town that year
- Crysedale and Heather were the first streets to be laid out
- The population rose to ~ 1,000 by end of 1967

- TV viewers had one clear channel to watch in 1968: CKPG. There was a weekly typewritten and mimeographed news flyer: *The Mackenzie Mercury*.
- The golf course built its first four greens in 1972.
(* Mai Veemes' book for Mackenzie's 20th birthday states incorporation was in February of that year. It says May 19 was when the first town council was sworn in.)

 Conifex Mackenzie Forest Products Ltd. Forest Operation Map (FOM) Notice Mackenzie Natural Resource District	
Forest Licence:	A15385
FSP ID:	#488
FOM Name:	CFX-2026-02
Public Review Start Date:	2026-05-02
Public Review End Date:	2026-06-02
The proposed block and road development within this FOM(s) are valid for 3 years and may be relied upon to apply for cutting permits and road permits, to harvest a cutblock or construct a road.	
If you would like to comment on the FOM(s), you can do so during the dates above, and can be accessed at the following link (https://fom.nrs.gov.bc.ca/public/projects). To schedule an in person appointment, contact the forestry department by email or phone with the contact information.	
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WORD MORPH

Changing one letter at a time, turn the first word into the last word in 6 steps or fewer. Real words only!

C L U B

S T A R

Hint: the first step will require a transition word that has no matching letters to the final word.

COMMUNITY NOTES

MACKENZIE'S 60th ANNIVERSARY May 15 - 17 **Friday:** Burger Night Meet & Greet. **Sat:** Street Hockey Tournament 11 am - 4 pm; BBQ & live music starts @ noon. **Time Capsule Opening,** 1 pm; Dance w/ Tune Council 7 pm. **Sun:** Pancake Breakfast, Free Golf. *More info: QR code front page.*

CURL MACKENZIE will hold their Annual General Meeting and Election of two directors May 25th at 5 pm. Elks Lodge, 300B Osilinka Rd. All are welcome!

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SITE REPRESENTATIVE SERVICES

at Spruce Grove Townhouses and Autumn Lodge Mackenzie, B.C.



Negotiable Request for Proposal #1070-2627-007



British Columbia Housing Management Commission, (BC Housing), invites prospective Proponents to submit proposals for Site Representative Services for Spruce Grove Townhouses and Autumn Lodge in Mackenzie, BC.

The Proponents must provide information, documentation, references, rates, and should meet the following requirements:

- Ideally, a minimum of two (2) years of related Site Representative experience;
- Demonstrated ability in the performance of building maintenance and repairs, grounds, janitorial and custodial duties;
- Good communication skills, both written and oral;
- Ability to deal tactfully and effectively with the public, government agencies and tenants;
- Good organizational and administrative skills;
- Ownership or access to, suitable tools and equipment required to perform the duties;
- The Site Representative must hold a valid BC Drivers License and have their own safe, reliable vehicle;
- The Site Representative must have a working knowledge of the British Columbia Residential Tenancy Act.

Individual, contractor and employee(s) will be subject to a Criminal Records Review Act check.

NRFP documents can be obtained through BC BID at

https://bcbid.gov.bc.ca/page.aspx/en/rfp/request_browse_public or by email request to **Darcee Barnaby** at: dbarnaby@bchousing.org

Proposals must be submitted via email no later than June 8, 2026, 2:00 pm Pacific Time.

A Site Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, May 13, 2026 at 10:00 am** Pacific Time with Lindsey Antosko of BC Housing at: Spruce Grove Townhouses – 96 Stuart Drive, Mackenzie, BC. Please **RSVP by May 11, 2026** to northernregion@bchousing.org



WORD JUMBLE from last issue: Nine-letter word: **TURNTABLE**. **MAGIC SQUARE:** Top row: 2, 13. Bottom row: 10, 11, 5. **TRIVIA ANSWER:** A 50-cent piece and a nickel. The other is a nickel.

Why does daylight always need saving? Girl, get help.



'Enbridge Mack camp'...

workforce accommodation in Q1 2027, with occupancy of about 700 workers anticipated to begin in May 2027."

The camp is expected to operate during peak construction months through late 2027 or early 2028.

This summer's workforce will be staying in varied local accommodation.

'Forestry / solution'...

Former MLA for Prince George-Mackenzie Mike Morris has expressed his opposition in much stronger terms, stating that current B.C. forest practices present a "clear and present danger" to British Columbians and wildlife facing increased wildfires,

floods, habitat loss and drought as a result of heavy clearcut logging of recent decades.

Morris who, under the former BC Liberal government, lead a task force to study cumulative impacts of resource development on wildlife habitat stated in

a letter shared with municipal governments:

"The cumulative impacts from clearcutting close to 20 million hectares and building hundreds of thousands of kilometres of logging roads significantly eclipsed all other industries combined."

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Fun Facts:

The world's first webcam had a very mundane purpose.

Invented by three Cambridge University researchers in 1993 who wanted to remotely keep tabs on a coffee pot – and how much coffee it had left in it – without having to walk to the break room.

Live images of the pot were captured at regular intervals. The researchers shared the live feed over the internet, and it became one of the internet's earliest viral feeds.

